

West Ilsley News

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5pm on Monday 27th May



FIVE VOICES CHOIR CONCERT

Saturday, 8th June
At 7.30pm

All Saints' Church, West Ilsley

Concert programme will include well known songs from light opera & musicals, from Gilbert & Sullivan to Phantom of the Opera, so there is something for everyone.

Tickets: £15 includes a glass of wine

Book now: Suz 01635 281354

Rosanne 01635 280553

DIARY

MAY

11 th	Barn Dance at Folly Farm for Mencap
13 th	Parish Council annual assembly & AGM
15 th	Harrow Quiz night
24 th	Harrow Bubbles & Burgundy
30 th	Harrow Coffee morning

JUNE

8 th	Concert in the church
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JULY

5 th	Pre-fete dance
7 th	Fete

PRE FETE PARTY

FRIDAY 5 JULY 2013

You have already saved the date so here is the dress code. It's WIGS. The more outrageous and original the better! Further information with ticket application details will be distributed in May.

Help required to cut grass
fortnightly.

Tel: 281462.

WEST ILSLEY EASTER TENNIS COACHING, 8-10TH APRIL

The West Ilsley tennis season kicked off to an excellent start with 3 days of tennis coaching for children aged 7-16 years. The court had been given its spring "wake up" and Jeremy Wood, our tennis coach from Abingdon and Wantage came to run a 3 day Easter coaching programme. Each age group received coaching in small groups of up to 6 children for one hour. Forehands, backhands, volleys and serves were all practised and a total of 20 children took part.

For anyone interested in further coaching please feel free to contact Jeremy Wood on 07765 403669. West Ilsley Tennis Committee may consider running further group coaching in the summer.

West Ilsley tennis membership £45 for a family, single £25 and junior £20 per year. The court is open for use and is booked with an on line booking system available once membership has been purchased. You can also pay and play. For more details please contact Liz Dray on 281688. Alison Banks - West Ilsley Tennis Committee.

FETE NEWS

Could you all please save your broken, chipped or unwanted crockery for this year's crockery smashing stall.

The nearly new clothes stall will be back this year, so please save all your unwanted or unworn clothes, shoes, jewellery, hand bags & accessories.

The bric-a-brac stall needs all your old books, toys, home accessories etc. etc. for their ever so popular stall.

The produce show posters will be going up soon so keep your eyes peeled !!

Make sure your front gardens and hanging baskets are up to scratch this year. The judges will be sneaking around for a look a couple of weeks before the fete.

If anyone would like a stall at this years fete then please contact one of the committee.

As ever, we are on the hunt for raffle prizes, if any of you can donate prizes it will be GREATLY appreciated.

Potatoes are STILL available from The Harrow for the potato growing class in the produce show.

We will be having a children's fancy dress competition – theme is Disney Characters.

The dog show is growing & growing every year so don't forget to bring the pooches along and enter them on the day. Who will win Best In Show??

Could all of you lucky winners who won trophies please return them polished to The Harrow.

The bottle stall will be collecting bottles nearer the date of the fete, so please give generously. Any bottles such as wine, beer, sauces, bubble bath etc.

The committee : Hayley Watling, Jo Coles, Alan Bloor, Teri Muggeridge and Juliet Ryder.

And last but not least, on the day we rely hugely on volunteers to help run stalls, please let one of us know if you would like to help in any way. A few of the committee are retiring this year so new members please come forward! Your village fete needs you !!

LOOKING FOR SUMMER WORK MINDING CHILDREN:

Julie is a young French au pair girl, 22 years old, with fluent English who would be very interested to find a placement with a family in the area for the summer holidays. Available from June and

until September, Julie has extensive experience caring for young children. Julie can also introduce children to French, or speak with them in French if continued language support is required. Highly recommended by Elizabeth Messud of West Ilsley, Julie's references are available upon request, and Elizabeth can be reached on: messudefimov@yahoo.com for any further information.

