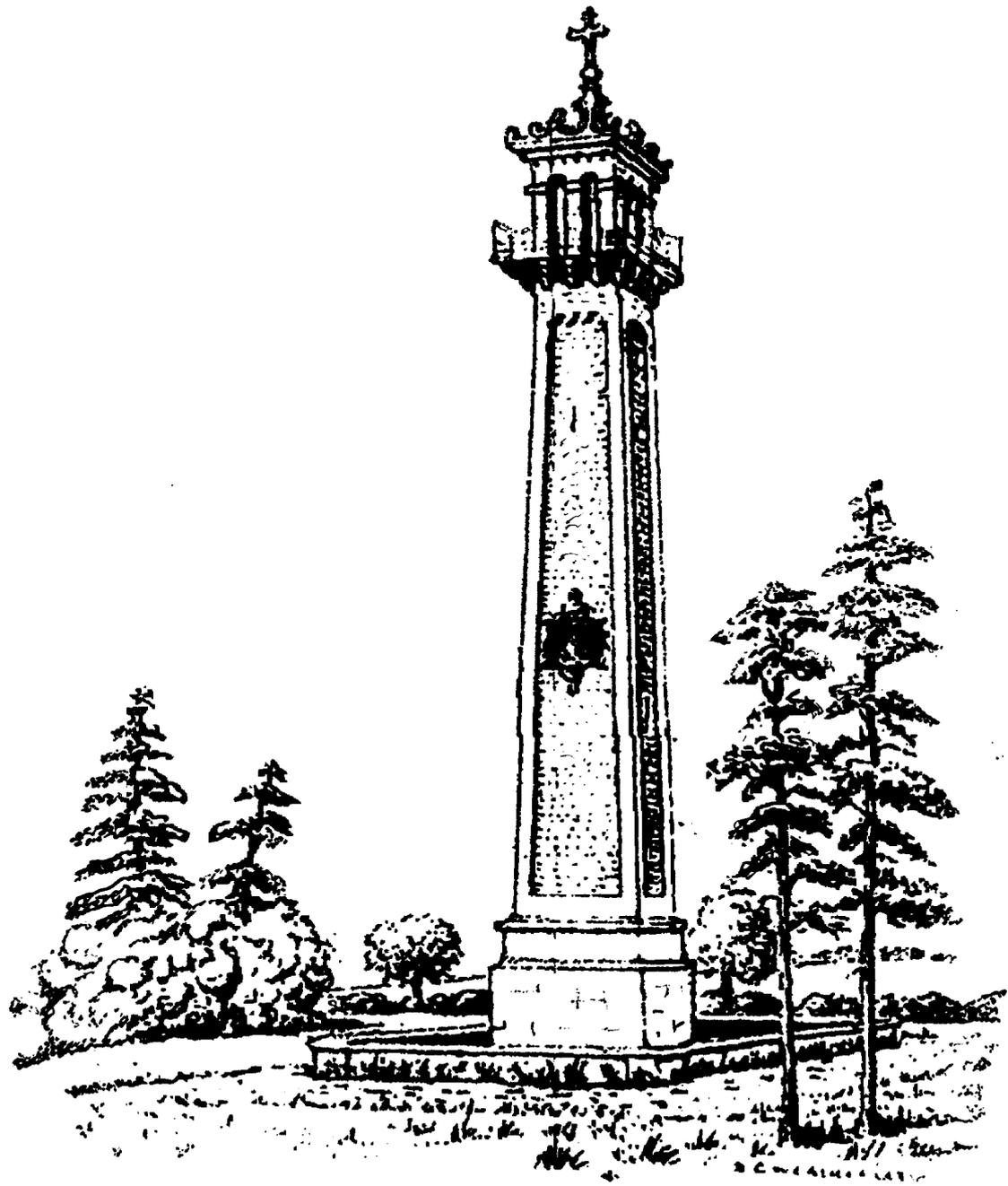


June 2011

Hawkesbury



Parish News

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EDITORIAL

Fiona writes:

Welcome to the June issue of Hawkesbury Parish News.

Well, the last few weeks brought us a complete flurry of bank holidays combined with some truly superb weather, which you have to admit is highly unusual for us in the UK, but a very welcome combination!

A huge thank you and a very large pat on the back to Louise Roberts for organising and successfully pulling together a truly memorable Royal Wedding street party. Thanks must also go to the volunteers on the day who organised the road closure, set up tables, ran the egg-catching, quizzes and competitions, set up the film screening and served tea and cakes. We Brits certainly know how to show the rest of the world how to do pomp and ceremony, and of course, a decent party!

The great weather means the garden is advancing well. We've literally turned around in the garden and noticed the broad beans growing yet another inch! I'm not sure we'll produce anything really show-worthy out there, but whatever we've got will be entered on Show day, if for no other reason than to make others' produce look even better!!

This issue is even larger than last month, so I'll leave you to sit back and peruse the abundance of events this month and plan the month of June.

**Deadline for copy for the July edition is
15th June 2011.**

Please send it in as early as you can!

**Don't forget...
Father's Day — Sun 19th June**

In Brief

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**Latest date for all items for the
July magazine is 15th June.**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Next Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be on **Mon 6th June 2011, 7.30pm** in the Village Hall.

Coffee Mornings

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Hawkesbury Theatrical Group

AGM and Social

on **Wednesday 15 June**

in the Methodist School Room at **8.15pm**.

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Village Crazy Golf!

2nd July 2011

Proceeds to go to Hawkesbury Youth Group

See next month's mag and look out for posters around the village for further details

Sara White - 238554



Evergreens

Tuesday June 14th

Afternoon Tea

at Coombe Farm — starts at 2:30pm

If you would like to come and need a lift, please give me a ring.

Prizes for the raffle would be greatly appreciated.



Tuesday 28th June

(please note that this is the 4th Tuesday)

Trip to Weston Super Mare

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Forthcoming Cricket Club Events

Curry & Race Night -

Sat 11th June — 7.30pm start at the hall only £7.50 each

Eggcatching

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Family Rounders Day -

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Hawkesbury CE VC Primary School

June Newsletter 2011

The school garden

With all this wonderful weather the children have been very busy planting seeds to grow in our new school garden. We have peas, potatoes, beetroot, pumpkins, carrots and lettuces growing to name but a few. The village gardening club have kindly been helping the children to keep the beds weeded and to offer their expert advice. Pre-school have also got their own bed in which they are growing some very healthy looking plants. We are really looking forward to sampling the children's produce.

Pentecost

A group of the children have formed their own 'Worship Team', who have been working with Alveen Thorensen and Pam Bendry to create their own act of worship to celebrate Pentecost. They have written their own script and created their own music and dances. The service will be held at St. Mary's church on Friday 10th June at 1.30.

Sure start

We will be holding a 'Stay and play' session run by the rural Sure Start centre for children under school age, babies, toddlers and pre-school aged children, in the school hall on Monday 23rd May—1.15—2.30. Please let anyone else in the village with little ones know about it—all welcome.

