

# Hawkesbury Parish News

#### **EDITORIAL**



Fiona writes:

Welcome to the July 2012 issue of Hawkesbury Parish News.

The last few weeks seem to have sped past in a blur. First the Diamond Jubilee celebrations, then the passage of the Olympic Torch throughout the UK, followed by the promising start by England in the Euro 2012 championships. I remain cautiously optimistic, although it may well be all over for us by the time you read this! Wimbledon and the Olympics now loom on the horizon and I'm sure the union flags will be out in force once again, along with the obligatory Pimms and strawberries, of course! Yum!

Despite the disappointing weather in recent weeks, I'm determined to make the most of the fact that it is now actually summer! After a visit to family in Cornwall last month, I returned laden with the most fantastic, early seasonal produce – baby broad beans, asparagus, new potatoes and strawberries. The garden is hopefully about to catch up, with the next swathe of fruit and veg well on the way (fingers crossed). As a result, the annual freezer clear-down is well underway. You really forget what great stuff is in there until you take the plunge and get routing! We've enjoyed risottos and soups in recent weeks, as well as slow-cooked casseroles, curries and pies (which are always good for those mystery parcels found in the darkest depths!). I even have a contents list now. Steady on — If I'm not careful, I'll be clearing out the garage next!

This month sees a great range of family entertainment, from the PTA Summer Fair on Saturday 15th July to the Cricket Club Rounders Day on Sunday 8th July. Get reading to find out more!

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Please send it in as early as you can!

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The next Parish Council meeting will be on **Mon 2nd July 2012**, **7.30pm** in the Village Hall.

#### **Coffee Mornings**

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

At Peggy Woffenden's house

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#### **Hawkesbury Primary School PTA**



#### **Summer Fair**

**Saturday 14th July** 

11am-2pm

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10th July 2012



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Mandy 01454 261436



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Hawkesbury Village Hall 2.35 - 3.00
Hawkesbury War memorial 3.05 - 3.20
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Hawkesbury Open Golf Society



## 23rd Annual Hawkesbury Open Golf Tournament



on Saturday 4th August 2012 at Cannons Court Golf Club

Breakfast at 8:30am
Tee off at 10am

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Hawkesbury Cricket Ground
Sunday 8th July

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## Hawkesbury CE VC Primary School July Newsletter 2012

#### Olympic fever

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With the local Cotswold schools the children have run an Olympic torch from school to school with a final event at Horton school where our Olympic ambassadors created our an Olympic Pledge to be read out at the beginning of each sporting event. Throughout the summer term the children will be taking part in track and field events, gymnastic competitions, swimming galas, para-olympic sports, orienteering events and team games. These will be held at schools throughout the county.

#### **Mini-Olympics**

Well done to Year 5 and 6 planned, organized and delivered a whole school mini-olympics. The children participated in events such as long jump, throwing the welly, tennis skills and javelin. They all had great fun.

#### **Fun Run**

Our Fun Run was very successful with approximately 100 runners taking part. This will hopefully become an annual event; a great promotion for the village of Hawkesbury. Thank you to all those people who worked hard to make it happen, in particular Shelly Callicott, Tracy Norris and Debbie Young.

#### **PTA Summer Fair**

The Summer Fair will be held on **Saturday 14th July** in the school grounds. It will be the usual mix of fun games and stalls, please come and support this.

#### **Sports Day**

This was a sporting festival with an academic twist. We started the day with a Sports Jamboree where volunteers talked to small groups of children about an aspect of a sport they are involved in. we had a triathelete, cyclist, runners, rugby player to name but a few. Hopefully this has inspired children to try different sports.

We followed this with the traditional Sports Day, comprising of competitive races. Parents and carers then stayed for a Family Picnic followed by an afternoon of writing. Adults joined us for a fun afternoon of writing inspired by our morning of sport. We created a lasting written souvenir of memories of the day. It was an opportunity for adults and children to write together.

Louise Lewis — Headteacher

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We have now entered the final few weeks at Hawkesbury Preschool before the summer holidays. With the Olympics at the forefront of our minds the children have been enjoying practising for their Sport's Day which will take place towards the end of term. For extra encouragement they will be visiting Sport's Day at Hawkesbury Primary School too.

Hawkesbury reception class will be dropping in to preschool in the coming weeks for another one of our planned play dates. The preschoolers will also be going over to big school for their first cooked school lunch and experiencing playtime in the school playground.

The Jubilee celebrations last month were a great success. The children loved dressing up as princes and princesses (as did our playleaders!) for our royal themed tea party. Some fantastic pictures were taken of all the fun, and are now displayed at preschool for all parents and carers to

Another reminder of our big fundraising event this term: Ice-cream Fridays! If it is not raining we will be selling ice cream cones (with optional flake) at the playground next to the village hall, from 2.30pm, every Friday until Wednesday 18th July (Last day of term) Please do come along to support us, it is always a very popular event!

Also please look out for our Family Supper Recipe Books AVAILBLE NOW! They are £3 each OR bargain special offer - two for £5!

There are very few places left at Hawkesbury Preschool for September. If you are interested in enrolling your child 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

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#### NEWS FROM HAWKESBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA

#### Thank You!

A huge thank you to everyone who made the first ever **Hawkesbury 5k** such a great success! The event attracted 125 runners, some from as far away as Caerphilly, including many people who had no connection with the school. Former British Olympic athlete Nick Rose led the race, presented the prizes and gamely posed for numerous photos, to the delight of the children who are studying the Olympics as this term's topic.

Many people worked very hard to make the event happen, doing everything from marshalling to tea-making to timing – all essential for a safe and civilised run! Details of winners and their times will be posted on the PTA website – as will a date for next year's event, as this is set to become an annual event! The race raised many hundreds of pounds for the school pool – we'll announce the exact amount when we've finished our sums!

Special thanks to our sponsors, **Renishaws** for £300 to cover our set-up and medal costs, to **Alderley Water** for a free bottle of their water for every finisher, to **Steve Green** for being official event photographer, and to **Nick Rose** and his running shop in Bristol, **Up and Running**, for generously providing spot prizes.

Some of the runners then had to sprint over to the Village Hall to set up for the next PTA event: the **Great British Ball**, scheduled for the evening. They are laying out the tables as I type this report and are looking forward to a very special night indeed.

#### **Summer Fair**

We're now on the home strait to the last PTA event of this school year: our ever-popular **Summer Fair**. This will take place in the school grounds on **Saturday 14th July** (11am-2pm). Do come along – everyone's welcome, even if they have no connection with the school. It's a great opportunity for September's new Reception children to get to know everyone too, and we look forward especially to welcoming them. Unfortunately the Water Walkers have let us down and won't be attending, BUT there will be an action-packed programme of stalls, games and events, culminating in Hawkesbury's favourite sport: **egg-catching!** Refreshments will be served throughout. If you would like to run a stall free of charge, let us know and we'll save you a space!

#### **AGM**

Finally, we have the first date of the Autumn Term for your diaries: our **Annual General Meeting** on Tuesday 18th September, 8pm. Venue details to be advised in the next issue. New parents are warmly invited and we look forward to making new friends.

For more information please visit our website: <u>www.hawkesburyprimaryschoolpta.com</u>

Debbie Young, PTA Secretary

Tel 01454 238401 Email debbiehawkesbury@googlemail.com

#### Welcome to the Parish news distribution team......Sara Couzins-Short.

Within a few hours of the June Parish News being delivered to households along High Street, Sara had volunteered to take over Pat Fisher's distribution area between The Beaufort Arms and the shop.



We would like to thank her very much for taking on this role and welcome her to the Parish News team.

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#### **Hawkesbury Youth Group**

#### AGM Tuesday 10 July 2012 - 8.30pm

#### Hawkesbury Village Hall

The Committee were very sad to hear that Mike Harvey is resigning as Treasurer at the AGM on 10 July. Mike has been involved with the Youth Group since it started, approx 15 years ago, and feels it is now time to 'hand over the purse strings'. Due to hard work and the successful fund-raising activities of the Youth Group over the past year, our finances are presently quite healthy.

