

# Hawkesbury Parish News



### **EDITORIAL**

#### Fiona writes:

Welcome to the November issue of Hawkesbury Parish News.

We are just back from a well-needed break in deepest West Wales - otherwise known as the autumn "springer spaniel triathlon challenge". Roughly speaking, it involves two

humans walking the length of the beach several times a day, whilst an ecstatic spaniel runs, swims and (no, she's not *yet* able to ride a bicycle) hurtles through the air after a ball. Despite bouts of repetitive strain injury from throwing the ball over and over (and over...), we also managed some great time out, enjoying freshly-landed seafood and locally farmed beef and having a general chill-out. Bliss!

However, back to reality: we returned to rapidly shortening days and the prospect of the clocks going back just before we launch headlong into November. The slow cooker has been formally dusted off, the casserole recipes have been dug out and comfort food is back on the menu.

November sees an abundance of events and activities in the village and, although I hesitate to think <u>too</u> much about it just yet, a number of Christmas shopping opportunities. Just imagine getting all your Christmas shopping done without even having to leave Hawkesbury! Sounds great to me!

Don't miss the fireworks on Saturday 3rd — a real community event and godsend for all those with nervous pets who dread week-long fireworks! Finally, Remembrance Sunday this year falls on Armistice Day—11th Nov. Details of the parade, service at the war memorial and following service at Bethesda are in this issue. Enjoy!

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Please send it in as early as you can!

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### **Next Parish Council Meeting**

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Mon 5th November 2012, 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

### **Coffee Mornings**

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

At Peggy Woffenden's house

Tea, Coffee and a biscuit or two for 50p. All welcome.



### Yoga classes

with Joan Boulton every Thursday morning at the Methodist School Room 10-11.30am. £6 a session.

All ages and abilities welcome.

### **Evergreens**

### **Tues 13th November**

"In my Auntie's Parlour" with Cyril Routley

> 2:30pm in the Village Hall

If you would like to come along and need a lift please give me a ring. Mandy 01454 261436

### Bethesda Chapel Park Street Hawkesbury Upton

Tuesday November 13th 10 - 12noon

### Coffee morning

Christmas cards Books and Gifts Tea, coffee and cake

For more details call 01454 238411

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### **Hawkesbury Primary School**



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### is having a **Jumble Sale**



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### Saturday 3rd November 10am-12 noon.

Please come along for tea and cake. Any donations welcome.

Please call Claire Cole 238 896. Can collect.

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Times & Dates

12th & 26th November 2012

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

### Hawkesbury Primary School PTA **Christmas Shopping Evening**

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Friday 9th November (7.30-9.30pm)at the School

Great opportunity to buy reasonably priced, lovely gifts from local suppliers

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### Hawkesbury CE VC Primary School

November 2012

### Jumble Sale

We will be holding a jumble sale in the school hall on **Saturday 3rd November 10 – 12**, all are welcome. This is in aid of playground equipment; we desperately need to replace the matting under the outdoor play equipment which has become worn, slippery and dangerous and we want to buy extra equipment to increase the variety of play equipment the children have. The previous 2 years year 6 leavers have donated money to add to this.

A massive thank you goes to Claire Cole who has been organising this in conjunction with the school council.

### Spotlight on the World Week

The week beginning 22nd October was a curriculum focus week for the whole school. The children learnt about countries in Africa, their cultures and lifestyles. Fiona Mitchell who has visited us before spoke to the children about a school in Uganda which she has helped to develop and worked with the whole school to create some African style artwork.

School dinners had an 'Around the World' theme with some Ugandan style dishes such as Jollof rice and Calalu (meat stew).

#### Welcomes

We are pleased to welcome **Yvonne Staples** as our new cleaner. She will be working with Marina Pogose keeping our school fresh and clean.

It has been a pleasure to welcome **Richard Thomson, the new vicar** replacing Christopher Mulholland to our school. He will work in partnership with Alveen Thorensen and has already visited us a number of times, getting to know the staff and children.

#### **Harvest Service**

This was a real success, thank you to St Marys for letting us use the church for our celebration. The children really enjoyed singing their harvest songs, reading prayers and pieces of information about harvest. It was brilliant to see some of our youngest villagers, those who attend Vicky Starling and Emma Barkers child minding business doing their own performance of 'Oats and Beans and Barley Grow'. Parents very generously donated tins for Yate Foodbank and the fresh fruit and vegetables were sold for £80 which will be donated to Children's Hospice South West. A huge thank you goes to Jane Bleaken who made the harvest loaf..

#### Be Safe Be Seen / Walk to school week

We will be having a 'Walk to School Week' and Road Safety awareness week beginning 5th November. During this time, children will be given fluorescent jackets and rewarded with house points if they wear them we will also keep tallies of those walking to school.

There will be a special 'Be Safe Be Seen' assembly and some scooter training.

Louise Lewis — Headteacher

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We have had a busy first term, sorting out our garden at school and focussing on our theme of 'All About Me'. All our children seem to have settled in well.

We also had an exciting delivery! We received a letter from Her Majesty the Queen thanking the children for their jubilee pictures. We hope to frame it and put it on display in the hall.

All the children are looking forward to Halloween when we will be dressing up and doing some spooky pictures. We will also be using different paint techniques to create a firework picture in time for Bonfire Night.

Please look out for us selling our Christmas Raffle tickets. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we are hugely grateful to the local businesses who support us, including Milburys, the local estate agent, who are sponsoring the raffle.

Do let us know if you would like your child to come to Preschool or if you would like to be added to our waiting list. If you would like to visit Preschool please contact one of our play leaders on 07989 484774.

Alternatively email us at: enquiries@hawkesburypreschool.org.uk For more information on our preschool please take a look at our website:

www.hawkesburypreschool.org.uk

### COMING TO HAWKESBURY UPTON THIS MONTH: A NEW SKATE PARK!

### Yes, our wonderful village has done it again!

Not much more than a year after the Hawksnest Skate Park Appeal was launched, by an energetic committee that included many focused and hard-working young people, plus parents, carers and other supportive adults, we've raised the full amount of money required to build a fantastic new skate park for the children and young people of our village to enjoy for many years to come. (And any adults who want to try it out are welcome to use it too, of course!)

Not only is the funding all in place, but also the necessary approval has been received from by the Parish Council and the Hall Committee, the contractor has been chosen, and the contracts have been signed.