Curriculum topics

The children are eagerly starting their new topics for the term, they are as follows:

Wrens and robins (the infants) – Castles

Swallows (lower juniors) – WW2

Hawks (upper juniors) – the Caribbean

If anyone in the village has anything they could add to these topics then please contact the school office, we would love your involvement.

Well done to the year 6 children who have just finished their SATs tests.

Sports / enrichment events

As usual the children have been busy competing in various sporting events. A group of year 5s played in the 'Festival of Sport' at Filton with all the other schools from South Gloucestershire. We played in the quick sticks hockey tournament and came fifth – well done.

During the summer term, the children will be taking part in a number of other sporting events – 2 cricket festivals, a multi-skills tournament, a rounders event and an infant sports day.

Summer fair

Our 'Summer Fair' will be held on Saturday 9th July.

Thanks to the PTA who organised another brilliant Summer Ball, everyone who went had a fantastic evening thanks to their organisation and hard work.

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Welcome back! We hope you all enjoyed the Easter break.

Last term the children planted some onions and potatoes in the planter at school. After our break we walked to school to see how much they had grown. We were not disappointed! The planter is looking fantastic and we think we will soon be trying our vegetables for our snack.

We have enjoyed visiting school and even held a whole session there on polling day. Thank you to Mrs Lewis for having us. The children had a lovely time playing with some different toys and in the playground. We enjoyed a snack in the hall and a final play in the tree trunk before it was time to go home.

We held a very successful open day at the end of last term. We welcomed visitors old and new and were proud to show them our vibrant preschool.

We have held some fundraising events which included a name the bunny competition and a sponsored bunny hop and just yesterday we played Bingo in the hall which was a huge success. Thank you to everyone who supported us.

This term we are exploring the world of minibeasts and have been enjoying bug-hunting in the field and at school. The children have been using magnifying glasses to examine the bugs and we are going to make some out of clay this week. We have got lots of activities planned around our theme and it's going to be a busy term!

Sarah Green

NEWS FROM HAWKESBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA

CALLING ALL VILLAGE GROUPS & FUNDRAISERS.....

If you'd like to take a stall at the **PTA Summer Fair** on **Saturday 9th July** to raise funds for your community group or charity, we'd love to see you there! You won't have to pay for the stall, so all your takings will be yours (though we won't turn away any donations to the PTA if you really insist!) All we ask is that you tell your friends about the Summer Fair and encourage them to come along too. If you'd like to book a space, please contact **Fair organiser Louise England (tel 238086)**. Louise is masterminding the event and she'll help you ensure that your planned stall doesn't duplicate what anyone else is doing. That way, everyone will get the most out of the Fair.

IDEAL FOR ALL THE FAMILY – INCLUDING CHILDREN STARTING SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER

The Summer Fair is suitable for all the family and admission is free. You don't have to have a connection with the school to come along. It's also a great way for next year's Reception children to get to know the school a bit better – so if you have any children who will be joining the school in September, please do bring them along – it'll make them associate school with fun from the word go!

CINDERELLA SAYS THANK YOU!

The PTA's **Annual Ball** was a great success last month, almost eclipsing the Royal Wedding celebrations with its spectacular decorations and fashion statements – and raising over £600 in the process. Congratulations to the tireless organisers. I'm sure everyone who bought tickets will agree they got their money's worth!

Debbie Young

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

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

Hawkesbury Youth Group - Helpers

The Youth Group is looking to recruit two paid helpers for the Tuesday evenings sessions.

The responsibilities are, to work in setting up the room in the Village Hall, and to arrange and supervise a programme of activities for the children for the evenings. In addition, we have various trips to local entertainment and activity centres from time to time, and we try to contribute to the Village Show in August. The current rate for the job is £15 per evening, from 7.00pm to 8.15pm, plus fifteen minutes at each end for setting up and putting away.

The Group meets during term-time on Tuesday evenings, except for the first Tuesday in the month.

With the current cutbacks in funding we are seeing a drain on our funds so could also do with voluntary helpers and would especially welcome parents of Youth Group Members to come along as helpers.

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**Somebody got angry about it
because it was Everybody's job.**

**Everybody thought that Anybody could do it.
Nobody realised that Everybody wouldn't do it.**

**It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody
when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.**

**Don't just leave it to
Somebody, Everybody, Anybody or Nobody!**

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**Contact a member of the Show Committee to volunteer.
(See back page for contact details...)**

Show Schedules available soon

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Carrot Fly

A tiny fly whose larvae tunnel into carrots and render them useless, can be frustrated in a number of ways. They don't actually fly, they hop and if carrots are planted in containers taller than 18 inches they will be thwarted. A fine-meshed fleece will also act as a barrier, in a normal row.

Blackfly in broad beans



If broad beans are planted over winter they will often be early enough to miss the first infestation of blackfly but failing this, when the first beans have formed, removal of the tops of the plants should limit the damage as the fly only seems to infest this area'

Potato blight

Shows up as a spotting of the leaves and a softening of the stems which become slimy and smell awful as do the infected potatoes. This disease, for some reason, has been affecting the area earlier in the recent past and whereas the advice has been to spray with a fungicide from mid-July, I have found that this has been too late. I would therefore advise that plants should be sprayed with Dithane 945 in mid-June and repeated at least 3 times at 2 week intervals.

Affected plants should not be composted, but either binned or burned.

Cabbage Root fly

The eggs of this fly are laid on the surface of the soil near newly planted cabbages and other brassicas. On hatching, they burrow down to the roots of the young plants and make their homes there. As they eat the roots the plant will topple and die, but this will often take just long enough to make it too late to replant. If a collar about 20 cm. wide is placed around the young cabbage the eggs are laid on this and will just shrivel up. This method is a bit of a fiddle but if executed properly it is foolproof. The collars can be bought at most garden centres or easily cut out of builders' damp course

Onion Diseases

In the last few years some people around the area have had fungal problems with onions and other alliums. The most common of these has been a disease called downey mildew. It manifests as mould on the neck of the onion and will quickly spread through a crop and ruin it if not treated immediately. I have had some success in its treatment with Dithane 945 and I actually pre-empt the problem by spraying from mid-June. The other more serious problem is White rot, which is a white fungus appearing around the roots of the onion and causing an early distortion of the onion. Any crop affected, should be destroyed and the ground where the crop was grown should not be used for onions for ten years.



Blossom End rot

This shows as a dark hard patch on the bottom of the tomato which ruins the fruit. It is due to a calcium deficiency in the plant caused by watering at irregular intervals. It can be sorted out with an addition of calcium (available in various forms at garden centres) and a return to regular watering.

Aphids in the Greenhouse

White and greenfly can be a nuisance in the greenhouse, but can be deterred simply by having a few pots of marigolds placed around the plants with some near the door. The flies simply don't like the smell. How organic is that?



I hope that these tips have addressed some of the common problems in the garden. I realise that there are many others but the ones I have listed seem to some of the most common

Brian Noble

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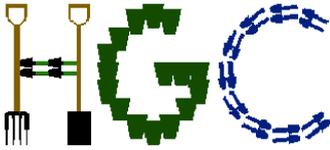
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TROWEL & ERROR

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

Our speaker for April was **Robert Harvey** who gave a talk on **Travels in Search of Remarkable Plants** which took us all over the world chronicling his travels in often inhospitable habitats in search of, guess what, remarkable plants. All joking aside, he has seen and photographed some extraordinary plants in extraordinary situations and his knowledge of the proper names of plants and animals is encyclopaedic.

