

Hawkesbury Parish News



EDITORIAL

Fiona writes:

Welcome to the February 2012 issue of Hawkesbury Parish News. Well, the cold snap finally arrived – out came the woolly hats and gloves received at Christmas, along with the de-icer and scrapers. At long last,

sunshine and crisp winter air and, even better, a mud-free dog! Unfortunately, at time of going to press, the dreaded fog and drizzle was back with a vengeance!

However, it's definitely worth remembering that once we reach mid February, sufficient weeks have passed since the shortest day that it becomes <u>really</u> noticeable that the daylight gets a little longer every day. It's time to get those seed catalogues out and start planning the veg patch for this year — and, of course, this year's show entries!

We have another packed issue for you, with a few pancake ideas for **Shrove Tuesday** on **February 21st**, gardening tips and a few jokes along the way. Not only that, there is village news aplenty and a varied selection of village events coming up, including the Hawkesbury Preschool **Table Top Sale** at the Village Hall on **Saturday 25th**, **Lent Lunches** beginning on **Thursday 23rd** and the **Diamond Jubilee Meeting** on **Wednesday 8th**.

Well what are you waiting for ...?

Deadline for copy for the March edition is 15th February 2012.

Please send it in as early as you can!





In Brief

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Latest date for all items for the March magazine is 15th February.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Next Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be on **Mon 6th February 2012**, **7.30pm** in the Village Hall.

Coffee Mornings

Coffee Mornings take place on Mondays from 10am - 11.30am.

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Friday 2nd March (7.30pm)

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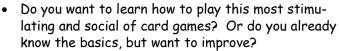
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2:30pm at the Village Hall

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Mandy 01454 261436



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Times & Dates

6th & 20th February 2012

Hawkesbury Village Hall 2.35 - 3.00 Hawkesbury War memorial 3.05 - 3.20 Hawkesbury Highfields 3.25 - 3.40



🖊 Diamond Jubilee Meeting 🎉



There are lots of ideas brewing for the Jubilee Celebrations over the celebratory weekend in June (3rd 4th 5th)
Please come along and share them.

Do we need to fundraise? A Beacon? Any thing else.

Hawkesbury Village Hall Wednesday 8th February 7.30 pm.

Village Hall AGM

in the Hall on

Monday 13th February 2012 at 7:30pm

and is open to anyone who wishes to attend.

Food and Drink Tasting Quiz Sat 29th September 2012



After School Club fundraiser



Pop the date in your diary.

Further details to come in a forthcoming issue of the Parish News.

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Hawkesbury CE VC Primary School February Newsletter 2012

The children are busy learning and having fun. The topics they are currently focusing on are:

Hawk class - South Africa

Swallow class - Awesome Outdoors

Robin & Wren classes - Food Glorious Food

Name the Gritter competition

Well done to Reuban Mockford who won the 'Name the Gritter' competition organised by South Gloucestershire Council. Our local gritter is now called 'Gritster' and will be visiting the school on Monday 23rd January to show the children the gritter and present a certificate. We have also won another scooter rack as a prize. Look out for Gritster on frosty days when it is out and about keeping our roads safe.

Staff update

We are pleased to welcome Marina Pogose onto the staff as our new cleaner.

Life bus

As part of the PSHE curriculum, the Life Bus will be visiting the school on Friday 27th January. It is an amazing interactive resource; topics covered include –how the body works, healthy diets and exercise, safe use of medicines, the risks of tobacco, alcohol and non-prescription drugs and emotional well-being including bullying.

Sure Start session for pre-school children

We will be holding a 'messy play' session for any children who are not yet at school on Tuesday 24th January in the school hall at 1.30. This for all children and toddlers under the age of 5, please let your friends know, they do not have to live in Hawkesbury to attend.

Sport and clubs

As usual, we have plenty of after school clubs and sporting activities going on which the children are enjoying taking part in. All the junior children are taking part in Zumba lessons run by Ish Hughes and Sara White, they are quite exhausted by the end of it. The final cross country race was held on Saturday 28th January, results to be announced. Hockey, ocarina, netball, football. Let's Get Cooking and orchestra clubs have just started with the children having a wonderful time learning new skills. We have also formed a small choir which Pauline Setterfield will be working with to teach a song which they will perform as part of a Sunday Service.

Louise Lewis — Headteacher

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This term the children at Hawkesbury Preschool have been continuing to explore the current theme of 'dark and light'. They have been busy making sparkling night sky pictures showing the moon and the stars, which have gone up on our wall display.

The children have also been learning about the lunar cycle and why the moon changes shape. They have also been talking together about things they do and don't like about the dark!

Also following our theme, preschool has had its first furry visitor this term in the shape of a chinchilla, which is a largely nocturnal animal. The children were fascinated to meet him and loved stroking his soft fur.

On the fundraising front, we are holding a Table Top Sale on the 25th February in the village hall from 10am - 12 noon. Tables are available from £5. Any offers of help on the day or cake donations would be gratefully received. Please look out for our ads for more details.

Finally, we are delighted to welcome several new starters this term; if you are interested in enrolling your child at Hawkesbury Preschool please contact one of our play leaders on 07989 484774, or email us at:

enquiries@hawkesburypreschool.org.uk

For more information on our preschool please take a look at our website:

www.hawkesburypreschool.org.uk

Hawkesbury After School Club



Monday to Thursday 2.30 to 6pm

All children from Hawkesbury and neighbouring schools are welcome to come along and enjoy our activities. We aim to provide quality childcare at an affordable price and to offer a place where children can play freely and interact socially in the care of trained playwork staff.

If you book regular sessions in advance the price is £9 for your first child and £6 for each sibling. If you would like to book your child in for a one off session, the cost is £10 per session for the first child with siblings costing £7. These sessions are subject to availability.

All sessions can be booked by either dropping in to a session and having a chat with Louisa, our senior playworker, calling the ASC mobile on 07527 224741 during club hours, or call the school office during school hours.

If you would like to know more about After School Club call me, Kim Anderson on 01454 238799 and I will be happy to help.

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NEWS FROM HAWKESBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA

February finds the PTA Committee completely immersed in the preparations for our biggest fundraiser of the year: the ever-popular **PTA Pledge Auction** which this year takes place on **Friday 2nd March at 7.30pm** in the Village Hall. Children, staff and parents have all been busy writing to organisations and individuals to request donations of pledges to be auctioned to raise funds for the school. These range from fabulous family days out and VIP trips to privileged places to practical home-grown promises such as an evening's ironing or babysitting. We can guarantee that the final list of lots will include something to appeal to everyone!

Incidentally, if you provide a service or business to the local community, making a pledge is a great way to promote it. If you'd like to make us an offer, we'd love to hear from you! In the meantime, please put the date in your diary and do come and join us for what is always a very entertaining evening. There's no admission fee, we'll ply you with free nibbles, and you can enjoy a drink from the bar which will be open for business all evening. You don't have to have a connection with the PTA or the school to come along, and we'd love to see some new faces on the night - so don't be shy, you'll be assured of a very warm welcome!

As ever, many thanks to everyone in the village who continues to support our fundraising. In the current economic climate, we need your help more than ever!