The many organisations and individuals who helped make this happen will be officially thanked at a formal celebration launch party at the end of January, but by the time you read this article, the construction work will already be under way. Weather permitting, it will be completed by mid-November. (Neighbours and those immediately affected by the building work have been contacted by the committee to keep them abreast of progress.)

Children from school and pre-school will be invited on site during w/c 5<sup>th</sup> November to observe the construction work under way. We'll also share the story with the Gazette.

In the meantime, more information can be found at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/HawkesburySkateParkAppeal">www.facebook.com/HawkesburySkateParkAppeal</a>.

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#### NEWS FROM HAWKESBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA

Please support our first big fundraisers of the academic year! We're hoping to raise money to revamp the school playground with new safety matting under the wooden play equipment and also to repaint the lines for hopscotch and many other much-loved games that are fast being eroded by the weather to the point of disappearance.

### **Jumble Sale** Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November (10am-12noon)

Kindly organised not by the PTA but by the lovely Claire Cole and her team of eager volunteers(!) If you are sufficiently organised to read your parish mag this early in the month, please do come along to the school hall to support what promises to be a fun and lively morning. Later that day we'll be running a Cake Stall at the **Village Fireworks Night.** Many thanks to that tireless committee for once more staging that fab event again.

### **Christmas Shopping Evening** Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November (7.30-9.30pm)

This popular event returns, bigger and better than ever, with an amazing **42 stalls** shoe-horned into the school for a cosy evening of efficient and interesting Christmas shopping, all supporting local traders and craftsmen as well as the PTA. This year admission is **FREE OF CHARGE!** And with every stallholder contributing a raffle prize, there are **42 prizes to be won**, so join us for a chance to win a treat for yourself while you shop!

### Christmas Fair Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December (11am-1pm)

Our traditional family-oriented event will include plenty of activities and games to keep the children occupied while parents relax over warming refreshments to bolster their strength for the run-up to Christmas. Lots of festive goodies to buy too, from decorations to food and drink. A great way for pre-school children to start to get to know the school too. Everyone welcome, whatever your age, (and that includes you, Santa!)

Finally, a big **thank you** to Andrew Warner who has nobly stepped forward to be PTA Treasurer, relieving Anna O'Brien who has fulfilled this role brilliantly for about a hundred years now (or at least that's how it must feel to her). We've got a lively and inspired committee now in full swing - but **it's never too late to join the PTA!** Please don't hesitate to come along to a meeting if you'd like to get involved or just to socialise with other parents. Full details of future meetings and the minutes of previous ones are on our new-look website: **www.hawkesbuyrprimaryschoolpta.com** 

### Debbie Young, PTA Secretary

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### **Hawkesbury After School Club**



### Monday to Thursday 2.30 to 6pm

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

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

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

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### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2012

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All others please gather at the War Memorial

Service at the War Memorial
To commence at 10.50am
Two Minutes Silence at 11.00am

The short Remembrance Service on The Plain will be followed by a Service in Bethesda Chapel – All Welcome

There is also Evensong with Remembrance at 6pm at St Mary's Hawkesbury

Ms Sam Allen, Honorary Secretary, Royal British Legion

### 2012 Poppy Appeal

Door-to-door collections for the Poppy Appeal will start from the end of October with collection boxes also at the pubs and shop. Your donations will go to support all serving and ex-serving members of the armed forces and their families. Please ask your collector if you would like more information about the Royal British Legion and the Poppy Appeal.

Liz Howard, Poppy Appeal Organiser 238417



### 1st Hawkesbury Guides — WW1 Exhibition

Sunday November 11th — 11.30-12.30

Hawkesbury Village Hall. All welcome. Free Entry.

Refreshments available for a small charge to cover the cost of the hall hire — once hall fees covered, any profit will go to The British Legion.

If any one has any memorabilia from WW1 they would like to put in the exhibition, or has any family stories they would be willing to share, please contact either Louise Roberts 238628 or Jane Bleaken 232993)

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### HAWKESBURY GARDENING CLUB

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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 September was **Peter Jones** who gave a talk on **The Night Garden**.

He believes that a garden should be enjoyed after work and involve as little maintenance as possible.

Also a garden should be fragrant and include lights and crunchy gravel, rustling leaves and bird song (a sensor to set off nightingales recordings and a cushion that when sat on sets off an owl hooting) and small water effects such as pots that trickle or larger runs and rills (but not too much as you'll end up running into the loo all the time).

He suggested various flowering plants that give off perfume – purple petunia, night scented stock, nicotiniana etc. And he suggests running naked through the plants to release the scents (and also to enjoy the sensation!) A garden doesn't need to be large but, for the nakedness, it must be enclosed. Some members were more than a little intrigued by this idea!

He recommended dipping bulbs in methylated spirits (good for shallots and onions as well) as its smell keeps away mice, squirrels etc. and, to avoid having to constantly water new plants, dig a large hole and line it with thick layers of newspaper that has been soaked overnight.

Speaker for Monday 26th November 2012 is **G. Hargreaves - Gardens of Gloucestershire**.

Monday 28th January 2013 - **Brian Noble - Mediterranean Vegetables and What To Do With Them**.

Monday 25th February 2013 - **Valerie Hurlston-Gardiner - History of English Gardens through Painting**. *Terry Truebody (01454 238364)*.



### **ODD ISN'T IT?**

By Alan C.Porter



Whoever invented sausage, bacon and eggs for breakfast was a genius. Unless you are a vegetarian, suffer from high cholesterol or are fighting the advance of muffin tops around the waist. I fit all the above categories. I suppose I'm a closet vegetarian or would be if I could get in the closet.

It appears that at a certain age you stop growing upwards and compensate by growing outwards, this is a totally inappropriate curved ball that life throws at you but probably caused by the sausage, bacon and eggs instead of a sensible museli munch. But in defence of the fry-up, it's my Sunday morning treat only. The rest of the week is very healthy.

But life is full of the inappropriate such as on a windswept Monday morning being greeted with a cheery, "Good morning." The morning is right but what's "good" about it?

But my favourite is in the doctor's waiting room when two people meet who obviously haven't seen each other for some time and one says to the other. "Haven't seen you for ages. How are you?" He's waiting to see a doctor. How "are" can he be? But when the reply comes, "Ok," you can't help wondering what he's doing waiting to see a doctor for in the first place. Odd isn't it?

