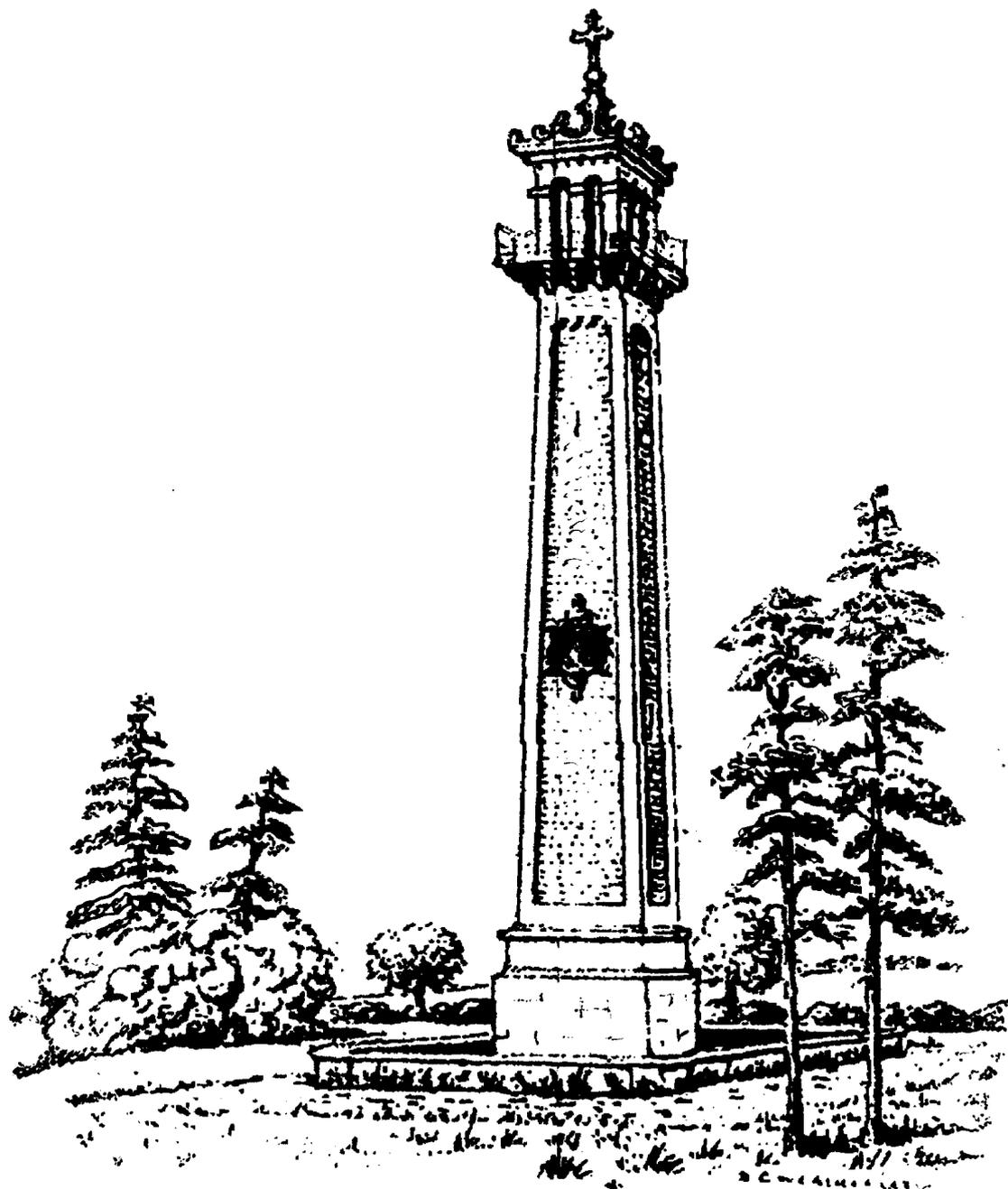


May 2010

# *Hawkesbury*



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## *Parish News*



## EDITORIAL

**Fiona writes:**

Welcome to the May edition of Hawkesbury Parish News!

At time of going to press, UK air space had just about reopened, after days of delays and confusion for so many people, including numerous Hawkesbury residents. It may, at first, seem great to be stuck in sunnier climes, but the stress of being absent from work in the current economic climate, being stranded with small children and being unable to carry out time-critical tasks must be difficult when you are helpless and miles from home. Not only that, many will arrive home from a "supposedly" relaxing holiday after a long road, rail and sea journey. I just hope everyone arrives back safely, in the end.

May brings us the General Election and whatever changes (or not) that may bring. I'll definitely welcome an end to the wall-to-wall news coverage and piles of flyers landing on the doormat.

May also sees the start of the both the cricket and the summer skittles seasons and, of course, two very welcome bank holidays.

Highlights this month include:

- the **Cricket Club Bluebell Walk** in on **Bank Holiday Monday May 3rd**;
- the **Gardening Club's Plant Sale** on **Saturday 8th May** from 10am-12noon; and
- The **Tennis Club's Marie Curie** charity tennis day on **Sunday May 9th**.

Read on for further information on these and many other events during the coming weeks.

**Deadline for copy for the June edition is 20th May 2010.**

Please send it in as early as you can!

***Please note that the copy deadline for August will be much earlier on July 14th!!!***

### In Brief

***Did you know that Hawkesbury Village Hall has its own website?***

**[www.village-hall.org](http://www.village-hall.org)**

Did you also know that you can use the website to -

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**Latest date for all items for the June magazine is 20th May.**



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## Next Parish Council Meeting

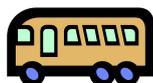
The next Parish Council meeting (AGM) will be on **Mon 10th May 2010, 7.30pm** in the Village Hall.

## Yoga classes

every Thursday morning 10-11.30am  
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## Evergreens

Tues 11th May

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## Hawkesbury Gardening Club Plant Sale



at Hawkesbury Parish Hall



**Saturday 8th May  
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annuals and more

## Hawkesbury Cricket Club – dates for your diary 2010

**Bluebell Walk** - Monday 3rd May

**Junior Egg Catching** - Friday 4th June, 6.30pm  
at Coombe Farm

**Rounders Day** - Sunday 11th July

**Organised Bike Ride** (details to follow) -  
Sun 26th Sept

**Senior Presentation Evening** - Sat  
20th November - 7.30pm



## HAWKESBURY TENNIS CLUB

IMPORTANT DATES FOR  
YOUR DIARY

**Sunday 9th May :**  
Marie Curie charity tennis day

**Saturday 4th September:**  
Annual Family tournament



## Advanced Notice

Please note that the **copy deadline**  
for the **August issue** will be

**Wednesday July 14th**

This is to ensure we can get the  
August issue printed before the end  
of the summer term at KLB.

Please send in any articles as early as you  
can avoid disappointment. Thank you!

## Coffee Mornings at The Methodist Church Hall

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# Hawkesbury CE VC Primary School

## May Newsletter 2010

At last Spring has sprung and the children and staff are really enjoying being able to use the school field without putting many layers on!! As usual school is a busy place to be.

### New school receptionists!!!!

If you have phoned or visited school at break or dinnertime you will have noticed that Mrs Norris has been replaced by children from Hawk class (top juniors). They are now responsible for manning the phones and alerting an adult to anyone calling during these times. This allows Mrs Norris to have a break, means that no-one has to wait for the door to be answered for very long and gives our Y5/6 children some responsibility and a taste of work experience. They have been fully trained in answering the phone and door in a polite and responsible manner, how to transfer calls and in some basic paperwork duties. They have been frequently complimented since they have started on their manners and efficient attitude. They are not allowed to open the door to anyone (even their parents) due to safeguarding policy, but will get an adult immediately. We are very proud of them and they are really enjoying the experience.

### Scooters around the village

It is great to see so many children coming to school either on foot, by scooter or bicycle. We are continuing to work with South Gloucestershire council who are working (rather slowly) on creating a designated cycle to school route around the village. We will be displaying the proposed routes in school in the near future, if you want to view this and give your opinion, please call into school.