If you have any suggestions for future fundraising events that you'd like to see, please do not hesitate to contact the School or anyone on the PTA Committee.

Debbie Young, PTA Secretary

Tel 01454 238401 Email debbiehawkesbury@googlemail.com

BADMINTON VILLAGE CLUB

We are a members social club in the heart of the village but we are open to members from all the surrounding villages, including Hawkesbury. We have a skittle alley and nine teams in the Malmesbury and Tetbury Leagues. The skittle alley can be used by members for friendly games or charity fund raising events.

We also have a variety of live musicians to entertain us, as well as Bingo sessions and other charitable events. If interested you may come along and be signed in three times before making the decision to join. For more information ring 218267.

We have just celebrated our **centenary** in January and will be having a much bigger celebration on **Saturday 30th June** with a Street Fair, Fete Games, Stalls, Folk music and dance, and a Procession which will include the Wadworth Shire Horses and Dray from Devizes, a band, dancers, steam engine and the Beaufort horse-drawn fire engine from the early 1900's. More to be arranged.

DO YOU WANT TO RAISE FUNDS FOR YOUR GROUP OR CHARITY?

We are inviting local clubs and charities from the Hawkesbury area to run their own stall on this day. All money raised on your stall will be for your own charity.



We ask nothing in return only that the communities join together to make this a very special occasion, everyone has an enjoyable day and that local charity groups benefit from the day.

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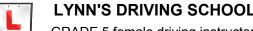
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'THE KING'S ENGLAND'

Joan Boulton, daughter of Geraldine and Ozzie Cox, found a book when her parents' old home, Carew Cottage, was being renovated. It is edited by Arthur Mee, and was published in 1940. It is one of a series entitled 'The King's England' which looks at the different counties of England and this one is about the villages and towns of Gloucestershire (including many which are now in the county of South Gloucestershire). Joan has kindly lent me the book and I thought you might like to read some of the entries. Arthur Mee died in 1943 and is best known for his Children's Encyclopaedias which ran to ten volumes. Although the book is now seventy years old, the writing seems to come from a much earlier century! Jenny Harris

HAWKESBURY

We remember it for two stories, but indeed it has much to see. The great monument of Hawkesbury calls to the traveller on the noble road from Bath to Gloucester, its gilt cross seen from afar. To every lover of quiet green ways the lovely lane to Hawkesbury church is an unforgettable delight, and the road to the monument takes us to one of the most inspiring viewpoints in the county.

We climb 144 steps to the top of the monument, a height of nearly 100 feet, and if the day is clear an awe-inspiring view of far horizons awaits us. We look over six counties. To the north lie the Malverns with all the lovely Vale of Gloucester in between; the silver gleams that draw our eyes westward are where the broadening Severn flows to the sea. Beyond are the dark slopes of the Forest of Dean, and behind these the hills and mountains of Wales. Then south west, the Bristol Channel begins, and Flat Holm looks like a sentinel guarding that ancient way to the waters. It is as if all this pastoral beauty takes us to its sheltered heart when at last we come down a lane to Saxon England and find the church, enshrining ten centuries of piety and craftsmanship. *To be continued*...

YATE

It lies in a bend of the River Frome, with a church made new in the reign of Henry VII, and little has happened since to rob it of its charm.

A very remarkable story

A remarkable story is told of a postman of Yate who was killed on the road in 1934 and lies buried in this churchyard. He was William Charles Dixon, who served in the Navy throughout the First World War and was with HMS India, one of the ships which went to the help of the Lusitania survivors. (The Lusitania was sunk by a German submarine off the coast of Ireland in 1915.) He dragged from the sea a woman who was drowning and brought her to a raft. The woman was anxious about the fate of her husband, and on being told that he was drowned, begged to be allowed to throw herself back into the sea. Mr Dixon restrained her and in conversation discovered that she was coming to England to visit her uncle. She herself was a native of New York, and this was her first visit to England. The particular object of her visit was to see the cottage in Yate where her father (Mr Shipp) was born.

Sitting in the lifeboat the brave man who had rescued this American lady (Mrs Nash) then amazed her by telling her that he lived in the village where her father was born and knew very well the cottage she was coming to see!

Hawkesbury Parish News - Local Project Funding

Is your society or organisation in need of funding?

Do you have an idea that could improve the village/parish?

Do you need help to fund a project that will benefit Hawkesbury?

If so, get in touch with the Parish News team and we may be able to help.

Currently, the revenue we raise from subscriptions and advertising just about covers the cost of producing the Parish News. However, we do have some accumulated funds, which we would like to use to assist projects of any size, which would be of benefit to the village.

For example, during 2011 we donated money to assist the Village Hall, the Royal Wedding Celebrations and the Hall Christmas Lights.

Therefore, if you think your project, organisation or society deserves our help in 2012, contact us at: parishnews@hawkesburyupton.com

Provide us with the following information:

- · Your name and contact details
- Your organisation
- The reason for the funding
- Details of how much you are aiming to obtain
- The benefits that your project/society/organisation will bring to the village

Closing date for applications is Friday 2nd March 2012.

As a team, we will consider all the applications received and hope to bring you news of our decisions in a forth-coming issue of the Parish News. Good luck!

Parish News — News



This month we are pleased to announce a new addition to the Parish News team. **Jill Bendeaux** has kindly agreed to take on the role of Advertising Co-ordinator for the Parish News and has already launched headlong into the busy task of the annual advertising renewals.

A huge thank you to **Sarah-Jayne Ainsworth** who has done an excellent job in the role for the past couple of years and has improved the organisation of the role immensely.

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In the absence of President Barbara Harvey, Wendy Weaver took the chair for the evening and we were pleased to learn that we will have use of Avon Federation's new gazebo for Hawkesbury Show for which we are already planning our show table.

The new year heralds a new and interesting programme. This includes a Willow Workshop inspired by Chris's Willow Weaving Course at Denmans last year.

Also a scrapbook is being planned as a worthy project for the Queen's Jubilee Year. It will incorporate a range of handicrafts and be something to which everyone can contribute. It was nice to have guests for the evening and a Beetle Drive followed which was good fun and got everyone mixing.

Flower of the month was won by Judy Chancellor with a Viburnum.

Diary Dates

7th February - Nia Dancing with Christine Davis
21st February - Snowdrop Walk to Newark Park
6th March - Birthday Party - The History of Punch & Judy with Sue and Pete Milsom.
Competition - A puppet, any size.

Visitors are always welcome at our meetings on the first Tuesday of the month, 7.30pm at the Village Hall. Betty Salthouse 01454 238410

Inglestone Common Scrub Management

A group of residents from Inglestone Common are undertaking some limited scrub clearance, in accordance with South Gloucestershire's Commons Scrub Management Plan.

There are 3 reasons that we are undertaking the work:-

- To maintain the grazing area which have been gradually reducing
- To enhance the wildlife habitats, especially for bats and nightingales
- Any firewood cut is being divided between the volunteers.

We are using power tools, for which all the operators are trained and carry appropriate insurance. The arisings are being burnt on site, as the work is being undertaken.

We are currently have approval to work on an area approximately mid way across Inglestone Common. Avon Wildlife Trust are working on improving various other areas. We can only clear scrub until Mid March, due to the start of the bird nesting season.