Our Youth Leaders, Kath and Jackie, will also be retiring at the end of July. As a result we urgently need two new paid helpers to enable us to re-open in September.

The Hawkesbury Youth Group AGM is open to all - Parents, Carers, Youth Club Members; anyone in the Parish with an interest in the Youth Group will be welcome. New committee members would be more than welcome.

Please come along and support Hawkesbury Youth Group.

For further info contact Mark Frankcom (<u>markfrankcom@gmail.com</u>) on 07966 488 025 or Micheline Munro (<u>m-munro@hotmail.co.uk</u>) on 283 174. Thanks.

#### **Hawkesbury Show Raffle**

During the last few years, one of the prizes in the Grand Raffle at Hawkesbury Show has been a luxury food hamper. Claire Morgan very kindly organised this in previous years as part of the main raffle, by requesting donations from show committee members and villagers.



We'd like to do this again for the 2012 raffle.

Could you donate <u>just one</u> (non-perishable) item that would help to make up a luxury hamper? If you see something nice that's "buy one get one free", why not donate the free one towards the hamper?

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#### **Hawkesbury Theatrical Group**

Review of the year and annual general meeting

When 4<sup>th</sup> July 2012 at 8.15 pm

Where Methodist Hall, Hawkesbury Upton



#### To Review the old and plan for the coming new year

Dates are booked for productions in November and next Spring so we want **you** if you would like to be involved and your ideas. We are looking for actors and back stage crew and would welcome members both old and new.

There will be some light refreshments and maybe a few laughs too.

If you would like to be involved but can't make the meeting or have any questions, please call:

Alan Hemingway

238271 or Fiona Webb 238758



#### **Mary Beresford BEM**

The more sharp-eyed readers will have noted with pleasure that one of the Village's well-known members received an award in the Queen's Jubilee Birthday Honours List. Mary Beresford receives a British Empire Medal (BEM) for Services to the Community.

Mary has served the Village for well over twenty years and there is hardly a walk of village life which she has not touched. Meals on Wheels, WI, Drama Group, Youth Group, The Works have all benefited from Mary's enthusiasm and inspiration. Mary also served as Churchwarden at St Mary's church for over twelve years and worked tirelessly to keep the church well-kept, with fundraising activities and regular Flower Festivals. Most recently her efforts raised over £80,000 from generous members of the community for the re-furbishment of the leaded-light windows and the commissioning of the St Wulfstan window.

In addition to all this, Mary has carried out discreet pastoral work, visiting the sick and comforting the bereaved. Mary is currently studying for a readership at the Gloucester Diocese, so her work continues. Our congratulations go out to Mary and Gordon for this well-deserved honour.



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#### Hawkesbury & Horton W I

A very enjoyable Garden Meeting was hosted by Judy Chancellor during the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations. It was an occasion for hats and despite the mixed weather we were able to enjoy her lovely garden and appreciate all the work that went into keeping it that way.

Small groups are now going to meet to put the finishing touches to our Jubilee Scrapbook in good time for display at the Hawkesbury Show.

The Book Club is now reading a detective novel: "The Shape of Water" by Andrea Camilleri.

Congratulations go to member Mary Beresford who has been awarded the British Empire Medal for services to the community.

#### **Diary Dates**

3rd July - Underwater Treasure Hunting with John Clark

Competition - A Beachcombing Treasure.

Visitors are always welcome at our meetings on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Village hall.

August - No Meeting.

**Betty Salthouse 01454 238410** 



## Summer Walk Saturday 11th August 2012

Come and join us for another chance to enjoy the fabulous countryside around Hawkesbury. This time we return to Lower Woods. This is a walk of about 4 miles along the newly restored Littley Lower Trench alongside the Little Avon River and then through meadows with outstanding views, returning through the heart of Lower Woods Nature Reserve and along another less visited wooded stretch of the river.

The walk is taking place on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2012. If you want a lift to Lower Woods Lodge, please meet at the village hall car park at 10.00 am. Alternatively you can meet us a Lower Woods Lodge car park itself at 10.15 am for a 10.30 am start.

This walk can be muddy and there is one small stream crossing so wellingtons or walking boots are highly advised. Dogs are welcome.

If you would like to bring your own picnic, we can eat together after the walk and we will provide tea, coffee and squash.

If you would like to receive email notification of future walks, please contact Jane Jones on <a href="mailto:rightsofwaygroup@hawkesburyupton.com">rightsofwaygroup@hawkesburyupton.com</a> or telephone 01454 238633.



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## Hawkesbury Fun Run - Results

**Top 35 finishers** 

#### **Position Number Name Category Time**

Rose Nick Guest 18.56.26

1 32 Robson Geoff Adult - M 19.17.53 Gold Adult - Male

2 119 Stott David Adult - M 19.58.81 Silver Adult - Male

3 61 Ritchie Tom Adult - M 20.32.35 Bronze Adult - Male

4 35 Robson Gethin Senior 20.51.54 Gold Senior

5 122 Warren Simon Adult - M 21.45.21

6 63 Ritchie Graham Adult - M 21.56.64

7 115 Woodrow Malcolm Adult - M 23.39.83

8 124 Conway John Adult - M 24.14.94

9 79 Bleaken Thomas Adult - M 24.53.83

10 60 England Tom Senior 24.56.24 Silver Senior

11 6 Young Neil Adult - M 24.57.18

12 34 Robson William Adult - M 25.05.99

13 36 Jackman Ritchie Adult - M 25.14.53

14 102 Baxendine Thomas Senior 25.27.68 Bronze

Senior

15 105 Baxendine George Junior 25.32.46 Gold Junior

16 103 Baxendine Robert Adult - M 25.32.73

17 127 Thorp Benjamin Adult - M 25.49.26

18 65 Ritchie Joshua Senior 25.49.67

19 33 Robson Abigail Junior 26.21.40 Silver Junior

20 100 Vaughan Nigel Adult - M 26.24.45

21 114 Bates Ryan Senior 26.30.55

22 109 Webb Dominic Senior 26.30.96

23 53 Bayliss Ben Junior 26.35.41 Bronze Junior

24 52 Bayliss Jamie Adult - M 26.37.04

25 110 Webb Cameron Senior 26.59.12

26 99 Pacini Daniel Junior 27.33.35

27 98 Pacini Damian Adult - M 27.34.43

28 19 Williams Louise Adult - F 27.51.38 First Adult - Female (joint)

29 123 Mullins David Adult - M 28.06.90

30 80 Robinson Bryan Adult - M 28.17.79

31 81 Stukins Mia Junior 28.18.16

32 64 Ritchie Tracey Adult - F 28.32.67 First Adult -

Female (joint)

33 108 Webb Fiona Adult - F 28.32.74 Silver Adult Female

34 111 Woodrow Kate Adult - F 28.59.81 **Bronze Adult - Female** 

35 40 Theophilus Martin Adult - M 29.00.18

Well done to all who took part!

## The Secret World of Hawkesbury Upton

As I was running along the "Yellow Brick Road" in the first ever Hawkesbury 5K this morning, the lady next to me gasped with surprise.

"But it's lovely up here!" she said, as wistful as Alice peering through the tiny door into Wonderland's gardens.

"You should see it on a sunny day," I told her proudly, though not expecting one any time soon. "Then you would see both Severn Bridges."

When she looked as pleased as if I'd given her the password to a secret society, I realised that many people living nearby never discover our fabulous views, unless they are (dog)walkers or runners. They might recognise the village name from a roadsign, but if they've never taken that road, they have no idea what it's like.

