

Hawkesbury Parish News

March 2016 Issue

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Since the last issue the various streams of the working group have been researching:

Various options for running a shop of some kind in the Parish

How best to find out what people want from a shop

The different legal entities that could be formed to own and run a shop.

The findings were presented back to an open meeting at the Village Hall on Saturday 20th February, which was attended by about 70 people. A proposal was made as to how to proceed, which was broadly endorsed by those present and useful feedback was gained. A summary of the proposal is below.

- We set up a legal entity using a tried and tested route – The Community Benefit Society
- A share pledge letter should be issued to the community to

“Ensure, as far as practically possible, a healthy and sustainable retail shop within Hawkesbury Upton, alongside the other existing amenities”

ensure adequate funds are available.

- To continue discussions with the owner with a view to purchasing the property at a fair market price and continuing the operation of the shop in its current location.
- Distribute, collect and analyse a retail survey issued throughout the Parish.

The CBS (Community Benefit Society) is recommended as:

This is the way that most community shops operate under. This is a tried and tested model and is easier to set up. It's a proven solution. With CBS the assets can go back to the community in the event of dissolution and it is easier to withdraw shares.

The CBS would be used for any of the options where a legal entity is required, not just the purchase of the existing shop (which is the proposed solution).

Funding should be via Community Shares or grants, not debt. There needs to be wide community involvement so a share price of £50 is recommended. The democratic approach would be by one shareholder one vote, thereby avoiding controlling interest issues.

A refund of shares would only be at the discretion of the society and share buyback would be through the company. Shares will potentially offer a modest interest payment once the shop has surplus profit. There is likely to be a tax benefit for investors of £500 plus.

A video of the presentation at the village hall, along with the presentation itself can be found at:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRGd61oK1W9vGqjir1aZi5A?guided_help_flow=3

Or search

HawkesburySaveOurVillageShop

To give us feedback or send us any questions please contact us via any of these options:

- Email: husosenquiries@outlook.com
- Facebook: Search “Save Our Shop”
- Comments Box in the Village shop

Should you wish to join the Working Group please contact Alan Hemingway on 01454 238271 or

alanlizhemingway@icloud.com.

What a wonderful caring village we live in

I was reflecting on the amount of money which is raised by the village for so many good causes, Clubs, Pre- School and School, Churches, people of all ages and places, health problems in our country and abroad and Food Banks, where ever there is need the villagers dig deep in their pockets, donate items and help Just looking at the **February Magazine** I found a number of thank you messages and adverts for continuing events. This generosity goes on Month after month **WELL DONE HAWKESBURY**

- Hawkesbury Preschool – Raffle and Bingo
- Advent Lunches – Send a Cow
- The Children’s Society
- MacMillan Nurses & NSPCC – Christmas Card Appeal
- Flood relief Appeal

- Refugees - Various
- Zig’s World Challenge
- Pledge Auction PTA
- Senior Citizens Christmas Fund
- Postage stamps for Hearing Dogs Charity
- Save the Children
- Mercy in Action Charity
- RNLI & MIND and Village Hall

Of course many people take the time to organise these events, but all of this would not work unless they were backed by the generosity of the villagers who give their support and financial backing. It would be interesting to know how much is gifted each year, but sufficient to know it happens.

Mary Beresford

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Editorial

Fiona Writes...

Welcome to the March issue of Hawkesbury Parish News.

As March approaches, the days are becoming increasingly longer. Going to work and coming home from work in the daylight is a definite boost, after so many seemingly dark winter days. The signs of nature coming to life after the winter months are also becoming more and more obvious and I'm already looking forward to the next growing season in the garden. Even the spring cleaning has started, with the garage becoming worryingly organised and the shed next on the list. Soon we'll be able to find the tool required for the job in hand, when it's actually needed - rather

then six months after the event! I'm sure it will never last!

In recent news, the campanologists have been arguing for bellringing to be considered as a sport. This follows on from the unsuccessful attempts by the *English Bridge Union* to do the same, as a judge ruled that bridge did not involve "physical training". However, based on the fact that darts and fly-fishing are considered sports, I'd have thought bellringing might have a pretty good chance! I think perhaps it's a cunning plan by campanologists to gain publicity and access better funding to secure the future of their skill. However, who knows, perhaps we'll be sending a team

off in suitably sensible shoes to compete in the 2028 Olympic Games...!

March is a busy month this year, bringing us both *Mothering Sunday* on the 6th and *Easter* (Good Friday is on 25th). In addition, **Friday 4th** sees the return of the popular **PTA Pledge Auction**, with a vast array of great items available. Details are inside but bids can be made in advance if you can't make it. And if that's not enough, there is **Bingo** at the village Hall on the **19th** to raise funds for the Preschool and a Gardening Club talk on **Scillonian Summers** on the **21st**.

With all that lined up, it's a good job we get a couple of days off at the end of the month! Enjoy!

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Useful Local Info

Hawkesbury Village Shop

Opening Times

Mon - Fri - 8am - 1pm, 2pm - 6pm

Saturday - 8am-6pm

Sunday - 8am-12:30pm

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Thurs, Fri & Sat: 9am-1pm

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Post Box Collection (outside The Fox)

Mon-Fri: 4:45pm / Sat: 10:30am

France Lane Farm Shop

Opening Times

From March 2016: Saturday - 10am-4pm

Sunday - 10am-4pm

France Lane, Hawkesbury Upton. Tel: 07929 947149

The Beaufort Arms

High Street, Hawkesbury Upton. Tel: 01454 238217

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Did you know that we have Websites for the Village and also for the Village Hall?

www.hawkesburyupton.com and www.village-hall.org

You can use these websites to:

- Check the Hall & Village calendars
- Book the Hall online
- View the Hall & Parish Council minutes
- View past editions of this magazine
- Link to many other village organisations
- and much more.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY




Next Parish Council Meeting
 The next Parish Council meeting will be on **Mon 7th March 2016, 7.30pm** in the **Village Hall**.


Hawkesbury Cricket Club
Annual Race & Curry Night
 Saturday 16th April 2016
 Weighing in at 7:30
 at the Village Hall
 Ticket £7.50
 Contact Peter Setterfield on 238307 or Chris Gardener on 07500 900 353

 **Mobile Library** 
Times & Dates
14th March 2016
 Hawkesbury Village Hall 2.35 - 3.00
 Hawkesbury War memorial 3.05 - 3.20
 Hawkesbury Highfields 3.25 - 3.40



Hawkesbury Preschool invites you to

 Hawkesbury Village Hall
 4:00-6:00pm Saturday 19th March
 Great fun for all the family! £2 to play
 Fantastic prizes for children and adults
 Refreshments available. Half time hot dogs £1
 Enquiries to Laura Chappell 07528 064321
 or Nicole Wilkins 07979 121060

Coffee Mornings 
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 At Peggy Woffenden's house
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 All welcome.

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Thursday March 3rd 10.00am – 12noon
The Light Book Shop
 at Bethesda Chapel
 for Easter cards, books and gifts.
 Refreshments available
ALL WELCOME!

Hawkesbury Primary School PTA
 **PLEDGE AUCTION** 
 Friday 4th March at 7:30
 at Hawkesbury Village Hall
 Come along for a great evening
 Tickets to local attractions and events
 Treats Tutorials** Sports Events**
 Pledges that money can't normally buy
 Can't make it!
 - email pta@hawkesbury.org.uk to arrange a proxy vote!

Hawkesbury Youth Club
 March club meetings will be held on:
8th, 15th & 22nd.
 Any year 6 students who turn 11 in the spring term are welcome to join us.

Saturday 5th March
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 First race 12.30pm.

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Eyes down and daubers at the ready! Our family-friendly Bingo evening returns to the village hall on Saturday 19 March, 4-6pm. Come along for good fun and the chance to win some great prizes, while helping us to raise funds to keep our lovely Preschool running for local families.

As ever, our Playleaders have a jam-packed agenda of fun activities for the children as spring approaches.

In addition to reflecting Easter in our learning and crafts, we'll be focusing on a theme of People and Communities Around the World. Do you have an interesting artefact from holidays or travelling overseas? If you would be willing to visit us and show the children, please do give us a call.

The children will be encouraged to be good citizens of our community in Hawkesbury, as we get involved in the village spring clean.

Please note, we'll be running another drop-in open morning in April for any families considering preschools for

their 2-4 year old. Look out for the date and more details in April's edition.

Finally, congratulations to Preschool parents Zoey and Nico on the birth of their daughter Isla Grace - and to Maisie-Mae on becoming a big sister!

Hawkesbury Preschool is based in the Village Hall. Sessions run from 8.45am-12.30pm Tuesday-Friday during term time. For more information call Louisa Tooker (Manager) on 07989 484774, email:

enquiries@hawkesburypreschool.org.uk

or visit:

www.hawkesburypreschool.org.uk

HAWKESBURY TODDLERS WELCOMES YOU

Come along to our relaxed & friendly parent/carer and child group – everyone welcome, from bump and up!

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Welcome to Hawkesbury After School Club.



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HOURS: 2.30pm until 6pm. Monday to Thursday

For further details please contact Louisa Tooker (Manager/Senior Playleader) on the contacts below during after school club hours. Otherwise contact the school office (during school hours) who will be happy help.