### Colston Hall

The children from Hawk class had a wonderful time on Friday 26th March when they joined many other schools from South Gloucestershire to perform in a concert held at the Colston Hall. The concert was a fantastic celebration of the musical talents of our young people, it was very moving to see so many children singing together with such enthusiasm. Many thanks to Mrs Hammond who has spent so much of her time rehearsing with the children and helping to arrange and organise the event.

### Beaufort House visits

Robin and Wren classes have been entertaining the residents at Beaufort House with their singing during March. Both classes went separately and the residents enjoyed seeing the children's enthusiasm, they even donated an Easter bonnet that they had decorated to the school.

### I Big Database

Have you ever wanted to join a knitting club? Has your child ever wanted to start ballet classes, judo, paper aeroplane making? Have you ever been stuck for something to do at the weekend? Wanted to some support for your child but are not sure where to go? One Big Database is exactly what it says, a place where groups, services and clubs can all be found in one place. Simply Google IBigDatabase or use the following link.

<http://www.1bigdatabase.org.uk/>

### Football news

Our school football team played a match against Frampton Cotterell CE Primary School. It was a rather gloomy, rainy day, but the children enjoyed it nevertheless. It was a well played match with some excellent defending from our team, unfortunately though we lost 3:0.

A huge thank you goes to Beaufort Taxis who have very kindly offered to sponsor a new school football kit. Our current kit is looking rather tired and mis-matched, hopefully this will give us some new inspiration on the football pitch next season

*Louise Lewis*

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Hawkesbury Preschool is always looking at ways to improve communication with both parents and children. We are interested in what the children do for activities both inside and outside of Preschool, if they have achieved any personal challenges. As you know we see plenty when the children are with us, so recently, we introduced "WOW vouchers" to give parents, carers, friend's relatives and Grandparents, the opportunity to share their experience with us and this has proved to be very successful. Here are a few we received:

Esme tried new vegetables.

Sam learnt a lot of dinosaur names.

Gracie May got herself ready for bed and ate all her breakfast.

Seren swam independently during one of her swimming lessons.

Rory had a strike at bowling.

Hugo swam for the first time underwater.

Charlie can now clean his teeth on his own and put his washing in the basket.

Well done to all the children, it was lovely to receive a variety of achievements. During discussion time the children talk about their WOW voucher, and this has proved to be a hit with the children they enjoy telling their friends, this also helps improve their communication skills.

Before half term we focused on Easter, holding an Easter Egg hunt, making Easter Bonnets and much more. The children enjoyed themselves very much. We also held a raffle to help raise money for Preschool; the prize was a Teddy holding an Easter Egg. The money raised was just over £80.00, and we would like to thank everyone for buying raffle tickets and also to Alex Clements for donating the prize. On the last day of term we said good bye to Kelly who was leaving Preschool to go on maternity leave.

We would like to send our best wishes to Jacks mum and dad Emma and Lee on their new arrival baby Harvey, congratulations to you all.

With Election Day on Thursday 6th May 2010 we will be taking a trip to Westonbirt Arboretum for the morning as the village hall will be busy. This will give the children an opportunity to look at the different types of trees, flowers and best of all enjoy the outdoors.

For any new parents or carers in the village with babies or toddlers, you are welcome to come and join in with the pres-school toddler session that is held every Tuesday in the village hall from 10am until 12 noon. This is an informal group offering craft activities, toys and refreshments.

## Jane Allen

The Parish News team were very sad to hear that Jane had lost her fight against cancer last week.

As many of you in Park Street will be aware, Jane was the Parish News distributor and subscriptions collector along Park Street, where she lived. She had done this for many years, and even during her illness, Jane and David always made sure that the Parish News got to the subscribers.

Our heartfelt sympathy to David and to their family.

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# HAWKESBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA

## 100 Squares Competition

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## The PTA May Ball (Saturday 8th May)

You'll need to act fast if you don't want to miss this spectacular black tie event with live music - definitely a highlight of Hawkesbury's social calendar. More information and tickets are available from Vicki Parker (see above) at £37.50 per head.

## Bookstall

We are continuing to run a secondhand bookstall at both The Fox pub and the village hairdressers, Head Start Studio, where a big selection of good books is on sale at £1 each. This handy service is being well used by villagers and provides a small but useful extra income for the PTA. Thanks again to the proprietors for allowing us to use their premises. Donations of unwanted books are always welcome. Please call Debbie Young on 01454 238401 or 07594 717891 to arrange for collection.



## 1st Hawkesbury Rainbows and Guides



### RAINBOWS

We have so many exciting things to look forward to this term, locally, and a bit further afield. We will be visiting Yate Library, and Severn View Farm.

In June, Rainbows from all over the South West will converge on Bristol Zoo to take part in specially planned activities. In July we will be dressing up in our finery, as we have been invited to a Princess Party, in Bristol, by Prince Charming himself!!

With red carpet and rose arches, we thought we should arrive in style, so have managed to persuade Mr Knight to take us there in his double decker bus!! (we are SO excited, thank you SO much!)

Well done Rainbows for collecting £32.00 of change and making a big 100 with it. Also for raising £50 at the Guides Afternoon Tea. We are also very happy indeed, that Maddy (aka Squirrel) has agreed to stay on and help out.

### GUIDES

Firstly 'Thank You' to everyone who supported our Afternoon Tea, we raised £106.50.

A special thank you to Craig, for a percentage of bag/gift sales .

We also will be visiting Severn View Farm, to learn about local food production.

In May we are heading to London, to Crystal Palace Park, where Guiding began 100 years ago. A special Centenary Maze has been created, which we will find our way around, then we'll have a picnic, play a few wide games, before coming home .

In June, we'll be heading to Badminton Cottages, along with Rainbows and Brownies, to enjoy the outdoors, games, camp-fire cooking and songs.

The highlight of our Centenary year will be our 5 day camp at Dyrham Park, including a special day of 'I'm a Guide, get me out of here' -I've heard mention of terrible things!!

Through the generous support of local groups, the Parish Council and individuals, we have been able to pay £70 per girl (23 in all), so that the girls only have to pay £50 for the camp. The cost of the coach to Dyrham and back has been paid for. The coach for the Rainbows to the zoo has also been paid for and most of the coach money to London has now been covered.

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**\*How 100 Squares works:**

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## Hawkesbury Horticultural Show

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2010

### Monthly update on planning the 125<sup>th</sup> Show –

**April:** We have booked some great entertainment for the arena this year. David Seamark's Sheepdog demonstration should be a great attraction. David is a sheep and arable farmer running a flock of 600 breeding ewes.



His display demonstrates a variety of techniques using sheep, geese and up to five dogs. This unique demonstration portrays the skill and commitment of a working sheepdog showing the ability and character of each dog.

David will show that although a great deal of time and training goes into the development of these highly intelligent working dogs, it is the special bond between the dog and his handler that enables them to work as one. Children will also be invited into the arena to assist with the performance.

### The Good Friday Sponsored Walk

The fourth Good Friday Walk took place on April 2<sup>nd</sup> to raise funds for this year's Show. The weather was typical April showers and only 12 intrepid walkers eventually braved the cold, showery morning. Whilst they made their way round the circuit, the wonderful team of Dave and Vera set up the barbecue – in the rain – in the garden of The Beaufort Arms. By the time the walkers returned, the skies began to clear and the rain stopped. The pub was full and Mike Stinchcombe did a great job of selling raffle tickets whilst hot dogs and burgers sold well outside.

Our grateful thanks to Mark at The Beaufort for generously letting us use the Beaufort BBQ, for donating the meat and for allowing the raffle to take place. Many thanks, once again, to Dave and Vera for their heroic effort at the BBQ. Thanks to Ange for donating raffle prizes and to Mike Stinchcombe for organising the day and for collecting the greatest amount of sponsorship money. Despite the poor weather, a healthy profit of just over £400 was raised on the day.