Any volunteers would be very welcome. There is plenty of work with hand tools or stoking the bonfire. If you are interested please contact Isobel Lloyd on 07592 294387 or by email on isobellloyd@hotmail.co.uk.

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TROWEL & ERROR

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Top 10 jobs to do in February.

- 1. Prepare vegetable seed beds, and sow some vegetables under cover.
- 2. Chit potato tubers.
- 3. Protect blossom on apricots, nectarines and peaches.
- 4. Net fruit and vegetable crops to keep the birds off.
- 5. Prune winter-flowering shrubs that have finished flowering.
- 6. Divide bulbs such as snowdrops, and plant those that need planting 'in the green'.
- 7. Prune Wisteria.
- 8. Prune hardy evergreen hedges and renovate overgrown deciduous hedges.
- 9. Prune conservatory climbers.
- 10. Cut back deciduous grasses left uncut over the winter.

Our next meeting is on Monday 27th February 2012 when Fiona Warin will talk about Allotments.

Vintners in the Hunter Valley area, which primarily produce Pinot Blanc, Pinot Noir, and Pinot Grigio wines, have developed a new hybrid grape that acts as an anti-diuretic. It is expected to reduce the number of trips older people have to make to the bathroom during the night. The new wine will be marketed as Pinot More.

If you are not a member but would like to hear a speaker that takes your fancy then come along as a guest – fee £2.50. For further information contact Terry Truebody on 01454 238364.



A BOOK, IS A BOOK, IS A BOOK

By Alan C.Porter

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It's a funny old world. I can remember going to the library to get a book out where now, with the age of Kindle technology, you can virtually carry a whole library in your pocket.

I'm all for progress, but it's taken all the fun out of reading. I much prefer the battered, dog-eared, bundle of pages with the creased cover that can be pulled from the pocket and read without the aid of batteries. It has qualities far beyond the electronic wizardry offered to today's readers.

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A year's supply of vegetables.("Practical Gardening" April 1938)

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The following table shows that, with a little forethought and judgement, and with the aid of a greenhouse, this is a comparatively simple matter.

Kind and variety	When to sow or plant	Distance between plants	Distance between rows	Ready for use
Artichoke(Jerusalem)	Plant Feb.to Mar.	1 ft.	3 ft.	Nov.to Mar
Asparagus	Plant in April	15 to 18in. 18 in.	May and June	
Bean (broad)	Nov. to April	6 to 9 in.	2 to3 ft.	June to Aug.
Bean (Dwarf french)	End of April	8 to 12 in.	18in.to 2ft.	All the year
Bean (Runner)	May and June	9 to 12 in. 3 feet	July to Oct.	
Beetroot	Mar to July	9in.	12 to 15in.	All the year
Broccoli	Mar.to May	2 ft.	2ft.	Sept.to June
Brussels Sprouts	Mar.and April	2ft.	3ft.	Nov. to Mar.
Cabbage(Spring-sown)	Mar to May	12 to 18in.	18to 24in.	All the year
Cabbage(Autumn-sown)	Early Aug.	12 to 24in.	18 to 24in.	
Carrots	Mar.to early Aug.	6 to 9in.	8 to 12in.	Aug to May
Cauliflower		•	•	•
Spring sown	Mar. to May	18 to 24in.	2to3ft.	June to Sep.
Autumn sown	Aug. to early Sep.	18in.	18in.	Sep to Dec.
Celery	Feb to March	6 to 9in.	4 ft.	Oct. to Feb.
Endive	April to Aug.	12 to 15in.	12 to 15in.	All the year
Kale	Mar to May	2 to 3 ft	2 to 3 ft.	Nov. to March
Leek	Feb. and Mar.	6 to 12in.	18in.	Nov. to Mar.
Lettuce	Mar to Sep.	9 to 12in.	12in.	All the year
Marrow	April to May	2ft.	5ft.	May to Oct.
Onion(winter)	Mar. to July	6in.	9 to 12in.	Sep to May
Onion(autumn)	August	6in.	9 to 12in.	June to Oct.
Parsley	Mar.and July	6 to 12in.	12in.	All the year
Parsnip	Feb.to Mar.	12in.	18in.	Nov. to Mar.
Peas(early)	Mar.to July	2in.	2ft.	June to Aug.
Peas(Maincrop)	Mar. to May	2in.	3 to 4ft.	July to Sep.
Peas(Late)	Apr to May	2in.	3 to 4ft	Aug to Nov
Potatoes (Early)		40 (40)	40 (27)	All al
Potatoes(maincrop)	- Mar to May	12 to 18in.	18 to 36in.	All the year
Salsify	Mar to May	9 to 12in.	15in.	Oct.to Mar.
Savoy	Mar.to May	12 to 24in.	12 to 24in.	Aug. to Mar.
Shallot	Mar.	9in.	9 to 12in.	July to Mar.
Spinach(summer)	Feb. to Mar.	9 to 12in.	12 to 15in.	June to Sep.
Spinach(winter)	July to Sep.	6in.	12 to 15in.	Oct.to Jan.
Spinach(perpetual)	April to July	6 to 8in.	12in.	July to Mar.
Swede	April to July	6 to 9in.	15in.	Oct. to Mar.
Turnip	April to Aug.	6 to 9in.	12 to 15in.	All the Year

Practical Gardening APRIL 1938

Brian Noble

Note

Whilst there are now many vegetable varieties not available in 1938 which can give a different slant on the gardening calendar, the above table gives a structure which could still have value.

Village Hall AGM

This will be held in the Hall on Monday 13th February 2012 at 7:45pm

and is open to anyone who wishes to attend.

Looking at the original Constitution from 1951 the Committee comprised representatives from the following Groups:Parish Council, WI, Mother's Union, School, Girl Guides & Youth Club, PCC, Congregational Chapel, Cricket Club, BUFFS, British Legion, Football Club, Show Committee and the Cycle Speedway Club.

It would be nice to have representatives from all the Village Groups once more. As you can appreciate the Hall is a very important part of Village life, and the more help we can obtain to keep it running, the better.

The committee meets on the 2nd Monday each month at 7:45pm in the upstairs room.

Mick Bendeaux has announced that he will be leaving the Committee this year so we would welcome anyone who would like to offer their services as Treasurer and/or Licensee. If you would like to discuss this prior to any commitment, please contact him on 238778 and he will outline just what the job entails.

News from the Hawkesbury Skate Park Appeal Committee:

Safer, Stronger and Closer to Our Goal!

We are delighted to announce that our bid for a £2,000 grant from South Gloucestershire Safer & Stronger Initiative Fund https://groups.southglos.gov.uk/connect.ti/CSandCESSG/grouphome has been successful, taking our total funds raised so far to a grand total of £14,395.

That's a great position of strength in which to start 2012!

Next up is a substantial bid to the Cory Environmental Trust http://www.coryenvironmental.co.uk/page/TrustFunding.htm.

The significant fundraising that we have already doing within our local community helps persuade generous funding bodies such as these that our project is worthwhile and well supported - so please do continue to support our ongoing fundraising too!