If I hadn't got lost 21 years ago, this could have applied to me. While househunting between Bristol and Chipping Sodbury, we took the wrong turning for the M4. As we headed north on the A46, we spotted a signpost to the left indicating "Hawkesbury Upton". We'd never heard of it.

"That's a pretty name," I remarked. "That would look good on a change of address card."

We turned left. We had no estate agents' fliers for the village (there was no online searching in those days), but we thought we might spot some "For Sale" signs. And we did: outside a small stone cottage on France Lane.

"That would do us," said my husband. "Let's go and take a look."

We did, and we bought it, and the rest is history. And that is the story of how – neither a runner nor a walker in those days – I discovered the secret world of Hawkesbury Upton. The road sign is right - "Hawkesbury Upton: You'll never leave." But that's fine by me.

**Debbie Young** 

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TROWEL & ERROR

Meetings are held at 8pm on the 4th Monday of the month in the Methodist Hall in Back Street.

Our speaker for May was **Geof Hobson** who gave a talk on **Orchids for Beginners**. Orchid comes from the Greek word órkhis which literally means 'testicle' and there are more than 21,000 currently accepted species (of orchid). Most orchids that we are familiar with are of the 'epiphytic' variety which means that they have aerial roots that collect food and moisture from the water that runs over them.

Orchids are very susceptible to temperature and humidity and need a lot of attention in order to thrive. Geof once had a large orchid collection that was completely lost due to the heating system failing one night. Now he only keeps a few dozen plants on window cills inside his home.

Orchids do not require much in the form of nutrients and are planted in bark compost in pots mainly to stop the plants falling over and also to present the flowery and green bits in a tidy fashion. A common problem of keeping orchids in pots is that it is very easy to over-water them so that the plants effectively drown. Another reason for potting them is that most people do not have a 40 foot high tropical tree growing in their living room on which to attach their orchids so that the aerial roots can dangle free in a hot, humid atmosphere that is home to a flock of parrots that occasionally splash a liberal dose of poo on them. Not in Hawkesbury Upton anyway!

Apparently orchids only flower when one of two conditions are met, a) when they are 'happy' or b) when they sense that they are going to die and so feel the urge to reproduce. We know that feeling don't we guys? Our next meeting is on **Monday 23rd July** when we will be visiting members gardens in Hillesley.

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.



#### THROUGH A GLASS ROSILY

By Alan C.Porter



I can remember when the seasons behaved themselves. Spring was warm, Summer was hot, Autumn was mellow and Winter was ice-blue skies and a frost that would turn knees a startling shade of blue. A common sight then when all kids wore short trousers no matter the weather.

I don't remember great floods chasing people from their homes or destructive winds ripping the roofs from houses and uprooting trees. I do remember choking smog's that brought traffic to a halt, but all in all the seasons behaved themselves. I can remember summers full of hot sun and winters of snow.

Nowadays there is no guarantee of warmth or sun to cheer a prospective holidaymaker.

Factory holidays were always the first two weeks of August and that was when I was whisked off to the seaside by my parents for two weeks of sun and sand. Rainy days were never an option and never happened, or did they?

I think that on reflection one tends to see the past through rose tinted spectacles which leads to the inevitable starting gambit of, "when I was a lad. . ." etc and thereafter myth takes over from reality to leave the grandchildren in open-mouthed wonder that such magical times existed as outside their world is frustratingly one of grey skies, wind and rain.



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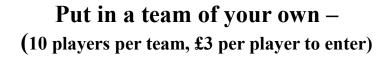
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Cricket club really need your support – please come along if only for a drink and some nibbles!

#### **Update for Hawkesbury Parish News Dated 13 June 2012**

#### The Fleece Inn, Hillesley

Following the article in last month's Parish News, a number of people from the village have joined with people from Hillesley and surrounding areas, including Wotton and Kingswood, to invest in the Hillesley Community Pub Ltd. Thank you to all of those who have come forward and contributed in the last month. We are delighted to tell you that a deal has now been agreed to buy the pub, securing it for the long term for the community. It will open on 27<sup>th</sup> July.

There is still an opportunity to contribute in saving this old, traditional English pub and run it as a social hub for the community. We have had approval from the government to use the Enterprise Investment Scheme whereby taxpayers who invest over £500 receive 30% tax relief so it ends up only costing you just over two thirds of your initial investment. If you would be interested, please contact nigelyaughan54@aol.co.uk to obtain more information.

Most importantly, visit the Fleece from the 27<sup>th</sup> July to sample our new community pub.

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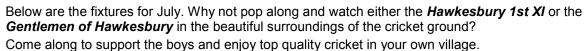
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## **Hawkesbury Cricket Club** — **July Fixtures**





Date	Team	Location	Versus	
1st July	Gentlemen of Hawkesbury	Away	Hillesley	
7th July	1st XI	Home	Avening & Cherrington	
8th July	Rounders Day!	Home		
14th July	1st XI	Away	Cirencester	
15th July	Gentlemen of Hawkesbury	Away	Staple Hill	
21st July	1st XI	Home	Haresfield	
28th July	1st XI	Away	Sheepscombe	

## Hawkesbury Cricket Club — 300 Club

#### **Prize winners for March**

WIN	NUMBER	WINNER
£50	129	Lara Webb
£50	111	Andy Ward
£20	301	Richard Bendry
£10	253	Barry Legon
£5	12	S&J White
£5	184	Jackie Crew
£5	278	Pauline Setterfield
£5	267	Adam Phillips

#### Prize winners for April

WIN	NUMBER	WINNER
£50	142	Chris Gardener
£50	197	Mary Chancellor
£20	114	Julian Round
£10	305	Anne Elliott
£5	216	Carol Osborne
£5	75	Mike Gardener
£5	267	Adam Phillips
£5	194	Rick Deniff

#### **Prize winners for May**

WIN	NUMBER	WINNER
£50	305	Anne Elliott
£50	253	Barry Legon
£20	24	Chris Rispin
£10	202	Gillian Oliver
£5	41	Michael Bleaken
£5	159	Joyce Eamer
£5	45	Janet Porter
£5	249	Tina Perks

#### **Prize winners for June**

WIN	NUMBER	WINNER
£50	44	Nicki Boulton
£50	148	Sophie Honeybourne
£20	2	Mark East
£10	49	Kath Harkness
£5	164	Sally Honeybourne
£5	113	Terry Truebody
£5	24	Chris Rispin
£5	231	Richard Tyson

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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#### Hawkesbury Summer Skittles League — The results so far...

#### **Summer Skittles 2012**

#### League tables

	<u>Played</u>		<u>Points</u>		<u>Won</u>	<u>Draw</u>	<u>Lost</u>
Cream Teas	5		76		4		1
Rats Pack	4		68		3	1	
Hillbillies	5		58		2	1	2
Old Foxes	5		58		2	1	2
Hornets	5		45		1	1	3
Beaufort Pingers	5		45		2	1	2
Brats	4		38		2		2
Winkers	4		38		1		3
Spooners	5		36		1	1	3

#### **Highest score - Gent**

Pete Roberts 48

#### **Highest score - Lady**

Pauline Scrivens 47

#### **Highest spare - Gent**

Nick Hill 16

#### **Highest spare - Lady**

Pauline Scrivens 14

#### **Highest Leg score - The Percy Watts Cup**

Winkers 65 Old Foxes

#### **Highest Pins total - The Pete Huxford Trophy**

Winkers 317

#### Results

		Points	Pins				Points	Pins	3
June.11	Cream Teas	18	296	21	V	Hornets	4	281	26
June.12	Old Foxes	12	263	23	V	Spooners	10	263	29
June.13	Winkers	6	285	21	٧	Beaufort Pingers	16	292	23
June.14	Rats Pack	11	287	30	٧	Hillbillies	11	287	25

Very unusual, 2 drawn games this week, Hillbillies coming back from 22 pins behind to share the points

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#### Hawkesbury Summer Skittles League Fixtures — July 2012