*Next meeting of the Show committee is **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May, 8.00pm** in The Beaufort Arms skittle alley.  
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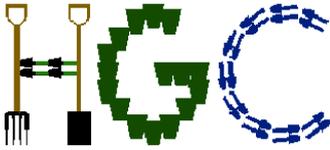
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TROWEL & ERROR

Meetings are held at 8pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month in Hawkesbury School Hall.

## Stop Press!!

At time of going to press, our Horticultural Correspondent Terry Truebody was stranded in Spain unable to get a flight back to the UK. Whilst reluctantly topping up his tan and unenthusiastically sipping another sangria he hopes to be back in time for the June issue!

Next meeting is on **Monday 24th May 2010.**

We look forward to seeing you all at our annual plant sale (see below).

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



## PLANT SALE

in Hawkesbury Parish Hall

**Saturday 8th May 10am-12noon**

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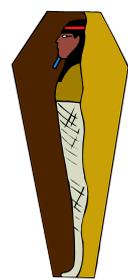


## ANCIENT RELICS

By Alan C.Porter

You know you're getting old when the films on TV that are given a one star classification to indicate they are awful, you like. Or, in my case, when someone gives up their seat on public transport for me to sit down.

This happened to me recently on the London underground. I thought the chap was getting up in readiness for the next stop but no, with a smile and a nonchalant wave of the hand he indicated that the seat was mine. I was so surprised I had to sit down to recover from the shock. To make matters worse there was a notice above the seat saying, "This seat is for people who are disabled, pregnant or less able to stand."



To add further insult to injury I was, at the time, on the way to the British Museum to look at the old relics.

I had to remember in the museum not to sit down for fear of suddenly being surrounded by camera wielding Japanese tourists mistaking me for an Egyptian mummy!



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## John O'Groats – via Hawkesbury

Driving back from Yate down Sandpits Lane, I slow down to read a message on the backpack of a lone walker: "Land's End to John O'Groats – for Derby Cancer Research". Is he lost? I wonder, and stop the car for a chat.

Not at all, it turns out. Chris, for that is his name, has just chosen a spectacular route for his epic journey, including the Cotswold Way. (He's clearly a man of taste.) I slip him a few quid for his sponsorship fund and invite him to my house for a cup of tea, if he feels like making a detour. Realising it would be cheating if I offered him a lift, I drive off, and that is the last I see of him.

So you can imagine my delight when our lovely postie, Ray, delivers to me a few days later a cheery postcard thanking me for my donation and offer of tea and giving me his web address so that I can follow his progress. Here's a snippet of his blog:

"I'm dedicating this walk to the memory of my late brother-in-law Michael, who lost his fight against cancer in October 2004 aged just 51 years. There is a special magic about the phrase 'Lands End to John O'Groats', conjuring up images of challenge and adventure... My immediate challenges were planning the route, contacting and booking almost 80 B&B stops, and having to cope with my failing eyesight. I will be walking 1,150 miles in 79 days (11 weeks) ... 15 miles per day. I leave Lands End on March 29th and cross the 'finish line' on June 15th (Lucy's birthday, Mike and Jane's eldest daughter)."

What a very special birthday present that will be for Lucy.

As the parish mag goes to press, he should just be passing through Derbyshire. If you'd like to follow his progress, here's his blog address which also tells you where you can make a donation: <http://chrisharringtonwalk.blogspot.com>.

Well, you can never have too much cancer research, can you?

**Debbie Young**

*From A Writer's Blog (www.debbieyoung.info)*

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JUDGES WILL VISIT BETWEEN 1st JUNE and 31st JULY, THE RESULT AND DETAIL OF THE PRESENTATIONS WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN MID AUGUST.

HERE IS A QUOTE OF WHAT THE JUDGES WILL BE LOOKING FOR...

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## Hawkesbury & Horton W I

The Committee and members of the Hawkesbury Drama Group transported us back to the very start of the our WI in 1930 for the WI Anniversary Birthday Party. With Lady Apsley in the Chair, played by Pat Sherry, we were given an admirable lesson in the singing of "Jerusalem" by Miss Lilly, the local school teacher, played by Pauline Setterfield. Unfortunately, the Dursley Red Cross Detachment who were scheduled to come and give a Lesson in First Aid on "What To Do Till The Doctor Comes!" couldn't, as the two speakers had fallen off their horse! However Lord Apsley played by Bill Fairney, gave us a very enlightening talk on "Parliamentary Institutions, from Saxon Times to the Present!"

Later Liz Howard had us in stitches with an hilarious sketch entitled "Rules For Varmers Keeping Cows!" If any Varmer didn't keep the rules and keep his cows 'appy - he would be Vined five pounds! And didn't those cows have a cushy time!

It was a fantastic evening all round, thanks to all those people who put in a lot of hard work.

Amazingly at the real WI AGM in 1930 there were between 75-80 members present which actually rivals today.

At our April Meeting Gwilym Davies provided an in-depth look at Folk Songs & Tales. We discovered that Folk Songs are very mobile and do get localized easily as they travel around the countryside. We heard a recording of Ernie Payne singing "The Seed of Love" which was recorded at The Fox in 1981. It was the song that started the now famous Cecil Sharp on his collections of Folk Songs, and lovely to hear Ernie sing it. He had heard it at his mother's knee.

We also discovered that in the Alfred William's collection of songs there is one about a local Dad's Army!

Verse 5 of 6

*If Bonaparte should dare to land upon Great Britain's isle,  
All for to meet our enemies we'll march both rank and file;  
When we will fight so manfully without dread or fear,  
The French shall rue the day they saw the Hawkesbury Volunteers!*

Good news - our innovative WI Programme, designed by Liz Howard, with layout by Jenny Harris, has won a competition at county level and will now go forward to compete nationally.

Both Jenny Harris and Jean Shewry have had poems published in the Avon Anthology, now available from WI House at £5.50 plus p&p. Congratulations to them both.

We were saddened by the death of Jane Allen a valued member of our WI. Her work on committee as Secretary and then Treasurer involved a lot of dedicated hard work. She was also a staunch member of the Book Club and also the Walking Group. Our thoughts and condolences are with her husband David and family.

### Diary Dates

**4th May** Resolutions Meeting and The History of Hats with Glynis Tyrell  
**15th May** Health & Well-being Day at the Village Hall, 10am-2.30pm.  
**19th June** Mystery Coach Tour.

Betty Salthouse 01454 238410

### NEW! LOCAL BOOK FESTIVAL

The new(ish) bookshop in Tetbury, **Yellow-Lighted Bookshop**, is running a **Literature Festival** throughout the month of May. There are over 30 events, split between venues in **Tetbury** and **Nailsworth** and in local schools.



They have both nationally famous authors (such as **Patrick Gale**, **Katie Fforde**, **William Fiennes**, **Alastair Sawday** and **Susan Hill**), and more quirky events (such as the **Dalai Lama's** ghost writer, Birdscapes, archaeology and fiction - and bookbinding!) - and a major coup is **Christopher Reid**, the winner of this year's **Costa Book of the Year Award**.

Programmes are available at the Tetbury shop (21 Church St, Tetbury), or online (<http://www.yellow-lightedbookfestival.co.uk>). Refreshments are included in the price of all tickets and ticket holders will get 10% off all books bought during May in either of the Yellow-Lighted Bookshops.

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Saturday 15 May from 10am - 2.30pm  
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10.30-11.00	➤ Nia Dancing with Chris Davis
11.15-11.45	➤ Yoga with Joan Boulton
Upstairs Room 11.30-12.00	➤ Talk on Neuro-linguistic Programming with Ruth Carnaby
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2.00-2.30	➤ Meditation with Joan Boulton
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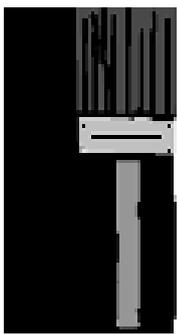
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## May Events

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Join us to celebrate International Dawn Chorus Day at this beautiful reserve.