We had our annual Plant Sale on Saturday 14th May which was very well attended. Only a few plants were left unsold and we know that the growers felt that their efforts were adequately rewarded because they all want to come again next year.

Tea, coffee and cakes (scrumptious) were provided by the Hillesley Troup of the Hawkesbury Guides who were raising money for their summer camp. Don't let anyone tell you that today's kids lack initiative, several of those girls would give Alan Sugars apprentices a run for their money. (Where does he get those numpties from?)

Our next meeting is on **Monday 27th June 2011**. This will be our **AGM**, which will be incredibly brief, followed in super quick time by a talk about **Westonbirt and the Westonbirt Project**.

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



I DO LIKE TO BE BESIDE THE SEASIDE

By Alan C. Porter



What do you like to do at the seaside? Perhaps take a walk along the promenade slurping on an ice-cream, rekindling childhood memories? Maybe sitting on the sea wall with a portion of fish and chips hoping the circling seagulls haven't taken a liking to the battered cod on display?

A saunter along the pier, perhaps before lolling in a deckchair with a good book?

There are endless ways to pass the time but one seaside pursuit is no longer available to the long in tooth; exploring the rock pools.

That was my favourite seaside adventure, exciting, tinged with apprehension and a touch of fear at the unknown when stirring a clump of bladder wrack or turning a rock in case an enraged crustacean charges out, pincers waving.

It's a child's adventure that Dads love to partake in, but when children grow up and dads get older all one can do is sit back with a pot of whelks and indulge in a nostalgia moment.

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We are hoping to arrive in time for the changing of the guard and we will then have the opportunity to see St George's Chapel, the Duke's 90th exhibition and visit one of the shops. We shall be taking a picnic lunch to enjoy in Ian's garden followed by a visit to the State Apartments before departing at about 4 pm.

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At our Resolutions Meeting chairman Liz Howard reminded us there were two to consider for the NFWI AGM at Liverpool. The first on "Closure of Local Libraries" was carried unanimously. All were in favour of maintaining services even in the present economic climate. A quote from WI Life - " 78% of 5-10 year-olds use libraries, and children's book borrowing has increased year on year for the last six years. Several members recalled the importance of a library to their own education. Today libraries have diversified and now fill a number of educational and social needs.

For the Resolution on "Proposed Mega Farms" Wendy Weaver gave an experienced view of the difficulties facing small farmers today and the need to go bigger if we are not to end up importing even more milk products etc. However concern was voiced about animal welfare on this type of farm and also other issues were raised. After discussion the majority voted to abstain from the resolution as it was felt it had not been well enough worded. Our link delegate from Almondsbury who will represent us at the NFWI AGM will be informed.

Congratulations to Melanie Gibbs who won the physics competition "Fancy Some Physics" run by the Institute of Physics in WI Life our National Magazine. Melanie was rewarded with a solar charger for her mobile phone and said it worked very well. Her winning entry will be in a future edition of WI LIFE. Clever girl!

Pudding Tasting got off to a good start when every one saw what delights were in store! There was chocolate mousse, chilled lemon flan, treacle tart, Greek yoghurt, bakewell tart and lemon posset courtesy of chief pudding maker Carol Blaken. Also another bakewell tart from Gill Truebody and a lovely chocolate roulade from Lin Robinson. We couldn't go wrong!

Now we have two social sessions on Sweet Making to look forward to. They will be run by Chris Taylor on the 12th and 13th May.

Good job it's summer and we can get out and lose any excess inches!

Many more members are supporting the Flower of the Month Competition which was won by Betty Salthouse with an allium.

We continue to support ACWW - Associated Country women of the World with an additional £25.

Diary Dates

- 7th June Self Defence For Women - Maria Marfleet
Competition - A Woman Who Inspires Us - and why.
5th July Garden Meeting - Horton Village Hall and Rec.

Betty Salthouse

Tour Britannia—17th-19th June 2011

Tour Britannia is an international motorsport event, primarily for historic cars built before 1981 and gives owners of these splendid machines the opportunity to enjoy an element of competition at some of Britain's finest racing circuits, hill climb venues and stately homes, etc. The competitive element will only take place at designated venues and there will be no form of racing on the public roads.

The cars' route has been organised under the Motor Vehicles (Competition and Trials) regulations 1969.

Participants in **Tour Britannia** will be passing through **Hawkesbury Upton** en route from Dunkirk to Wickwar on **June 18th** between the hours of **15:15 and 17:15**, and should prove quite a spectacle.

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The low voltage incident in the village on the 11th & 12th January this year

The aim of this article is to give feedback on the incident and on the out come of discussions with the network company. This article only covers what happened in the village, but the incident affected an area extending well beyond Hawkesbury Upton. The responsibility for maintaining and distributing the electricity supply is with the network distribution companies, not the electricity generating companies. While you can change your electricity supplier you can't change your network distributor. At the time of the incident our network distribution company was Central Networks, on the 1st April they were taken over by Western Power Distribution (WPD).

The incident: Early in the evening of the 11th January there was a brief loss of the electricity supply, the supply was restored but at a low voltage. The correct supply voltage was not restored until the following afternoon – hence the village experienced a very low voltage supply for about 20 hours.

Everyone would have been aware that the voltage was low as for example, lights were very dim and some equipment wouldn't work. The domestic supply voltage should be 230V, no lower than 207 volts and no higher than 244 volts. Several villagers measured the voltage and found that it varied between about 173 and 200 volts over the period. This variation is well below the statutory lower limit, below the design voltage of most domestic equipment and hence can cause damage.

Response of Central Networks during the incident: several people phoned Central Networks to report the fault. The telephone response was a recorded message stating that there was a known fault, that it was being dealt with and that the supply would be restored as soon as possible. Some people spoke to an operator to report the low voltage and were told to turn off equipment which had a motor. Central Networks made no attempt to spread this information to other consumers affected by the incident or to be specific as to which appliances should be turned off.

Immediate effects of the incident and Central Network's response

During the incident many appliances failed to operate or didn't work properly. Of particular concern was the erratic behaviour of emergency call systems used by vulnerable people. You will recall that Bill Fairney asked villagers to contact him if they had experienced problems or equipment failures during and after the incident. The data collected by Bill showed a range of appliance failures that were either dealt with by consumers, by a service call or by replacing the equipment.

The consequence of the low voltage to consumers was that on a cold winter's night many people lost their central heating; following boiler failure or lockout. We are also aware of the failure of domestic appliances including refrigerators, freezers, washing machines, microwaves, a hairdryer etc. In total we are aware of 35 incidents of equipment failure; no doubt this is a significant under estimate of the total number of people who suffered problems and inconvenience. Our feedback indicated that Central Networks responded positively to reported appliance failures, calls were dealt with efficiently and without undue bureaucracy; cheques to cover the cost of replacing appliances were issued quickly.