But most inappropriate of all is that I've already started my Christmas shopping. Now that is odd!



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Sunday 9th December. Coppicing at Midger Woods. (Hillesley)

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### Hawkesbury & Horton W I

President Barbara Harvey welcomed everyone to a well attended October meeting but warned that our speakers for the evening, the Fire Brigade, might disappear later as they were on stand-by!

Barbara, who'd attended the Avon Federation AGM at Weston-Super-Mare said her report would be emailed to members later but that everyone who went had a lovely time with Adam

Henson from the Cotswold Farm Park as main speaker and much enjoyed.

Thanks went to Sue Hope, Pat Seabrook, Pat Sherry and Caroline Crocker, the team that represented us in the Federation Quiz at Somerset Hall, Portishead. Out of forty-four entries they came fifth, just five points behind the winners.

The operational crew from the Yate Station of Avon Fire and Rescue Service then gave an excellent presentation on life within the Fire Brigade today. There are 23 fire stations across the Avon area with a work force of 1000 and they deal with 30,000 999 calls a year. A large part of their work covers fire prevention. They will give home safety visits if required and will also fit 10 year smoke detectors on each floor of the house, free of charge, if required. Anyone without a smoke alarm was advised to have one and to check regularly that it's working.

A lot of their work involves roadside rescue and we were shown some of the very specialized equipment used in this difficult job. In order to get the safety message across roadskills are taught to young people who've just passed their driving test. They also visit community events in order to inform the general public on safety issues.

Penny Lacy won the Home Safety Tip:-

Have a planned emergency exit route from the home if normal exits are blocked, Especially important from "upstairs" rooms.

Flower of the Month Competition was won by Christine Gamlin with an hydrangea.

Group Rally - Barbara Harvey's hand-knitted scarf was chosen for the competition entry.

**Diary Dates** 

6th November World War II Clothes & Fashion with Juliet Herbert

Fire Drill

Naomi Willmott from "The Harmonies" 4th December

Competition - Christmas Cracker Joke

**12th December** Christmas Meal at Egypt Mill

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

**Betty Salthouse 01454 238410** 



### Plastic milk bottle top collection

Please could people save their clean plastic milk bottle tops?

Yate and Westerleigh Guides are fundraising for their trip to Switzerland(there is an initiative to recycle them for cash)-please drop them to me.

Many thanks,

Louise Roberts 238628

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# Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November 8.0pm, Village Hall

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'Arm loose, please beware'!

### **Charity Lunches**

We will be holding three charity lunches in aid of the **Hawkesbury Senior Citizen Fund** in the Methodist Hall on the following dates- **Thursday 6th**, **13th** and **20th December** between 12.30 and 1.15pm.

Everyone is welcome to come and join us and help with this worthy cause.

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### **Hawkesbury Upton Senior Citizen's Fund**

The Senior Citizen's Fund is an account that is in place to benefit all those of pension age in the villages of Hawkesbury, Hawkesbury Upton and The Commons. Monies are distributed annually in December. The Royal British Legion administers and distributes the funds, assisted by the WI. The signatories of the account and therefore 'the committee' are Sam Allen, Tim Davies, Charlie Dix and Liz Howard.

But we need your help to ensure that no one is missed. It is difficult to know when people reach pension age (state pension), especially now that the age can differ from year to year. Please let us know when you or someone else reaches that age.

Over the past year fundraising in the community has raised £1,054. This has included monies from: The RAOB (Buffs), 2 Rugby & Football competition proceeds from Mick Bendeaux, Harvest Auction at The Beaufort and 2 Donations.

Thank you to everyone, especially to Mark at the Beaufort for his continued support via the annual Harvest Auction.

In December 2011, 218 senior citizens received £10. This included residents of Beaufort House. (The monies were used to give all residents a Christmas treat.)

The fund is still reasonably healthy, but each year we will continue to need fundraising events and donations to enable us to continue with this great tradition of the community that is Hawkesbury Upton.

Ms Sam Allen, Hon Sec, The Royal British Legion.

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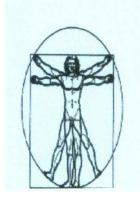
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Hope to hear from you soon.

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Megan Storm – fantastic young artist, cards, paintings, gifts

Jasper & Co – handmade gifts (some yummy!), jewellery & homeware

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Jaye Designs – washbags, cushions, painted ware

Tracy Midgely – potted bulbs and plants

Jenny Humphreys – willow baskets

Kate Burger – wreathes, swags, table decorations

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# Hawkesbury Cricket Club — 300 Club

### Prize winners for July

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WIN	NUMBER	WINNER
£50	66	Betty Bendeaux
£50	206	Karen Cole
£20	247	Phil Albery
£10	188	Sandra Rouse
£5	55	Keith Bergham
£5	8	Debbie Davey
£5	280	Howard Bradley
£5	1	Jean Shewry

### **Prize winners for August**

WIN	NUMBER	WINNER
£50	61	Barry Hope
£50	55	Keith Bergham
£20	28	Jill Bendeaux
£10	185	Edna Green
£5	138	Andy Starling
£5	81	Brian Fletcher
£5	211	Becki Spokes
£5	160	Fred Eamer

### **Prize winners for September**

WIN	NUMBER	WINNER
£50	40	Keith Player
£50	289	Rachel Phillips
£20	128	Carol Bleaken
£10	310	Phil Rutter
£5	202	Gillian Oliver
£5	11	Sally & John Bleaken
£5	19	Dick Martin
£5	123	Howard Pettit

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.

Dean Simmonds 01454 238 327



Hawkesbury Stallions Football Club is back for the 2012.2013 Season. This year, as well as an Adult team, we also have an Under 13's team. The adult team still play on Saturday afternoons and the Under 13's play on Sundays, mostly afternoon kickoffs. All games are played up The Rec.

If you would like to be involved in the club in any capacity, please contact Simon Warren - details on back of parish magazine.

Please see below for home fixtures for both teams.

If you would like a full list of fixtures, please get in touch with Simon.