Lower Woods Nature Reserve, near Wickwar.  
Pre-book on 01452 383333

### Walk 4 Wildlife with Mike Dilger!

Sunday 16 May, 10am - 2pm

Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust's 5 mile sponsored walk along Stroud's Golden Valley, led by BBC TV's The One Show nature presenter, Mike Dilger. Come and enjoy a walk around 4 stunning nature reserves, raise much-needed funds for Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust and be rewarded with live entertainment and refreshments at a nearby family pub. Dogs can do their own Walkies 4 Wildlife too!

Visit [www.gloucestershirowildlifetrust.co.uk](http://www.gloucestershirowildlifetrust.co.uk) or phone 01452 383333 for more details.

## Questions & Answers

From last month...

**"Was there ever a park in Park Street and if not, why is it named Park Street?"**

*from Vicky Rispin*

Dear Vicky,

In response to your query in the April parish mag on the origins of Park Street, it is almost certainly so named as it leads directly to Badminton park. The continuation of Park Street forks east towards Didmarton (the old Didmarton Path), and south-east towards Dunkirk Barn and Badminton park.

The name of Park Street appears to be relatively recent; I can find no reference to it before 1881 when it appears in the census of that year, but in the census of 1871 it seems to have been known as Closies Road (no, I don't know where that name came from).

Hope this helps.

Barrie Hope

## Wordplay

- A rubber band pistol was confiscated from algebra class because it was a weapon of math disruption
- No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery
- If a dog gave birth to puppies in the street, could it be fined for littering?
- Two silk worms had a race but they ended up in a tie.
- Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana
- Atheism is a non-prophet making organization.
- Could a chicken crossing the road be 'poultry in motion'?
- The soldier who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran
- A backward poet writes inverse.
- Democracy: It's your vote that counts. Feudalism: It's your Count that votes.

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2. Hey, thanks for letting me use the bathroom when I was working in your garden last week. While I was in there, I unlatched the back window to make my return a little easier.
3. Love those flowers. That tells me you have taste ... and taste means there are nice things inside. Those garden toys your kids leave out always make me wonder what type of gaming system they have.
4. Yes, I really do look for newspapers and post piled up on inside your doorway. And I might leave a pizza flyer in your front door to see how long it takes you to remove it.
5. If it snows while you're out of town, get a neighbour to create car and foot tracks into the house. Virgin drifts in the driveway are a dead giveaway.
6. If decorative glass is part of your front entrance, don't let your alarm company install the control pad where I can see if it's set. That makes it too easy.
7. A good security company alarms the window over the sink as well as the windows on the second floor, which often access the master bedroom-and your jewellery. It's not a bad idea to put motion detectors up there too.
8. It's raining, you're fumbling with your umbrella, and you forget to lock your door-understandable. But understand this: I don't take a day off because of bad weather...
9. I always knock first. If you answer, I'll ask for directions or offer to clean your gutters. (Don't take me up on it.)
10. Do you really think I won't look in your sock drawer? I always check dresser drawers, the bedside table, and the medicine cabinet.
11. Helpful hint: I almost never go into kids' rooms.
12. You're right: I won't have enough time to break into that safe where you keep your valuables. But if it's not bolted down, I'll take it with me.
13. A loud TV or radio can be a better deterrent than the best alarm system. If you're reluctant to leave your TV on while you're out of town, you can buy an inexpensive device that works on a timer and simulates the flickering glow of a real television. (Find it at [faketv.com](http://faketv.com).)
14. Sometimes, I carry a clipboard. Sometimes, I dress like a gardener and carry a rake. I do my best to never, ever look like a crook.
15. The two things I hate most: loud dogs and nosy neighbours.
16. I'll break a window to get in, even if it makes a little noise. If your neighbour hears one loud sound, he'll stop what he's doing and wait to hear it again. If he doesn't hear it again, he'll just go back to what he was doing. It's human nature.
17. I'm not complaining, but why would you pay all that money for a fancy alarm system and leave your house without setting it?
18. I love looking in your windows. I'm looking for signs that you're home, and for flat screen TVs or gaming systems I'd like. I'll drive or walk through your neighbourhood at night, before you close the blinds, just to pick my targets.
19. Avoid announcing your holiday on your Facebook page. It's easier than you think to look up your address.
20. To you, leaving that window open just a crack during the day is a way to let in a little fresh air. To me, it's an invitation.
21. If you don't answer when I knock, I try the door. Occasionally, I hit the jackpot and walk right in.

Sources: *Convicted burglars in North Carolina, Oregon, California, and Kentucky*; security consultant Chris Goey, who runs [crimedoctor.com](http://crimedoctor.com); and Richard T. Wright, a criminology professor at the University of Missouri-St Louis, who interviewed 105 burglars for his book *Burglars on the Job*.

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## HAWKESBURY CRICKET CLUB - YOUTH SECTION

Cricket Training has now started and sessions take place as follows:-

MONDAYS 6.30 - 8PM - Under 9s, Under 11s and Under 13s

WEDNESDAY 6.30 - 8PM - Under 15s and Under 17s

SATURDAYS 10 - 11AM - Girls training (Please contact Sandra Rouse for further information - 01454 238853)

Teams have been entered in the Stroud Youth Cricket League (<http://www.sdca-cricket.co.uk/youthmain.htm>) at under 11, under 13 and under 15 and you can see the fixtures schedule in this issue of Parish News.

**WE ARE SHORT OF A FEW PLAYERS FOR OUR UNDER 13s SQUAD THIS SEASON SO PLEASE DO TRY AND ENCOURAGE A FEW MORE YEAR 7 & 8s TO COME ALONG AND REGISTER AND PLAY FOR US.**

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### Hawkesbury Cricket Club – Youth Fixtures 2010

Dates	Under 11s	Under 13s	Under 15s
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> May			Home – Slimbridge – Cup Game
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> May		Home Tetbury – Cup Game	
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Away- Frocester A		
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> May			Away – Frampton
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> May		Away – Hardwicke	
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Home – Minchinhampton		
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> May			Home – Stroud B
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> May			Away - Slimbridge
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Home – Tetbury		
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> June		Home – Painswick	
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Away – Cam A		
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> June			Home – Cam B
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> June		Home – Frocester A	
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Home – Chalford A		
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> June			Home – Tetbury
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> June		Away – Stroud	
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Away – Frampton		
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> June			Away – Uley
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> June		Home – Cam A	
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Home – Stroud A		
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> July			Away – Minchinhampton
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> July		Away – Minchinhampton	
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	2 <sup>nd</sup> Round Cup Game – (1 <sup>st</sup> round to be played by 28 <sup>th</sup> June – Home – Chalford)		
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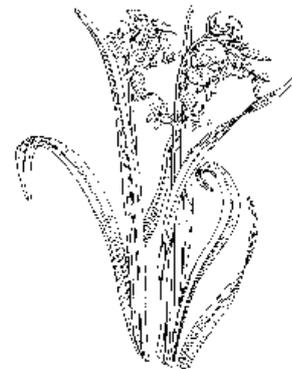


## 'The Bluebell Walk'

Hawkesbury Cricket Club

Bank Holiday Monday 3 May 2010

Don't sit around in Traffic jams  
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Enjoy the Countryside on your door step.  
Join us for the Bluebell walk from  
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## HAWKESBURY TENNIS CLUB

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On Sunday 9 May there will be a Marie Curie charity event. This will be a fun tennis day for all the family, for a very worthwhile cause, which starts at 2pm until 5pm, and a donation of £4 for adults and £2 for children is suggested. Refreshments will be provided by the committee.

New members are always welcome, please contact Toni Butler on 238529



### Hawkesbury Summer Skittles



I'm pleased to say that we have the maximum 10 teams signed up for this now, so there will be a full programme running from early May until early September. A full list of fixtures and team contact details can be found in either skittle alley, so if you think you might like to give it a go, why not contact one of the teams and offer your services.

Results and tables will be printed in the Parish Magazine each month.

### World Cup Football Competition



Entry forms are available in The Fox and The Beaufort, so why not give it a go, only £5 entry fee.

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Martin and Bob are attempting this challenge to raise money for The Wiltshire Air Ambulance that attended a road traffic accident in which Bob's son Mark tragically died.