Investigations after the incident

Following the incident we pursued the matter further both by letter and a meeting with Central Networks to find out what happened and to ensure that steps were being taken to ensure that it doesn't happen again. As a result, the now, Western Power Distribution representatives attended the Open Parish Council Meeting on the 4th April, to reassure residents and answer questions relating to the incident.

Before the Parish Council Annual Assembly meeting we found the following:

During the period of this incident the village supply was restored by rerouting our supply around a number of faults. Our supply was restored by rerouting via a long line fed from the from the Gloucester area, the consequence was that our supply voltage fell as energy was taken by consumers nearer to Gloucester. Hence our supply voltage fell at times of peak demand and rose when the demand dropped.

Network distribution companies only routinely measure the voltage at the network feed end; they do not routinely monitor the voltage elsewhere on the network. When a consumer reports a low supply voltage, the incident is logged and related to a reported fault. In this case the low voltage incident was related to a fault near Gloucester and engineers were sent out to measure the voltage in this area, not necessarily in the area shown by the callers post code. Consequently, the low level of our supply was not known to Central Networks despite the reports!

At the Annual Assembly Meeting

- WPD apologised for the incident and said that it had arisen following several events and multiple faults on the supply network. They conceded that they had made errors in handling the incident and that calls complaining of a low voltage supply had been recorded but were not handled well.

The low voltage incident (continued)

- WPD will make changes to their IT as well as their procedures. In particular consumer's calls complaining of low voltage should be treated with more urgency and dealt with at a more senior level. Further the geographic location of callers reporting a low voltage supply should be used to show where supply voltage measurements should be made. Additional fixed voltage measurement was unlikely to prove to be cost effective.

- WPD said that they have a 5 year plan which includes network reinforcement; part of this is to provide an alternative feed for this area. The work to implement alternative feeds is planned to be undertaken later this year. We were assured that the takeover of Central Networks by Western Power Distribution should not alter the plan as formal agreement lies with Ofgem.

- WPD accepted that they had provided a voltage that was well outside of specification for about 20 hours. Consumers had no reason to believe that the supply could damage equipment; however, experience has shown that this trust was misplaced. We are looking to WPD to show that they have taken actions to ensure that there will be no repeat of the incident before they can regain our trust.

- WPD maintains a register of vulnerable customers who are contacted in the event of a supply problem to let them know that there is a fault and when it is expected to be cleared. A 'vulnerable customer' pack is available and a limited number will be available from the Parish Council (contact Andrew Musty) from 23rd May.

- WPD will report back to the Parish Council showing progress in improving their processes, IT and strengthening the distribution network as it applies to the village.

Joint authors:

John Bishop, Bill Fairney & Andrew Musty

For further information contact Andrew on 01454 238118 or andy@themustys.com

I'll Never Leave

Spring may be a traditional time to put your house on the market, but suddenly it's getting out of hand. "For Sale" signs are popping up all over the village. By the time you're reading this, even the house next door to me will have fallen under the auctioneer's hammer for the first time in two generations.

Is it time to take down the famous boundary sign at the Monument end of the village that says "Hawkesbury Upton – You'll Never Leave"? (I'm never sure whether this is a threat or a promise.) Or is it all a grand game of musical chairs? Maybe the sellers are just changing places within the village. In the last few years, three families in my street have moved only a few doors down.

I for one intend never to move house again – and not just because my daughter's got dibs on the house when I die. (Even the kindest children can be chillingly matter-of-fact about death. She asked Grandma the other day to leave her a particular handtowel in her will.)

What really puts me off moving is the thought of having to pack. I'd need to wade through so much paper to decide what to keep and what to chuck – boxes of letters from family and friends, piles of magazines from my journalist years, brochures and newsletters that I wrote in my days as a PR, not to mention the odd half-novel tucked away here and there. Oh well, at least Laura will have plenty of material to light the woodburner with when I'm gone.....

Debbie Young's blog is at www.debbieyoung.info

THANK YOU to everyone who supported my Bristol 10k Run (6 miles) in aid of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (www.jdrf.org.uk). Out of over 12,000 runners, I came 8,003rd, running every step of the way! Phew! (Sponsorship still welcome - there's a collection box in Head Start Studios or you can do it online at www.justgiving.com/DebbieYoungHawkesburyUpton.)



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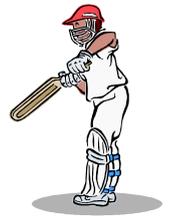
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Hawkesbury Cricket Club

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Local businesses and individuals might like to sponsor the team by sponsoring the match ball in any league Game. Please contact Martin Gardener for details on 238526.

Hawkesbury 1st XI	Gentlemen of Hawkesbury
Saturday June 11th — Cirencester	Sunday 19th June — Stinchcombe
Saturday June 25th — Wickwar	

2 great events coming up from Hawkesbury Cricket Club:

Sat 11th June - 7.30pm start at the hall - **Curry & Race Night** - only £7.50 each

This is a fun night, curries will be delicious and nothing like having a flutter on the geegees!! It will be great to know the numbers prior to the night so if you would like to come please approach any of the cricket club members or myself for tickets -

Fri 17th June - 6.30pm start at Coombe Farm (Audrey Cole's farm- please ask if you don't know where the venue is) - **Egg Catching** - £2 each for children only

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Anne Weston

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Hawkesbury Tennis Club update

Latest Tennis Results

The men are up in their rain postponed match at Thornbury from May 6th (completion will be on May 18th) and lost 2-8 to Cleeve Hill on May 13th.

They are home to Coombe Dingle on Friday 20th if anyone would like to come to support- 6:30 start.

The ladies lost 2-8 to Westbury Park on May 6th and will be away to Olveston and Tockington on Friday May 20th.

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The End of an Era?

Currently, as far as we are aware, there are no Hawkesbury Youth football teams. The past was a different story and what follows below should be an inspiration for Hawkesbury's parents and youngsters (and maybe even make a Hollywood blockbuster in years to come..!)

This is the story of a youth team starting as under 7's and 11 seasons later finishing as U18 League Champions.

The origins of football in Hawkesbury are lost in the mists of time (well, precede global warming, at least). It is believed that many Hawkesbury sporting elders (often to be found playing Veterans' cricket, or propping up the bar in our fine public houses) displayed a nifty turn of speed on days of old(e). We can only tell of modern times and since our own children were involved. As far as we can recall that footballing 'legend', John Stanbridge, having developed his own children's skills in the back garden with a 6 x 10 sheet of plyboard (best substitute for a garage wall or broken house windows that we know) took them out onto the Rec for a kick around. Being an organised kind of chap, he soon established a team which included his son, Jack, Joe Doughty, Dan Blackwell, Tom Setterfield, Clem Studholme, Mark Maynard, Sam Blakeney and Toby Phillips (between the posts), to name but a few, and put them into a local league. History doesn't record the outcome (we hope), save to say that Toby won the S Glos 'Opposition Manager's Boy of the Year' (saving as many as passed him, but finding the Hawkesbury goal so peppered every game that the opposition manager invariably felt sorry for him!).