EVERGREENS

On Thursday 16th May there will be a coach outing to Witney and Burford garden centre. The Coach will leave from outside West Ilsley church at 9.00 am. Members £10, non-members £12.50. Names to Julia Rockall on 281597

Please note the date: **West Ilsley Parish Council Annual** **Assembly** **And AGM**

Monday 13th May, WI Village Hall

7.30pm AGM followed by Parish

Assembly at 8pm

Parish Assembly

Come and hear all about the activities of the West Ilsley clubs and committees. Short presentations from each committee.

Annual General Meeting

Come and listen to the activities of the Parish Council and we welcome comment and contribution.



Highclere Country Fair

26th & 27th May 2013

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online**

TENNIS COURT

Please do get in touch if you would be interested in using the West Ilsley tennis court. Memberships are £45 for a family for the year, £25 for a single adult membership and £20 for a single junior membership. You can also pay and play at £5/hour. However, by taking out an annual membership you will gain access to the online booking system.

A plea to existing members. There are still a number of renewals outstanding. If you do not wish to take out a membership again this year please could you let me know (and I will stop harrassing you!).

Finally, a plea to the little people. Please could we ask you to refrain from kicking footballs against the front of the court (or indeed any side of the court). Whilst its great to see you having fun it is unfortunately weakening and bending the fence and your help in preserving its longevity would be greatly appreciated.

Liz Dray - Tennis membership - 281688.

CHURCH WAY

The Church Way community got together on Saturday to spread 33 tonnes of gravel on the road surface. Even the younger residents gave a helping hand.

The majority of the neighbourhood were involved, repairing potholes and spreading and levelling the gravel. With a couple of coffee breaks and with doughnuts and biscuits supplied, a good time was had by all.



Berkshire's Hospice Service for Children

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Aldworth Saturday Market will host a CHARITY STALL selling handmade knitted clothes for babies and children up to 8 years, plus craft items such as lavender bags and aprons on

SATURDAY 11th MAY 2013

Aldworth Village Hall (RG8 9SB)

Our market will also have foods and groceries and plants etc., plus refreshments and a friendly welcome!

9 a.m. to 12 noon

Details: 01635 578090

St Mary's Church Aldworth - Teas and Flowers!

Starting on 5th June, and until end of August, **Afternoon Teas** will be served **every WEDNESDAY** from 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. in St Mary's Church, Aldworth.

St Mary's is home to the amazing, and newly conserved, effigies known as "The Aldworth Giants".

A Flower Festival (theme "Tea and Cakes") runs over the weekend of **29th and 30th June** from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Morning Coffee will be served as well as Afternoon Teas with strawberries and cream! There will be a sale of plants, cards and books.

By June our new extension providing a kitchenette and disabled toilet will be ready! We hope you will be able to visit St Mary's this summer and THANK YOU to everyone who has helped us raise funds for both conservation and extension works.

Further details, or to arrange a group visit, from Lily Rennie 01635 578936

ALL SAINTS WEST ILSLEY

May Church Services

5 th	Family Communion	9.30am
12 th	BCP Communion	8.30am
19 th	*No service in West Ilsley	
26 th	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

Easter

It was lovely to see All Saints' so full on Easter Day, only partly due to the two baptisms that took place during the service. A big 'thank you' must go to those who helped with the service and church preparation and to those who made the church look so beautiful.

Concert in Church – Saturday 8th June

Come and listen to 'Five Voices', a local singing group, give a concert of well known songs from light opera and musicals, from Gilbert and Sullivan to Phantom of the Opera, to be held in All Saints' Church on Saturday, 8th June 2013 at 7.30pm.

Don't leave it too late to buy - tickets cost £15 and can be obtained from Rosanne on 280553 or Sue on 281354.

Contacts

If you have anyone or anything specific you would like mentioned in church prayers at services throughout the year, do speak to either Ian (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

WHAT'S ON AT THE HARROW



Every Friday night is Burger Night, come and try our famous homemade burgers !!

We know summer is just around the corner but don't forget about Pie Night, every Wednesday night !!