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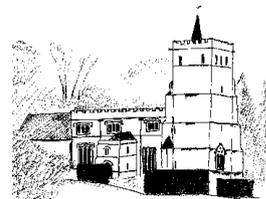
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## St Mary's Church News

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." - Romans 15 : 13



Churchwardens Mrs Mary Beresford 238508 and Mrs Linda Fairney 238553  
Keys for cleaners /flowers/church sitters please contact Mary Davies 238657 if possible the day before to arrange for collection.

**The Works:** Thursday May 6th, 7pm – 8.30pm in the School Hall. Hope you had a good Easter break. Please contact Mary Beresford if your child would like to join so that we can prepare the correct amount of craft items for each child for the next session.

**"GIFT A WINDOW":** We continue to receive further donations. We have to date received over £16,100 in donations, this reflects 11 windows which will be able to be repaired, a remarkable response to our plea for help. We have also have received further donations towards a 'Village or Community window' the names of everyone who have contributed to this window will be named in the book which will be kept in the Church. As suggested THE GIFT OF A WINDOW can be a group of people, an association, a family, a business, or in memory of a loved one, or for a special birthday or wedding anniversary. A further thought is to divide some of the larger windows, for example the South Aisle East Window has 5 sections, each section could be gifted by an individual or group for the sum of £1048, and likewise the side aisle windows which have three sections, each section for the sum of £895. The repair to the 3 south clerestory windows is underway, we will then look at the possibility of having a group of windows repaired in July/ August.



**Easter:** It was so uplifting to see so many people attending the various services over the Easter period. Thank you to Rev Elizabeth for leading us at all services, the Choir who sang so well and enhanced the services on Maundy Thursday and Easter Day, to Donald Watts for putting the Cross up on the knoll and to Sir John Jenkinson for allowing us to do this. 24 people climbed up for a service on Good Friday, the weather was not too special but it did not deter us.

**Easter Flowers:** A grand array of spring flowers delivered by many people enhanced the Church for Easter, a special thank you to the children who bought down small Easter Gardens and vases of flowers, they were all beautiful and told the story of Christ dying on the Cross and rising from the tomb on Easter Morning. Well done and a big thank you to everyone.

**Flower Festival - 18th 19th 20th 21st June 2010:** As mentioned last month we are hoping to have 'Gardens Open on the Commons' we have received a few more offers, but if anyone else would consider opening their garden on the Saturday and Sunday, please contact one of the Churchwardens. The Gardens would be open from 2pm – 6pm on both or either day.

**The Annual Parochial Church Meeting** took place on 19th April at 7.00pm in the Church.

**Special Service:** Sunday 30th May – Breakfast and Treasure Hunt: We will meet at the farm pool at 9.30am to walk to Church to share breakfast at approx 9.45am. A small service will follow breakfast and then everyone can take part in a treasure hunt. Do hope you will be able to join us.

**Local Ministry Team:** On Saturday 15th May the Local Ministry Team will be commissioned at Gloucester Cathedral, everyone is welcome to come along to support the team. For the last 12 months we have been training at home and on a weekend course at Glenfall House in Cheltenham. If anyone would like to come along please contact Mary Beresford for details.

### Bible Study

Bible Study - We welcome anyone who would like to join us for our monthly bible studies on St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians. Our next two meetings will be on Wednesdays 19 May and 9 June at Dunkirk Farmhouse (on A46). Coffee at 7.45 for 8.00 pm start. For further details please contact Alastair Craig on 238237.

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# From the Reverend Elizabeth Nichols St Mary's Hawkesbury

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Dear All,

As I sit down to write this article, I could be forgiven when I wonder what the problem is all about. The sky is blue, the sun is shining and there are just a few clouds in the sky. But we see the pictures on the television of the volcano in Iceland spewing out clouds of black ash, covering the ground around it and turning day into night for the few people who live in the vicinity of it. Summer is the time when the daylight comes back in Iceland It must be difficult for them to be plunged into darkness again.

But what of the 150,000 or so Brits stranded abroad after their Easter break, many desperate to get home and going to great lengths to make it. The Dunkirk Spirit really does seem to be coming to the fore but the powers that be really are getting in the way of enterprise. Dan Snow tried to rescue some people with a flotilla of little boats but was stopped by the French authorities. We don't appreciate what we have until its not there. As it says in the TV Licensing advert 'Push a little button and you get.....'. We have come to expect everything to be there when we need it often by just pushing a little button. But Mother Nature is more powerful than anything we can create. God created the earth and all that is there in and just sometimes it shows its awesome power.

I pray that all the people stranded around the world will return safely.

Every Blessing

**Rev'd Elizabeth Nichols**

## Forthcoming readings for May 2010:

Sunday 25 April	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Easter	Acts 9. 36-end, John 10. 22-30
Sunday 2 May	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Easter	Acts 11. 1-18, John 13.31-35
Sunday 9 May	6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Easter	Acts 16. 9-15, John 14. 23-29
Sunday 16 May	7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Easter Sunday after Ascension	Acts 16. 16-34, John 17. 20-end
Sunday 23 May	Pentecost	Acts 2. 1-21, John 14. 8-17
Sunday 30 May	Trinity Sunday	Romans 5. 1-5, John 16.12-15
Sunday 6 June	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity	1 Kings 17. 17-end, Galatians 1. 11-end, Luke 7. 11-17

## LENTEN LUNCHES 2010

Firstly, the members of the three churches involved in the Lenten lunches, or 'soup kitchen' as it is affectionately known, wish to thank all those who gave so generously both in kind, with delicious home made soups, bread rolls, fruit etc. and with donations to the chosen charity, namely JUST CARE < UGANDA. Your kindness amounted to £440.84, which is a splendid sum to enable both adults and children in Uganda to be self-sufficient and help themselves towards a better life and future.

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# Friends of St Mary's



## AGM

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If you are interested in finding out how all the monies raised by the Friends are spent, then do come along.

Everyone is invited to join us for drinks in and around the church afterwards.

## Future events:-

The Friends will once again be running the **Pimms Tent** on Show Day on **Saturday 28th August**.

The **Autumn Ball** will be held on **Saturday 27th November**. It's never too early to book your table, so if you want to make your reservation now, please call Linda on 238553.

## Membership

Membership subs are due in June. Forms will be sent out to current annual members, but if anyone else wishes to join as an annual or life member, the subs remain at £5 single, £7.50 joint for annual membership, or £100 single and £150 joint for life members. Contact Pauline Setterfield on 238307.

## Church Services in May

Date	Time	Service	Readers	Sidesmen
02 May 10	0945	Morning Praise- Holy Communion	Mrs S. Bishop	Mrs H. Rogers
09-May-10	1000	Methodist Sunday School		
	6pm	Evensong	Mr M Bendry Mrs G Morgan	Mr D. Watts
16-May-10	0945	Morning Praise	Miss N Cousins- Short	Miss J. Oldershaw
23-May-10	1000	Methodist Sunday School		
	6pm	Friends of St Mary's Evensong AGM	Mr W. Fairney Mrs B. Stephens	Mrs L. Fairney
30-May-10	0945	Walk to church - & Breakfast Meet at the Pool 0930 Mr A. Grey		Mr P. Broad
06 June 10	0945	Morning Praise - Holy Communion	Mrs A. O Brien	Mr A. Craig

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

**Church Cleaner:** Mrs J. Gardener    **Church Flowers:**

**Breakfast at the Church**
  
 Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May

Meet 9.30am at the Farm Pool for a lovely spring walk, followed by a light breakfast at the church, a family service – ending with a treasure hunt around the church.

# BETHESDA CHAPEL

PARK STREET, HAWKESBURY UPTON

Services for the month of May 2010

**FRIDAY APRIL 30TH at 7.30pm** – A visit by Rev. Peter Partington of “Just Care” – Updating on the work in Kamutuuzza, Uganda. ALL ARE WELCOME.