July 2nd	3 v 7	4 v 10	6 v 2	8 v 1	8:30
					7:45
July 9th					9:00
		2 v 1	5 v 8		8:30
July 16th	1 v 3	2 v 7	10 v 6	5 v 4	8:30
July 23rd	1 v 2		10 v 7		8:30
		6 v 5		8 v 4	9:00
July 30th		•	10 v 8	3 v 5	8:30
	6 v 1	4 v 2			9:00

Team	Name
1	Cream Teas
2	Beaufort Pingers
3	Rats Pack
4	Old Foxes
5	Hornets
6	Brats
7	Spooners
8	Winkers
10	Hillbillies

#### The Roper Trophyette

Spooners	5	136
Hillbillies	5	120
Rats Pack	4	113
Old Foxes	5	110
Hornets	5	108
Winkers	4	107
Cream Teas	5	105
Beaufort Pingers	5	98
Brats	4	85

## The 4 Door Challenge

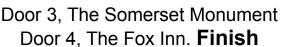
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## <u>Euro 2012 Competition —</u> Result

1<sup>st</sup> Tim Pearce 23 points 2<sup>nd=</sup> Howard Bradley 19 points 2<sup>nd=</sup> Terry Tripp 19 points

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Another classic report from Hawkesbury Cricket Clubs roving reporter Ed Riddington:

## VINTAGE ROBERTS, BUT THE GENTS NOT ON THE RIGHT WAVELENGTH

Unwrapping a new pair of cricket boots, I was greeted with the following words: 'As cricketers raise the bar in their athletic performance, it is essential that their footwear evolves to meet the challenges that they face.' It was probably the first - and most likely the last - time that a Gentleman of Hawkesbury had been addressed as an athlete. As for meeting challenges, could the boots seriously improve on our 'annus horribilis' of 2011, when we played 11 and lost the lot? Feeling like a true athlete, I put on a pedometer to measure the distance travelled in our quest for a first victory in 20 months.

Under clear blue skies, the Gentlemen welcomed two new faces to the fold: Peter Roberts and Sean Hopson, who was playing his first match in 18 summers. Hillesley had the luxury of batting first, as temperatures soared into the late 20s. Joss White got the Gents off to a flying start with an early wicket and Joss Beeley, bowling quicker and flatter than before, made further inroads into the Hillesley lineup. Barry Wright, back from 3 months of skiing, replaced White at the pavilion end. His first over was decidedly off piste, but his next six confirmed what a promising young talent he really is. Beeley continued his early form to take two wickets in two balls, his hat-trick delivery presenting a fast and challenging slip catch that was sadly dropped. Howard Bradley and Adam Hanney bowled seven overs of spin as Hillesley prepared for their final onslaught.

Hawkesbury's fielding helped limit their progress in the second half, with James Rich and Hopson saving a number of runs on both sides of the wicket. Dean Simmonds put on another fine display behind the stumps, demonstrating his extraordinary talent of stopping the ball with his biceps, ankles and chest. Remarkably, the Gentlemen managed to bowl their opponents out with one and a half overs to spare: a promising start to the summer if ever there was one.

A sumptuous tea was provided by Sara White and Katy Riddington. Sipping their cuppas on the sundrenched outfield, the Gents debated their chances of mustering the 187 runs needed for victory.

Roberts and Bradley opened our innings and the runs instantly flowed. With 20 on the board off just 3 overs, Bradley became the first of Andy Starling's three victims. Martyn Foster was out cheaply, sparking a mini collapse that reduced the Gents to 55 for 3. What was really needed was a true captain's knock, but Simmonds felt otherwise, and, when James Rich lofted a drive to the covers, we were 77 for 5. A spirited fight back followed as White joined Roberts at the wicket. Roberts, dropped twice, played some impressive drives and pulls on his way to a fifty on his team debut, an achievement acknowledged by the team when he had reached 69. Once White was bowled, Beeley soon followed, although his cause of dismissal remains unclear. The umpires thought he was either stumped or caught, and the scorer put him down as bowled. Either way, it was agreed that he had to go. Wickets continued to tumble, including Roberts for 75, leaving Ed Riddington and Wright with the unenviable task of scoring 63 for victory in the final 6 overs. They managed 37, leaving Hillesley victors by 25 runs.

The game had been played in good spirit and was worth every one of the 13,002 paces that the pedometer had recorded. Although disappointed by the defeat, the Gents enjoyed an hour or two at the Beaufort, where they were treated to a jug of beer bought by one of their own team for scoring a lot of runs. This is believed to be the first recorded instance of a jug bought by a Gent since Josiah Gardener the Younger's celebratory goblet of mead back in 1678.

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#### 'The Gentlemen of Hawkesbury'

Another masterpiece from our roving cricket commentator Ed Riddington. Pity, his cricket isn't up to the same standard!!

#### WATERS FLOWS FREELY, PUTTING DAMPENER ON EVENING

If a lesson could be learned from this match, it would be that the Gents should never play two matches quickly in succession at the start of the season. Many of Sunday's line up elected to rest at home, nursing aching bones and muscles, whilst the few survivors braced themselves to stagger onto the pitch with the same mobility as Talos, the bronze Titan last seen creaking around an island in *Jason and the Argonauts*. Our opponents for this lively 20-20 contest were a considerably more sprightly-looking Old Sodbury.

The sight of a home umpire raising his finger to send one of his opening batsmen back to the pavilion is generally a cause for both optimism and celebration. And so it was, when Ed Riddington trapped the Old Sodbury opener leg before in the third over. Sadly, the umpire had little cause to raise his finger for the rest of the innings. Old Sodbury's number 3 batsman, Waters, was not in the mood for letting the ball hit his pads, or anywhere else for that matter. Instead, the ball found the middle of his bat with unerring accuracy. Boundary fielders, like explorers in the Amazon rainforest, spent much of their evening wading through waist-deep vegetation, in a quest to find the poor ball, which took a considerable thumping. Dean Simmonds added to his bruise collection, by bravely - or foolishly - stopping four overthrows with his shin. Chris Field and George Roberts both found the going tough as they came on to bowl with Waters in full flow. David Pierce had the ill-fortune of being driven for six over extra cover as the number three sped towards a hundred. Will Carr and Adam Hanney bowled four tidy overs towards the end of the innings, but the damage had already been done: Old Sodbury had amassed a huge total of 176 for 3.

The Gents needed to pull something out of the hat to win this match and Simmonds had a master plan. Deliberately taking an eternity to put on his pads and gloves, the sun was well on the way to setting by the time the captain took guard. The plan worked: the fielders struggled to spot the ball. There was only one flaw: the batsmen couldn't see it either. Simmonds fell for 7, Pierce didn't score and Tom Watkins, who had kept well in the first half, also fell for a duck. Martyn Foster struggled to connect with the ball in his usual manner and, when Joss Beeley was out for 7, the score was 56 for 5. Roberts jnr restored our pride with an impressive, orthodox 38. He raised 50 for the sixth wicket with the help of Riddington, who made a spirited unbeaten 28. Our innings closed on 112, some 64 runs adrift.

This completed 13 defeats in a row for the Gents. As the beer flowed at the Major's Retreat, it was concluded that one of us should try and get hold of Tim Bresnan's telephone number.

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## Hawkesbury Diamond Jubilee Celebrations



#### Hawkesbury Diamond Jubilee Celebrations.....

#### **Best Decorated House**

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#### **Crown Competition**

Pre-School winner-Francis Hopson Primary School winner-Archie Dangerfield Secondary School winner-Megan Weston Post School/Adult winner-Doris Chappell Thank you Betty for Judging

And now for the Thank Yous....in no particular order-apologies if I've missed anyone off the list-you know who you are, so Thank You!

Marina, for tidying up the hall for each event.

Danielle and Harriet for face painting.

Danielle, Barbara, Seraphina and Jenny for invitation delivery.