Thanks, HSFC

#### **Adults Home Fixtures**

2pm KO in November, December, January and February 2.30pm KO all other months

2.30pm NO an other months	
10 <sup>th</sup> November	
8 <sup>th</sup> December	

<u>Under 13's Home Fixtures</u> Most home fixtures are 2pm KO				
28 <sup>th</sup> October				
18 <sup>th</sup> November				
9 <sup>th</sup> December				

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**Dates:** January 12th/19th/26th 2013

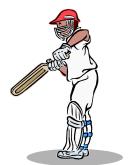
February 2nd/9th/23rd 2013

**Times:** 2-3pm - 8/9/10 year olds

3-4pm - 11/12 year olds

**Cost:** £12/child for the 6 week course

Please note that places are strictly limited and therefore need to be booked in advance. Please contact Sara White to confirm your child's place - 01454 238554/ sarawhite@uwclub.net



### Hawkesbury Summer Skittles—2012 League Tables

	<u>Played</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Draw</u>	<u>Lost</u>	The Roper Trophyette			
Rats Pack	16	269	13	1	2	Rats Pack	16		423
Winkers	16	255	12		4	Old Foxes	16		393
Brats	16	180	8	1	7	Hornets	16		375
Cream Teas	16	180	9		7	Winkers	16		365
Old Foxes	16	173	7	1	8	Spooners	16		356
Hillbillies	16	156	5	3	8	Hillbillies	16		344
Hornets	16	174	7	2	7	Brats	16		341
Beaufort Pingers	16	124	4	1	11	Beaufort Pingers	16		327
Spooners	16	73	2	1	13	Cream Teas	16		326

<u>Highest score - Gent</u>		<u> Highest spare - Lady</u>	
Martin Gardener Dave Leat	52	Pauline Scrivens	14
Highest score - Lady		Highest Leg score - The Percy Watts Cup	
Pauline Scrivens	47	Rats Pack	69
Highest spare - Gent		Highest Pins total - The Pete Huxford Trop	<u>hy</u>
lain Rae	17	Rats Pack	324



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### NEW BOOK BY LOCAL WRITER PUTS HAWKESBURY ON THE MAP

On 15 October, local writer Debbie Young, who has lived in Hawkesbury Upton for nearly 22 years, published *Sell Your Books!* This book was commissioned by Bristol-based publisher SilverWood Books to do what it says on the cover: to offer promotional advice to the growing band of self-published authors who need to sell their own books.

The term "self-published" means writers who fund the publication of their own books, rather than going through the traditional route of a big publishing house (and requiring that elusive publishing contract!) Although self-published authors have to market their books themselves, they also get to keep the profit, so there is a big incentive to sell lots of books!

Debbie drew on her long career in journalism, PR and marketing to write the book, which involved lengthy research and interviews with authors and other members of the book trade over a two year period. The book is already receiving good reviews, including one from a leading academic in the publishing industry, Dr Alison Baverstock, who liked it so much that she was persuaded to write the foreword!

Aimed at the wide world of publishing and for sale around the globe (one of the first orders came from a Japanese man living in Australia!), the book is clearly the product of Hawkesbury Upton, with honourable mentions for our own Bill Fairney, a selfpublished author of many books, and the village history books by the Hawkesbury Writers group! If you have any authors or aspiring authors in your family for whom you need to buy a useful Christmas present, signed copies are available on request from Debbie! It is also available to order via Amazon for £8.99 for the paperback (Kindle version to be available shortly for £5.99), or from SilverWood's online bookshop (www.silverwoodbooks.co.uk) (Even if you don't want to buy a copy, if you have an Amazon account, she will greatly appreciate you finding the book on Amazon and pressing the "like" button!) 25% of the author's royalties are being given to the JDRF, the leading charity funding research into Type 1 diabetes (www.jdrf.org.uk).

If you would like to know more about the costs and practicalities of becoming a self-published author, feel free to contact Helen Hart at SilverWood Books on 0117 910 5829 and tell them you're from Hawkesbury Upton. She'll know who sent you and be very happy to talk to you! (And yes, it is the same Helen Hart who wrote the children's pirate story *The Black Banner*, and who came to visit Hawkesbury Primary School on World Book Day this year, dressed in full pirate outfit! *The Black Banner* is also available on Amazon.)

Debbie also creates websites for self-published authors and writes a blog of book promotion tips at <a href="www.otsbp.com">www.otsbp.com</a>, as well as writing a personal blog at <a href="www.youngbyname.me">www.youngbyname.me</a>. She pens monthly columns in the Hawkesbury parish mag and the Tetbury Advertiser and also works part-time at the national children's charity Readathon (<a href="www.readathon.org">www.readathon.org</a>) which encourages children to read for pleasure. She also helps run a regional support group for families of children with Type 1 diabetes.

No wonder she looks so tired.

### **Golden Times**

For many children at our village school, the highlight of the week is "Golden Time". The name sounds alluring even before you know what it is...

Golden Time is a brief period every Friday when the pupils are allowed to do what they like - from playing on the computers to drawing pictures to curlng up with a good book. It's a treat they look forward to all week as an antidote to their hectic schedule. It's also an effective motivator for good behaviour, as staff may dock minutes from each child for misdemeanours. To allow naughty children to reform, the slate is wiped clean each week, everyone starting with a full score of minutes every Monday morning.

Attending a parents' meeting in the classroom when my daughter was a new Year 1, I spotted on the whiteboard a list headed "Golden Time" with a number of minutes against each child's name. Several other mums were as aghast as I was to see there were no numbers next to our children. What on earth had they done to lose all their time? Hesitantly, I asked the class teacher who smiled and shook her head. "Oh no, Mrs Young, the numbers there represent the minutes those children have been docked!" Phew, my daughter was a good girl after all! My relief was palpable.

One recent Friday, all the girls in her class emerged from Golden Time with their hair in beautiful fishtail plaits, courtesy of their kind teacher. Next week, they were wild-haired from a lovely session of crazy, headbanging dancing.

Either way, they were happy, contented and effectively rewarded for being good all week.

I just wish there was a Golden Time for grown-ups. Or maybe there is, and I've just lost all my minutes for bad behaviour. Hmm, must try harder.

Debbie's online blog is at www.youngbyname.me

### Mumbleys Farmhouse

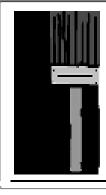
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Following the sad news of the passing of local character, Tony Wilkins, last month, Sally Batten has given us kind permission to publish her eulogy for Tony, as read at Tony's funeral service at St Mary's.

#### **Eulogy for Tony — 1928-2012**

This afternoon we gather in the quiet of St Mary's, Hawkesbury to pay our last tribute of respect to Tony. Tony lived his life to the full and will always be remembered for his colourful personality.