Tel: 07527 224741 email: louisa.tooker@hawkesbury.org.uk

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Wanted

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Katy & Ed Riddington.

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Any questions, call me on 238778, email me

at mickbendeaux@hotmail.com or come and see me at 20 Birgag Road.

ANTHONY HARCOURT OSTEOPATH & ACUPUNCTURIST

Please note change of address:

111 Horse Street
Chipping Sodbury BS37 6DF

Hall Play Facilities Sub-Committee needs you....

For a village our size we are blessed with some great facilities for children and young adults to play and enjoy the outdoors. We want to make sure they are always available, safe and stimulating. The committee meets a couple of times a year, undertakes a quarterly safety survey and occasional fundraising to develop the facilities and pay for insurance.

We need the input of young adults and parents to help ensure we continue to meet our objectives to support the Hall Committee to maintain & provide appropriate skate park facilities, play area and associated opportunities for the children and young people of Hawkesbury Parish.

There are a number of committee members who want to step down after years of being on the committee so we need the next generation of parents to take the helm. If you can give some time please attend the Sub Committee meeting AGM on:

Wednesday 9th March at 8pm in the Beaufort (Back Bar)



Contact Dave Anderson on 238799 for more details

Happy St. David's Day
on March 1st!



Hapus Dydd Gŵyl Dewi

Children's Society

Since the last magazine went to press, I have received a late donation for the Box Collection.

This brings our total up to £348.

This is nearly the biggest ever - we did manage £361 in 2014!

Well done everyone and thank you again.

Gill Morgan



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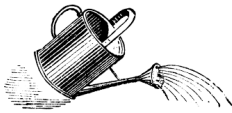
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A few gardening thoughts for March

Flower Garden

One of the main things to bear in mind with planting this month, is that as soon as plants resulting from your seeds are mature enough, they will need a home in the garden. If they are at all tender, they may be prone to frost attack if planted too early, so the best time for general seed planting indoors is probably the end of March and early April so that spring bedding is planted out after hardening off at the end of May when frosts have hopefully passed. Some corms such as begonias and gloxinias will benefit from planting in small pots this month before being planted out into final pots. and dahlia tubers can be brought out into the light in a greenhouse and planted up to the base of the neck in fresh compost in a tray or a pot. They should be watered and this should be enough until they sprout. The main thing to bear in mind with March planting, is that although the seed packets will most often say plant in March, they all work on the basis of ideal conditions, so it's not a bad idea to be patient and hang on a bit!



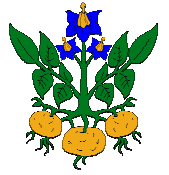
Vegetable garden

This is a great time to weed the plot and get rid particularly of those big old perennials which will make work a lot easier later in the year. If the soil is cleaned up and fed with a general fertilizer such as growmore or fish, blood and bone at about a handful per square yard which is raked in, some crops can be planted now. Spinach, swiss chard, and broad beans can be planted directly into the soil and it's worth trying a few early peas carrots and radishes. The key here is not to plant too many then if they fail little is lost. It's not a bad plan to let the soil warm a bit and wait for a decent forecast before starting.

Now is the ideal time to start off greenhouse items such as tomatoes, peppers chillies and aubergines as most need a fairly long growing time. Look for those varieties which claim to be early, otherwise you'll end up with nothing until September and then have more than you can use. Do be careful, however, about planting cucumbers, as they are very sensitive to cold, and should probably be left until late April or early May.

Potatoes

It's not a bad idea to plant a few early potatoes this month, to give an early crop but in case of frosts don't overdo it, leaving the main planting until next month. If you haven't grown potatoes before, it's worth thinking about the kind of crop you need. The main types are known as waxy or floury and have very different qualities for cooking, the main difference being in the content of water they hold. For chips, mash and roast potatoes the floury potato is most suitable and the waxy potato more suitable for new potatoes, potato salad and any recipe which requires the spud to hold its shape such as plain boiling. Popular floury varieties are King Edward, Maris piper and Romano and some favoured waxy types are Charlotte, Nicola and Anya. Finally, it really is worthwhile investing in a roll of horticultural fleece which can be bought from any garden centre for a few pounds. Each layer will protect down to 3 degrees of frost and can be used on tender shoots of any kind



Brian Noble

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who has answered my last minute appeals and donated clothing, bedding, bed rolls, tents, food etc...over the last few months.

Here's where it's gone....

RefugeeAid-Stroud are doing an amazing job but are no longer collecting clothing as they no longer have warehouse space. Clothing and food has

been sent out to Syria, Chios and Calais.-all unsuitable clothing etc... was sold at a Jumble Sale in January and raised over £700.

Hats, gloves, new underwear, thermal socks that missed the deadlines were posted out to Lesvos Starfish Foundation - Help for refugees in Molyvos.

The last Afternoon Tea in Hawkesbury raised £68.70 and £11 was also raised

at the table top sale-this was paid into to Calais Action.

A very big Thank You also to Tom & Claire Cole who donated 2 dumpy bags of wood-this went out to Calais on the 14th February.

Next Afternoon Tea to be confirmed but will be advertised on lamp posts around Hawkesbury/on Facebook!

Many Thanks, as ever, Louise x

The Farm Shop at Hawkesbury

A J Morgan Farm Produce, France Lane Farm,
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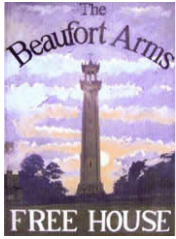
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Beaufort News

January saw two fund raisers for a couple of The Beaufort's favourite causes - *St Wulfstan*

(the first to get slavery banned in Bristol in the 11th Century) and the *Long John Silver Trust*.

The first managed to raise £100 for St Mary's Church, Hawkesbury, on the occasion of Wulfstan's Saints Day (January 19th) with a banquet in his honour in the pub.

The second, on Thursday 28th January, with a brewery visit to Cotswold Springs/Severn Vales magnificent new home at Tortworth which raised £80 for LJST (thanks mostly to their generosity).

The accompanying picture shows our very own Bishop of Wigan, Stan Fillingham, getting a chair lift at the brewery with bearers Tony Harcourt and brewery owner Mark Frankcom.



Stan and Tony also appeared at our Wulfstan feast which featured Steve Hammond's picture/music compilation of the famous Wulfstan Windows.

Many thanks to all who attended and contributed to the two events, on the latter we had a terrific

reception at the Salutation at Ham and once again Westward Travel ably provided the transport.

Beer expert Tom Salt provided the picture - thanks again, **Mark the landlord.**

Exhibitions

During February we also have an art exhibition of artist Linda Jane Smith's '*Comic and Curious Cats*' - figurines, books and framed pictures. On the same subject, but this time at Yate Heritage Centre, there's an exhibition of '*Football Crazy*'.

The latter has three items of Hawkesbury AFC memorabilia, 'Buzz' Dursley's Hawkesbury rattle, Cedric Walker's collection box and Gnome Chappell's ring binder containing 100 years of Hawkesbury footballing prowess.

COMING SOON.....ASESINATO MISTERIO!

Hawkesbury Theatrical Group present a new murder mystery set in Spain

'A GHOST OF A MURDER'

by Sam Allen

Saturday 14 May 7pm for 7.30pm sharp at
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HAWKESBURY GARDENING CLUB

www.hawkesbury-gardening-club.org.uk

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

Not a lot happens in our garden in mid February. Well, not usually anyway, but this year we are looking out on Crocus, Grape Hyacinth, Hellebore, Ipheion, Jonquil, Primrose, Sarcococca, Snowdrop, Viburnum and a few tiny Fuchsia flowers hanging on from last year. Glorious! Last night, though, there was a hard frost which will probably see off the fuchsias but, with any luck, will finally put a bit of flavour into the parsnips. It's an ill wind and all that.

Our next meeting will be on Monday 21st March when **Brian Bailey** will give a talk on 'Scillonian Summers'. Then on Monday 25th April **Michael Smith** will give a talk on

'Caring for your House Plants' and on Monday 23rd May a member of **Tortworth Plant Centre** will give a talk on 'Herbaceous Borders'.

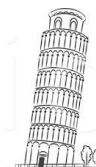
You do not need to be a gardener to attend our meetings and there are advantages to becoming a member, such as discounted seeds and coach trips. But if you are not a member and would like to hear a speaker that takes your fancy then come along as a guest – fee £3.00.

For further information contact Terry Truebody on 01454 238364



THE DAY OF THE HB

By Alan C. Porter



It's just what we've been waiting for through the long, drab winter months and when it comes it comes with a bang, a sound only to be compared with someone falling out of bed but with a more meaty slap. It has been compared, by the drowsy, as a mini earthquake with ground zero the mat by the front door. It is, of course, the arrival of the Holiday Brochures!

Thick, wondrous tomes full of dazzling pictures of faraway places. Of magical temples and castles, golden beaches frilled with leaning palms that stretch as far as the eye can see and all under blue cloudless skies and that's just Woolacombe!

But how accurate are these salivating pictures? I can remember seeing a picture of the Leaning Tower of Pisa leaning drunkenly and alone in the middle of a green field. When I got there the green field had shrunk to the size of a back yard, buildings and peddlers, ice cream sellers and donkey powered cart rides offered a whole new backdrop to the tower. I guess a little bit of photographic poetic license was used then to bring out the best of the Tower, not that it needed it. Nor did it put me off; Italians make the best ice-cream in the world eaten whilst riding on a donkey powered cart!