Fiona and the parish news team for organising the Place Setting competition and to Di and Sue for judging it.

The Afternoon Tea team-Kath, Jackie, Fiona, Seraphina and Sue, Brian and Jenny for sorting out the wonderful slide show and Dinah for, as usual, delicious cakes.

Thank you to everyone who made a cake/cakes for The Crown of Cakes (which were then served up on Monday and Tuesday) and for the 'Super Scone Bakers'.

The Hall Committee not only waived the hall charges for the events, but also ran an excellent bar/ Pimms bar (and shelter from the rain with their gazebos) – I think it is sometimes forgotten that the Hall is run by volunteers-well done folks!

The Nickells family who put up the bunting.

Nicky Robson for organising the games and Dave Anderson for the egg catching.

Debbie who organised the Corgi Hunt and well done to William Watson who won it.

The School for the lovely bunting, poems and flags that decorated the hall and the PTA for the Queen pictures.

The Brownies for the Queen's heads, Rainbows for the Queen's knickers (!!) and the Pre School for the great potato print bunting.

#### Louise

#### An additional thank you!

On behalf of everyone who attended the Jubilee celebrations, a **HUGE** thank you to **Louise**, who seemed to be constantly on the go, ensuring that there was something for everyone over the entire holiday weekend - from screenings of the royal events (thanks Greg for providing the TV!), games, competitions, cakes and teas, and a warm welcome to everyone.

A further thank you to all those who turned up both to help and to take part - despite the rain.

#### **Diamond Jubilee Place Setting Competition**

Under 10 category winner-Lottie McGrath 16 to 116 category winner-Joan Yuill Runner up-Anne Harris

Thank you to Di Noble and Sue Bennett for judging the handful of stunning entries.

#### **Fiona**

We hope the photos (opposite) capture the spirit of the Diamond Jubilee weekend!

#### Our Trip to Buckingham Palace Garden Party on 29th May 2012

Apologies if you look at this and think, 'Oh No! Here she goes again!!'-but I did warn you! For those of you who haven't heard about the day, and are interested...

I was nominated by a couple of people, that I know of, Antony Merritt and Sue Hope, but the first I really knew about it was when the invite dropped through the letterbox-I saw the Buckingham Palace stamp, but assumed it was a thank you letter to the Rainbows who had recently sent a Birthday Card to the Queen.

I cannot tell you how excited I was, and especially pleased that Greg, my very supportive and mostly patient husband, could come with me.

So after a frantic couple of weeks finding the right outfit (at one point Greg suggested he could have saved a fortune if I had worn my Guide uniform!!)...along with matching accessories(!), the big day finally arrived, and off we set...in the sunshine!

We decided that, as were sent a car park pass to park on The Mall, we just had to drive-how posh is that-definitely not an opportunity to be missed!

We arrived in London, and even as we were approaching, we could see people walking in the Palace direction in full uniform, morning coats, wonderful outfits-there was a real buzz in the air.

We had our photograph taken outside the Palace gates by a very nice security man and then we finally headed through the gate-it was a very strange feeling to become part of a tourist attraction, with people trying to guess who we were and why we were going in.

We were ushered into the inner courtyard and then realised that we would be walking in through the Palace-Greg and I were nudging each other like a couple of over-excited school children.

So up the red carpeted steps we went, welcomed in by very friendly 'doormen' in wonderful uniform.

We walked through 2 reception rooms, all ornately decorated with beautiful oil paintings, marble statues and china, until ahead of us we could see the terrace that led out into the garden.

As we stood there, looking out over a sea of hats, green and white marquis and the colours were just amazing, I

had a reminder of the film 'My Fair Lady', when Eliza walked out at the races and all you could see was a sea of beautiful outfits and hats! We walked down the steps, onto the lawn, and decided to head for the Tea Tent-we had about half an hour before the Queen would appear on the terrace.

The food was absolutely beautiful-not only to eat, but to look at too. This is what we had (1st time round!!)

Me-egg sandwiches on brown, cucumber and mint on white, victoria sponge, a small chocolate ganache cake with gold crown and a cup of tea.

Greg-cucumber and mint on white, ham and mustard, tuna mayonnaise, egg and a smoked salmon tartlet, followed by lemon curd cake and a cup of tea.

We then made our way to line the path ready for the arrival of the Queen, who was also accompanied by Philip, Charles, Camilla, Kate, Anne, Edward. Sophie and the Duke and Duchess of Kent.

They stood on the terrace, the same one we had, while the National Anthem was played, before heading down amongst the people towards the Royal Tea Tent certain people were selected to speak to the Queen as she passed-I could have reached out and touched her, she was that close, and I couldn't help notice, not only how tiny she was, but also how amazing she looked.



Greg and I then decided to have a wander round the gardens, along with a little tub of Marshfield ice cream which was handed to us as we passed by.

It was at this point that Greg almost disowned me, when I decided to pick 12 daisies for the Rainbows, as I had promised to bring them back a souvenir (also 1 for myself and 1 for a friend)-once they were safely ensconced in my bag we carried on-it was a lovely atmosphere, very informal, everyone was just having such a nice time wandering around, listening to the band playing show tunes, military marches and even Abba!

We just had time for round two of the Tea Tent-more delicacies, before the Yeomen Guards lined up, signalling the departure of the Royal Family.

Again we stood in line as they all paraded past-it was very surreal to not only be at Buckingham Palace, but to be in such close proximity to them too.

After that it was a case of wandering out, and once we were in the inner courtyard again we were allowed to take photographs-everyone was laughing and exchanging phones so photos could be taken of couples together, it really was a lovely atmosphere.

Once outside the gates and on our way to the car, off came the hat and shoes of so many of the guests, myself included.

We stood and looked back at the Palace and it all seemed like a dream, a lovely dream that I was lucky enough to have come true-I just have to wait now, for the DVD I ordered, so I can remind myself, from time to time, what a wonderful day we shared.

## 1st Hawkesbury Guides

1st Hawkesbury Guides would just like to say a HUGE thank you to everyone who supported us with our fundraising, which allowed us to go to Foxlease, Hampshire for a residential weekend-we had a FANTASTIC time, and we just wouldn't have been able to do it without you!

Here are some of the girls' thoughts....

"We all think that Foxlease was GREAT because we enjoyed having time from home.

Activities were really good, except for the pool that made us COOL!!!"

Our stay at Foxlease was really cool

Everything was great apart from the pool.

Bedrooms and bathrooms were really, really nice It was better than camping amongst the mice.

Zip wire took us to the top of the trees

And low ropes were safer as we were down on our knees.

Crates were amazing, really fun

Apart from when we fell and hit our bums!

In our swimming cossies

4 in a bath

The taps wouldn't turn off

It was such a laugh.

Jane had to come and save the day

Now we call her the plumber all the way.

Thank you to the leaders for bringing us here!

It has definitely been a highlight of our year."

Some of the older Guides are off to take part in the 8 mile Malvern Challenge on the 29th June for the weekend-always a great success.

On the 16th July some of the Guides will be going to see the War Horse Exhibition at the National Army Museum, London-this will be the start of our 1st World War Project, which will finish with an Exhibition and refreshments, to coincide with Remembrance Sunday.

We asked for stories, memories, photographs from you and you are starting to come forward with some amazing things-please, please come and share your stories with us.

We will be bag packing in Morrisons, Yate during the summer holidays, to start fundraising for next year's adventure....you have been warned!

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#### **Stunning Flower Festival**

Congratulations to all those involved in the Diamond Jubilee Flower Festival at St Mary's. It was truly spectacular and a fabulous addition to the Diamond Jubilee celebrations within the parish.

Well done to all the flower arrangers and the children from Hawkesbury School for their brilliant decorations.

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#### Quotable Quotes...

There are two things children wear out — their clothes and their parents.