Hopefully the weather will keep improving and our fabulous BBQ'er will be back with a vengeance this summer !! We will keep you all in the know !!

Bank Holiday Sunday 5th May

BBQ & Beers

5pm onwards

We will be cooking his famous brai !!

Wednesday 15th May

Quiz Night 8pm

£2 each to enter

Guest Quiz Master, Giles Wilson-North!

Losing team gets a round on us, winning team gets half the takings of the quiz.

Book your tables NOW !!

Friday 24th May

Bubbles & Burgundy Evening

Wine tasting & 3 course meal

£40 per head

Neil will be here to talk you through the wines and bubbles you will be enjoying

Thursday 30th May

Coffee & Cake Morning

Come and try our homemade cakes over a coffee

10:30am till 12 noon

Enjoy some retail therapy with your coffee & cake. Ladies accessories, hand bags and jewellery. Come and browse !!



We are now serving homemade cakes, scones with jam & cream and cupcakes in

the afternoons. All day on Saturday's and Sunday's during the summer too.



Sunday 2 June 2013

Penn Meadow, East Ilsley

12noon to 4.30pm



***Craft tent *Kids' zone *Climbing wall *Go karts**

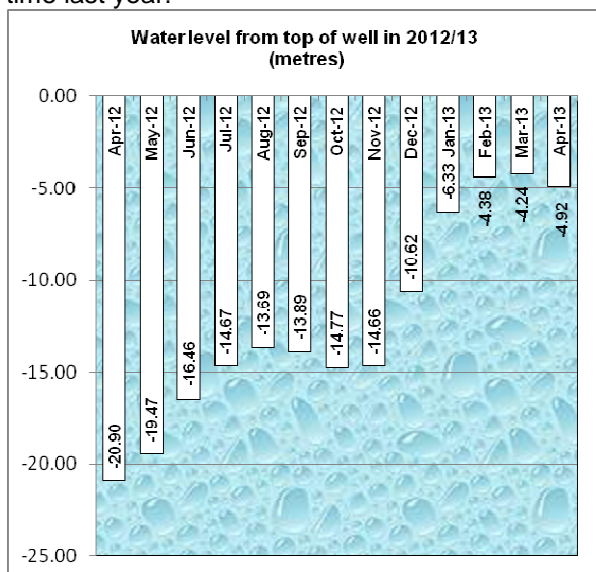
***Brass band *Dog show *Side shows**

***Grand raffle *Food and bar**

Free entry!

LATEST WELL READING

The water level is 52 feet higher than it was at this time last year!



PARISH PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

On Saturday 18th May

13th July

7th September

West Ilsley – Main Street - 1400/1430

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For tickets / further information please ring

01635 200696

Leckhampstead Fayre

13 July 2013



Come and join the fun on the village green
12.30 – 5pm

Competitions for all – Bonny baby, scarecrow,
baking & much more....

Entry forms available at the Stag or online

Vintage tractors, sheep, chickens & bee keeper
displays

Farm Shop & BBQ with local meat

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Crafts, cakes & sweet stalls

Children's activities area

Fun dog show

Dancing demonstrations

Football tournament, tractor pulling, welly wanging

See Leckhampstead.com/leckhampsteadfayre

Join our Facebook page [Leckhampsteadfayre](https://www.facebook.com/Leckhampsteadfayre)

CCB is running a **FREE day of workshops and
networking opportunities** for people who
have an interest in getting more involved with
their community, including:

Town and Parish Councillors and Clerks

Community Led Planning group members

Neighbourhood Planning Members

Or any Berkshire resident interested in getting
more involved in their local community

The event will be held on **Saturday the 18th of**

May at Theale Green Community School,

Theale from 9.45 a.m until 15:30 p.m

The Workshops will be on: **Community Rights,
Neighbourhood Planning, Funding
opportunities, Community Led Planning,
Involving your Community in Energy
Efficiency, Volunteer Recruitment, Data
Analysis, Project Management, Marketing
and Promotion.**