For me the holiday brochures are the gloom dispelling highlights of the winter. Bring 'em on!

Sincere Condolences

On behalf of the Parish News team and our readers, we send our sincere condolences to Derrick and all of the family of Maureen "mo" Watts, who passed away on Monday, 1st February, 2016, aged 82 years. She will be sadly missed.

Donations, in Maureen's memory may be made to St. Mary's Church Hawkesbury PCC, or Evergreens (Senior Citizen's Club), c/o Grimes & Goscombe, Chipping Manor, The Chipping, Wotton-under-Edge, Glos, GL12 7AD.

Don't Forget!

Sunday 27th March
2016

(Easter Sunday)

1am:

Clocks go forward

Sincere Condolences

On behalf of the Parish News team and our readers we would like to extend our sincere condolences to the Trinder family on the sad passing of Dorothy on January 31st. Our thoughts are with the family at this sad time.

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**Brooke Gardener-Wollen
Riding at Didmarton
Point to Point in memory
of Hazel Bleaken**

Back in July we lost a lovely lady to motor neurone disease. Hazel was diagnosed with motor neurone at the end of October 2014 and sadly lost her battle on the 12th of July 2015. Hazel had always been very passionate about horses having had many over the years which she had bred herself and went on to compete and hunt. Hazel rode right up until her body no longer let her with specially adapted tack to compensate for the use she had lost in one of her arms. Her horse Millie also adapted well letting Hazel carry on riding until it was no longer possible. Having a go at Point to Point is always something that has been on my Bucket list of things to do and I have been given the chance by a friend to ride their horse at Didmarton point to point, I thought let's try and raise some money in memory of Hazel In the process.

All donations to MND are hugely appreciated, let's raise some money and try and find a cure !!

<https://www.justgiving.com/Brooke-Gardener-wollen>



Hawkesbury Upton Post Office News

The Post Office is now featuring the 2016 collection of *Alex Clark* greetings cards, incorporating many new designs and our new "Small Card" range.

Don't forget Mother's Day (March 6th) and Easter cards are now available. We are also featuring a brand new range of greetings

cards from our new supplier *Milkwood* which I hope you will enjoy—48 new designs on display!!

We also have a new range of our ever popular children's books—more brain food for eager minds. The new range featuring Daisy Duck are also perfect for Easter! Pop in and have a browse!

HAWKESBURY SHOW 2016

Keep up-to-date with the latest news on Hawkesbury Show 2016, by checking out our website:

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12 February 2016

Our Reference: 1032519567/KG

Dear Mary

Thank you and your church for your kind donation to our Syria Appeal. We really appreciate this as it will assist our work in helping children who have been affected by the Syria civil war.

The Syrian crisis is the greatest humanitarian crisis since World War 2. There are now nearly 13.5 million people in Syria in need of protection and humanitarian assistance. As one of the few organisations still working inside the country, we continue to provide children in Syria and the five neighbouring countries with vital support, ranging from clean water, vaccines, nutrition, education and psychological support.

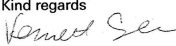
In 2015 Unicef managed to improve access to water and sanitation services for 7.5 million people. We were also able to vaccinate 885,040 children against Polio in the region and construct 139 educational facilities for Syrian children. We will continue striving to help as many children as we can in the region so that they are able to have as normal a life as possible in their situation.

I can confirm that the £325 that you have donated will be matched by the UK Government, meaning £650 will go towards our Syria Appeal. This will help change the lives of many children in the region, so we are very thankful for your generosity.

Unicef is funded entirely by voluntary contributions, so it is thanks to the kindness of donors like you that we are able to protect children in danger, transform their lives and build a safer world for children. Our work touches the lives of millions of children every day, often when they need support the most – you are a huge part of this.

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me by email at supportercare@unicef.org.uk or phone 0300 330 5580, and I will be pleased to help you.

Thank you again for your invaluable support. Together we can work towards a better future for every child.

Kind regards

Kenneth Green
Supporter Care Advisor

Sincere Condolences

The Parish News team and our readers would like to extend our condolences to the family and friends of Leslie Anstey, formerly of Hawkesbury Upton, who passed away on 7th February, 2016, aged 87 years. He will be greatly missed.

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29 January 2016
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Dear Friends,

Thank you to everyone at St Mary's Hawkesbury Pcc for your very kind donation of £442.16 to Macmillan Cancer Support. Your generosity and support will help us to make sure that no one faces cancer alone.


How you're helping

The money you raised will help fund vital services to support people affected by cancer and their families. So when they're facing a difficult time, they can start to feel more in control.

Christian was one of the many who benefited from having a Macmillan nurse. He recalls: 'I was lucky that I had a fantastic Macmillan nurse who could speak to me and come and visit me. She was wonderful and helped me with a lot'.

If you'd like to know more about our work and how you can get further involved, please take a look through the enclosed leaflet, *Help Us Make a Big Difference*.

Thank you once again for being a part of Team Macmillan.

With best wishes,


Enrika Brigyte
Supporter Donations Team
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(This letter constitutes an official receipt)

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Dear Sir, Madam


We have as a village once again decided not to send inter-village Christmas Cards but to donate the money to charity.

This year the charities were MacMillan Nurses and NSPCC

Please find enclosed three cheques for Mac Millan Nurses
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I would be grateful if you would acknowledge receipt of the donation so that I can display your reply at our collection points. *-to the above address -*

Yours faithfully

Mary Beresford BEM
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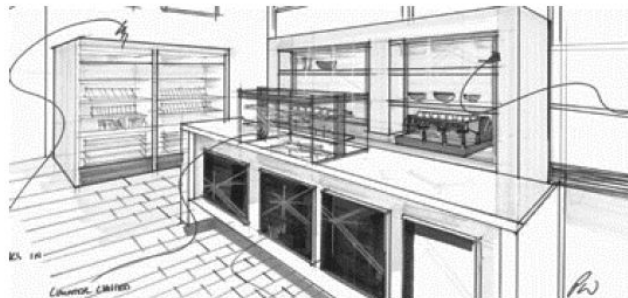
Sunday April 24th 9:30–11.30

Sunday Morning Kitchen LIVE!

Unfortunately James Martin has not been invited but we have our own live chefs with waiters and waitresses to serve up a yummy breakfast from our newly designed, lottery funded kitchen

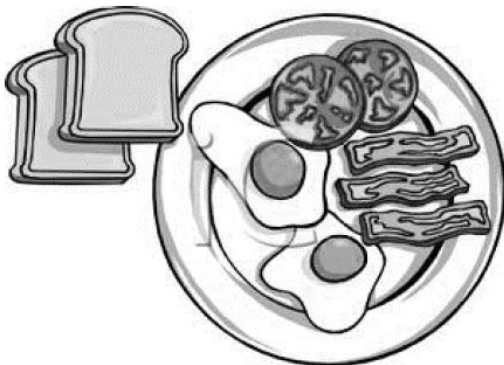
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- Vegetarian sausages available



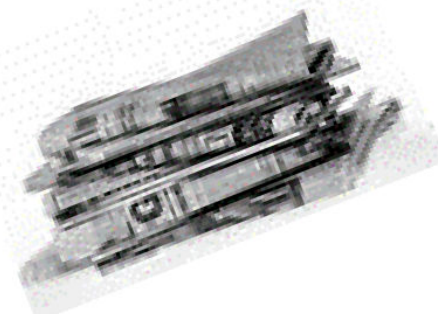
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Breakfast will look something like this!

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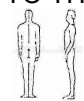


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WELLINGTONS ARE STRONGLY ADVISED and maybe a walking pole too. Meet at 10.00 am Hawkesbury Village Hall if you would like directions or a lift or 10.15 am at Lower Woods Lodge for a 10.30 am start. Bring a drink as there should be time for a refreshment stop. We will provide hot drinks to have after the walk at Lower Woods Lodge, so bring a picnic and enjoy looking at the woodland products in the barn area. Toilet facilities are available.

If you would like to receive email notification of future walks, please contact Jane Jones on rightsofwaygroup@hawkesburyupton.com or telephone 01454 238633.

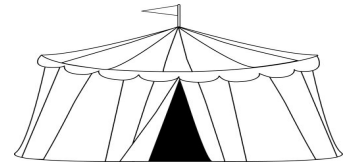
Use of the Show marquee on the Sunday after Showday

Planning for Show Day 2016 (Saturday 27th August) is well underway! The 170 foot long marquee that houses all the exhibits and also the bar, is a spectacular sight on Showday, both inside and outside. In recent years, the marquee has been used to host a variety of events on the Sunday after Show day – including a 'Songs of Praise' service in morning, afternoon music/picnic events, evening comedy shows and some very popular dance bands. The marquee is a great space for a village event and last year, the Pre-school committee booked 'Black Stag', for an evening of music and dancing and it was a great success, and raised some useful funds for Pre-school.