Allow me to share some of the special memories that I have collected of Tony, memories that personify him and his life well lived.

Lesley Anthony Wilkins was born on July 2nd 1928 at "Hiandri", High Street, Hawkesbury Upton. Tony was also known as Wilkie, occasionally Jockey Wilkie after his father! He was one of five children.

Tony attended Hawkesbury School until the age of 14, when he left to take his first job as a Baker Boy for Dan Thompson. His job was to drive the horse and cart down to Hawkesbury and Inglestone Common, delivering bread with Tim Dean. The late Fred Trinder accompanied him initially to show him the way. After they finished their daily round, they would return to Hawkesbury Upton, a stop on the way was important, so to eat the left over lardy cake.

The cart horse they drove was a old grey mare called Bessie – Tony always rested her at the bottom of Cold Change Hill, before the steep climb up. On one memorable occasion, poor Bessie struggled with her journey, sadly to say poor Bessie did not survive the uphill journey and was laid to rest on this day.

Tony had many other transferable skills, he assisted in building work and was known to have build one of the barns at Upper Chalkley, but his most important life long skill was working with horses. This is where he joined his two brothers, Mervyn a jockey and Laddie a stable hand for Claire Balding's father in Andover. Tony pursued his career in the Racing World and became Stable Lad for Colonel Lees at Bicester.

Tony would often share his memories of the Racing World, one in particular:- Colonel Lees owned a horse named "Raparee". Tony was asked to take the gelding to Perth, Scotland, to enter into a race. This involved a train journey, with a change at Crewe. It was a very challenging job, as the horse was young and highly strung – however, Tony and "Raparee" reached their destination, to be greeted by a person in a small van only to collect the feed and rugs. Tony and Raparee had a further 2½ miles to walk. Tony was never a man to step back from a challenge!

The kaleidoscope turns again – Tony, like his father, Stanley, had various connections with local farmers through his riding.

Tony formed a relationship with the Keedwell family at Iron Acton Court and became friendly with Joyce Keedwell. Joyce was a keen rider and demonstrated side saddle riding at the Bath & West Show. Following one of these meetings, mutual friends suggested that Joyce and Tony should increase their friendship and interests – eventually Joyce and Tony formed a relationship and they became sweethearts and were partners for many years. Sadly, Joyce passed away in October 2010.

In Tony's last few working years, he worked at the Sea Transport Co. in Yate (which is no longer standing) – but Tony never lost his love for horses. Some of Tony's quotes:- "The horse is a good gift to mankind."

"No hour of life is wasted that is spent in the saddle." This occupation was an anchor for Tony as it defined and shaped his life for years to come.

Tony was never a man to step back from a challenge and strove to pursue this at all times.

Tony loved following the hunt regularly until last year when illness weakened his adventurous personality.

He was known to drive carriages for weddings and other formal occasions upon request; one of which was a setting at Dyrham Park with Anthony Hopkins, when filming "Remains of the Day".

He gained recognition for breaking horses and selling them on, and it was at this point, I met Tony at the Beaufort Point-To-Point, approx 17 years ago – we shared a drink or two! Four months later, my late father Reg Isaac struck a deal with Tony in the sitting room of "The Gables" for a little palamino pony called "Leo" for my daughter, Ellie's 10th birthday.

Tony would be a regular visitor at Game Fairs and farm auctions and inevitably returned with goods i.e. saddlery and

the occasional feathered friend.

Wilkie always attended the annual Harvest Home auction at The Beaufort in Hawkesbury Upton, and was the chief auctioneer. Landlord Mark and Tony always completed the evening with a rousing chorus of "The Old Rugged Cross" (Wilkie's favourite hymn). He will always be remembered wearing a bowler hat and a red

waistcoat at the evening



of the auction and also it was here Tony enjoyed and evening with son Andrew, daughter-in-law Annette, grandchildren Thomas and Colette.

The kaleidoscope of his life keeps moving:-

Tony and Joyce spent a few Christmas Eves with our family, always laughing, singing and sipping. One of these evenings progressed well into the early hours – little did we know that snow had fallen. Time came for Joyce and Tony to wend their way down the hill to Little Sodbury. We dutifully cleared the snow from the windscreen, only to realise that it was the wrong car!

"Ere Joyce, this 'aint our car! Christ ol Sal!" – we roared. As we have travelled through some of the memories of Tony's life, the family realised that Tony strove to do the best he could – a life partner, father, grandfather, friend and champion to others.

It is hard to say farewell to Tony, but we will always remember the interesting legacy he leaves behind. While he sleeps and his voice is still, his spirit goes on. Tony we will remember you fondly.

#### Sally Batten

### **BENEFICE SERVICES FOR NOVEMEBER 2012**

Sundays	4th November	11th November Remembrance	18th November	25th November
Readings	Heb 9.11-14 Mark 12.28-34	Micah 4.1-5 John 15.9-17	Heb 10.1-4,19-25 Mark 13.1-8	Rev 1.4-8 John 18. 33-37
Great Badminton		10.50 Remembrance Richard Thomson		19th @11.15 El Gubi Richard Thomson
Little Badminton				
Sopworth	6.00pm Evensong + HC Richard Thomson		11.15 Matins tba	
Didmarton	11.15 Matins Richard Thomson		8.30 Holy Communion tba	
Acton Turville		8.30 Holy Communion Richard Thomson	9.45 Family Service Matthew Butler	8.30 Holy Communion Richard Thomson
Boxwell				
Leighterton	8.30 Holy Communion Richard Thomson	11.00 Remembrance tba	11.00 All Age Alveen Thoresen	11.00 Common Worship Alveen Thoresen
Hawkesbury	9.45 All Age HC Alveen Thoresen	6.00pm Evensong Richard Thomson	9.45 All Age Lay Led	6.00pm BCP HC Alveen Thoresen
Lasborough	9.30 Matins John Avery	9.30 BCP HC tba	9.30 Matins Alveen Thoresen	9.30 Common Worship Alveen Thoresen
Oldbury-on-the- Hill				

Other Services							
Nov 1st	All Saints Day	9am	Lasborough	вср нс			
Nov 2nd	All Souls Day	7pm	Hawkesbury	Special			
Nov 30th	St Andrews	9am	Leighterton	ВСР НС			

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### St Mary's Church News

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"Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies.