Over time other teams followed on (as the younger Stanbridges, Ollie, Emma and Beth came onstream), with John & Jane organising all the fixtures, managers and registrations. The game in Hawkesbury snowballed until, in its heyday, the annual awards, lasting several hours and involving dozens of awards, rivalled 'The Oscars' for speculation, gossip and (attempted) dodgy deals! The speeches were marvels of wit and repartee. Not infrequently there were tears – and even the children could get a little sad too. Occasionally, for a treat, we all embarked on coaches for an away training session, followed by a Premiership match at Aston Villa, courtesy of Bill Cullen (their biggest fan – in more senses than one!).

Hawkesbury was abuzz with football chat, where dozens of little boys – and a few little girls – had a lovely time chasing a ball around a field ('passing the ball' would be a thing for the future..)

So there we have set the scene.

This story focuses on a group of youngsters who started playing football together in the U7 team and included the following future stars:- Max Denniff, Adam Phillips, Jamie Evans, Charlie Moreton, Matt Vaughan, George Bailey, James Crighton, Sam Nichols, and Tim Journeaux. In 2003/4 season the team moved to Hillesley with Gavin Bailey as Manager and the Secretary's role being so efficiently undertaken by Alwyn Vaughan.

Unlike their predecessors, this team did not have anyone allocated as the full time goalie, and so before the game, if there was no volunteer, lots would be drawn and the hapless youngster would be forced into goal. Tears often ensued when the ball went into the back of the net.

Now that we were playing 11 a side, additional players joined the squad including Hannen Ashlee, Alex Risdale, Will Massey, Jim Davis, Tom Proudley and George Whatley.

The offside rule was introduced into the game but most of this early team failed to grasp its significance. So consequently it was ignored! As the team moved on to gain more success, the squad was increased to its present levels.

And so, in 2009, the team graduated to Under 18 level. Under the management of newly-appointed Steve Blakeney, they, with most players young in the age group, had a fairly successful season, finishing fifth.

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This season saw the introduction of a few new players: Neal Harris, Joe Fuller, Charlie Bennett, Ollie Crossfield, Dom Avis, Rich Macnamara and Alex Starflinger. They breathed some new life into the team and gave the squad the depth necessary to achieve.

And what a season it turned out to be for Hawkesbury. Of the 28 games that the boys played in all competitions, 21 of them were victories, and in total they scored a stunning 131 goals, shared among 17 different players, Jamie Evans scoring 55 of those goals in the season. In the end, this was enough for the team to win the league.

This, however, was to be the end of the Hawkesbury team. The majority of the players are off all over the country at various Universities next year, and will be too old to compete in this league. But whilst this is the end of an era and a truly momentous end at that, it is not the end entirely. The players still young enough to play are due to merge with the Kingswood Youth Team, and if all's well and the Hawkesbury spirit remains, they could be very successful themselves.

Bernie Evans, Jeremy Phillips and Jamie Evans

Summer Skittles League 2011

June 2011

Team	Name	Week commencing	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Venue
1	Cream Teas	June 6th			6 v 8	7 v 5		Fox
2	Beaufort Pingers			2 v 3			10 v 1	Beaufort
3	Rats Pack	June 13th	1 v 5	4 v 7		8 v 2		Fox
4	Old Foxes					3 v 10		Beaufort
5	Hornets	June 20th	1 v 4		5 v 10	7 v 8		Fox
6	Brats					3 v 6		Beaufort
7	Spooners	June 27th			5 v 8	7 v 6		Fox
8	Winkers							
10	Hillbillies					3 v 4	10 v 2	Beaufort

Please Note: Fixtures are correct at time of going to press...

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Our passenger list has expanded, so it is little wonder that the number of miles driven each month has also increased. March and April this year were exceptional months, and resulted in abnormally high mileage, achieving 985 and 1062 miles respectively. This is almost double our usual performance.

Overall since our first journey in August 2007, the volunteer drivers have carried out 965 journeys and travelled 22917 miles. This also means that our Co-ordinators have made between three and four thousand telephone calls.

HVT is still urgently looking to increase the number of drivers that are available, so if you are willing to give a little of your time and are prepared to use your own car or drive the community vehicle (a red Citroen Bellingo) to help maintain the current service, please contact Alan Shewry.

The Co-ordinators job provides the most important link between passenger and driver. The task involves checking the answer phone one or two times each day, (provided by HVT) maintaining a diary, and booking drivers to take passengers to their appointments.

Currently we have three volunteers who carry out these duties, Sandra, Vicki and Carol, two of whom are working ladies. Between them they share the task, one week on and two weeks off.

To maintain our present standard, and to increase our flexibility, especially during holiday periods, an additional one or two volunteers would be of great value.

So, if you have some spare time, and are willing to use it for the benefit of the community, how about joining HVT and becoming a Co-ordinator or a Driver.

Are you interested in helping?

If so contact Alan Shewry on telephone 01454 238 788 or e-mail alan_shewry@msn.com.

Finally a note for your diary.

HVT will be holding its Annual Party at the Beaufort, by kind permission of Mark Steeds, on Wednesday 15th June, from 2.30 til 4.00 pm with tea, coffee and cakes available.

Following this will be the Annual General Open Meeting from 4.00 to 5.00 pm.

All are very welcome especially passengers, drivers, supporters and would-be volunteers, see you there.

Alan Shewry

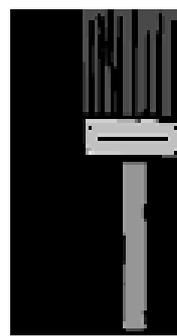
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I would like to say a huge thank you to the HVT (Hawkesbury Volunteer Transport) people for all their help and kindness shown to me over the last six weeks – what a wonderful job they do for so many people in Hawkesbury.

Thank you, Jo, Dave and thank you John, for putting up with me like you did. I shall miss our little chats about food and cooking. And thanks must go to Sandra Bishop for all her hard work arranging everything for me.

Thank you all,

Ann Harris



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Royal Wedding Street Party....



Well, the sun shone, despite the rain forecast, on what turned out to be a fantastic day.

There are so many people to thank – I just hope I've remembered them all. Hawkesbury did what it does best – a community event, and once again, we did it in style!

So now, without further ado, here are the names of competition winners and people who need to be thanked, in no particular order....

Jo and Anne for entertaining us with their music, despite the cold wind blowing down the street!

Lucy Luddington, for judging the Crown Competition and donating books for the prizes, and for all the entrants who made the effort and took part.

The winners were:



Pre-School – Francis Hopson

Primary School – Annice Anderson

Secondary School – Lauren White

Adult – Doris Chappell

Our secret judge chose Margaret and Bernard Townsend's house for the best decorated prize and they were awarded a commemorative coin, kindly donated by Kerri, who also gave the wooden bunting which decorated the Hawkesbury Upton signs.

Thanks to the Hawkesbury Writer's group and to the Parish Magazine, who supplied slices of cake on the tables, tea, coffee, tablecloths, flags, prizes, etc...

The school loaned us bunting and flags and their tables, as did the Methodist Hall, along with the chairs.

Hawkesbury Show lent us the bunting – thanks to Sally, John and team for putting it up (and taking it down!).

The street was brightened up with the addition of the red double decker bus – thanks to Chris for bringing that along, and to Mark for sorting it.