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(Members £1, Visitors £2)

Learn something about the ways in which children long before the age of television and computers entertained themselves; the games they invented and the toys they cherished. How many of our own toys would not look out of place 'yesterday'? Be prepared to wallow in nostalgia!

EVERGREENS SCHEDULE 2012

14th February Hoy

13th March Mystery Tour and a lunch

10th April Entertainment by Stuart and Peggy

8th May Trip to Salisbury, depart at 9.30

12th June Films with Helen and Arthur

10th July Visit to a garden and lunch out, to be confirmed

14th August "Movie Musical Magic" with Terry Merritt-Smith

11th September Trip to Lynton and Lynmouth, depart 9.30

9th October Harvest Celebration and auction, 2pm start

16th October Lunch out and a visit to Oakham Treasures

13th November "In my Auntie's Parlour" with Cyril Routley

11th December Christmas Lunch at the Beaufort Arms

Arrive from 12 eat at 1pm

8th January 2013 New Year's Party "Music through the decades, Alec *Arrive at 1.30 for a 2pm start*

Evergreens meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month

Entry £1 Raffle £1 for two tickets

Meetings in the hall start at 2.30 unless highlighted

Trips leave the Fox at 10am unless highlighted

If you would like to come along but need a lift just give me a ring

Mandy

01454 261436



The Children's Society

GOOD NEWS - Despite the current financial climate, our donations have increased by £3. Not a lot, but as they keep telling us on the supermarket adverts, 'every little helps'!

Our total for this year was £338 (plus some foreign coinage which will go to Cancer Research) and I would like to say a huge thank you to you all. Without your help, the society couldn't continue. Last year house boxes throughout the country raised around £2 million.

A special thank you must go to Ann & Neil at The Hawkesbury Shop for changing up the silver. It makes the banking so much easier!

If anyone would like a box, or to make a donation, please give me a ring on 238279.

Thank you all once again.

Gill Morgan

Helping children...who have run away

Courtney's story

Courtney is only 12 years old but has already been living in care for nearly half her life. She ran away from home when the person who should have been caring for her began abusing her.

She missed school and started mixing with older teenagers and adults. Within weeks she had entered a frightening world of sexual exploitation. It was only when she was referred to The Children's Society's Safe in the City project that the extent of the danger she was in was recognised. Courtney's project worker, Anna, realised how vulnerable and fragile she was. With Anna fighting Courtney's corner and working to ensure all other professionals were working as a team, Courtney has been relocated many miles outside of this area, in a home in a countryside location. Here she can get the emotional support she desperately needs away from the people who sought to harm and abuse her. There are many more children like Courtney who aren't **Thank you** getting this type of support.

Penny Nicholls, Director of Children and Young People at The Children's Society says:

"Too many children and young people are being sexually exploited in the shadows of society, groomed in secret by heartless gangs of sexual predators or bogus boyfriends who shower children with gifts and lure them to be horrifically exploited, sometimes for years on end."

Safe in the City projects

The Children's Society Safe in the City projects work with some of the hardest to reach young runaways. They offer one-to-one support with children like Courtney to look at their problems and come up with solutions.

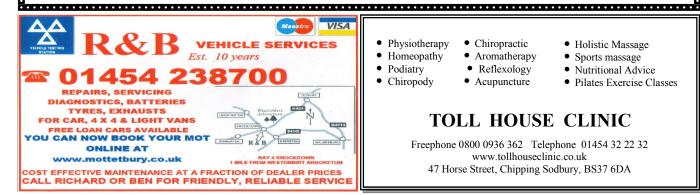
Your support through your box donations enables vital work, including helping children like Courtney to continue.

www.childrenssociety.org.uk

..... THANK YOU!!

On behalf of all the Evergreens I would like to say a very, very big thank you to Mandy for another lovely year at Evergreens. She works so very hard for us elderly people in Hawkesbury with all the nice coach trips and the parties, the meetings and everything else she does for us. What would we do without you, Mandy?

You bring so much pleasure to lots of old people, who otherwise would not go anywhere at all. Bless you Mandy. Ann Harris



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The Price of a Stamp

The mid-January cold snap finds us in search of an indoor venue for a family day out and we alight on the Bath Postal Museum. This tiny gem, tucked beneath the city's central Post Office, is packed with hands-on exhibits to nurture my daughter's brand-new hobby: stamp-collecting.

Living as we do in an old Post Office, we're naturally interested in the history of the postal service, now at risk of redundancy in our modern internet age. Surely it's only hope is the rise of online shopping.

Though an ardent emailer, I still get excited when a "proper" letter arrives in the post, handwritten and bearing a decorative stamp - a miniature work of art in its tiny perforated frame. To me, every stamp album is an art gallery for The Borrowers. An international stamp collection smacks of adventure, each small square of paper having travelled from far and wide before finding a home in your album. Philately is a great geography lesson and politically I find it very pleasing that the least powerful countries often produce the most stunning stamps.

The Postal Museum reveals that Laura is in good company. Celebrity stamp collectors have included King George V (his own profile must have featured on most of his collection, in those heady days of the British Empire), Franklin D Roosevelt, and, to our complete astonishment, Freddie Mercury, lead singer of Queen.

The man behind the museum shop's counter proudly regales us with the highlights of his own collecting career, including buying a stamp for £20 that he later sold for £600. He offers Laura lots of advice before realising that the conversation has been rather one way. Then he gives her an opportunity to speak.

"How long have you been collecting?" he asks.

She answers truthfully: "Since yesterday."

It's a conversation killer, but I realise there is one redeeming feature: we ordered her stamp collecting kit online and it arrived, very fittingly, by post.

Long live the stamp (and our village post office!)

Debbie Young

For more of Debbie's blog, visit www.youngbyname.wordpress.com)

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Mon 20th - Sat 25th Feb, daily, 9.30 am - 12.30 pm

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Christmas Postage Stamp Collections

A huge thank you to all those who have posted all the bags and envelopes of stamps through my door since Christmas. It has definitely kept the dog entertained!

Yet again, I have another considerable amount to take to Cornwall to pass onto the **Hearing Dogs** charity. They will be <u>very</u> gratefully received and used to raise vital funds.

If you are still collecting, please feel free to drop them off at any time, as they continue to collect them all year round.

Many thanks!

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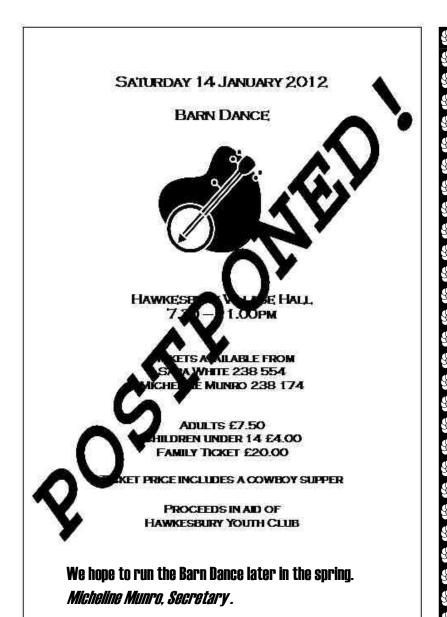
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Top Ten things only women understand 10. Why it's good to have ten pairs of black shoes. 9. The difference between cream, ivory and offwhite Cat's facial expressions. 7. Fat clothes. 6. A salad, diet drink and a fudge sundae is a balanced lunch. 5. Finding a designer outfit on a sale rail can be considered a peak life experience. 4. The inaccuracy of every bathroom scale ever made. 3. That pouring hot wax onto your skin and ripping hair out by the root is less scary than a spider. 2. Why a phone call between two women never lasts less than ten minutes Other women.