Sunday May 2nd	10.30am 6.00pm	Mr Peter Chappell [C] Rev. Peter Partington at Luckington Chapel
Sunday May 9th	10.30am	Mr Mark Hearsom
Sunday May 16th	10.30am	Mr Chris Wilmott
Sunday May 23rd	10.30am	Rev. Philip Hopes
Sunday May 30th	10.30am	Rev. Colin Halstead

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**First Tuesday in each month – A Time of Worship / Prayer 7.30pm**

**Other Tuesdays – Bible Study / Prayer at 7.30pm**

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In John's Gospel chapter 4 v24, we read, “God is spirit, and His worshippers must worship in spirit and in truth”.

William Temple wrote: “To worship, is to quicken the conscience by the holiness of God, to feed the mind with the truth of God, to purge the imagination by the beauty of God, to open the heart to the love of God, to devote the will to the purpose of God”

**M. C. Coates [Chapel Secretary]**

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## FLOWER FESTIVAL & OPEN GARDENS (18<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> June)



The Friends of St Mary the Virgin, Hawkesbury, are pleased to invite you their 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Flower Festival, which will include over 20 arrangements, many in tableaux form.

The theme of this year's festival will be “The Life of Christ” in a series of tableaux showing scenes such as the birth of Jesus in the stable, the Sermon on the Mount, some miracles, the crucifixion and the resurrection. Many groups in the village community will be helping to create the display, including Hawkesbury School, The Works youth group, Rainbows, Brownies and Guides.

There will be a **preview evening** on **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June** at 7.30pm, with a concert reflecting the theme by St Mary's Choir, accompanied by Jonathan Crow, as well as plenty of time to view the arrangements at leisure. Tickets for the preview evening are available from the churchwardens (01454 238553 and 01454 238508) price £7.50 each, to include a glass of wine and light refreshments.

The Church will also be open 11am-5pm on **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> and Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June**. Entry to the Flower Festival on these days will cost £2 per adult and £5 per family.

The same weekend a number of **gardens** will be open on **Inglestone Common**, from **2pm-5pm on the Saturday and Sunday only**. Tickets will be available from St Mary's Church.



# THE METHODIST CHURCH

BACK STREET, HAWKESBURY UPTON



## Services for May 2010

Sunday May 2nd	9.45am	Morning Praise at St. Marys
Sunday May 9th	10.00am	Question and Answer Service* – Rev. P Edwards Holy Communion - <i>Sunday School for children attending</i>
Sunday May 16th	9.45am	Morning Praise at St. Marys
Sunday May 23rd	10.00am	Mrs L Edwards - <i>Sunday School for children attending</i>
Sunday May 30th	10.00am	Rev. A Owen - <i>Sunday School for children attending</i>

\*QUESTION AND ANSWER SERVICE – Rev Edwards has agreed to do a series of services looking at any queries we may have regarding our Christian faith. If you would like to put a question, whether you have a faith or no faith, we should be delighted to see you.

TODDLERS PRAISE will be held on Wednesday 26th May at 1.45pm to 2.15pm when we have a short time of songs, prayer, activities and play. A warm welcome awaits any under school age children with their parent or carer.

### If Tommy Cooper were alive today (part III)



I phoned the local builders today, I said to them 'Can I have a skip outside my house?' He said, 'I'm not stopping you!'

I fancied a game of darts with my mate. He said, 'Nearest the bull goes first' He went 'Baah' and I went 'Moo' He said 'You're closest'

I was driving up the motorway and my boss phoned me and he told me I'd been promoted. I was so shocked I swerved the car. He phoned me again to say I'd been promoted even higher and I swerved again. He then made me managing director and I went right off into a tree. The police came and asked me what had happened. I said 'I careered off the road'

I visited the offices of the RSPCA today. It's tiny: you couldn't swing a cat in there.

I was stealing things in the supermarket today while balanced on the shoulders of a couple of vampires. I was charged with shoplifting on two counts.

I bought a train ticket to France and the ticket seller said 'Eurostar' I said 'Well I've been on telly but I'm no Dean Martin.

I phoned the local gym and I asked if they could teach me how to do the splits. He said, 'How flexible are you?' I said, 'I can't make Tuesdays or Thursdays.'

I went to the local video shop and I said, 'Can I borrow Batman Forever?' He said, 'No, you'll have to bring it back tomorrow'

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Date	Day	Time	Film	Certificate	Mins
27-Apr-10	Tuesday	19:45	Shutter Island	15	138
28-Apr-10	Wednesday	19:30	Sue Lim - Gordon Philips Arts Week		
29-Apr-10	Thursday	14:00	Micmacs	12A	105
29-Apr-10	Thursday	19:45	Samson & Delilah	15	101
30-Apr-10	Friday	19:45	Alice in Wonderland 3D	PG	108
01-May-10	Saturday	16:30	Nanny Mcphee and the Big Bang	U	109
01-May-10	Saturday	19:45	Shutter Island	15	138
02-May-10	Sunday	14:00	How to Train Your Dragon 3D	PG	97
02-May-10	Sunday	19:45	Alice in Wonderland 3D	PG	108
03-May-10	Monday	14:00	Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory-Arts Week	U	95
03-May-10	Monday	19:45	Death in Venice-Arts Week	18	128
04-May-10	Tuesday	19:45	Alice in Wonderland 3D		
05-May-10	Wednesday	19:30	Blue Remembered Hills - Wotton Dramatic Society		
06-May-10	Thursday	14:00	Shutter Island	15	138
06-May-10	Thursday	19:45	Shutter Island	15	138
07-May-10	Friday	19:45	Samson & Delilah	15	101
08-May-10	Saturday	16:30	How to Train Your Dragon 3D	PG	97
08-May-10	Saturday	19:45	Clash of the Titans 3D	12A	106
09-May-10	Sunday	14:00	Nanny Mcphee and the Big Bang	U	109
09-May-10	Sunday	19:45	Clash of the Titans 3D	12A	106
11-May-10	Tuesday	19:45	One Night in Turin		
12-May-10	Wednesday	20:45	Clash of the Titans 3D	12A	106
13-May-10	Thursday	14:00	Samson & Delilah	15	101
13-May-10	Thursday	19:45	Lourdes	U	99
14-May-10	Friday	19:45	Shutter Island	15	138
15-May-10	Saturday	10:30	Morning meeting- Round Table-Dave Woodhouse/John Francksen		
15-May-10	Saturday	16:30	Nanny Mcphee and the Big Bang	U	109
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23-May-10	Sunday	14:00			
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25-May-10	Tuesday	19:45	Samson & Delilah	15	101
26-May-10	Wednesday	20:45			
27-May-10	Thursday	14:00			
27-May-10	Thursday	19:45	Lourdes	U	99
28-May-10	Friday	19:45	Robin Hood		
29-May-10	Saturday	16:30			
29-May-10	Saturday	19:45	Robin Hood		
30-May-10	Sunday	14:00			
30-May-10	Sunday	19:45	Robin Hood		

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## Wednesday 5 May at 7.30pm

**Blue Remembered Hills** by Dennis Potter – Wotton-under-Edge Dramatic Society bring you this play reading on stage at Wotton Cinema. Originally written for TV, this deceptively simple tale relates the activities of a group of seven year olds on a summer afternoon in the country during the Second World War. **The Play will be followed by an opportunity for budding thespians to participate in reading selected scenes from the play.** This is not a children's show as all characters are played by adult actors so if you are looking for a way to release your inner child, this could be it?

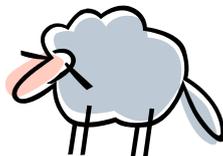
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**From Wednesday 26 May Bath International Music Festival**

Bath Music Festival (Wednesday 26th May – Sunday 6th June), brings together classical, jazz, world, folk and electronica. The first acts have been announced as Eddi Reader Band, and English National Ballet. Performances take place across the city in a variety of venues. The festival ends with an outdoor show in the heart of the city. The main event is the Party in the City on Friday 28th May with a programme of free events in various venues around Bath.