#### Anon

When I was young, my parents told me what to do. Now I am older, my children tell me what to do. When will I be able to do what I want?

#### Anon

If you're going to be able to look back on something and laugh about it, you might as well laugh about it now.

Marie Osmond

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## Friends of St Mary's

#### Forthcoming events for 2012

The Friends held their AGM on a beautiful sunny May afternoon (one of the few this summer!). It followed Evensong which was sung the Hawkesbury Choir, and where the guest preacher was Canon Jonathan MacKechnie-Jarvis, who is not only a licensed reader, and the Assistant Diocesan and DAC Secretary, but also a rather fine singer! The FOSM committee was re-elected en bloc, and the chairman's annual report, known as the Chairman's Ramblings, appears below.



**Sunday 1st July** – Jazz on the Lawn. Join us in the gardens of Church Farm House (by kind permission of Lisa White) for a lazy afternoon of jazz, picnics, hog roast, drinks available. Look out for poster with full details elsewhere in the magazine.

August 25th - Show Day Pimms Tent

**November 17th** – The Gold Ball. It's never too early to book your table for this event. Please ring Linda on 238553 whether you would like just a pair of tickets or to organise a table of ten guests. More details next month.

Pauline Setterfield - 238307

#### **Chairman's Annual Report**

We have had another successful year, with several events and fund-raisers contributing to our balance, whilst outgoings were quite low, leaving us with a good reserve for future work. I expect Neil will give us chapter and verse!

Following our last Annual General Meeting the Reverend Alveen Thoresen gave the address, and we welcomed her to her Ministry at St Mary's.

Work on the church windows continued under Mary Beresford's guidance and the Friends' window was completed and paid for, thanks to the generous donations of our members. Whilst not strictly FOSM business, many Friends have also contributed windows individually.

The first attempt to clip the yew trees had to be abandoned due to inclement weather. In view of the shortening days it was decided to seek quotes for the work and a very reasonable quote resulted in the work being carried out by a private contractor. Results were pleasing. Last year it was reported that clippings were no longer being collected for drug extraction. It appears that this is only partially true, as other churches have reported continued sales. It is likely that the volume we produce may not be economic but we will try again this year to find a purchaser for this mutually beneficial activity.

The Pimms Tent at Hawkesbury Show is now a regular feature and we are considering how we may enhance the area with bunting and signs. Thanks as always to Pauline and Linda for holding their nerve and keeping an eye on prices, scooping the shelves at the supermarkets just as the summer offers came up! John and Stephanie Appleby kindly again offered the use of their garden, swimming pool and games

facilities for a 'Bastille Boules' competition. The weather was very kind to us and we had a highly enjoyable afternoon, despite numbers being down, probably due to the holiday starting that weekend. Our grateful thanks go out to John and Stephanie.

This year's theme for the autumn event was a Poppy Ball as it took place over the Armistice Day weekend. The village hall was spectacularly decorated in the poppy theme and some amazing costumes were seen reflecting the theme. Fund-raising activities were very successful; the number of donations for the Silent Auction was more than ever, but revenue was down, no doubt reflecting the deepening recession. Similarly the total income for the event was well down on previous years, as Neil will report.

The Nine Lessons and Carols service was well attended and very special thanks go to Andrea and Paul by whose grace we were able to continue the tradition by hosting the wine and mince pies feast afterwards in the grounds of the Old Vicarage. Thanks once again also to those who supplied such a wide choice of delicious pies.

In January we reverted to our biennial celebration of Burns Night. Piper Malcolm Morse did a splendid job of piping in the Haggis, and then gave the loyal address. Anne Summers provided the music for the dancing, interspersed by more music from Malcolm for reels and jigs. Many thanks to those involved, especially Linda, Pam and Pauline for the catering and cooking.

I have already mentioned the very impressive progress made by the PCC in restoring the church windows, under Mary Beresford's driving force. The Friends donated more funds to repair masonry on a number of windows. We were graced by Bishop Michael of Gloucester, who came to bless all the windows, to which many of the Friends have contributed. Mary Beresford and Linda were stars of Points West when the BBC came to film the installation of the St Wulfstan window.

#### From the Reverend Alveen Thoresen St Mary's Hawkesbury

Tel. 01666 890548

## Ramblings from the Rectory

Suffering from a serious case of writer's block – the chief symptoms being a total lack of ideas and inspiration and the complete refusal of words to arrange themselves into any semblance of coherent order – in desperation I turned to the Internet to look for quotes about summer. Sometimes it works - if you're really desperate. Not this time. Nothing but the most banal and saccharine of clichés. So perhaps it isn't writer's block after all. Perhaps it's just that summer is the least inspiring of seasons – a time for sitting in the shade in the garden with a frivolous book and a glass of Pimms and not thinking of anything in particular (or maybe, this summer, even sitting by the fire with a frivolous book and a G&T and still not thinking of anything in particular!). Perhaps, too, this is why the church calendar refers to this season as "ordinary time" – the time between Pentecost and Advent when nothing much seems to happen.

OK – I know! By now you have to be thinking "Ordinary time? What planet does this woman live on? How many summers begin and end with two such momentous events? After all, the last and only other royal Diamond Jubilee was 115 years ago and there is unlikely to be another for quite a few generations. And how often do we have the Olympic games here in our own place? To have both in the same summer can hardly be considered ordinary!"

So not ordinary time, then, and not by any means an ordinary summer.

I used to think 60 years was a long time. Considered in terms of the average lifetime I suppose it is. But I have very clear memories of every one of those 60 years that are being celebrated this coming weekend and I have to say it doesn't seem a very long time at all. What those memories do evoke is amazement at the speed with which life has changed. It might be tempting to think that almost the one unchanging feature of the last 60 years is the Queen. But that would be fantasy. One of the reasons for the respect she retains is that she has changed – as the monarchy itself has changed. In this world it would not otherwise have survived. Astonishingly rapid advances in travel, technology, communications, medical research, all mean that the world is a very different place from that of 60 years ago. Everything about our lives has changed. Longevity, lifestyle, cultural attitudes, belief, the way we regard the environment and even our planet and its place in the universe have all changed beyond recognition. There has, in fact, been nothing ordinary at all about the last 60 years and the possibilities for the next 60 are endless!

My ramblings and meanderings indeed have led me to the conclusion that there is no such thing as ordinary time. All time is extraordinary, to be valued and lived gratefully and celebrated - preferably in the shade in the garden with a frivolous book and a glass of Pimms.

Thanks be to God for the wonder and the extraordinariness of time and life itself.

Rev'd Alveen Thoresen St Mary's Hawkesbury

## Friends of St Mary's (continued)

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We have now completed the re-gravelling of the paths around the church and it is looking so much better. Our thanks go out to Mike Cox for arranging and contributing to this, and to Roy Perks, his daughter and also to Tim Davis for providing the muscle to spread it!

Last weekend members of the Friends got together for a churchyard clean-up, as a result of which it is looking spick and span for the forthcoming wedding season and, of course, the celebrations for the Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee. Many thanks to the team, including Lisa, who kept us going with coffee and biscuits, when she wasn't busy doing her mole act in the underground drains!

On the Olympic theme, this year's Ball will be 'Going for Gold', and we can expect to see some spectacular costumes from the ladies. I have my Goldfinger spray can ready for Linda!

My thanks go out to the hardworking Committee and to all the Friends of St Mary's who do such valuable work to keep our lovely church and churchyard beautiful.

William Fairney — May 2012

## Sunday 1st July

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#### 12.6.2012

#### IT HAD TO HAPPEN...

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Today, date as above, an elderly lady attempted to take the watering can down, and was struck in the head. She was unhurt – but shocked. (She needs the watering can for the three graves that she tends.)