How priceless is your unfailing love! For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light."

Psalm 36: 5.7 & 9

We had a splendid celebration on 20 September at St Mary's at the licensing of the Revd Richard Thomson, in the presence of members of all ten parishes of our benefice: Boxwell with Leighterton, Didmarton, Oldbury-on-the-Hill, Sopworth, Badminton with Little Badminton, Acton Turville, Hawkesbury, Westonbirt and Lasborough (the list was recited several times in the course of the service!). The Rt Revd Michael Perham, Bishop of Gloucester, presided over the proceedings, and many people took part at various times, representing different aspects of village and parish life. We enjoyed the singing of the choir, and the lovely flower arrangements, and have received a number of complimentary comments on the evening from the other parishes. We ended the evening with drinks and nibbles, in our usual style. Thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to making such a success of the evening

Looking forward now, in November we have **All Souls**, when we remember our departed family and friends at a quiet, reflective evening service on **Thursday 2 November**. This is not intended only for recent bereavements, but for anyone who wants to remember loved ones. **Remembrance Sunday** this year actually falls on **11 November**, and we shall all be joining in the Act of Remembrance at the war memorial, followed by a short service at Bethesda Chapel. St Mary's service takes place in the evening at 6.0 pm. We are again repeating **lectio divina** throughout Advent, starting on **27 November** at Tithe Barn. This is a wide-ranging, very open exploration of Bible passages, to which there are no right answers – all are welcome to express their thoughts, or not, if they prefer to remain silent. Please let Linda Fairney know if you would like to come

**Advent Charity Lunches** start on **1 December** at the Methodist Hall at 12.30 pm, for three weeks. We shall be very grateful for offers of soup and help on the day. This is a joint venture with Bethesda and the Methodist Church, but we do not talk religion all the time! The aim is to raise money for a charity chosen by the people who enjoy the lunches, and to collect goods for the Julian Trust emergency night shelter for the homeless in Bristol

Even further ahead, we are already planning Christmas services, which are listed below, so that you can make a note of them well in advance. In addition, we have two services for the children: on 6 January next year, which is the feast of Epiphany, there will be a celebration of Messy Church at St Mary's, and on 3 February, Candlemas, we are holding our Christingle service. There should be something at a time to suit everyone!

### **Dates for your Diary**

2 November 7.0 pm All Souls

11 November 6.0 pm Remembrance Evensong

**27 November** 7.45 pm Lection Divina at Tithe barn

**2 December** 6.0 pm Advent Carol Service

23 December 6.0 pm FoSM Carol Serice

24 December 4.0 pm Light of the World/Crib Service

24 December 11.0 pm Midnight Communion at Leighterton

25 December 10.30 am All Age Communion

6 January 2013 9.45 am Messy Church

3 February 9.45 am Christingle

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### Letter from the Rectory

Dear Friends,

Thank you for the welcome you have given my family and me into your lovely parish. It is already proving to be an exciting and fulfilling new chapter in our lives. I have enjoyed visiting the school, the odd playgroup and one or two pubs. At the moment my visiting is restricted to the church officers and the bereaved, though I hope to soon give members of the church a ring and come and hear all about your life and experience.

If you are keen for any reason to have a word, please do ring or email me. I am so fortunate in having a colleague, Alveen Thoresen who is the House for Duty Priest and lives in Leighterton. So, I very much hope together we can respond to the many aspirations and wishes that are part of our life not only in the church but in the community.

November begins with All Saints Day, as we celebrate the saints conquering all the ghouls and demons that we poke fun at on Halloween! One year I want to see children dressed up as saints and angels and have an even BETTER party than on the previous day.

Then All Souls on 2<sup>nd</sup> November, as we remember all who have died. There is a service at Hawkesbury at 7pm to quietly remember our loved ones, which is open to us all whichever parish we live in.

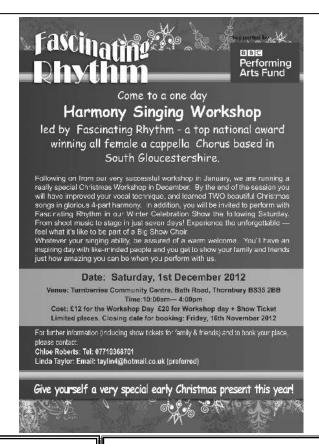
Then Remembrance Sunday on the 11<sup>th</sup>, as we recall the sacrifice made by so many for our country over the last 100 years.

Best wishes and hope to meet you over the coming months, if we have not already.

#### Richard Thomson

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### Friends of St Mary's

### Forthcoming events for 2012

### The "Going for Gold" Ball – Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November

Tables are now almost all sold for the ball, but do ring us if you would like to organise a group of friends to join us – we may yet be able to squeeze you in! Menus will already have been circulated to those hosting tables - four course dinner with coffee, followed by dancing to the amazing band **THE RAIZE**.



This is the FOSM main fundraiser of the year, and like the Olympics we want it to be a golden success! Our beautiful church will need some major structural work done on the tower very soon. We would hate to lose this building or let it fall into disrepair, so do come and support us in our fight to look after our Grade 1 listed church.

Please call Pauline Setterfield on 238307 if you would like to book a table. Tickets are £37.50 per head

### Coming in January 2013:-

**Wulfstan Wassail** – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January in The Malthouse, Church Farm House (by kind permission of Lisa White).

A rustic supper with mulled cider and carollers to celebrate the Feast of St Wulfstan. Places will be limited. Early booking advised.

For details of membership of the Friends of St Mary's please contact Pauline Setterfield 238307.