**Saturday 29 May (from 10pm) Partisans**  
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## Sunday 9 May CANINE PARTNERS – Walk

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Further details from Gillian Webb. Email [gillwebb@aol.com](mailto:gillwebb@aol.com)

## Wednesday 12 May INTRODUCTION TO T'AI CHI

An introduction to this gentle, relaxing art. In the Great Oak Hall learn a short sequence, or "form", based around five Chinese elements of water, wood, fire, earth and metal. No previous experience required. Maximum 12 places. Cost £65 per delegate. Call Graham Anstey on 01225 705642 for more details

## Wednesday 12 May MIDWEEK WILDFLOWER WALKS

10.30am Discover the wealth of wildflowers growing at Westonbirt. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: not suitable for children under 10. Dogs under close control. Free after admission.

## Sunday 16 May WESTONBIRT WILDFLOWERS WALK (Rosemary Westgate)

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: not suitable for children under 10. Dogs under close control.

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## Thursday 13 May BEGINNERS DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY COURSE – Workshop

The beginners' workshop is aimed at those who have a digital camera but are not familiar with the settings and control and as a consequence shoot everything in Auto mode. Graham will help to take out the mystery of the various settings available, give guidance on image composition, lighting and capture. He will do this by taking delegates around the arboretum following an introductory presentation in the Great Oak Hall. Numbers are restricted to 10 delegates so early booking is essential. The workshop runs from 10.30am to 3.30pm and tea/coffee is provided throughout the day. Delegates to provide their own lunch or use the facilities on site.

Cost of £50.00. To book contact Graham directly on 01285 653069 or email [consult@abbeystudios.co.uk](mailto:consult@abbeystudios.co.uk) See [www.abbeyphotoschool](http://www.abbeyphotoschool) for further details and dates.



## Monday 24 May – Race THE WESTONBIRT NATIONAL ARBORETUM - 10k Race

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## SEVERN VIEW FARM

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### The Glorious 17th

(Severn View Farm Open Day on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> April)

It was said to be the hottest day of the year so far and the ice cream man was certainly smiling. The sun shone, people turned up in droves and a great time was had by all.

As always cuddling the lamb was a highlight for many, and being able to hold a baby chick. The day was a mix of these old favourites and some new attractions. The ever popular Jungle Man (Seb Miller) was able to be back with us this year with his snakes and other beasties – all perfectly safe until the great man himself ended up with a nip to the chin from a small furry creature. A dash to the tea tables for serviettes to stem the flow soon sorted that and seemed to add rather than detract from the experience.

The Bath Archers were in place in the orchard with a steady stream of people wanting to have a go at archery. There is a sense of great satisfaction when people are able to hit the target under the experienced archers expert tuition. Wellie Wanging was as popular as ever with some interesting throws at times. Height of throw seemed to be a popular style this year with some throwers, although as we were measuring distance this didn't work too well for them. A new attraction "Catch the Rat" was great fun for all ages with much laughter as people attempted to catch the realistic looking rodent on exit from a very fast pipe run.

The BBQ Team were kept busy until they sold out and our Tea Team did sterling work. The competitions were once again well supported. There were some particularly strong entries in the Limerick competition. The full list of results appears elsewhere in the magazine.

Our army of volunteers continues to grow. We now have a regular team coming from Norfolk, London, Surrey, Sussex and Cheltenham, boosted by local stalwarts and some new faces too. Thanks again to Dave Parsons for the loan of his field for parking. This really does ease congestion and makes access much safer.

A big thank you to all those who helped us with the event, and to all those who attended, for making such a large gathering safe and fun.

Pauline Dixon

Tel: 01454 299236 Email: [pcdixon@waitrose.com](mailto:pcdixon@waitrose.com)

## Severn View Farm Open Day Competition Prize Winners

### Drawing/Painting

#### Class 1a - A Cute Cat (for those aged up to 7 years)

1<sup>st</sup> – River Foster

2<sup>nd</sup> – Kayley

3<sup>rd</sup> – Bryn

#### Class 2 - Lively Lambs (for those aged 8-10 years)

1<sup>st</sup> – Lauren

2<sup>nd</sup> – Maya Stanton

3<sup>rd</sup> – Memphis Foster

#### Class 3 - Ducks & Geese (for those aged 11-13 years)

1<sup>st</sup> – Megan Wilkinson ← Overall winner, best of all 4 classes

2<sup>nd</sup> – Daisy Stewart

3<sup>rd</sup> – Katie Munro

#### Class 4 - An organic farm shop (for those aged 14 and over)

1<sup>st</sup> – Fegus Menendez

2<sup>nd</sup> – Seb

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### Limerick Competition on a theme of Perky Piglets

1<sup>st</sup> – Daisy Stewart

(We would have liked to print the winning entry but the winner took it away with them – if you are reading this Daisy, do let us have it for future publication)

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### Wellie Wanging

Big People – Richard Spencer with a distance of 24 metres

Medium People – Bradley Viner with a distance of 18 metres

Small people – Christopher Davies with a distance of 15 metres

A few prizes remain to be collected. Please call into the farm any Saturday or Sunday.

A number of drawings are also still here and can be collected if wanted.

# District Councillor Report

The period before a General Election is 'purdah time' – when no strategic decisions are made, consequently it has been fairly quiet, however I attach my annual report of what I have been involved with over the past year. - and would like to remind organisations about the

## Capital Grants

The next round starts on the 26th April, closing on the 28th May. Follow the following link for further information.  
<http://www.southglos.gov.uk/Communities/CommunityEngagement/CommunityGrants>

## District Councillor's Annual Report

There has not been any change in the committees I am involved with from last year: I serve on the Communities Select Committee as well as being the Spokesperson on the Health Select Committee. The latter has also involved working on the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee looking at respite services in Orchard View, as well as a larger Joint Committee looking at the Greater Western Ambulance Service. There has been a review on the services provided for Autistic young people; however this has been delayed because of lack of staff resource.

The Communities Select Committee has looked at the future of waste services, how the Council is tackling inequalities in priority neighbourhoods as well as the library service and we are currently carrying out a review on tackling obesity in young people.

As some are aware, I also Chair the Environment Forum, and we have received interesting presentations over the past year, including hearing about the environmental benefits of switching off of street lights during the night at Charfield.

As a ward councillor I sit on the Area Forum, which decides on small grants (Hawkesbury groups have benefitted) and helps prioritise small spend on traffic management schemes. I also attend the Safer Stronger Community Meetings.

As a parish council we are well represented on the Cotswolds Conservation Board, where I also sit on the Executive committee; Hazel Bleaken was recently voted onto the Board as a parish representative.

During the past year, I was approached by Natural England regarding Higher Level Stewardship funding for the Commons. I have helped facilitate walks and meetings with residents, the council and other officers on how this might be achieved.

Hawkesbury School has been developing its School Travel Plan, and I have worked with the officers in trying to identify cycling routes to school. This is an ongoing piece of work.

There has been a great deal of work carried out in producing the Core Strategy, which helps identify areas of growth in the future, as well as how this should be carried out. I have attended many meetings regarding the growth areas around Yate and Sodbury as well as how development should progress in rural areas. I know the latter is of concern to the parishes and I am keen to gather views on resident's aspirations and concerns on this matter.

The new Council office at Westerleigh on the outskirts of Yate is shortly to be opened. This will be the home for the Planning, Transportation & Strategic Environment, Communities, Revenues and Benefits and Children and Young Peoples departments; home to about 900 staff. It has been built to high eco-standards, with photovoltaic panels, and a biomass boiler. The offices at Kingswood and Thornbury will remain in use, but leased buildings at Bowling Hill, Chipping Sodbury, Emersons's Green and Nibley Court Yate will cease to be used by SGC.

Thanks to the Clerks of the Parish for their help over the past year. To David and Karin best wishes in what ever they do next and thank you to parish councillors for keeping me on my toes, and those in the parish who have contacted me on many different matters.

**Sue Hope**

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## Hawkesbury Parish Council

During our meeting the following applications were discussed.