The Show committee are happy to offer the marquee on the Sunday evening, at no cost, to organisations from the village. If your organisation or society is considering a social or fund raising event and would like to put in a request to use the marquee on the 28th, please do so before the end of March. At the beginning of April all requests will be considered by

the show committee, and a decision will be made as to which group will be offered the marquee this year. A helpful check list, of things to arrange when running an evening event in the marquee, is available as well as a sample agreement which would have to be signed by a representative of the Show committee and a representative of the organisation putting on the event.

Please provide an outline of your proposed event for the Show committee to read. Send to - Vicky Rispin (Show secretary) at 'Coombe View', High Street (next to the village hall) or email vicky@coombeview.com Include details of what type of event, how many people would be likely to attend, what facilities would you need (bar, tables, toilets) and timings. Preference will be given to organisations providing a well thought out plan, and that can recruit enough people to run the event safely and tidy up afterwards.



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Hawkesbury & Horton WI

At our February meeting Jinx Newley gave a fascinating illustrated talk on the *History and Archaeology of Bread* telling the story of bread-making from the New Stone Age (Neolithic), when farming began, to the 19th century. Spelt, a type of early wheat was used as long as 5500 years ago and wild yeast apparently has been used through out history. Early Man was very inventive too in finding ways to store the grain he grew, excavating huge holes in the ground; any grain which germinated produced a gas which acted as a preservative for the rest. Much, much later huge mediaeval manorial barns were built to store grain, many hundreds of feet long. Locally, the one at Winterbourne was built in 1342. Jinx provided us too with lots of examples of different types of mill,

many showing how important the use of water has been with Tidal mills filling mill ponds. Apparently horizontal water mills have been used widely up until the Second World War. Jinx's enthusiasm for her subject was infectious and no doubt gave us lots of food for thought!

The vote of thanks for an excellent talk was given by Jennifer Oldershaw

The Competition for *A Loaf of Bread* was well supported and was won by Gill Truebody with a beautiful brown loaf.

Members were saddened to hear of the death of member Angie Chilcott and our thoughts and condolences are with her family.

Denman Day Visits. Liz Howard will co-ordinate these.

Book Group is now reading *Black House* by Peter May.

The Cake and Produce Stall took over £50 in support of the Charity "Send A Cow"

Flower of the Month was won by Louise Roberts with a Hellebore floating on water.

Diary Dates

1st March

Birthday Meeting with Buffet – 86 years Richard Lennox and Sarah Bridal: Singer and Pianist

5th April

Great Western Air Ambulance Charity – Penny Smith

Venue – HORTON HALL

Visitors are always welcome at our meetings on the first Tuesday of the month, 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Note exception being April.

Betty Salthouse 01454 238410

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Objectives:

- To be a "Patients' voice", promoting a Patient-led culture
- To promote better healthcare and treatment
- To assist the Practice in further improving the service it offers
- To develop CSPPG's influence through "Good practice"

Meetings:

Meetings are held monthly, usually on the third Tuesday of each month at:

18:45 hrs at the Culverhay Surgery

An Application Form is available from RECEPTION and full Terms of Reference will be issued. Members of the Group will be asked to sign a Confidentiality Agreement.

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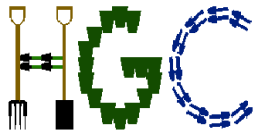
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HAWKESBURY GARDENING CLUB Trip to (the other) Hampton Court Gardens and Castle Saturday 11th June 2016

Advance Notice

We are off on another exciting trip this year to “the other” Hampton Court Gardens and Castle in Herefordshire, so be sure to put the date in your diary to come and join us.

Non members are welcome.

The medieval castle is set in 1,000 acres of award winning gardens and parkland in the Herefordshire countryside. The castle should be open to visitors (unless someone has booked a last minute wedding!), stroll around the gardens and woodland or get lost in the maze and then relax in the orangery café before finally picking up that must have souvenir in the gift shop.

The cost for the coach and gardens only will be: -

HGC members over age 60 £18.50

Non members over age 60 £23.50

HGC members under age 60 £19.50

Non members under age 60 £24.50

The entrance to the castle can be paid on the day and is £4 extra (group rate)

Lucy Kantaris 01454 238176



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Saturday 16th April

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HAWKESBURY GARDENING CLUB

Next meeting
 Monday 21st March 8pm
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NB: Our meeting this month is on the 3rd Monday



Latest Scams—Beware!

0809 Area Code:

We actually received a call last week from the 0809 area code. The woman said 'Hey, this is Karen. Sorry I missed you - get back to us quickly. I have something important to tell you.' Then she repeated a phone number beginning with 0809. We did not respond, and this week, we received the following e-mail: Do Not Dial AREA CODE 0809, 0284, and 0876 from the UK ..

This scam is being distributed all over the UK This is pretty scary, especially given the way they try to get you to call. Be sure you read this and pass it on. They get you to call by telling you that it is information about a family member who has been ill or to tell you someone has been arrested, died, or to let you know you have won a wonderful prize, etc..

In each case, you are told to call the 0809 number right away. Since there are so

many new area codes these days, people unknowingly return these calls.

If you call from the UK you will apparently be charged a minimum of £1500 per-minute, and you'll also get a long recorded message. The point is, they will try to keep you on the phone as long as possible to increase the charges.

WHY IT WORKS:

The 0809 area code is located in the Dominican Republic The charges afterwards can become a real nightmare. That's because you actually DID make the call. If you complain, both your local phone company and your long distance carrier will not want to get involved and will most likely tell you that they are simply providing the billing for the foreign company. You'll end up dealing with a foreign company that argues they have done nothing wrong. Please forward this entire message to your friends, family and colleagues to help them become aware of this scam.

Is this the latest scam???

This morning I received a telephone call from a very foreign gentleman informing me that the maintenance contract on my washing machine had expired and he could offer me a new one for a few pounds a month.

I politely told him that I had no such contract, never had and didn't want one. At that point he got quite agitated and tried to persuade me. I emphatically told him again that I wasn't interested and not to call again.

Is this the latest way of trying to get our banking details?

Gill Morgan

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The Medicine of Music

Although I was not keen on the closure of Frenchay Hospital, every time I go to the revamped Southmead site, I find more to love about it.

When I went to visit a poorly friend today, entering the soaring light-filled atrium immediately made me feel more cheerful as I sought the right "gate" for her ward. Glorious paintings and photographs on the walls, with interesting notes from the artists and photographers, took my mind off medical issues. I felt as if I was about to jet off on holiday, or to enjoy a pleasant day at an art gallery, rather than spend time in hospital.

The most pleasing touch came at the end of my visit. As I was descending the stairs, I became aware of distant piano music, reminding me of posh hotel lounge bars. As if lured by an NHS Pied Piper, I followed the sound down the atrium until I discovered a grand piano, complete with live pianist, and a sign inviting volunteers to play for the benefit of others. It wasn't just the music that moved me, but the generosity of the musicians who took the time and trouble to perform there for free.

For patients and visitors, such acts of kindness are a real tonic. It's just a shame you can't get them on prescription.

Debbie Young

www.authordebbieyoung.com



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Many thanks Anne Weston

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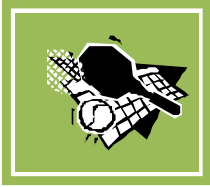


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HAWKESBURY UPTON TENNIS CLUB

MARCH 2016

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Needless to say the weather we have experienced during February has not encouraged the use of our courts, but the funds raised will enable us to do some necessary maintenance for the new season.

On a personal note, could I please ask the person who moved the sellotape dispenser, left on the window sill after setting up the Hall, if they could let me know where they put it please? It may now be in the office or perhaps behind the bar. I couldn't find it when I returned to retrieve it and as it didn't belong to me I would like to give it back to its rightful owner? 01454 294768 – many thanks.

One of our members has been thinking about something one of his friends said. It relates to people in the "Rusty Racquets" bracket, generally feeling they would be embarrassed to take up the sport again, after many years off court. As we said in a previous Newsletter, those of us that are DAPs "Daytime Available Players" are really "Happy Hackers" who are just glad that they can remember which end of the racquet to hold. Clearly getting the ball over the net is also an advantage but that comes with practise!! Former squash or badminton players who find tennis balls and racquets rather odd, are particularly welcome. We could point out that some of us have had lessons, which is not regarded as cheating and are happy to pass on anything we can remember, for what it may be worth. Our local rules deserve a mention. A 'Hawkesbury Deuce' is declared when we have been so busy chatting that we lose track of the points. Nobody cares enough about how many games they have won to remember, so all matches are defined as a draw. A 'Hawkesbury Volley' is played from the baseline and generally attracts cheers from both sides. A key part of our philosophy is that we paid for the whole racquet, so we use the whole racquet - the frame is the most expensive bit, followed by the handle. Winning points is not actively frowned on, especially if it's by accident, but the usual way is to plop the ball somewhere at the other end and hope that the others will not be in the mood to plop it back. There are other sessions available for those who are good at winning points and to assist you our Coach Elaine is available to help you on your way.

Please see the following details of Elaine's coaching sessions and contact info.

HAWKESBURY UPTON TENNIS CLUB 🏸

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Our Junior Representative, Ross Lawrence, is calling all senior school pupils, 11-12 yrs onwards to come and "have a go" during our **Junior Sessions**, which start again at **5.30pm on Monday nights, from 4th April 2016**. Ross will be there to help you and give you the chance to see if you enjoy it before joining, should you wish to do so.