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

Date	Time	Service	Readers	Readings	Sidesmen
2nd Nov	7 p.m.	Remembering our loved ones			
4th Nov	0945 am	Morning Praise - Communion			H. Rogers
11th Nov	1045 am	Act of Rememberance on the Plain			
	6 pm	Rememberance Evensong	W. Fairney	Micah Ch. 4 v 1-5	A Craig
			G Morgan	John Ch 15 9- 17	
18th Nov	0945 am	Morning Praise			P Broad
25th Nov	10 am	Methodist Church Sunday School			
	6 pm	BCP Communion			M Davies
2nd Dec	0945 am	Advent Carol Service	T.B.A.		L Fairney
9th Dec	6 pm	Evensong	M Bendry J Gardener		P Bendry

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 Revd. Alveen call: 01666 890 548

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#### **Services for November 2012**

Sunday November 4th 9.45am Morning Praise at St Marys
Sunday November 11th 10.45am REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Meet on The Plain followed by Service at Bethesda

Sunday November 18th 9.45am Morning Praise at St. Mary's

Sunday November 25th 10.00am Mr D Jones

### BETHESDA CHAPEL

PARK STREET, HAWKESBURY UPTON

#### Services for the month of November 2012

Sunday November 4th 10.30am Mr Ray Hollister [C]

Sunday November 11th 10.45am On The Plain then at Bethesda Chapel

Sunday November 18th 10.30am Mr and Mrs Gillard

Sunday November 25th 10.30am Mr Robert Simpkins
Sunday December 2nd Mr Alan Tarling [C]

BETHESDA ADVENTURERS MEET DURING EACH MORNING SERVICE

Tuesday 6th November - A Time of Worship / Prayer 7.30pm

TUESDAY 13TH November ~ COFFEE MORNING ~ 10.00 to 12 noon

The Centre Christian Bookshop will be attending

Money received for 'Mercy In Action'

Thursdays - A time of Prayer for Revival at 2.00pm

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A screaming 19-year-old woman was trapped in her car after falling asleep as she passed over a motorway bridge at 12.15am. Her car was dangerously dangling over the safety rail, only held by the back, left wheel. Every time the rescue teams tried to move the car she would yell and scream – over two hours later the car was secured and the woman was released. Later the Chief Fire Officer said "It was kind of funny, she kept saying "I'll do it myself" – This was not possible!

Many people go through life believing that they can receive salvation by their 'good' works – doing things their own way. NOT SO! Paul wrote to the Ephesians (and us) Ephesians 2 v.8/9 "For it is by grace you are saved, through faith, and this is not of yourselves, IT IS THE GIFT OF GOD, not by works so that no-one can boast"

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### South Gloucestershire Councillor's Report

#### Small Revenue Grants open for business

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All the grants are designed for volunteer groups that want to develop projects and provide activities that meet local needs. They can include art and culture, children and play, community safety, developing communities, enhancing the natural and built environment, learning activities, promoting equality and tackling poverty, sports, and supporting vulnerable people.

The **Small Revenue Grants** fund can give you up to £3,000 or more and applying for one is easily done online through the Council's website.

If you would like to apply for funding, applications can be made from **Monday 22 October 2012**. You have 5 weeks to apply (closing date is 26 November 2012), and we can help you every step of the way.

Go to <a href="https://www.southglos.gov.uk">www.southglos.gov.uk</a> for more information. Or phone our Grants Helpline on 01454-865865 for an informal chat.

Although the Inspector has given South Gloucestershire Council's Core strategy the green light; there are some modifications and further consultation is currently open on the Planning Framework for South Gloucestershire— details can be found at the local libraries or on the Council's website.

At a recent meeting, Neighbourhood Planning was explained in further detail to parish councillors in the Cotswold Edge area. This is how local communities can decide on what they would like to see in their area, and could help achieve some of the actions in the Parish Plan. Another way, is through setting up a Community Land Trust. In all cases the parish council must take the lead.

Localism is also manifesting itself in different service areas – we can expect parish councils to be asked to take on some non-mandatory services, and different ways are being explored in which caring and support services may be delivered.

### Calling all over 50s.

Age UK South Gloucestershire is conducting a survey on the needs of older people (sorry folks that includes the over 50's) to help shape future services. I have put some copies in the post office and the survey can be downloaded from www.ageuksouthglos.org.uk home page (first item, 'Tell us what you think'). It is a FREEPOST return address for the paper copies.

Please ensure the rural voice is heard in the survey.

#### Election on 15th November.

On Thursday 15 November, polls will open in the Avon and Somerset policing area –which includes South Gloucestershire – for the chance to vote for a Police and Crime Commissioner.

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## South Gloucestershire Councillor's Report (continued)

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Who can vote in the elections? Any eligible South Gloucestershire resident over the age of 18 who is registered to vote. Poll cards will be issued to all eligible electors. Please contact electoral services on 01454 863030 if you need any help with registration or visit our website <a href="https://www.southglos.gov.uk/pcc">www.southglos.gov.uk/pcc</a>

Between October 22 and November 2 the Electoral Commission will send every household in England and Wales a booklet about the elections and the supplementary voting system. If you do not receive your copy by the 2nd November please telephone the Electoral Commission on 0800 328 0280.

**Streetcare** – flytipping, potholes and streetlighting can be reported on the South Gloucestershire Council revamped website. <a href="www.southglos.gov.uk">www.southglos.gov.uk</a> or 01454 868000 Let me know how easy you find it!

### **Broadband update**

It is anticipated that the contract to provide improved broadband services will be awarded at the end of October, followed by six months of further survey works.

#### Our bus service

Many thanks to all those who have contacted me regarding the disruptions to the 86 service. This is important, as Wessex Bus Company is fined for any no shows of the bus service. We have a valuable and well used service and want to ensure it continues to run. Council officers meet frequently with Wessex to discuss the problems, and pass on our local difficulties.

### Congratulations to the Skate/BMX's

Funding has been secured, and work will shortly start on this much needed facility for Hawkesbury's young people. Many people, including the young people themselves, have worked hard to secure the wheelie facility, and I am confident they will look after this new play area; well done to them for speaking up at the recent Frome Vale Area Forum, where they received generous applause for their presentation.

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### WESTONBIRT ARBORETUM CHOSEN FOR FLAGSHIP FUNDING SCHEME

A project to build a new Welcome Building and restore the Grade I Registered landscape at the Forestry Commission's National Arboretum at Westonbirt has been awarded a grant of £500,000.

The Westonbirt Project was named as Cultural Facilities Flagship Project for the Biffa Award 2012 scheme.

The grant will help fund educational areas of a new Welcome Building planned for 2013. The areas will share the history of the arboretum, showcase work taking place to research trees for the future and help direct visitors to must-see areas or events.

Over £2.8 million has now been raised towards the £3.6 million project. Fundraising is being led by the Friends of Westonbirt Arboretum; a registered charity which supports the Forestry Commission at The National Arboretum.

The Forestry Commission's Director at Westonbirt Arboretum, Simon Toomer, commented:

"With this generous grant we are now one step closer to realising our dreams through the Westonbirt Project.