App. No.	Address	Description	PC's comments
PK10/0437 /F	Yew Tree Cottage, Newhouse Farm Lane, Hawkesbury	Erection of two storey and first floor side extension to form additional living accommodation	No objection
PK10/0391 /F  PK10/0392 /LB	1-3 Well Lane, Badminton	Erection of first floor rear extension to form additional living accommodation  Erection of first floor rear extension to form additional living accommodation. Internal works to form new doorway	The Parish Council has No Objection to the planning application, however, they would like to ensure that all the materials and finishes will be as stated in the "Design and Access Statement".
PK10/0449 /F	13 Hunters Mead, Hawkesbury Upton	Erection of side conservatory and single storey side extension to provide additional living accommodation	No Objection
PK10/0554 /F	Old Police House France Lane Hawkesbury Upton	Erection of two storey rear extension to provide additional living accommodation. Erection of two storey side extension to form porch and stairwell. Erection of single storey side extension to form utility area. (resubmission of PK09/5736/F)	No Objection. On the application form on page 6 paragraph 17 Site Visit, this may have been ticked incorrectly.
PK10/0627 /F	The Cottage, Back Street, Hawkesbury Upton	Erection of rear conservatory.	No Objection. The Parish Council would like the neighbour's views to be considered.
<b>Planning going to Appeal</b>			
PK09/05893 /O	42 Highfields, Hawkesbury Upton	Demolition of existing dwelling to facilitate the erection of 4no. dwellings (outline) with access and layout to be determined. All other matters reserved. (Resubmission of PK08/2695/O).	Hawkesbury Parish Council would like to make an additional comment on the above planning that has now gone to appeal. "The Parish Council supports the South Gloucestershire Council's planning decision to refuse this application and the Parish Council would like to see a full application for this site as the site is adjacent to a conservation area."

### Annual Assembly

This year Richard Gay, Police Community Support Officer and Pat Sherry from the Hawkesbury Upton Recycling Group attended our meeting to discuss what they have done this year. The following reports will also be available to read on the website in due course, The Chairman's Report, Parish Council, PROW, District Councillors reports, Hawkesbury School, The Hall Committee, Police and Neighbourhood Watch Report, HURG, Parish Plan and Hawkesbury Parish Council Financial report.

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## Hawkesbury Parish Council (continued)

During the annual assembly meeting an item from April 2010 Parish News regarding speeding vehicles driving through the village was referred to our local PCSO Richard Gay. He assured the Parish Councillors that if the driver's details had been taken they would go and speak to the individual.

In respect of mobile phones this also applies to drivers seen using their phones whilst driving, there must be at least two witnesses before any action can be taken.

### Dates for your Diary

The AGM will be held on Monday 10th May 2010 and will be held at 7.30pm in the Methodist Hall.

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## The Lady from Hawkesbury living in Ozleworth

In January, I received a letter from Iris Miles, Ozleworth, Wotton-under-Edge, Gloucestershire, GL12 7QA. Iris had read my article in December parish news 'Family and Village photos of Hawkesbury Upton 1939 – 1960'.

Iris wrote an interesting letter and told me about her memories of past years and enclosed some archive photos, which have been safely returned.

Born on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 1923 at Pound Farm opposite Cox's Farm (Court Farm) below St. Mary's church at Hawkesbury. Iris Butler was married in St. Mary's Church, Hawkesbury on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June 1945 to Horace George Miles who was an army corporal in the Royal Armoured Corps and the Tank Regiment. The wedding reception was held on Inglestone Common. Horace was a Prisoner of War for 4 ½ years during World War 2. and sent a letter card written in pencil dated 17<sup>th</sup> September 1944 to Iris living then at Oxleaze Cottage, Hawkesbury.

Horace at that time was at Stalag 383 POW Camp at Hohenfels, near Munich, at the foot of the Bavarian Alps in southern Germany. The message was about their forthcoming marriage in the following year 1945. Iris still has this memorable letter card.

In her younger days Iris did not join the Women's Land Army, but worked every day in farming. Milking cows by hand, spreading manure by fork, as no tractors then, working on threshing machine and lifting bags of corn at harvest time - also lifting, sorting and handling heavy bags of potatoes. Horace also worked in farming before and after the war.

Iris sent me some archive photos and documents. A photo taken in 1935 of school children with a teacher Mrs Parslow at a private school in Sandpits Lane, Hawkesbury Upton. George Hensley and his sister Valerie were in this photo with Iris Butler age 12 years then. Another photo was of Iris Miles nee Butler and husband Corporal Horace Miles in his army uniform cutting their wedding cake on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June 1945 after the wedding at St. Mary's. An ARP Air Raid Precaution certificate dated 18<sup>th</sup> August 1939, confirming that Miss I. Butler, age 16, of Hawkesbury Upton, had successfully completed a Wardens Course of Anti-Gas Training and had acquired sufficient knowledge of Anti-Gas measures to act as a member of a public A.R.P. service.

Thanks to Iris, I read a copy of Hawkesbury and Hillesley Family History. Issue 1. July 2001. This 8 page magazine gave details about family history researchers and Family History Get-Togethers at the Beaufort Arms. I was pleased to have read the story written by Jenny Harris 'An Honorary Stinchcombe ?'

Iris's mother Lily Edith Butler nee Thompson used to live in Sandpits Lane, Hawkesbury Upton. Lily died age 92 and many years ago had worked in service at St. Mary's vicarage. Iris used to drive around but had to give up her car last October. Now registered blind, Iris has lived in Ozleworth for 60 years and daughter Pauline lives nearby. Iris has been a widow for 18 years.

Every alternate Wednesday, Iris enjoys visiting the Jubilee Club in Kingswood to meet up with many friends like Kath Hopkins from Hillesley. Another good friend is Norah Winbow nee Butler of Kingswood, a second cousin to Iris. Norah had her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday earlier this year.

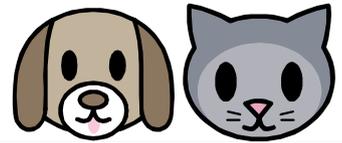
Iris sent me a copy of the booklet 'Off the Beaten Track – The Church and Manor of Hawkesbury' by the Vicar of Hawkesbury, Rev. Devereux Mack, B.A., which Iris borrowed from Norah Winbow for me to read.

There was a fire at Iris's home in Ozleworth 12 years ago and unfortunately most of family photos and documents were lost in the fire. Iris will celebrate her 87<sup>th</sup> birthday on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2010. I am sure all readers of the interesting Hawkesbury Parish News would like to say 'Happy Birthday Dear Iris'.

**Douglas Sims.** Exeter Devon.



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Ciaran Ainsworth	01454 238052	Raising money to take part in World Challenge, so anything considered: pet sitting, baby sitting, lawn mowing, car washing.
Ellie Roberts	01454 238628 07912 937312	I am 18 years old. Available for babysitting, day time child care (CRB checked) and dog walking.
Libby	01454 238118	I am a reliable, family friendly 14 year old who enjoys looking after young children. I am available during most weekday evenings and at weekends. For further details, rates and availability, please call Libby.
Sian-Elise Ainsworth	01454 238052	Aged 18. Raising money to go to university, so anything considered: baby sitting, flute tuition, cleaning, etc.

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# May 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.

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## WESTONBIRT SCHOOL

### NEWS FROM WESTONBIRT SCHOOL –FORTHCOMING EVENTS

*We hope to welcome you to some of the following public events during the spring and summer.*

Our next school OPEN DAY, when prospective pupils and their families are most welcome to visit and see the school at work, is on **SATURDAY 8TH MAY** from 9.30 am – 12.30pm. The Headmistress, teachers and pupils will be on hand to show you round the school and answer your questions.

This is also Open Day at our prep school, Rose Hill Westonbirt, and families wishing to view both schools should allow two hours for their visit, no appointment is necessary.

**FRIDAY 21ST MAY** is the date of our Summer Term Lecture. This undoubtedly fascinating presentation by Major General Peter Williams, “Shaken, not Stirred; Life as a Cold War Spy”, is a look back at the extraordinary military liaison missions operating in East Germany after the Second World War and his involvement in them. Admission to the lecture is free, no booking is required. There is also a post lecture supper which must be booked in advance and tickets for this are available from Eileen Galbraith on 01666 880333

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