The film Sky West and Crooked was enjoyed by approximately 40 people – thanks to Chris and Andy for sorting out the film equipment, etc... and for everything else you did throughout the day.

Whoever took my copy of the dvd, could you let me have it back, as I have promised to loan it to quite a few people – thanks.

Mark put together a wonderful display of memorabilia from local stars of the film, so thank you too to them for loaning it, especially Mandy and Josie.

A big thank you must go to the Hall Committee for waiving the hire charges and their support.

The road closure and cones were sorted out by the Parish Council and the traffic management at either end of the village, keeping us safe and cars at bay was by Colin and Mike, who even dealt with an articulated lorry!

All the cakes left at the end of the day were taken down to the Julian Trust Night Shelter, by Jennifer.

Louise

Well done Hawkesbury!



At the AGM of Hawkesbury Upton Recycling Group, we found out that Hawkesbury brings between 2 and 4 tonnes of green waste to the site each month. This compares favourably to the sites at Thornbury and Shireway in Yate, which are of course, much larger than our site. We also have about 1 tonne of good quality compost taken from the site to be used in our gardens every month.

So pay a visit to the site, situated behind the Parish Hall. There you can collect the afore-mentioned compost as well as wood chip for your paths - and carry on bringing all your green waste to our excellent Community Composting Site

Any enquiries to 238 791

Congratulations!

Congratulations to James and Gemma Rawlings on the birth of their baby daughter, Molly Mae, on Monday 9th May.

All are doing well — fantastic news!



Following the success of last year's event!

Summer fun on the Rec'

Bring your own picnic or BBQ with us and enjoy an afternoon on the recreation field

Sunday 17th July 2011

Pimms served from 12.30

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Live music

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Sponsored Skydive



Cerys Bradley is taking part in a sponsored skydiving charity event on

Saturday 18th June in Cirencester.

Cerys is raising funds on behalf of the **Avon Haematology Unit, Bristol Oncology Centre.**

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Alternatively, contact: 01454 238 761, 20 Back St. Hawkesbury Upton GL9 1BB

Thank you!

Summer Job Needed

* Student, home from university for the summer, looking for a job to pay the fees.

* I am 19 and have a full, clean driving license and access to a car. I have experience of waiting, shop work, providing administrative support, cleaning and baby sitting but will consider anything. I can provide references.

* I am available **6th June** to the **end of September**. Please contact me on

* 07582689759 or via my parents on

* 01454 238052. Sian Ainsworth

Help Me With My Challenge

* I have enlisted in World Challenge with my school. Teams of students will travel to Ecuador and the Gallapagos Islands in July 2013, to spend 3-4 weeks in its environment. The trip will include trekking and helping to support local communities.

* To achieve this, each student must raise the money themselves. So I am looking for jobs such as babysitting and dog walking to start me off. I am 15 yrs old and am very reliable.

* If you are able to help me, please call

* Chris on

* 01454294077



1st Hawkesbury Guides

By the time you read this, we will have been on our camp to Woodhouse Park, joining approximately 2000 others from Guiding and Scouting – the 4 Seasons Scout Jamboree.



We decided to ask the parents to pay £5 towards the camp, to make it accessible to all, so the girls had to raise the remaining £45 each - £990, plus £40 each for Jane and I - £1070 in total.

They worked together and together with a generous donation of £250 and a grant from the Parish Council, they manages to raise £1081.33 - £11.33 over!! (this went towards our hoodies).

A huge thank you to everyone who supported us in our fundraising, particularly the parents, and for the girls for working so hard – Bee Patrol actually raised £85.66 more than they needed!!

We'll give you a full report of what we got up to in next month's Parish magazine!

Louise

LENT LUNCHES

Thanks to the generosity of the helpers, soup makers and the good people who came and enjoyed eating the soup and having a good chat, we have been able to give Hawkesbury Volunteer Transport £290.

This is most fitting as HVT was the first choice of Genevieve Thomas, as our charity for this year. She and I discussed the lunches back in January. As many of you know, Genevieve was one of the founder members of The Lent Lunches group back in the 1990s. Sadly, as you will now be aware, she died in April and a Memorial Service was held on May 19th at St Mary's.



Genevieve was a great friend and supporter of a number of events and organisations, and she will be very sadly missed by us all.

Hawkesbury's 3 churches

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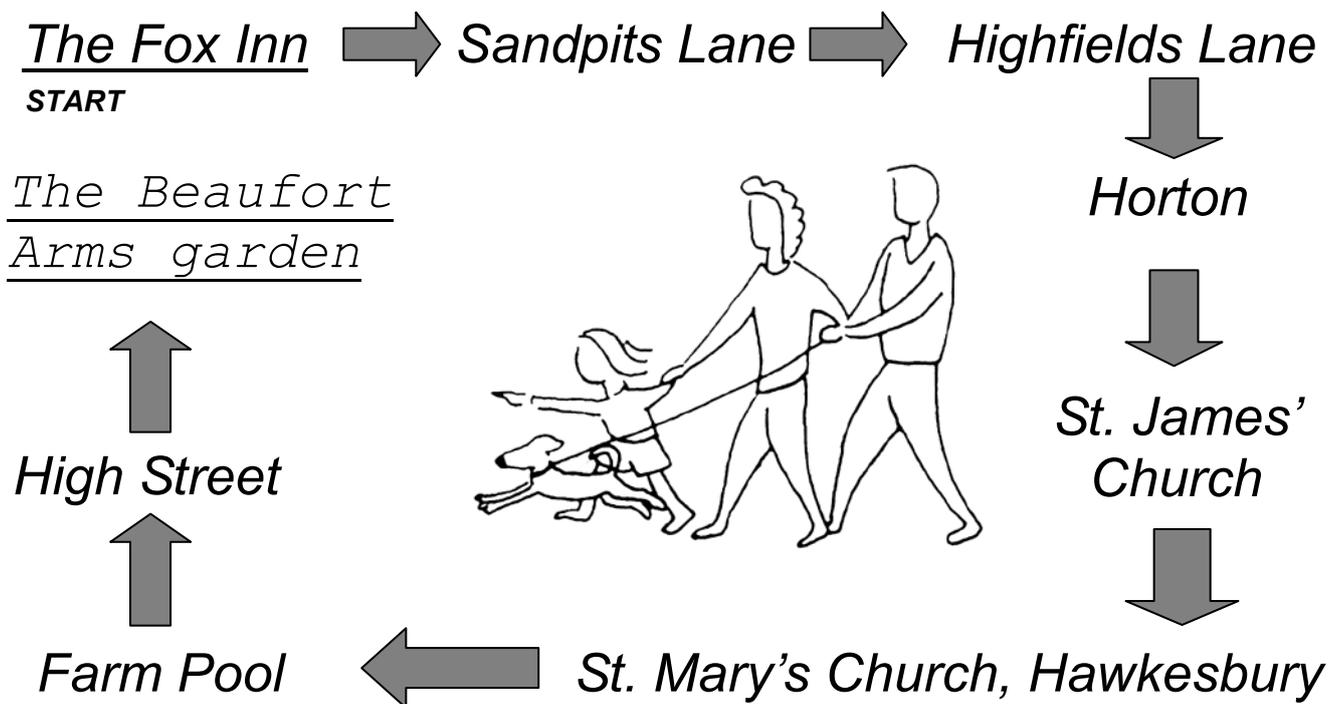
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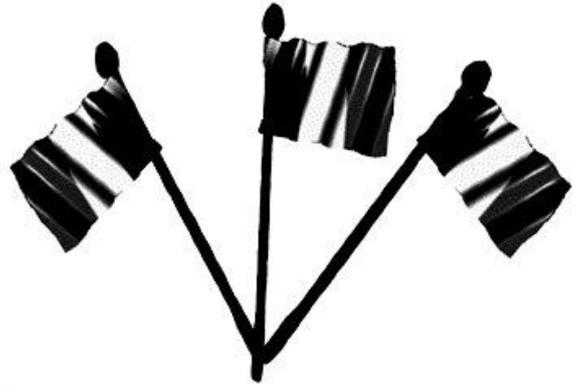


Prizes for first adult and first child back!