This is a very practical day that will 'tool' you up
for tackling projects in your community. Lunch
and refreshments will be provided.

please phone Tessa Hall on 07966 236408 or email: tessa.hall@ccberks.org.uk if you want any more info or wish to book a place

ILSLEY UNDER 5S

Finally now the warmer weather is appearing we are getting busier as the weeks go on. We have lots of new activities to try each week which all the children are really enjoying. Ilsley Under 5's is a well established parent and carer play group which in partnership with Surestart provides a great place to play in a friendly safe atmosphere and fun environment. We meet every week, most weeks of the year, in West Ilsley village hall between 10am and 11.30am. The children have a snack and drink half way through the session, with tea and coffee available for mums, dads and carers. Every week we offer a new activity table; painting, drawing, play dough etc, not forgetting the regular toys that are available and suit all ages of toddler or baby. We finish the session with a group sing along! If you are planning a party or event remember the small tables and chairs as well as our indoor and outdoor toys are available for hire throughout the year for a donation of £10. Please call Natasha 07502393842 or Rachel 281350 for more details.

THE 6 AND 6A BUS (NEWBURY - HERMITAGE/CHIEVELEY - ILSLEYS)

From 18 February, services 6 and 6A will be directly operated by Newbury and District bus company, under contract to West Berkshire Council.

There will be some timetable changes, which took effect from 18th February to allow more journeys to serve West Ilsley and also to provide an additional weekday journey to and from Harwell Campus.

The timetables are on both notice boards in the village. For more information you can contact Newbury and District 01635 33855 or West Berkshire Council 01635 519663.

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.

PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk:

Alison Banks - Alison@poplars.org.uk 281705

Chairman:

Sean Ryan - Sean.ryan@sunday-times.co.uk 281336

Jo Scriven - Jo.clifton@tynan-darcy.com 281405

Dries Hagen - dries.hagen@healthpml.com 281855

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John Mountford - jgmountford@btinternet.com 281703

Meeting dates for 2013:

May 13 th	Sept 9 th
July 8 th	Nov 11 th

WEST ILSLEY PARISH COUNCIL: PARISH ASSEMBLY - MAY 13, 8pm, VILLAGE HALL

There'll be a big village get-together on Monday, May 13, to discuss all sorts of things that matter to everyone in West Ilsley. Please make a note in your diary to come along to the village hall at 8pm to join our discussion.

The hall itself will be one of the topics. It's run into financial trouble. How should it be funded in future? Would you like to get involved in social events to raise money? Would you be willing to see your council tax go up to pay some of the bills? We need the views of as many people as possible to help us decide how to get the hall back on track.

We'll also be talking about some of the big issues highlighted by a questionnaire that went round a few months ago. The results will be sent to everyone before the meeting on May 13. The meeting will give you a chance to tell us how you feel about everything from speeding to the recreation ground and what needs to be done to sort out broadband, road gritting, housing and a host of other subjects.

One finding from the questionnaire is that more than half the people in West Ilsley say they'd be willing to work with groups in the village. We could do with extra people to help with the village hall and various other amenities and activities. Have you been thinking about whether you might want to get a bit more involved in village life? It's a great way to make friends as well as giving something back to the village. Come along on May 13 and let us know what you'd like to do or email me at sean.ryan@sunday-times.co.uk

Sean Ryan, Chairman, West Ilsley Parish Council

WHO TO CONTACT

VILLAGE HALL	
Ros Duckworth-Bookings-281471 rosduckworth@btinternet.com	
Rates: £10.00/hr Villagers £12/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.	
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hayleybird22@hotmail.co.uk

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I plan to hold training sessions for people on Tuesdays, starting at 5.30pm lasting for an approximately 90 minutes at Compton village hall. Sessions will be £4 for children and students, £5 for salaried adults, payable on the day to begin with. If you are interested, please contact me on 07503 719136 or mail me at Compton.dojo@gmail.com.
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