Our **Adult Club nights** also start again on **Monday 4th April** from **6.30pm** and will be held every Monday and Wednesday evening until the light fades. Do come along and give it a try, without any commitment to join and if you need to borrow a racquet that can be arranged.

For non-members who wish to hire the courts please contact us to borrow the key.

Tricia on 01454 294768 or Barbara on 01454 238569.

We look forward to welcoming you to '**HUTC's Fun Day**' on **Sunday 1st May** and further details will follow in the April Parish Magazine.

Tricia Perris - Publicity Officer

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Hawkesbury Upton Hospital Hall - Chairman's Year End Report - February 2016

As I come to the end of my first year as Chairman of the Hall's Management Committee I am now in a better position to realise the effort that has been required by past Chairmen and the support needed to keep the Hall fully operational. So my first comment is a huge thank you to all the current Management Committee without whose help this building and the recreation field would not be readily available for daily use. We should also not forget the Parish Council members who also contribute in various ways to the operation of the Hall and there have been a number of volunteers, particularly on the maintenance working parties, who have given up their time to ensure the Hall is fit for purpose.

It is now 65 years since the Trust Deed was signed putting Trustees in charge of the then former hospital and land surrounding it. Those Trustees, known today as the Management Committee, were required to be made up of specified organisations in the village who would promote physical and mental training together with recreational, social, moral and intellectual development. I think if anyone looks at the range of organisations using the Hall now then those who originally granted that Deed would be well satisfied that those objectives are being achieved. Whether its badminton, karate, history, drama, pre-school education or just a good dance then the Hall has this and lots more opportunity. We hope to market this even better in the coming year with regular features in the Parish Magazine. However, I suspect that when the original grant was made those making it and taking it up never anticipated the increasing levels of administration in connection with legislation, health and safety and insurances that would be required in the 21st century. So this is an area where we have been reviewing what is required in order we can determine how best to tackle it without the detriment to the use of the Hall. Ideally we would hope that Hawkesbury common sense can prevail

in such matters. One area that has become particularly important is the need for another Licensee for the Bar, Angelo has done this for a long time and needs some help. We are working on it but volunteers shouldn't be afraid of coming forward.

The Hall is dependent up on regular use by the community and many years ago it was agreed that the users should pay a reasonable proportion of the running costs. This works reasonably well and last year we had a surplus of funds amounting to nearly £1500 and on top of that there were sufficient funds to repay some of the organisations a share of the bar funds amounting to just over £1000. As Dickens' Mr Micawber would have said – "result happiness". Thank you to Bill Cullen for his work on maintaining the accounts and managing all the funds.

However, the surplus funds raised from the users are insufficient to carry out some essential maintenance or development work and this has to come from other sources. We were particularly fortunate that David Anderson and Jim O'Brien made a tremendous effort in running the length of the Cotswold Way in 24 hours raising funds for the Hall. Numerous associated organisations also contributed to this fund raising.

The Drama group continue to make a tremendous contribution to the community and a grant was received from South Gloucestershire to help provide the new speaker system in the Hall.

Jane Stanbridge and Kate Bashford have both had great success in raising funds particularly in respect of the proposed refurbishment of the kitchen, which was finally made possible with a tranche of money coming from the Big Lottery Fund and the work will be completed over the Easter period. An extra big thanks to Kate also for getting everything together in connection with the kitchen design and fitting out. Our Hall Breakfast on the 24th April will be an opportunity to test run the new kitchen.

We are also in the process of having a make-over of the upstairs committee room spearheaded by the Youth Club, which will make it a more sociable and comfortable environment for all the users. This again has been supported by Grant funding. Probably the biggest project proposed, which is right at the start of the planning process, is an extension to the Hall for the use of Toddlers and Pre-school. The hope is that this will make an area that is lighter, with better views over the recreation field and customised for the needs of young children. There should also be a ground floor meeting room and it frees up the Hall for other users. There will be more on this in the Parish Magazine.

However, we must not forget that the Hall needs regular maintenance, whether this is cleaning on a daily basis or the replacement of light bulbs, sealing worn floors, recovering shed roofs, painting the oil tank, replacing worn play equipment and the list is endless. We had the front wall repaired and the trees lopped as a Health and Safety precaution, all this done with grant funding. A big thank you to all who help in this area particularly Angelo Sauro and Neil Fozard, both of whom are regularly on site doing some job or other. We should also say a big thank you to our Secretary, Fiona Steeds, who ensures that all our actions are recorded and keeps everyone advised of what has gone on. Also our Booking Secretary, Lorraine Rutter, who has the thankless job of vetting all the potential users and making sure they sign all the forms and know where to pay their money.

So into the New Year with lots of activity especially some events where funds raised will be shared with Charities and the Hall, so everyone benefits. That is the spirit that I think encapsulates the community of Hawkesbury Upton and fulfils the purpose of the Hall.

Thank You

Chris Rispin - Chairman

Hawkesbury Hospital Hall – Information

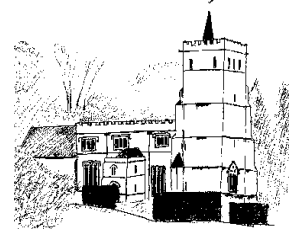


Every month we will publish regular and one-off events at the Village Hall so you are aware of what is going on and we will give contact details so you can join in.

Weekly events		
Monday	Toddlers 9.45-11.45*	Sarah Choyce 07980 735 152 fihurst@outlook.com
Monday	Karate 6 – 8:30*	Maria Marfleet maria.sensei@btinternet.com
Tuesday - Friday	Hawkesbury Preschool 8.45-12.30*	Louisa Tooker 07989 484774 enquiries@hawkesburypreschool.org.uk
Tuesday	Youth Club 7 - 8:15* (except 1 st Tues in the month)	Mark Francom 01454 238720 markfrancom@gmail.com
Thursday	Karate 6:15 – 7:30*	Maria Marfleet maria.sensei@btinternet.com
Thursday	Bufs 8 – 10	Peter Webb susan.peter@uwclub.net
Friday	Hawkesbury School of Dance 4:15 – 6:15*	Eve Brewer eve_brewer@yahoo.co.uk
Friday	History Club 8 – 10 (3 rd Friday in the month)	Barrie Hope 01454 238673 hope.poolfarm@btinternet.com
Saturday		
Sunday	Karate 11 -12:30*	Maria Marfleet maria.sensei@btinternet.com
*School term time		
Dates for your Diary		
01/03/16	WI 2:30 – 9:30	Carol Blaken carolb11b@btinternet.com
04/03/16	PTA - Pledge Auction 7:30 - 11	Kate Bashford – 01454232909 bashfords@hotmail.com
13/03/16	Hawkesbury U16s Football 2:30 – 4:30	Rob Baxendine - 01454 238104 David Mockford - dave@cueideas.co.uk
19/03/16	Preschool Bingo 4:00 – 6:00	Celia Rowlands cwathen@btinternet.com
10/04/16	Hawkesbury U16s Football 2:30 – 4:30	Rob Baxendine - 01454 238104 David Mockford - dave@cueideas.co.uk
16/04/16	HCC Race Night 7:30 – 11:30	Peter Setterfield peter@setterfield-associates.co.uk
24/04/16	Hall Breakfast 9:30 – 11:30	Chris Rispin chris@coombeview.com
07/05/16	Plant Sale 10:00 – 12:00	Terry Truebody terry@truebody.co.uk
14/05/16	Murder Mystery 7:00 – 11:30	Sam Allen howrdallen@aol.com
05/05/16	Polling Station for Police & Crime Commissioner Election	
Latest News		
See Chairman's annual report from the recent AGM		
Visit our website - http://www.village-hall.org/		

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.



"For this God is our God for ever and ever; he will be our guide even to the end." Psalm 48 : 14

There is little to report on this month, except to thank Mark Steed for organising a celebration of St Wulfstan's life at a feast at the Beaufort Arms on his feast day, 19 January. It was most enjoyable, with appropriate items on the menu, including monkfish!

March, however, will be busy, because Easter is early this year. Palm Sunday on 20 March will see us meeting at 9.30 am at the Pool, to process down the hill to St Mary's for a service starting at 9.45, and there will be a service on Maundy Thursday, 24 March at 7.30 pm. We are repeating the Good Friday vigil from 12 noon to 3.0 pm on 24 March, allowing people to drop in for a short time or to stay for the three hours. On Easter Day there will be a service of Family Communion at 10.45 am. Please come and join us at any of these services, all are most welcome.

As highlighted in last month's Parish News, there will be a celebration of marriage on 17 April for married couples, with tea at 4.0 pm, followed by a service, and another celebration of baptism on 15 May. Further details will follow.

Don't forget to come to the **charity lunches**, held **every Thursday** until 17 March at 12.30 pm in the Methodist hall, for a bowl of soup and a chat. Donations this year will go to Christian Aid.

Looking well ahead now, there is to be a Flower Festival on 27-30 May. Put the date in your diary now!