An appeal to parents and skateboarders

We have received several comments and worried appeals from villagers regarding youngsters on skateboards putting themselves and others at serious risk in the Sandpits and Birgage Rd area.

Numerous people have reported near misses with youngsters, who are lying on skateboards and launching themselves off pavements and verges into the road, often at dusk.

Many drivers turning into and out of Birgage Road have had to swerve to avoid them. Drivers reversing on Sandpits Lane have also nearly run over them, as they are lying at pavement/kerb level. People have been very shaken and shocked by the incidents.

At a time when fundraising for the skatepark is taking place, please can parents have a word and check where their children are using their skateboards, before something tragic happens?

It is also worth drivers exercising caution in the area and slowing down, especially when entering and leaving the village via Sandpits / Highfields Lane.

1ST HAWKESBURY GUIDES INVITE YOU TO THEIR FASHION SHOW FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS AND JUMBLE SALE SATURDAY 3RD MARCH HAWKESBURY VILLAGE HALL 10-10.30AM FASHION SHOW 10.30-11AM REFRESHMENTS 11AM-12 JUMBLE SALE AND STALLS



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ALL MONEY RAISED WILL GO TOWARDS OUR RESIDENTIAL WEEKEND AT FOXLEASE, HAMPSHIRE (OLYMPIC GAMES). IT COSTS £110 PER PERSON, BUT WE ARE ASKING PARENTS FOR £20 PER CHILD AND FUNDRAISING THE REST SO EVERYONE CAN GO-THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT! WATCH THE FASHION SHOW, ENJOY A CUPPA AND THEN FIND A BARGAIN AT OUR JUMBLE SALE-THERE WILL ALSO BE A CAKE STALL AND RAFFLE.

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CONTACT: LOUISE 238628 OR JANE 232993

A little girl said "Grandpa, can I sit on your lap?"

"Of course you can," her grandfather replied.

As she sat on his lap she said, "Grandpa, can you make a sound like a frog?"

"A sound like a frog? Well, I'm sure I could make a sound like a frog," said Grandpa.

The girl persisted, "Grandpa, will you please, please make a sound like a frog, then?"

Perplexed, her grandfather asked, "Sweetheart, why do you want me to make a sound like a frog?"

The little girl replied, "Because Mummy said that when you croak, we're all going to Florida!"

Hawkesbury Cricket Club

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February 4th/25th

Hawkesbury Village Hall

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3-4pm for 11/12 year olds

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Hawkesbury Stallions Football Club



February Fixtures

Date	Opponents	Venue	Kick-off	
4 th February	Stroud Imperial Reserves	The Rec	2.00pm	
11 th February	Randwick 3rds	Away	2.00pm	
18 th February	Alkerton Rangers Reserves	The Rec	2.00pm	
25 th February	Stratford Wanderers	The Rec	2.00pm	

Hawkesbury Cricket Club — 300 Club

Prize winners for December 2011

WIN	NUMBER	WINNER		
£100	188	Sandra Rouse		
£50 17		Mary Perks		
£50	10	Ricky Bezar		
£20	121	Laura Phillips		
£10	248	Phil Aubrey		
£5	124	Robert Owen		
£5	36	Derek Watts		
£5	£5 207 Lloyd Satchwel			
£5	271	Peter Sherry		

Prize winners for January 2012

WIN	NUMBER	WINNER
£50	291	Howard Lacy
£50	148	Sally Honeybourne
£20	335	Andrew Webb
£10	172	Harriet Drohan
£5	75	Mike Gardener
£5	39	Marlene Payne
£5	173	Joseph Drohan
£5	111	Andy Ward

To join the 300 club, please contact any member of the committee. The cost is just £1 per month. Each month two £50, one £20, one £10 and four £5 winners are drawn.

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Church Services in February 2012 For St. Mary's and the Methodist church

Date	Time	Service	Readers	Readings	Sidesmen
05th Feb	0945 am	Morning Praise Communion for	Ross Lawrence	Isaiah 40 v. 21 - end	A Craig
		Candlemass and Education Sunday	D Musty	1 Corinthians 9 v 16 - 23	
12th Feb	1000 am	Methodist Church Sunday School			
	6 pm	Evensong	M Bendry L White	Proverbs 8 v 1 + 22 - 31 John 1 v 1 - 14	P Bendry
19th Feb	0945 am	Morning Praise	T.B.A.		P Broad
26th Feb	1000 am	Methodist Church Sunday School			
	6 pm	B.C.P. Communion (1st Sunday in Lent)	M Gardener J Gardener	Gen 9 v 17 - 18 - 1 Peter 3 18 - end	H Rogers
04th March	0945 am	Morning Praise Communion - Baptism	T.B.A.	., 0.0. 0 .0 0	S Bishop
11th March	1000 am	Methodist Church Sunday School			
	6 pm	Evensong	M Bendry B Stephens	Exodus 20 v 1 - 17 John 2 v 13 - 22	M Davies

If you are unable to attend please telephone Linda Fairney: 01454 238553 Should you wish to speak to Revd. Alveen call: 01666 890 548

Church Cleaners:

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Lent Lunches

Lent lunches will start on Thursday 23rd February and run for 6 weeks.



Please would anyone wishing to help in any way contact me on 238657 - Mary Davies (see separate note re Advent Lunches)

A thought

Many things are a waste of time
But one thing that is surely worth while,
Is the joy that you bring to the people you meet
When you're wearing a beautiful smile!

Ann Harris



St Mary's Church News

Churchwardens Mrs Linda Fairney 238553 & Mrs Mary Davies 238657 Keys for cleaners/flowers/church sitters please contact Mary Davies 238657 if possible the day before to arrange for collection.