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G. Tizzard



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#### St Mary's Church News

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"For it is God who is at work within you, giving you the will and the power to achieve his purpose." Philippians 2:13

We had an exciting Jubilee weekend at St Mary's, as indeed we did all round the village as we celebrated 60 years of HM the Queen's reign. The flower festival was a huge success, and much appreciated by our visitors. Our most heartfelt thanks go to all the flower arrangers who made the church look so beautiful. The imagination and effort they put into their arrangements are beyond belief. We also want to thank all who gave money for the flowers, and the children, who created a wonderful collection of crowns, all made of flowers, and wrote poems about the Queen. Thanks too to everyone who helped in many ways at the preview evening, especially with refreshments. The evening was made even more enjoyable by the contribution of the choir, who performed magnificently; we congratulate them on their professional musicianship. Finally, we thank everyone who church sat, to welcome the visitors

The Jubilee service of thanksgiving for the life of Queen Elizabeth included contributions from all three churches represented in the village. The choir was again in attendance, and we sang some well-known hymns; we had a strong sense that we were joining in the national celebration. It was good to welcome so many people to share in the worship, including visitors from Leighterton and elsewhere

We continue to need help around the church in a variety of ways, for cleaning and flower arranging, to clean the brass, and to support the churchwardens. It would be very helpful to have people who would just ring up to say "I can do some cleaning this week, do you need help?". We aren't asking for a regular commitment, though that would be most welcome, just occasional support when you have time to spare. We particularly need help in June, with the departure of one of our "regulars". Please contact Linda Fairney to let her know when you might be able to help

July through to the end of September is the time when we expect to see visitors at St Mary's, and we should be very grateful for volunteers to sit in the church to welcome people and offer them tea. You don't have to be a churchgoer to do this, just someone who likes the building and its history and would enjoy explaining it to strangers. We open the church on Saturdays and Sundays, for two hours each morning and afternoon, so the maximum amount of your time per session would only be two hours. So if you would value some time to yourself, and think you would like to volunteer, please get in touch with Betty Salthouse (238410), who will be drawing up a rota

Jennifer Oldershaw

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

Date	Time	Service	Readers	Readings	Sidesmen
01st July	0945 am	Morning Praise - Communion			J Oldershaw
08th July	1000 am	Methodist Church Sunday School			
	. 6 pm	Evensong	M Bendry G Morgan		H Rogers
15th July	0945 am	Morning Praise			D Musty
22 nd July	1000 am	Methodist Church Sinday School			
	. 6 pm	B.C.P. Communion	J. Oldershaw D Musty		P Broad
29th July	1000 am	Fith Sunday Joint Service Boxwell			
5th August	0945 am	Morning Praise - Communion			S .Bishop

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

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Sunday July 8th	10:00am	Rev Paul Edwards – Holy Communion Sunday Club for children attending
Sunday July 15th	9:45am	Morning Praise at St. Mary's
Sunday July 22nd	10:00am	Rev Paul Edwards – Holy Communion Sunday Club for children attending
Sunday July 29th	10:00am	Rev Paul Edwards' last preaching appointment in this Circuit. A joint service of his 3 churches will be held at Yate.

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He read the book that night and trusted in Christ as his Saviour. Now he and his wife Stephanie are serving the Lord as missionaries.

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Rev Paul
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Services for the month of July 2012

Sunday July 1st	10.30am	Rev. Philip Hopes
Sunday July 8th	10.30am	Mr Alan Tarling
Sunday July 15th	10.30am	Mr Mark Hearsom
Sunday July 22nd	10.30am	Mr Ray Hollister

Sunday July 29th 10.30am FAMILY SERVICE Mr Robert Simpkins

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If we were to claim just one promise a day it would take 20.5 years to claim them all! Remember John3 v.16 – "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him, MAY HAVE ETERNAL LIFE" Isn't that wonderful?!

In John's gospel, chapter 14, Jesus said "In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to be where I am" What wonderful promises we have! Jesus also said in V.6 – "I am the way and the truth and the life. No-one comes to the Father except through me." Be sure that YOU know the Lord of the way, the truth and the life. Check out God's promises too!

M. C. Coates [Chapel Secretary]

## Seasonal Recipes — Tomato Ketchup/Dipping Sauce

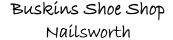
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Saturday, 30th June 19:45

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#### Sunday, 1st July 19:45

#### Prometheus, Cert 15, 124 mins.

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Friday, 6th July	19:45	Wednesday, 11th July	20:45
Saturday, 14th July	19:45	Tuesday, 17th July	19:45
Thursday, 19th July	19:45	Saturday, 21st July	19:45
Sunday, 29th July	19:45	Thursday, 2nd August	19:45

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Saturday, 7th July 16:30 19:45

#### Tortoise in Love, Cert 12A, 84 mins.

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Friday, 13th July 19:40 Saturday, 14th July 16:30

Thursday, 19th July 14:00

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Sunday, 15th July	19:45	Wednesday, 18th July	20:45
Friday, 20th July	19:45	Sunday, 22nd July	14:00
Tuesday, 24th July	19:45	Thursday, 26th July	19:45
Saturday, 28th July	19:45	Thursday, 2nd August	14:00
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Friday, 3rd August 19:45

#### Hansel of Film, Cert U, 120 mins.

'A Hansel of Film – Shetland to Southampton and Back' is a relay of screenings of short films made by the public in each of the nations and many of the regions of the UK and is part of the London 2012 Festival celebrating the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Monday, 30th July 19:45

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Kids go free at the event, which takes place from **Saturday 25 to Monday 27 August** at the Forestry Commission managed arboretum.

Visitors can watch as carvers take inspiration from fairytales and nature to create large wooden sculptures that will become part of the new play trail in Silk Wood. Wood for the sculptures is sourced as part of the routine management of Westonbirt Arboretum's tree collection.

Local live music, traditional woodland skills, local food producers and live cookery demonstrations from local celebrity chefs will also entertain visitors.

Rob Rees MBE, 'The Cotswold Chef' and Charlotte Pike from Go Free Foods will use local, fresh ingredients to create delicious dishes in the Treefest Foodhall.

Visitors can save money with advance weekend and daily tickets, available from <a href="https://www.forestry.gov.uk/westonbirt-treefest">www.forestry.gov.uk/westonbirt-treefest</a>.

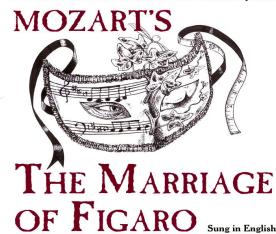
Advance weekend tickets are £30 for adults and £26 for concessions. Advance daily admission is £10 for adults, £8 for concessions and Friends of Westonbirt Arboretum and kids go free throughout the event.

Visitors to Treefest will again have the chance to camp at the event. This year, visitors can upgrade to a tipi or yurt for their weekend. Details on how to book can be found on Westonbirt Arboretum's website.

The festival will run from *Saturday 25 to Monday 27 August*, with the daily programme from 10am to 5pm and live music taking place into the evening. More details are available from <a href="https://www.forestry.gov.uk/westonbirt-treefest">www.forestry.gov.uk/westonbirt-treefest</a>.



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Westonbirt School near Tetbury 22 acres of formal Victorian gardens of Robert Holford founder of Westonbirt arboretum.

Walled Italian gardens now restored with early herbaceous and exotic borders.

Walks, lake, statuary and grotto. Westonbirt House will be open for guided tours. Dogs allowed.

Open 11am-5pm Adm £5, Child Free. Enquiries Tel: 01666 881333.

#### The South Cotswolds Beer Festival

13 to 14 July 2012

100% Charity Fundraising Event organised by Yate & District Rotary Club.

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#### Westonbirt House & Gardens

8th July - 9th July 15th July - 16th July 22nd July 23rd July 30th July

Gardens open to the public:

2pm - 5pm.

Entry £5 Children under 12 free. Includes a drink & biscuits

> More details tel 01666 881373

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Saturday 7 July 2012

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The House and Gardens will be open on **Sunday 22** & **29 July, 5 August** and **23 September** from **11-4pm**. Entrance for both House & Garden is £7.