Dates for your diary

20 March – 9.30 am - **Palm Sunday** – at the Pool; 9.45 – St Mary's

24 March – 7.30 pm - **Maundy Thursday**

25 March – 12 noon-3.0 pm – vigil – **St Mary's**

27 March – 10.45 – **Easter Day** – Family Communion – St Mary's

17 April – 4.0 pm – **Celebration of marriage**

15 May – 4.0 pm – **Celebration of baptism**

27-30 May – **Flower Festival**

Jennifer Oldershaw

Hawkesbury and Inglestone Commons Officer

Survey work in 2013 by Hazel Willmot, helped to identify the importance of the commons for great crested newts. This highly protected species spends much of its time on land, returning to ponds to breed. They can travel 500 m from a breeding pond, favouring rough tussocky grassland which provides good cover from predators and plenty of invertebrates for them to feed on. Nationally, numbers have declined dramatically particularly linked to agricultural intensification and whilst still widespread, low numbers make them vulnerable to habitat loss. In 2014 Avon Wildlife Trust was commissioned to survey 6

ponds on the common for great crested newts to determine their population size which was found to be 'medium'. The survey was repeated in 2015 with the help of volunteers including parish residents working alongside licensed ecologists. It is hoped to survey again later in 2016. Of course the newts don't know where the boundary of the common is and are likely to use adjacent ponds too. Surveying these ponds will help to give a more accurate picture. If you have a pond near to the common and are interested in finding out if it is being used by great crested newts please do get in touch.

South Gloucestershire Council is responsible for a number of commons

in addition to Hawkesbury, Inglestone, Hareley and Assley. Each has its own management requirements and Byelaws but only ours includes a SSSI and an HLS agreement. Each designation brings additional requirements and residents adjacent to the commons have been sent a copy of the relevant Byelaws, Scheme of Management and SSSI / HLS information for ease of reference. These can also be found on the Hawkesbury Common website (<http://www.hawkesburycommon.co.uk/>) or please contact me direct for a copy.

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March 2016 Services in Badminton Benefice

Church Services March 2016				
Sundays	March 6th	March 13th	March 20th	March 27th
Readings	Lent 4 Mothering Sun 2 Cor 16-end Luke 15.1-3,11b-32	Lent 5 Isaiah 43.16-21 John 12.1-8	Palm Sunday Isaiah 5.1-7 Luke 19.28-40	Easter Sunday 1 Cor 15.19-26 John 20.1-18
Great Badminton St Michael				1115 Mattins Richard Thomson
Little Badminton St Michael		1115 Mattins Richard Thomson		
Sopworth St Mary			1115 Mattins Richard Thomson	
Didmarton St Lawrence	11.15 Mattins Richard Thomson		8.30 BCP HC Richard Thomson	
Acton Turville St Mary		8.30 BCP HC Alveen Thoresen	10am SATURDAY Children's service	8.30 BCP HC Richard Thomson
Boxwell St Mary				
Leighterton St Andrew	8.30 BCP HC Alveen Thoresen	11.00 Mattins Alveen Thoresen	11 CV HC all age Alveen Thoresen	6pm SATURDAY Richard Thomson
Hawkesbury St Mary's	9.45 CW HC Richard Thomson	6.00pm Evensong Alveen Thoresen	9.45 All Age Mary Beresford	1045 CW HC Alveen Thoresen
Lasborough St Mary	9.30 Matins Mary Beresford	9.30 BCP HC Richard Thomson	9.30am Mattins Alveen Thoresen	9am CW HC Alveen Thoresen
Maundy Thursday	Hawkesbury HC			
Good Friday	Lasborough 9.30am L Badminton 12 noon Hawkesbury 12-3			
Holy Saturday	6pm leighterton First Light of Easter Service			

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Letter from the Vicar – March 2016

Dear Friends,

I am going to break my tour of the churches this month, to tell you about an event that is taking place.

Sometimes the old things are the best. This is true of furniture, paintings, music - and I believe religion. The language of the prayer book may to some be unfathomable and strange, but to others it speaks of a God of awe and wonder in a language which mirrors God's grandeur, wisdom and glory: 'Oh lord our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day.....'

However, it doesn't mince words when speaking of temptation and the corruption of human nature: 'We err and stray from thy ways like lost sheep, following too much the devices and desires of our own hearts'. A view which much of modernity wishes to avoid.

People say that when the old language was replaced with the new it lost a good deal of its comfort. The prayer book is packed full of prayers for safety: 'defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies, that we surely trusting in the defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries'.....

If you love the old prayers then you may be interested to know that we are very lucky to be having the 'Schola Cantorum' of Tewkesbury Abbey coming to sing Evensong on March 17th at 5.30pm, at Great Badminton. I will be conducting the service and the Prayer Book Society will be in attendance.

Easter is at the end of the month, I do hope you will join us for services across the Benefice during Holy Week and Easter, including a 'First Light of Easter' service at Leighterton at 6pm on Holy Saturday.

Best wishes,

Richard Thomson.

Please Contact me for arranging Christenings, Weddings, Blessings of marriage or Confirmation.

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Benefice website: www.badmintonchurch.org.uk/

Church Services in March 2016 For St. Mary's Church

Date	Time	Service	Readers	Readings	Sidesmen
06th March	0945 am	Mothering Sunday Morning Praise\ Holy Communion A Gray			D Musty
13th March	5 pm	Evensong	A Craig		B Stephens
			P Setterfield		
20th March	0930 @ Pond 0945 am	Procession to Church with Donkey Morning Praise	N Gray		L Fairney
24th March	7 30 pm	Maundy Thursday Holy Communion	P Bendry		L Fairney
25th March	Noon - 3pm	Good Friday service + Liturgy on the knowle			
27th March	1045 am	Easter morning Praise - Holy Communion	M Bendry		L Fairney
3rd April	0945 am	Morning Praise - Holy Communion	D Musty		H Rogers
10th April	6 pm	Evensong followed by AGM	W Fairney S Webb		P Broad

If you are unable to attend please telephone Linda Fairney: 01454 238553

Should you wish to speak to Rev Richard Thomson call 01454 219236 or Rev. Alveen Thoresen call: 01666 890 548

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BETHESDA CHAPEL

PARK STREET, HAWKESBURY UPTON

Services for the month of MARCH 2016

Sunday March 6 th	10.30am	Mr Ray Hollister [C]
Sunday March 13 th	10.30am	Mr Mark Hearsam
Sunday March 20 th	10.30am	Mr Trevor Ranger
Good Friday March 25 th	10.30am	A service with communion
Sunday March 28 th	10.30am	Rev. Philip Hopes



Tuesday March 1st at 7.30pm: **A time of worship/prayer**

Other Tuesdays at 7.30pm: **Bible study/prayer**

Thursdays at 2.00pm: **Prayer for revival**



Thursday March 3rd 10.00am – 12noon

The Light Book Shop will be at Bethesda Chapel selling Easter cards, books and gifts.

Tea, coffee, cake and biscuits will be available

Everyone Welcome



I read of a nurse who had seen many miracles of life. One day, while volunteering in a pregnancy clinic, a young lady came to see her in a real state – she was ready to give up her life and that of her baby’s life. The nurse was concerned and spoke to her at some length! Eventually he shared some verses from the New Testament. After listening carefully, the young lady realised that she needed Jesus in her life. She was assured by what she had heard and she then accepted Jesus Christ into her life and she went away a positive person.

The Bible says “Heaven and Earth shall pass away, but My Word shall not pass away” Mark 13 v.31 and in Peter 1 v.25 “The Word of the Lord endureth For Ever!” The nurse had given away her own precious copy of the New Testament that she had received from the Gideons many years before but soon the Gideons returned and she had a new copy! The Gideons work in over 200 countries in the world, their main aim is to win souls for Christ.

M. C. Coates

Methodist Church News – March 2016

Services for March 2016

Sunday 6th March	9.45am	at St Mary’s
Sunday 13th March	10.00am	Rev. J Lee Holy Communion
Sunday 20th March	9.45am	at St Mary’s
Sunday 27th March	10.00am	B. Isherwood



My experience of Carol singing on Christmas Eve.

On the night of Christmas Eve, I arrived to join in with the carol singing in the village of Hawkesbury Upton at 00:30 am. I saw about 20 villagers - children and men and women of all ages. They all looked eager to go carol singing, despite the late hour!

I really enjoyed the experience and I hope to join it again next year. I give great thanks to all the people who organized it and all those who attended.

Nowadays, so many wonderful traditions have almost disappeared. Some areas may still go carol singing, but they go at an earlier time, about 7-9 o’clock. However, significantly, I found that people in Hawkesbury Upton still do this at midnight to greet the morning of Christ’s birth and they have been keeping this tradition for more than 100 years. It is not easy to keep continuously. The people in the village also have no complaint at all, although they might be awakened from their sleep by our loud voices! All this makes me love this village even more.

In particular, I had the opportunity to sing one carol in Korean. I sang “Joy to the World” and I sang it in order to bless this village that it might have real joy. We, as parents, really want our children to be happy and have joy in their life. **Then, what about God?** Doesn’t he want us to be happy and be joyful? Of course, our heavenly father also wants us to live joyfully, because he is our spiritual father. So, Paul says, **“Be joyful always...This is what God wants from you in your life in union with Christ Jesus.”** (1 Thess. 5: 16, 18). Therefore, I hope God will bless all in this village and give them great joy.