"But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy." 1 Peter 2: 9-10

It's that time of year once more when the Churchwardens and the Church Council have great pleasure in thanking everyone who has contributed to the running of the services and the maintenance of the church. So many people have helped in many different ways, according to their particular gifts and inclinations. We would particularly like to thank the Revd Alveen, who took over at a difficult time, with the retirement of the Revd Christopher Mulholland soon after her arrival, and all that is involved in appointing his successor

The church would be lost without the organists, sidesmen, treasurer, church cleaners, flower arrangers, church sitters, readers, and choir members. The help and assistance of all these people make the running of the Church go more smoothly. We would also like to thank Sir John Jenkinson for the use of the field for parking, Ricia and Michael Banther, and Jean & John Peckett. We are always grateful to the Friends of St Mary's for their continuing support in fundraising, but also in practical ways, such as tidying the churchyard. When Bishop Michael came to dedicate the windows and altar frontals, he told us that St Mary's is one of his top favourite churches in the diocese – praise indeed! And his comment reflects the hard work you have all put in to make St Mary's beautiful

Looking back to Christmas, it was a real pleasure to have so many people at the Light of the World service on Christmas Eve, and especially to listen to the performance by some of the children of two songs from Hosanna Rock. It was very enjoyable, an introduction in the true spirit of Christmas to the climax, the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem

We shall be celebrating Candlemas and Education Sunday jointly on 5 February at 9.45 am. Candlemas commemorates the visit of Mary and Joseph with the infant Jesus to the temple in Jerusalem, and the recognition of Jesus by Simeon as the Saviour of the world. To celebrate Education Sunday, the school is providing a choir, who have been practising some songs, and we look forward to hearing them sing

Towards the end of the month, Ash Wednesday marking the beginning of Lent is on 22 February, and Lent lunches start the following day, on Thursday 23 February in the Methodist schoolroom. As usual, we shall be looking for volunteers to help and to make soup

Dates for your diaries

5 February 9.45 am – Candlemas and Education Sunday

22 February - Ash Wednesday

23 February (Thursday) - Lent lunches begin

Jennifer Oldershaw

Additional church services

Please be aware that there will be the following Lent services.

22nd Feb. Ash Wednesday. 7.30pm

Starting 28th Feb. Every Tuesday, Lent Prayer Service 8.45am

Also thereafter, **Lent Discussion Group Wednesdays, 7.45 for 8.00pm**, At 2 The Tithe Barn.

Thank You!

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I would like to thank everyone who visited me, telephoned, sent cards and flowers, and helped me with shopping and ridiculous chores like putting on my socks, following hip replacement on 1 December.

It was heart-warming to know so many people were thinking of me. I am progressing well, and hope soon to be driving again.

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Jennifer Oldershaw

Friends of St Mary's

Forthcoming events for 2012

May 27th – AGM and Choral Evensong (date to be confirmed)

June 30th – Jazz at Church Farm House

August 25th - Show Day Pimms Tent

November 17th - The Gold Ball

Committee members please note that the date of the next meeting will be Saturday 24th March, 10.30am at The Tithe Barn.

Membership of the FOSM at the moment still costs only £5 per annum for single or £7.50 joint. Life membership is £100 (£150 joint). Contact treasurer Neil Fozard (238281) if you would like to join and help preserve our beautiful, historic church.

Pauline Setterfield

238307

Christmas Card Collection Boxes

Thank you to the Village Shop, the Post Office and the Beaufort Arms for displaying the Charity Boxes and cards during the month of December and to everyone who chose to make a donation to either The McMillan Nurses at Frenchay Ward or the NSPCC instead of sending Christmas cards to friends and family throughout the village.



It is always a rush on Christmas Eve to leave the boxes late enough for everyone who wish to participate to do so. They then have to be collected and the card lists taken to the editors of the magazine to be typed and printed in time to send them out with the January magazine. Also the money has to be counted and banked. The total collected for each charity has been displayed in Shop, Post Office and The Beaufort, however a further £66.82 was received after the cards were displayed.

Once again we managed to get every thing done, and so I say a big thank you to everyone who made this possible.

NSPCC £335.20 McMillan Nurses Frenchay Ward £513.56

Total raised £848.75

Included in this total is the money collected by the Carol Singers prior to and during the lighting of the tree and lights

Apologies

Sincere apologies go to Gill Morgan, who was somehow left off the Hawkesbury Christmas Card.

Her greetings were intended to reach you all, but were unfortunately missing.

It was almost certainly the fault of the dubication.

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PARK STREET, HAWKESBURY UPTON

Services for the month of February 2012

Sunday February 5th	10.30am	Speaker: Mr Mike Hawkins [C]
Sunday February 12th	10.30am	Speaker: Mr Brian Smith
Sunday February 19th	10.30am	Speaker: Rev. P Hopes
Sunday February 26th	10.30am	Speaker: Mr Robert Simpkins

Bethesda Adventurers meet each Sunday morning during the service

Tuesday 7th February 7.30pm – A Time of Praise and Worship Other Tuesdays at 7.30pm – Bible Study / Prayer

Thursdays 2.00pm PRAYER FOR REVIVAL EVERYONE WELCOME

Have you got a Bible in your home? Do you ever read it? Walter Scott wrote this.... "God's word – the Bible – is inspired, or God-breathed, in all its books and parts as originally written. It is our authority in all things, for all circumstances, and at all times. There is needed a generation who shall tremble at the word of God. It is life's chart, our guidance, our light, our moral safeguard. Thank God for the sacred volume!"

Surely this is such a generation! Paul writing his second letter to Timothy chapter 3 v.16 (NLT) "ALL scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realise what is wrong in our lives. It straightens us out and teaches us to do what is right"

Why not get the Bible off the shelf and read it for yourselves?

M. C. Coates (Chapel Secretary)

Dinah and I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards and telephone calls during and since my surgery – I have made good progress. Thank you all very much.

Mervyn C Coates



KLB Fashion Week—28th June 2012

Two sixth form students from Gloucestershire based Katharine Lady Berkeley's School have decided to host a Fashion week in order to raise money and awareness for the cancer charity, Tenovus.

Students Molly Chinner and Katie Howell came up with the inspiring idea to hold a fashion week over three days in the summer of 2012. Molly said 'Katie and I are so excited to be organising KLBs first Fashion week and we're really looking forward to the response from the local community.'

Students throughout Sixth Form have been presenting themselves forward to help with this huge event, and with the show creeping up on them it'll be tough. Katie said 'I am pleased to be a part of something so special like this charity work. It's so great to be helping those with cancer and I really want everyone to get involved'. Both Miss Chinner and Miss Howell have asked for the local communities support through donations, sponsorships and items of clothing that can be walked down the catwalk.

Companies such as Renishaw are already getting involved. If you wish to make a donation or a sponsorship please e-mail Katie and Molly on o5mchinner@klbschool.org.uk. – If you are a local business, don't forget to claim tax rebate for any charitable donations.

THE METHODIST CHURCH

BACK STREET, HAWKESBURY UPTON



Services for February 2012

Sunday February 5th 9.45am Morning Praise at St. Mary's

Sunday February 12th 10.00am Mrs J Clark

Sunday Club for children attending

Sunday February 19th 10.00am Rev Paul Edwards – Holy Communion

Sunday Club for children attending

Sunday February 26th 10.30am Joining with Bethesda

A very big thank you to all the very generous people who supported the **Advent Lunches**. A cheque for £170 was sent to the **BRI** for their **Heart Institute**, which as yet has not been acknowledged.

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The description of each creation day denounced the various gods worshiped by the pagans of Moses' day and declared that they were not gods at all—just creations of the one and only true and living God.

On day 1, gods of light and darkness are dismissed; day 2, gods of sea and sky; day 3, gods of earth and vegetation; day 4, sun, moon, and star gods; days 5 and 6, animal gods.

And finally, humans.

Even though all people are granted a divine likeness, they too are only created beings and must never be worshiped.

This account gives the foundation for Israel's covenant with God.

For example, why do the Ten Commandments prohibit the worship of other gods?

Because God alone is the maker of heaven and earth.