BBQ and Raffle in The Beaufort Arms garden
from 12.00noon onwards

ALL WELCOME ! !

Sponsor forms at The Village Pubs, Shop and Post Office



Bastille Boules

Saturday 23rd July 2011

at

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3.30 pm

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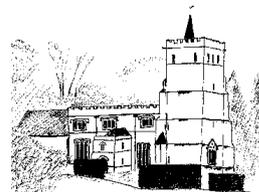
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St Mary's Church News



Churchwardens Mrs Linda Fairney 238553 & Mrs Mary Davies 238657
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the day before to arrange for collection.

"Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God - this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - his good, pleasing and perfect will." - Romans 12 : 1-2

The Works - Discussions are still under way, meetings cancelled until further notice.

"GIFT A WINDOW". The Friends of St Mary's window was re-instated last week after renovation, the masonry work to the three South aisle windows will be completed at the end of May. The small windows in the South Porch Parvis room have been removed and will be replaced with leaded lights and the bars from the small window in the downstairs South Porch has also been removed, the masonry around these three windows was in a bad state of repair. Once the weather improves we will continue with the north clerestory windows, at which time the masonry work for the north windows will be addressed this may be late July. The design for the St Wulfstan stained glass roundels has been approved and we have received a faculty (which is like planning permission) if everything goes well we hope to have this installed in July. Fundraising for this window is still continuing and we will have A Limited Print Design of the roundels for sale later this month, by courtesy of the designer.

We have received further donations totalling £2,000 since my last report. In the financial total already received we have donations towards a 'Village or Community window' also St Wulfstan Window.

The name of everyone who has contributed will be entered 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 side aisle windows which have three sections, each section for the sum of £895.00. also a North Clerestory window which also has three sections, for the sum of £531.00.



We still have a number of windows which have not yet been gifted, however I have to say that the response to this project has been overwhelming, and I offer our very grateful thanks for the support we have received to date.

M Beresford

Easter was very late this year, so we benefited from fine weather for the outdoor aspects of our services. These started with an outdoor procession on Palm Sunday from the Pool down to St Mary's on a lovely sunny day, followed on Good Friday by a quiet walk up to the Cross erected on the side of the hill opposite the church for the Good Friday liturgy. We thank Donald Watts for putting up the cross, as he has done for countless Good Fridays in the past. The choir sang at the Maundy Thursday service, and on Easter Day we enjoyed a quiet and simple Songs of Praise, which rounded off our celebration of Easter very appropriately

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Easter flower arrangements, either by doing an arrangement or by giving flowers or money. We also want to thank the Friends of St Mary's for the church clean-up; the church is looking very good now, for the summer season, when we shall be opening for visitors at weekends

Dates for your diaries

Pentecost falls on **12 June**, when we shall have a service of Evensong from the Book of Common Prayer. The school will celebrate on the previous Friday, 10 June at 2.0 pm, at St Mary's

Father's Day falls on **19 June**, which is also **Trinity Sunday**, and we shall be celebrating with breakfast and much more – details elsewhere in the magazine

Finally, the **Friends of St Mary's AGM** will be preceded by **Choral Evensong** on **26 June**.

There are no big events in the church calendar during May, but please note that there are **five** Sundays in the month. As agreed with the other parishes in our small group, services on the fifth Sunday will rotate, and so the service on **29 May will be at Boxwell at 10 am**.

Jennifer Oldershaw

Friends of St Mary's



Forthcoming events

Sunday 26th June – Friends of St Mary's Choral Evensong and AGM, followed by drinks. Service at 6pm, AGM 7pm. Subscription reminders should by now have been sent out to Friends. Any nominations for Committee would be welcome.

Saturday 23rd July from 3.30pm. **Bastille Boules**

Mr and Mr John Appleby have once again very kindly offered the use of their beautiful gardens for a **Boules Tournament**. There is a poster giving details of this elsewhere in the magazine. If you would like to make up a team of three to take part in the Boules competition please contact **Pauline Setterfield on 238307** or **Linda Fairney on 238553**. Tickets are £7.50 to include a glass of wine and canapés. There will be a swimming pool available, along with table tennis and darts.

Saturday 27th August – Pimms Tent at Hawkesbury Show

Saturday 12th November – The Poppy Ball – On Remembrance Weekend the Friends of St Mary's Annual Ball will be held in the Village Hall. Tables of ten will be on sale in due course.

Saturday 28th January 2012 – for those of you who like to plan ahead **Burns' Night** returns with Piper Morse, Haggis, neeps and tatties and those wee drams of whisky to get you in the mood for the ensuing Scottish dancing.

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

Thanks to all those who turned up on Saturday 7th May, in slightly inclement weather to begin with, to help with the St Mary's Church clear-up. A team of about fourteen people did a great job on clearing paths, edges and gutters round the church, cutting ivy off the tombs, scrubbing mould off the porch walls, cleaning brass rods and even sweeping the tower steps. The coffee and bacon butties were an added attraction and fortified us throughout the morning. Without such dedicated helpers the state of the building and the churchyard would be very poor indeed. As it is, it all looks rather splendid, but the work is ongoing. If anyone can spend even half an hour of their own time down there, please ring Mary Beresford on 238508, and she will let you know what jobs need doing. Many thanks.