Rev. Jongsin Lee (Methodist Church Minister)

NEW PROGRAMME FOR THE 2ND HAWKESBURY UPTON LITERATURE FESTIVAL

Saturday 23rd April (10am-5.30pm)

We've now finalised the talks and readings for this year's Spring festival, providing an action-packed programme of free events running all day long on Saturday 23rd April in The Fox Inn and the Methodist Chapel and Methodist Hall.

Talks will be given on the following topics, each by a panel of authors and other guests with a special interest and expertise in the theme:

- Writing What You Know – Or Not!
- How Much of ME Should There Be in a Memoir?
- The Book of the Film vs The Film of the Book
- Historical Novelists Debate: My Era's Better Than Yours!
- The Challenge of Writing About Difference
- After Nordic Noir, What's the Next Big Thrill?
- What's the Point of Poetry? – What Can It Do That Prose Cannot?

This year, we'll be holding the **readings** in the Methodist Chapel and grouping them by theme: Historical Fiction, Contemporary Fiction, Short Stories and Flash Fiction, Poetry, Non-Fiction, and Items Composed at the Festival Workshops (for adults and children)

We'll shortly be announcing the timing of the poetry and fiction **workshops for adults**, and the **children's programme** of events.

All of these will be **FREE** for everyone to attend - so you can save your money to spend in our **pop-up bookshop café** in the Methodist Hall! Why not treat yourself to **signed copies of books** by your favourite Festival authors?

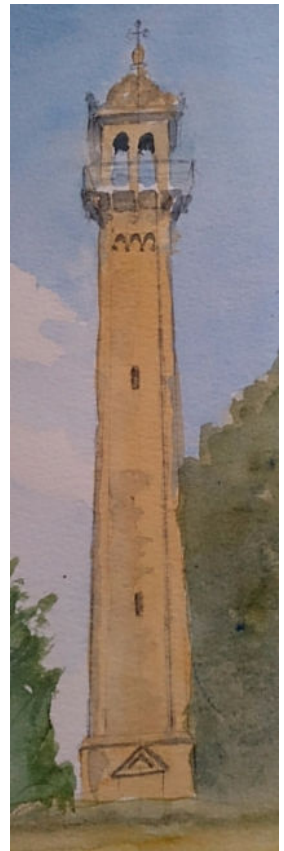
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

To help us make the day run smoothly, we'll need volunteers to man the bookshop cafe and to direct visitors between venues. We'd also be very grateful for donations of cakes and biscuits to sell, which will help cover the costs of venue hire. If you'd like to help in any way, please contact Debbie Young on 01454 238401 or email debbiehawkesbury@googlemail.com.

THANK YOU

Many thanks to the Hawkesbury Writers for sponsoring our **new promotional bookmarks**, which we'll be distributing around and beyond Hawkesbury this month. We'll also have a **printed programme** available towards the end of March. In the meantime, for more details of the day, visit our website: www.hulitfest.com

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Hawkesbury Parish Council

Planning Applications received:

PK15/5330/TCA	The Paddocks High Street Hawkesbury Upton	Works to crown reduce 1no. sycamore tree by 2m, 1no. cherry tree by 1m, 2no. Norway maples by 1m, 1no. Beech tree by 2m and to re-pollard 1no. willow tree back to previous points (approx 2.5m) all within Hawkesbury Upton Conservation Area	No Objection
PK15/5538/TCA	Adjacent To The Carpenters Shop Church Lane Hawkesbury	Works to reduce crown to leave a height of 7.5 metres and radial spread of 3 metres of 1 no. Cherry tree and reduce crown to leave a height of 7.5 metres and radial spread of 3 metres of 1 no. Cherry tree and reduce crown to leave a height of 7 metres and radial spread of 3 metres of 1 no. Ash tree all situated within the Hawkesbury Conservation Area	No Objection

Planning Decisions received from South Gloucestershire Council :

PK15/4599/F	Shakespeare House High Street Hawkesbury Upton	Erection of 1no. dwelling with associated works (resubmission of PK15/2692/F)	Approve with conditions
PT15/4979/F	Windways Chase Lane Inglestone Common	Demolition of single storey side extension and erection of two storey side and single storey rear extensions to form additional living accommodation and residential annexe	Approve with conditions
PK15/4854/TCA	Collyns Mead Back Street Hawkesbury Upton	Works to fell 2no. Sycamore trees and crown reduce 1no. Sycamore tree by 2m all over and crown lift to 3m in Hawkesbury Upton Conservation Area.	No Objection
PK15/4907/TRE	Upton House The Barton Hawkesbury Upton	Works to 1no. Yew Tree to crown reduce to a height of 7m and radial spread of 5m and crown lift to 3m (approx), covered by Tree Preservation Order SGTPO 07/00 dated 16th January 2001	Approve with conditions
PK15/4948/F	Hillside, The Barton, Hawkesbury Upton	Dormer construction in existing roof to form Bathroom	Approve with conditions
PK15/5330/TCA	The Paddocks High Street Hawkesbury Upton	Works to crown reduce 1no. sycamore tree by 2m, 1no. cherry tree by 1m, 2no. Norway maples by 1m, 1no. Beech tree by 2m and to re-pollard 1no. willow tree back to previous points (approx 2.5m) all within Hawkesbury Upton Conservation Area	No Objection
PK15/5136/TCA	Silver Birches Back Street Hawkesbury Upton	Works to 2no. Silver Birch trees to cut back to previous points to leave a height of approx 5m and radial spread 3m, and 2no. Norway Maple trees to cut back to previous points to leave a height of approx 4m and radial spread of 2m in Hawkesbury Upton Conservation Area	No Objection

Hawkesbury Parish Council (Continued)

Parish Precept – 2016/17

Each year the Parish Council has a duty to review and adjust the parish precept.

This is a tax charged on each property in the parish to fund all the activities that the parish council undertakes for the benefit of our community.

Parish precepts are included separately on council tax bills and are collected by South Gloucestershire Council on behalf of the parish.

Following careful deliberation the Parish Council has approved an increase of 11.6% for the 2016/17 precept as compared to the previous financial period.

Due in part to the governments emphasis on “localism” our parish council is involved in many more policy consultations and meetings with the district council and other organisations. This has had a significant impact upon the duties of our Parish Clerk and we have recognised the need to increase the number of hours our Clerk has and will continue to work.

In addition to the increase in the day to day running costs of the council we are currently engaged in many new initiatives. For example we are working closely with SGC to prepare an ‘Affordable Housing Needs Survey’ and the report will be published later this year.

We are also developing a parish council website. This is a statutory requirement welcomed by the PC and we hope will raise public awareness of the council's activities and allow public access more easily to agenda, minutes and forthcoming events etc – more details to follow soon.

These are typical of some of the additional costs we are bearing but we hope you will agree provide added benefit to the community.

Litter

Over recent months there has been an increase in litter being dropped not only on the High Street but throughout our village, this is without any thoughts for the local residents. Please can we ask that everyone use the litter bins provided or take their rubbish home with them.

Annual Big Spring Clean Event

Saturday 19th March 2016



Forth Coming Events

It's that time of year again, and as many of you will know the aim of this event is to improve our local environment with the clearing of rubbish lying in verges and hedges. We would like to promote and encourage a Saturday morning stroll in and around Hawkesbury with a black bag and gloves in hand to help clear any rubbish that may be lying around. Black bags, gloves and pickers will be available on the day.

You can benefit from fresh air and exercise if you take part while knowing that you are helping to reach South Gloucestershire Council's ultimate aim; that residents and visitors alike will be able to enjoy South Gloucestershire looking at it best.

If you run a group/organisation or you are free on Saturday 19th March 2016 and would you like to be involved please contact the Parish Clerk with your details or just turn up at the Village Hall Car Park from 10am. We look forward to seeing you.

Annual Parish Meeting 2016

The Parish Council will be holding their **Annual Assembly on Monday 18th April 2016** at the **Methodist Hall**, see next month's Parish News for further details.

Hawkesbury Parish Council (Continued)

Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting is being held on Monday 7th March 2016 in the upstairs meeting room, in the Village Hall, Hawkesbury Upton at 7.30pm.

Contact details for Hawkesbury Parish Council via:

Hazel Jones
Parish Clerk
2 Fox Close
Hawkesbury Upton
GL9 1EQ
Tele: 01454 238074
parishcouncil@hawkesburyupton.com

Under the Edge Arts

Under the Edge Arts (UTEA) is a volunteer-run community arts centre offering a wide range of arts classes, events and activities including regular live music performances. Tickets can be booked online, or by contacting us on 07791 323869. The Chipping Hall, Wotton-under-Edge, GL12 7AD **email:** info@utea.org.uk **phone:** 07791 323869 **Website** and Online booking at www.utea.org.uk

If you would like to have your artwork on display in the Chipping Hall, then why not make a flower themed artwork and donate it to the Under the Edge Arts Flower Power Exhibition and Sale? Entries need to be sent to 14 Cotswold Gardens, Wotton-under-Edge, GL12 7HW by 10th March.

March Events:

Saturday 5th March, 11-4pm- Vintage Craft Market

Another chance to purchase some gorgeous vintage items and local crafts. Then take a relaxing break from the shopping in our tea and cake corner. Entrance is free.