Why is murder wrong? Because human beings are created in God's image.

Let's make it our goal to get to know the true and living God.

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Saturday 28 January 4:30pm Sunday 05 February 2:00pm Saturday 11 February 4:30pm Sunday 19 February 2:00pm

Saturday 25 February 4:30pm

Resistance, Cert PG, 92 mins

(Amit Gupta, 2011) 1944: the Germans have invaded Britain and a group of women in an isolated Welsh village discover that all of the their husbands have mysteriously vanished. Counter-factual thriller starring Michael Sheen and Andrea Riseborough. "Beautiful and haunting" - Empire Full details http://www.wottoneph.co.uk/FS/Resistance.html

Thursday 02 February 2:00pm Saturday 04 February 7:45pm

The Help, Cert 12A, 146 mins

(Tate Taylor, 2011) In 1960's Mississippi, Skeeter (Emma Stone) sets out to write a book about the experiences of black maids working for white families, with explosive results. Based on the bestselling novel by Kathryn Stockett. "Heartfelt and hilarious" - Time Out Full details http://www.wottoneph.co.uk/FS/TheHelp.html

Friday 03 February 7:45pm Thursday 09 February 2:00pm

The Lady, Cert 12A, 132 mins

The true story of Burmese opposition leader and Nobel Peace Prize winner Aung San Suu Kyi (Michelle Yeoh), who was kept under house arrest for more than 10 years by the military government. Full details http://www.wottoneph.co.uk/FS/Lady.html

Sunday 29 January 7:45pm Wednesday 01 February 8:45pm Tuesday 07 February 7:45pm Thursday 09 February 7:45pm

Incendies (2010), Cert 15, 130 mins

When notary Lebel (Rémy Girard) sits down with Jeanne and Simon Marwan (Mélissa Désormeaux Poulin, Maxim Gaudette) to read them their mother Nawal's will (Lubna Azabal), the twins are stunned to receive a pair of envelopes – one for the father they thought was dead and another for a brother they didn't know existed.

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Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked, Cert U, 87 mins - 04 February

Iron Lady, Cert 12A, 105 mins - 10 February War Horse, Cert 12A, 146 mins - 17 February

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Family Event

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Westonbirt Concerts in 2012

Plan B - Sat 23 June

Tickets cost £32.00 (subject to booking fee)

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Just announced!

Tickets cost £36.50 (subject to booking fee)

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Saturday 11 February 2012 7.30 pm

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Various hotels, restaurants and cafes are signing up to the Health Fair and offering healthy dishes on their menus in the week commencing 26th March - see the Food page for more details.

There is also a fantastic raffle planned, raising money for Bath Neo-Natal Intensive Care Unit and enter the raffle to win one of more than £800 worth of prizes from a brand new Dyson to Golf for four at Castle Combe to Afternoon tea at Stanton Manor plus many other prizes including free McTimoney Chiropractic, organic vegetable boxes from the Duchy and swimming lessons with the renowned Mary Derrick plus many others.

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www.whodoyouthinkyouarelive.com

The Military Pavilion at the show will include 15 military museums representation, where expert specialists will help visitors with inquiries on matters relating to various regiments.

I will be visiting the history show at Olympia and may later decide to take an annual subscription for one of the websites like www.ancestry.co.uk or www.findmypast.co.uk

When I visit Olympia. I will take my copies of A Monument To Hawkesbury

'A Village Remembered' and A Monument To Hawkesbury 'The Next Generation'.

I am interested in tracing the history of my late grandparents from Hawkesbury Upton.

Thomas William Stinchcombe and Sarah Anne Stinchcombe nee Tandy.

I recently looked at the Hawkesbury Local History Society on internet and was pleased to see the 1911 Census of Hawkesbury taken Sunday 2nd April 1911.

My grandfather Thomas Stinchcombe 45, my grandmother Annie Stinchcombe 35, Mildred Stinchcombe 12 my late mother, my aunt Violet Stinchcombe 6, and my uncle Reggie Stinchcombe 1. All living then in Highfield Lane.

Thomas Stinchcombe was born on Sunday 16 July 1865 at Waterloo, Hawkesbury Upton.

Where is Waterloo situated in your village today? Any reply appreciated thank you.

Other village name on the 1911 census of interest to me was. Ernest Hopkins 29, lived in Back Street then. But I'm sure this was the Ernest Hopkins I knew during the 2nd world war 1939 - 45 when I was living with my Stinchcombe relatives, and used to go each Sunday to the Methodist Chapel in Back Street, where Ernest Hopkins was also there and sat on the right hand side. He lived then in the High Street in a house on the right hand side opposite Hewits Piece field. Any news about Ernest Hopkins in later years would be welcome.

On Friday 18th November 2011 at 8.00 pm in your Village Hall. Simon Bendry gave your Hawkesbury Local History Society members and visitors, an interesting talk about the lives of those men killed or missing in the 1914 - 18 war and in the 2nd World War, with the names commemorated on the Hawkesbury War Memorial. I was not at the presentation.

But I would be interested in contacting Simon Bendry to see if any information is available in print with further details and history about the good names of those commemorated on the war memorial.

I am a member of the National Service R.A.F. Association, and was in the Royal Air Force for three years from 1953 - 1956. My permanent station was at R.A.F. Watchet, Somerset.

During this time, a villager from Hawkesbury Upton, Ronald Thompson was in the R.A.F. Regiment for his 2 years National Service, and was at Watchet for his training. I knew Ronnie Thompson when I was living in Hawkesbury Upton and did see him a few times at Watchet, before he was posted elsewhere. We did travel to Hawkesbury together once for a weekend visit. Ronnie was an excellent football player for Hawkesbury Upton and also played football in the R.A.F. I would like to contact Ronnie after these many years. If someone knows where he now lives and can tell me. This would be welcome and appreciated.

Thank you Barrie Hope and colleagues of Hawkesbury Local History Society for your dedicated work in promoting Hawkesbury Upton on the internet. Much appreciated.

Best wishes. Douglas Sims 44 Tollards Road, Countess Wear, Exeter, Devon, EX2 6JJ.

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District Councillor Report

Broadband

Thank you to those who have already responded to the South Gloucestershire Council Broadband Survey. Please pass on to others - it is currently available from the frontpage of the homepage. www.southglos.gov.uk

The Cabinet agreed to work with Wiltshire Council & Swindon Borough Council on the joint project for delivering at least 2mb to all homes in the area. I don't think this is enough, and think we should be looking for much faster speeds for our areas.

This will not only help local businesses, but home workers and residents and have greater economic, social and environmental benefits. If you can help spread the word, and we can ensure all homeworkers respond, this will certainly help the case for Hawkesbury Upton.

Health

The Health Scrutiny Committee committed most of their January meeting to hearing from those unhappy about the Bristol Histopathology Report. The Chief Executive and Medical Director from the University Hospital, Bristol (BRI) attended the meeting to answer questions and queries raised by the whistle blowing group. The report is very critical of the culture and attitude of Histopathology work practices at the BRI and NBT (Frenchay & Southmead). The Select committee is yet to form its recommendations, which will be agreed at its March meeting.