We are offering guided tours of the House and will be guiding with a maximum of 20 visitors per tour. You can wander at leisure around the stunning gardens, including Italian gardens and Camellia House and enjoy the peaceful pleasure gardens, all run by the Holfords of Westonbirt Trust. We look forward to welcoming you to see this gem of English history, hearing about it's place in our local area and finding out about the relation between the House and the National Arboretum. No need to book, we welcome all ages and are happy to host dogs on leads!

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Sunday 30 September - Town Hall - 3pm

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#### What's on at Westonbirt

Guided tour — Tuesday wildflower walks

10 July — 10.30am -12.30pm

Discover a succession of wildflowers through the season.

Book in advance on 01666 880220.

Free after admission.

Guided tour — Champion trees

Sunday 15 July — 11am - 1pm

Come and meet the champion trees of Westonbirt – the tallest or largest of their kind in Britain and discover their remarkable stories.

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Free after admission.

#### Multi-million pound improvement to the electricity network in Gloucestershire and Wiltshire

National Grid has started refurbishing the electricity pylons between Iron Acton near Yate, and Melksham. The four million pound project is a significant investment in the region's electricity infrastructure, and will ensure the region continues to receive a safe and reliable electricity supply.

The 400,000 Volt electricity line, which runs the 20 miles between Iron Acton and Melksham substations, was built in 1959. It is now reaching the end of its working life and so engineers will begin the task of replacing the fixtures and fittings on all the 100 pylons along the route. The work is expected to be completed by Christmas 2012.

National Grid project manager John Hancock said: "It's our job to make sure the region's electricity network is in first class working order to make sure people get the power they want, when they want it. Most of the work will take place on private land, however we will work closely with the local community to keep any disruption to a minimum. The work will not cause any disruption to electricity supplies in the area."

For further information on the project, residents can call the National Grid Community Relations Team on 0800 073 1047.

The work will be carried out by an alliance of partners working on behalf of National Grid, including Babcock, Amec and Mott MacDonald.

#### The carriage of Mobility Scooters on buses

Earlier this year the Confederation of Passenger Transport and the Department for Transport launched a Code of Conduct for the carriage of mobility scooters on low floor buses. This had hitherto been something of a "grey area", not being subject to legislation, and the increasing use of mobility scooters had led to some disagreement and conflict about their suitability for carriage by bus. Introducing the Code has sought to address this.

There remains no legislation governing the carriage of mobility scooters on local buses but it is clear that the design of modern vehicles makes them suitable for the carriage of scooters not exceeding a specified size and weight. Following extensive consultation, and at the request of the Department for Transport, the Confederation of Passenger Transport developed a voluntary Code of Conduct for adoption by its members (which provide over 85% of the UK's local bus services) and by other operators. Take up thus far has been considerable, with most major operators having adopted the Code.

What this means is that users of mobility scooters who want to travel by bus need to contact their local bus company for an assessment. With their scooter, which must be of a Type 2 design (rather than the road-legal Type 3), they will be checked to ensure that the scooter's dimensions and the combined weight of scooter and user are within the limits prescribed by the Code, to ensure that they can be carried safely. They will be asked to board a bus in a controlled environment, to move to the wheelchair area of the bus, and to alight from the bus, to ensure that they are able to control the scooter in a safe manner so as not to endanger themselves or other passengers. Provided that they pass this assessment, they will be issued with a pass bearing their photograph, which will allow them to use the low floor bus services of the operator conducting the assessment, plus those of any other UK operator that has signed up to the Code, subject to the vehicle having capacity.

For the avoidance of doubt, users of electric wheelchairs that do not exceed the standard reference wheelchair dimensions need not be assessed and will be accepted for travel on low floor buses whenever there is capacity to accommodate them.

First drivers and customer service staff are all trained in meeting the needs of the mobility impaired, and local assessments of scooter users are being undertaken at all First operating companies. Any enquiries about the use of public transport with mobility scooters should be directed to the closest bus operator, be that First or another operator.

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#### **Hawkesbury Parish Council**

During the meeting the following applications were discussed:

App. No.	Address	Description	Comments
PK12/1587/PNA	Hobbs Acre Back Lane Hawkesbury Upton	Prior notification of the intention to erect an agricultural building for the storage of machinery and straw.	Parish Council's Comments see below.

- a) The Parish Council would like the applicants to consider reducing the height of the agricultural building the size of the proposed building is 2m higher, and twice the width, of the existing building and will have a significant impact on the landscape in this prominent position; visible from all eastern approaches to the village of Hawkesbury Upton and several footpaths within this AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY.
- b) It has been noted that there is an amount of scrap material on this site including lorry side panels, and corrugated sheeting all partially hidden by vegetation. Suggest clearance/removal prior to any works commencing.

For clarity, the Parish Council would also like confirmation that the proposed structure would replace the existing barn; a photo of the existing barn was attached to the email.

PK12/1031/F	Land at Sandpits	Change of use of land from Parish Councils comments
	Lane Hawkesbury	agricultural to land for keeping of below;
	Upton	horses. Erections on 2no.
		Stable blocks.
		Revised details received

Change of use of land from agricultural to land for the keeping of horses. Erection of 2no. Stable blocks.

The Parish Council reviewed the revised plans and their objection is concerned with the location of the permanent structures in open countryside rather than the principle of change from agricultural to equestrian use. Could the applicant reconsider the sighting of the stables so that they are located close to the village development line?

The Parish Council would still like Planning to take into consideration their views previously emailed (see below)

"In this instance the Parish Council **objects** to this particular planning application for **change of use from agricultural use to equestrian use** and **also objects to the erection of the two stables** for the following reasons;

The size, sighting and massing of the stables are not in context with other buildings in the area and we are concerned with visual impact, on the entrance to the village.

Concerns regarding access off a single track road-there are no entrance-visibility lines shown on the plans-or vehicular pull in indicated.

The security lighting system could be a nuisance.

Possible commercial use of stables.

Concerns regarding the existing boundary, at present there is no roadside hedge but a dry stone wall and no provision has been made for repair and renewal of dry stone walls, although mention is made of planting a hedge of native species.

The plans are not to scale and do not show any soak aways/underground drainage.

Public Rights of Way has not been indicated on the plans.

If minded for consent, the Parish Council would like to see the following:

Improved access – to improve safety

The resighting of smaller stables blocks – to break up the massing of the building layout to lessen the visual impact of the scheme

No equestrian equipment – specifically exclude the use of equestrian equipment on the site

Not to be commercial – specifically exclude the use of the site for commercial purposes

Lighting – provision of discreet/controllable lighting system only

Building mass should be reduced – as currently shown has an adverse affect upon the landscape and the important views of the village when approached from Sandpits Lane

Refer to the Cotswold Conservation Board "keeping of horses" leaflet. Please note the Parish Council is not satisfied with the quality or standard of plans and details submitted.

PK12/1579/CA	The Retreat France Lane Hawkesbury Upton Badminton	approximately 3 metre length of wall and	The Parish Council <b>supports</b> this application for the demolition of approximately 3 metre length of wall and reduction in height of wall to 900mm.
PK12/1575/F	The Retreat France Lane Hawkesbury Upton Badminton	dwelling and detached garage/workshop with	The Parish Council <b>supports</b> the application but would like Highways to ensure that the entrance is practical and safe.
PK12/1493/CA	Sunnymead Park Street Hawkesbury Upton	Replacement of existing front boundary wall	The Parish Council <b>Supports</b> this application

#### **Dates for your Diary**

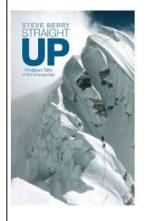
#### **Parish Council Meeting**

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 2nd July 2012 in the upstairs meeting room in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. .

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