Saturday 5th March, 8pm-The Rosellys

The Rosellys are a five piece Americana band from Bristol. Regular tours to America clearly influence their song-writing and live performances, with comparisons made to such artists as Alison Krauss, Emmylou Harris, Gillian Welch and Dave Rawlings. www.therosellys.vpweb.co.uk Tickets cost £8/£6

Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th March, 10am-4pm-Flower Power Exhibition & Sale. Preview Evening Friday 11th March

An exhibition of work by local craftspeople and artists celebrating flowers and the arrival of spring.

The Chipping Hall will be transformed into a delightful display of colourful floral artworks, all created and then donated by local people. Work can be any size, and in any medium with a flower as the subject. Entries to 14 Cotswold Gardens, Wotton-under-Edge, GL12 7HW by 10 March. Come along to the exhibition and bid to see if you can own a masterpiece by a local artist! All proceeds will go to Under the Edge Arts.

Saturday 12th March, 8pm-The Black Feathers

The Black Feathers are an award-winning duo from Gloucestershire. The perfectly paired voices of Ray Hughes and Sian Chandler intertwine effortlessly to create a genre defying sound, combining elements of folk, roots, alt-country and Americana. www.theblackfeathers.com Entrance costs £10/£8

Saturday 19th March, 8pm-Steve Tilston

Steve Tilston is one of our most celebrated songsmiths, widely recognised within the world of folk and contemporary music; the words, arrangements and subtle, quite superb guitar playing could be no one else. Entrance costs £10/£8

Sunday 20th March, 10am-4pm-Fun with Fusing with Caroline Lambert

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Saturday 26th March, Arts Performance Marathon 6am onwards- Spring into Summer

It's the Spring Equinox as we spend Easter Saturday in the Chipping Hall with a full day of music, dance, art, words and participation. Starting at 6am, the day's programme will roll on to midnight and perhaps beyond, with each hour featuring a different attraction. This is a great opportunity for us all to celebrate the richness of life and the people in and around Wotton. Entry will be free, programmes available to buy in the weeks beforehand. Donations on the day will be welcomed and refreshments available from the start. The programme is being coordinated by Katie Elliott - contact her at mail@katieelliott.com.

Definitely one of the highlights of the year as Under the Edge Arts reaches out into our community.

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Saturday 18 June :

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booking fee)

Tom Jones

Sunday 19 June :

Tickets cost £48.50
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April:

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Sun 28th Feb Vinyl Night - 7:30pm Free
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Sun 28th Feb F.I.G.S. -
The Fleece Inn Golf Society's second event of 2016, venue Kendleshire Golf Club.

Thu 3rd Mar 'Little Sheep' Coffee Morning - 10am £3
tea/coffee + cake
Organised twice per month by St Giles church for parents/carers & pre-schoolers.

Sun 6th Mar Mothering Sunday - tba
Why not treat your mother to a lovely meal at The Fleece (Menu to follow)? We will be providing a gift for every mother dining with us.

Sun 6th Mar Quiz Night - 8pm £2 per head.
On the first Sunday of each month our popular quiz for teams of up to four raises money for local charities.

Wed 9th Mar Coffee Morning - 10:30-12:00 £3
tea/coffee + cake
Join us for a cuppa & cake 2nd Weds each month. Good company & charity raffle.

Sat 12th Mar Watch England; the 6 Nations - 16:00
Free
Live Rugby at The Fleece! Join us to watch England vs. Wales with friends.

Sun 13th Mar Acoustic Evening - 8-9:30pm Free
On the second Sunday of each month why not come along and sing, play, recite - or just enjoy the entertainment? Electric keyboard now available

Thu 17th Mar St Patrick's Day -
This year we are planning events around St Patrick's day, details TBC

Thu 17th Mar 'Little Sheep' Coffee Morning - 10am £3
tea/coffee + cake
Organised twice per month by St Giles church for parents/carers & pre-schoolers.

Sat 19th Mar Ireland in the 6 Nations - 17:00 Free
Live Rugby at The Fleece! In honour of St Patrick's Day, Ireland vs. Scotland.

Sat 19th Mar Watch England; the 6 Nations - 20:00
Free
Live Rugby at The Fleece! Join us to watch France vs. England with friends.

Sun 20th Mar Vinyl Night - 7:30pm Free
On the third Sunday of each month we hold our celebration of old-school vinyl. Dig out those old LPs, EPs etc. See What's On entry for monthly themes.

Fri 25th Mar F.I.G.S. -
The Fleece Inn Golf Society's third event of 2016, Venue tba

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NT Live: Hangmen (Live) Running time: 180 mins Cert 15

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 Thursday, 3rd March 19:00

The Railway Children Running time: 125 mins Cert PG

A Bank Holiday screening of the critically acclaimed, Olivier Award-winning stage version of E Nesbit's classic novel. The Railway Children tells the story of Bobbie, Peter & Phyllis, 3 children whose lives change dramatically when their father is mysteriously taken away. They move from London to a cottage in rural Yorkshire with their mother, where they befriend the local railway porter, Perks, and embark on a magical journey of discovery, friendship & adventure. But the mystery remains – where is Father, and is he ever coming back?
 Monday, 28th March 15:00

Dad's Army Running time: 95 mins Cert PG

Set in 1944 as the Second World War reaches its climax, the Allies are poised to invade France and finally defeat the German army. But in Walmington-on-Sea morale amongst the Home Guard, led by Captain Mainwaring, is low. So their new mission, to patrol the Dover army base, is a great chance to revive spirits and reputation - until glamorous journalist Rose Winters arrives to write about their exploits. MI5 then discover a radio signal sent direct to Berlin from Walmington-on-Sea, sparking rumours of a spy .
 Saturday, 27th February 19:30 Sunday, 28th February 17:00 Monday, 29th February 20:15
 Tuesday, 1st March 17:00 Wednesday, 2nd March 20:30

The Revenant Running time: 156 mins Cert 15

Inspired by true events, THE REVENANT is an immersive and visceral cinematic experience capturing one man's epic adventure of survival and the extraordinary power of the human spirit. In an expedition of the uncharted American wilderness, legendary explorer Hugh Glass (Leonardo DiCaprio) is brutally attacked by a bear and left for dead by members of his own hunting team. In a quest to survive, Glass endures unimaginable grief as well as the betrayal of his confidant John Fitzgerald. Guided by sheer will & the love of his family, Glass must navigate a vicious winter in a relentless pursuit to live & find redemption.
 Friday, 26th February 19:30 Sunday, 28th February 19:30 Tuesday, 1st March 19:30 Thursday, 3rd March 14:00

The Big Short Running time: 130 mins Cert 15

When four outsiders saw what the big banks, media & government refused to, the global collapse of the economy, they had an idea: The Big Short. Their bold investment leads them into the dark underbelly of modern banking where they must question everyone & everything. Based on a true story & best-selling book by Michael Lewis, The Big Short stars Christian Bale, Steve Carell, Ryan Gosling & Brad Pitt.
 Saturday, 5th March 19:30 Tuesday, 8th March 16:30 Thursday, 10th March 19:30

The Assassin Running time: 106 mins Cert 12A

9th century China. 10-year-old general's daughter Nie Yinniang is abducted by a nun who initiates her into the martial arts, transforming her into an exceptional assassin charged with eliminating cruel & corrupt local governors. Having failed in a task, she is sent back by her mistress to the land of her birth, with orders to kill the man to whom she was promised - a cousin who now leads the largest military region in North China. After 13 years of exile, the young woman must confront her parents, her memories & her repressed feelings. Slave to the orders of her mistress, Nie Yinniang must choose: sacrifice the man she loves or break forever with the sacred way of the righteous assassins.
 Sunday, 6th March 19:30

Youth Running time: 124 mins Cert 15

A retired orchestra conductor is on holiday with his daughter and his film director best friend in the Alps when he receives an invitation from Queen Elizabeth II to perform for Prince Philip's birthday.
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March Sudoku

Neil Fozard

For the uninitiated:-

to solve the puzzle, each row, column and 3x3 box must contain each of the numbers 1 to 9.

EASY !!

NOT SO EASY !!

			9					
		2		1	5	3		
7		9			6			
	6		8		3			1
9		7				4		6
5			6		4		9	
			3			9		5
		3	7	5		1		
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4			1			3		
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		5			8			2
			2		5	7	8	
1	8	2						
				3				

Answers to the February quizzes:-

'Easy'

8	2	4	6	3	9	7	5	1
6	3	1	2	7	5	8	4	9
5	7	9	8	1	4	3	2	6
7	9	6	5	2	3	1	8	4
3	4	5	1	8	6	2	9	7
2	1	8	4	9	7	5	6	3
9	8	2	3	6	1	4	7	5
1	5	7	9	4	2	6	3	8
4	6	3	7	5	8	9	1	2

'Not so Easy'

3	2	7	5	8	1	9	4	6
4	1	8	9	2	6	7	3	5
5	6	9	4	3	7	2	8	1
7	9	2	6	5	3	8	1	4
1	4	3	7	9	8	5	6	2
6	8	5	1	4	2	3	7	9
8	3	6	2	1	5	4	9	7
2	7	4	8	6	9	1	5	3
9	5	1	3	7	4	6	2	8



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