"When people currently arrive at Westonbirt they are greeted at a tiny admissions booth, with no real sense of direction or importance of the arboretum they are about to enter.

"The developments planned as part of the project will enable visitors to park, pay on foot through the new Welcome Building and find out all about the trees, history and what they can see before they venture off into the arboretum."

Construction of the new Welcome Building is planned for late 2013. The arboretum's team aim to begin work on the new car park in January 2013.

The new car park is part of the Grade I Registered landscape restoration. Parking will be moved to an area not protected by English Heritage and the current car park will be returned to a landscape of rare grasses and wildflowers.

More information on the Westonbirt Project can be found at <a href="https://www.westonbirtproject.co.uk">www.westonbirtproject.co.uk</a>.



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### **Hawkesbury Parish Council**

### Planning applications received:

App. No.	Address	Description	Comments
PK12/2927 /TCA	Beaconsfield House Park Street Hawkesbury Upton		The Parish Council <b>Supports</b> this planning application.
PK12/3157/TCA	Pool House High Street Hawkesbury Upton	Works to reduce 1 no. Ash tree to previous cuts and remove 1 no. Ash Tree situated within the Hawkesbury Conservation order	No objection

### Planning decisions received:

PK12/2134 /RVC	Blue Boy Barn High Street Hawkesbury Upton	Variation of condition 6 attached to planning permission PK09/5147/F to alter the materials used for the boundary treatment in accordance with drawing no. ER03/PL01.	PERMIT subject to conditions
PK12/2251/RM	42 Highfields Hawkesbury Upton	Demolition of existing dwelling to facilitate erection of 4 no. dwellings (Approval of reserved matters to be read in conjunction with PK09/5893/0	PERMIT subject to conditions

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### **Hawkesbury Parish Council (continued)**

**Parish Council Meeting** 

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Caroline Carnegie	60 Highfields 01454 238918	14yrs old. Available for dog walking and babysitting.			
Charlotte Carnegie	60 Highfields 01454 238918	20yrs old. Available for baby sitting, dog walking and pet minding.			
Katie Munro	01454 238 174	I am a 16 year old experienced babysitter (references can be supplied). I am reliable and trustworthy and love working with young children. I am available most evenings and weekends term times and at all times during the school holidays.			
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### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November, 7.30 to 9.30

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Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November
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### Westonbirt wood sales

Saturday 10 November 10am-3pm

Sunday 11 November 10am-1pm

Proceeds go to the Friends of Westonbirt Arboretum, so cash or cheques only please. Follow signs from the car park on arrival. Call 01666 880220 or woodsales@fowa.org.uk

### **Enchanted Christmas**

Friday 30 November - Sunday 23 December

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### **Table Top Sale**

Chipping Sodbury Town Hall

**Saturday 10th November 2012** 10am-4pm

For more information or to book a table/place please contact Amanda on 07895 187292.

Tables cost £15 and must be booked in advance!

Voluntary entrance fee in aid of Charlie, aged 6, who is suffering from Birkitt's Lymphoma Cancer.

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#### **Wotton Charities Fair**

#### Saturday 24th November 2012

This is the 17th year the Wotton-under-Edge Charities Fair has been held raising several thousand pounds for local charities each year. It takes place in the Civic Centre

in Gloucester Street from 10am until 4pm.
On sale will be Christmas gifts, books, toys, cakes and a host of other things. Morning coffee, lunch and afternoon tea will be available.

If the charity you support would like to have a stall please ring Alison 843224 or Margaret 844129

### **Craft Fayre**

Chipping Sodbury Town Hall

Saturday 3rd November 2012 10am-4pm

For more information or to book a table/place please contact Amanda on 07895 187292 Tables cost £15 and must be booked in advance!

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### **Market & Craft Stalls**

10th November 21st November

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### Charity Christmas Coffee and Crafts Morning

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Saturday 24th November 2012

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#### ParaNorman 3D, Cert PG, 92 mins.

Norman (Kodi Smit-McPhee) is a misunderstood loner. However, his ability to talk to the dead comes in handy when the town comes under attack from zombies, ghosts and witches.

Saturday 27 October 4:30pm Sunday 28 October 2:00pm

Saturday 03 November 4:30pm

#### To Rome With Love, Cert 12A, 112 mins .

Woody Allen's latest comedy follows the lives of visitors and residents of Rome and the romances, adventures and predicaments they get into. .

Saturday 27 October 7:45pm Friday 02 November 7:45pm Thursday 08 November 7:45pm Tuesday 13 November 7:45pm

#### Now Is Good, Cert 12A, 103 mins

Diagnosed with terminal cancer, 17-year old Tessa (Dakota Fanning) determines to cram a life's worth of experiences into the time remaining to her. Also stars Jeremy Irvine and Paddy Considine.

Wednesday 31 October 7:45pm Friday 02 November 7:45pm Thursday 08 November 7:45pm Tuesday 13 November 7:45pm

#### Samsara, Cert 12A, 102 mins .

Filmed over five years, five continents and twenty-five countries, Samsara is neither travelogue nor documentary, but an in-depth look at the relationship between mankind, and the rhythm and spirituality of the natural world. A visual journey across the globe, from Buddhist monks, to the jungle, to the cathedrals of Europe and the ancient temples of Asia.

Saturday, 3rd November 19:45 Tuesday, 6th November 19:45

#### Ruby Sparks, Cert 15, 104 mins.

Calvin (Paul Dano) is a young novelist who achieved phenomenal success early in his career but is now struggling with his writing - as well as his romantic life. Finally, he makes a breakthrough and creates a character named Ruby who inspires him. When Calvin finds Ruby (Zoe Kazan), in the flesh, sitting on his couch about a week later, he is completely flabbergasted that his words have turned into a living, breathing person.

Saturday, 10th November 19:45 Thursday, 15th November Sunday, 18th November 19:45 Find us on Facebook - Electric Picture House Wednesday, 21st November 20:45 Follow us on Twitter - @WottonCinema Thursday, 22nd November 14:00 Information is correct at time of going to press. Friday, 23rd November 19:45 Please call for the latest details. Tuesday, 27th November 19:45

Coming Soon:

Skyfall, Cert 15, 145 mins – from 30 November Untouchable, Cert 15, 112 mins – TBC for November World Cinema - Monsieur Lazhar, Cert 12A,

94 mins - 04 November

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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!!

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Answers to the October quizzes:-

'Easy'

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