Councillors are also carrying out a Review of Hospital Discharge for those over 60, and would be interested to hear about anyone's personal and or family experience. If you would like to contact me for further information, please give me a ring.

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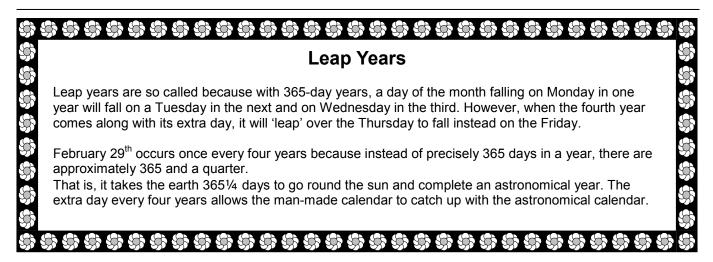
Informal consultation still taking place and I would be interested in hearing any comments.

The Core Strategy which now incorporates all the post submission changes is available for viewing on the Council website www.southglos.gov.uk Any formal representations can be made until the 17th February.

The next Frome Vale Area Forum will be on the 8th March at Chipping Sodbury Town Hall. The Area Grants will be decided and all are welcome to come along.

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During the meeting the following applications were discussed:

App. No.	Address Description		Comments
PK11/3634/F	' '	(Retrospective)	"No Objection"
PK11/0070/CLE	Flexor Farm Hawkesbury Hill Hawkesbury Badminton South Glos	Amended Description for Planning	application PK11/00720/CLE

Comments;

The following observations are additions to the last Email Hawkesbury Parish Council sent in October 2011.

The last animal movements Flexor Farm recorded were in 2009, hence up to then there had been agricultural compliance to the agricultural tie on the property. Even though the acreage of the holding is small, quality not quantity could be achieved. There has been agricultural business carried out up to 2009, Mr. Parsons in his statements has said he had pigs before sheep. There are many people who have two different types of jobs to pay the bills.

When a person retires and no longer works and they have been in agriculture for their working lives surely they can remain in their house, with the tie still on the property.

Hawkesbury Parish Council do not want to lose agricultural ties on dwellings as this makes it harder for our future generations to keep employed in the countryside and look after our landscape heritage.

PK11/3623/F	Winfield High Street Hawkesbury Upton	Creation of Vehicular access and hard standing	Take into consideration the neighbours comments. Car going out in forward gear-less of a hazard. In principle the Parish Council has no objection
PK11/3867/F	The Vicarage Church Lane Hawkesbury Badminton		Itural to mixed use of residential of horses. Erection of stable block, ection of single storey extension to

Comments

No Objection – However, the Parish Council would like to raise the following points;

This new development is adjacent to the cemetery and therefore will have a visual impact on the cemetery. In the proposed courtyard it would benefit with additional screening on top of the applicants side of their wall. There is a drainage issue in the cemetery –consideration to minimise the impact of the extra building. Storage of horse manual – seepage in the cemetery to be avoided.

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Withdrawn Applicati	ons			
PK11/3173/LB	Inglestone Farm, Chase Lane, Inglestone Common Badminton	Application to retain the works carried out for internal and external alterations including rendering additional stonework and alterations to doors and windows		

Dates for your Diary

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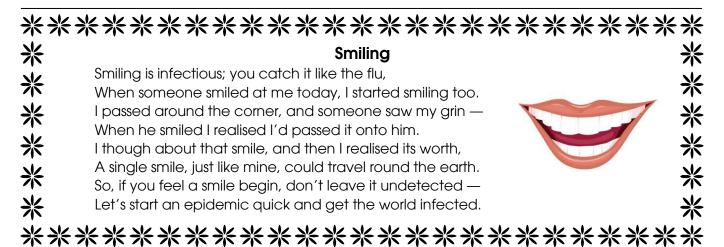
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Method:

- Sift the flour into a bowl. Make a well in the centre with the back of a spoon and break in the egg. Gradually whisk in the milk to make a thick batter, then add either the Spicy chicken or Lemon prawn pancake ingredients, with some salt and ground black pepper.
- Heat a little oil in a large frying pan. Using a large serving spoon, ladle the batter into the pan and cook one or two 12cm pancakes at a time, depending on the size of your pan.
- When bubbles appear on the surface, carefully flip each pancake over with a palette knife. Cook for a few minutes more until golden brown underneath, then set aside. Scatter each pancake with salad, top with ketchup or mayonnaise, then fold over and eat at once.

For lemon prawn pancakes

Add 50g cooked peeled prawns (thawed, if frozen), 4 spring onions, (remove the darker green ends, chop the rest) and the juice of ½ lemon.

Spicy chicken pancakes

Add 85g cooked chicken, very finely chopped, 1 tbsp Balti curry paste, the juice of ½ lemon and 25g thawed frozen peas, chopped.

Lemon Curd Crunch Pancakes

Makes 12 pancakes

Ingredients:

For the basic batter:

140g plain flour (this is about 200ml/7fl oz) 4 eggs (200ml/7fl oz) 200ml milk

For the pancakes:

50g butter, melted sunflower oil, for cooking

Plus: Lemon curd & meringue pieces

Method:

- To make the batter, tip the flour into a bowl and beat in the eggs until smooth. Gradually add the milk and carry on beating until the mix is completely lump-free.
- Now whisk in the melted butter. Place a pancake pan over a medium heat and wipe with oiled kitchen paper. Ladle some batter into the pan, tilting the pan to move the mix around the pan and pour off any excess. Cook for about 30 secs until golden, then flip over and cook on the other side.
- Pile up the pancakes. Spoon good-quality lemon curd over the pancakes, then top with crushed meringue pieces and a little crème fraîche.



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Youth and experience come together for Sodbury Jazz Festival

Sodbury Chamber of Commerce are delighted to present a fantastic evening of Jazz in the heart of Chipping Sodbury.

Introduced by BBC Radio Bristol's Richard Lewis, the concert will feature the celebrated dixieland clarinettist Pete Allen and the excellent young musicians that make up the South Gloucestershire Youth Jazz Orchestra.

Headlining the evening and accompanied by **Cass Caswell's Combo**, **Pete Allen** is regarded as one of Europe's most talented and exciting masters of the jazz clarinet. He was just a boy when he discovered jazz, attracted to the music of clarinet and soprano sax legends Ed Hall and Sidney Bechet.

Over the years he has appeared on many radio and television shows, both with his own band and as a solo artist. He is acknowledged worldwide and has played alongside many American jazz greats such as 'Peanuts' Hucko, Bud Freeman, Bob Wilbur, Marty Grosz and many more.

"We are very keen to involve young people locally in the jazz festival this year", said Chamber of Commerce Chair Mark Lloyd. "so the first concert, which includes the **South Gloucestershire Youth Jazz Orchestra**, will appeal to all young musicians."

The band regularly perform concerts and gigs under their director Roger Sansom, and have performed across the region as well as touring Europe. One of the exciting projects run by the Council's Music Service, 'SOGJO' will be taking part this spring in the regional festival in Cheltenham, which is part of the National Festival of Music for Youth.

The concert takes place on **10th March** at **Chipping Sodbury Baptist Church**.

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