Pauline Setterfield
Hon Sec

Church Services in June 2011 For St. Mary's and the Methodist church

Date	Time	Service	Readers	Sidesmen
05th June	0945 am	Morning Praise/Communion	TBA	P. Broad
12th June	1000 am	Methodist Sunday School		
	6 pm	PENTICOST COMMUNION	J. O'Brien P. Bendry	J. Oldershaw
19th June	0945 am	Fathers Day Breakfast in Church	TBA	M Beresford
26th June	1000 am	Methodist Sunday School		
	6 pm	Friends of St. Mary's Evensong A.G.M.	W. Fairney J. Gardener	L. Fairney
03rd July	0945 am	Morning Praise/Communion	TBA	H. Rogers
		Please note the changes to the evening		

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

Church Cleaners:

J Harris
P Fisher

Church Flowers:

G Dix
J Oldershaw

BETHESDA CHAPEL

PARK STREET, HAWKESBURY UPTON

Services for the month of June 2011

Sunday June 5th	10.30am	Mr Munir Din [C]
Sunday June 12th	10.30am	CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY Guest Speaker Rev Barbara Bridges
Sunday June 19th	10.30am	Mr Peter Belcher
Sunday June 26th	10.30am	Mr Alan Tarling

Tuesdays at 7.00pm 'ALPHA'

BETHESDA ADVENTURERS MEET EACH SUNDAY DURING SERVICE

Monday June 13th at 7.30pm – 61st Annual Preacher's rally

Guest speaker – Mr Alan Tarling

Followed by light refreshments

A farmer sent his young son to pick gooseberries and made him promise that he would not eat any! When the boy returned with the fruit his father said "Did you eat any?" "No" said the boy. "Good" said the father, "Now you can take a handful" The boy hesitated for a moment, then looking at his small hands and looking at his father's big hands said, "Please, father, can you give ma a handful?"

Paul writes in Ephesians 3 v.20, "Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to the power that is at work in us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Jesus Christ throughout all generations, for ever and ever, Amen!" Our biggest asking is never too big for God. God loves to surprise His faithful people with answers to prayer far exceeding our expectations.

M. C. Coates [Chapel Secretary]

KLB School Summer Fayre Saturday 25th June 2011, 11am - 3pm

This year KLB's summer fayre will be opened by the Casualty Star actor **Tristan Gemmill** who plays Dr Adam Trueman at **11am** and the school jazz band will then kick off the entertainment. There is a full events programme and also over 30 stalls and activities, ranging from 'penalty shoot outs' to Gladiator Duel, Bungee Run, Superslide, Sumo Wrestling as well as a BBQ, beer & Pimms tent, refreshments, cakes, plants stall, charity and craft stalls.

We would welcome some additional helpers to either run some stalls or bake some homemade cakes. If you are able then please contact the organisers via: klbfriends@klbschool.org.uk or 01453 843069

With all of that in mind, come along, bring family and friends for a great day out and maybe win some great prizes on the raffle too. Look forward to seeing you on the 25th, pop it in your diary now before you forget



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THE METHODIST CHURCH

BACK STREET, HAWKESBURY UPTON



Services for June 2011

Sunday June 5th	10.30am	Joining with Bethesda
Sunday June 12th	10.00am	David King – Holy Communion <i>Sunday Club for children attending</i>
Sunday June 29th	9.45am	Morning Praise at St. Mary's
Sunday June 26th	10.00am	Rev Stephen Newell – Holy Communion <i>Sunday Club for children attending</i>

Instinctively Wrong

Saul Gellerman, in his book *How People Work*, says, "Solving tough organizational problems may require counter-intuitive strategies." In business, counter-intuitive is a fancy way of referring to ideas that go against common sense.

Consultants who advocate such thinking are simply reinforcing the advice of Jesus.

Over and over, He urged His followers to do what God said was right, not what desire, instinct, and intuition told them to do.

Desire says, "I want it." Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive" ([Acts 20:35](#)).

Instinct says, "Me first." Jesus said, "The last will be first, and the first last" ([Matthew 20:16](#)).

Intuition says, "I'll feel better if I get revenge." Jesus said, "Do good to those who hate you" ([Luke 6:27](#)).

Wanting something doesn't make it good. Achieving something doesn't make it valuable. And having strong feelings about something doesn't make it right. As Jude wrote, those who follow their own desires and instincts lead others into conflict and division (1:18-19).

The alternative is to be spiritual, which means doing what does not come naturally. In fact, it requires supernatural strength that only God can give.

You can trust your instincts when you are trusting Christ.

Paul Edwards
Methodist Minister



National Family Week 30 May – 5 June 2011.

Family Fun day

in Kingswood Park, High Street, Kingswood

Wednesday 1st June 2011 10.30am-4pm

FREE activities for all the family

Small Fun Fair, Live Music and Refreshments (charges may apply to some activities).

For further information about the services South Gloucestershire Council offers and for details of more events for families please call 01454 868009.

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Father's Day 19th June



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9.45am 19th June
St Mary's Church
Hawkesbury



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Source Code, Cert 12A, 93 mins

Source Code is an edge-of-your-seat thriller that is as clever as it is exhilarating. Jake Gyllenhaal plays Colter, a soldier who wakes to find himself in the body of a stranger. On a packed Chicago train that is about to blow up killing all on board. Colter then discovers he's part of the Source Code, a computer programme that has allowed him to jump into another person's identity eight minutes before they die - in order to try and prevent the tragedy. Source Code is a thought-provoking thriller, and the second full-length film from Duncan 'Zowie Bowie' Jones. Vue

Full details <http://www.wottoneph.co.uk/FS/SourceCode.html>

Thursday 2 June 7.45

Rio 3D, Cert U, 95 mins

(Carlos Saldanha, 2011) Domesticated Macaw Blu (Jesse Eisenberg) and his owner Linda embark on the adventure of a lifetime to track down a mate for Blu in Rio de Janeiro. Animated fun for all the family from the makers of 'Ice Age'. "Everything you would hope for in a children's film" Film4

Full details <http://www.wottoneph.co.uk/FS/Rio.html>

Saturday	28 May	4.30	Thursday	2 June	2.00
Sunday	5 June	2.00	Saturday	11 June	4.30

Pina 3D, Cert U, 104 mins, (TBC)

(Wim Wenders, 2011) A sensual, visually stunning journey of discovery in 3D into the unique world of dance created by the legendary German choreographer, Pina Bausch. "A tremendous film that makes 3D an integral part of what is being created - a film with clarity and passion" Guardian

Full details <http://www.wottoneph.co.uk/FS/Pina.html>

Saturday	28 May	7.45	Thursday	9 June	2.00
Thursday	16 June	7.45			

Winnie the Pooh, Cert U, 73 mins

(Stephen J Anderson, Don Hall, 2011) Owl sends Pooh and his friends on a wild quest to save Christopher Robin from an imaginary culprit. It turns out to be a very busy day for a bear who simply set out to find some honey. All new Disney adventure animated in the classic style. "Will delight wee'uns and put a smile on the face of animation fans of all ages" Empire

Full details <http://www.wottoneph.co.uk/FS/WinniePooh.html>

Sunday	29 May	2.00	Saturday	4 June	4.30
Sunday	12 June	2.00	Saturday	18 June	4.30
Sunday	19 June	2.00			

TT 3D, Cert 15, 117 mins

(Richard De Araques, 2011) Gripping 3D documentary vividly recounting the Isle of Man's legendary road race and exploring why modern riders still feel compelled to risk their lives to win it. "A life-affirming, heart-stopping joy ride for anyone with a pulse" Total Film

Full details <http://www.wottoneph.co.uk/FS/TT3D.html>

Friday	27 May	7.45	Tuesday	31 May	7.45
Saturday	4 June	4.30	Wednesday	8 June	8.45

Little White Lies, Cert 15, 154 mins

(Guillaume Canet, 2010) Every year, a group of friends get together in a beach house to celebrate a birthday and enjoy each other's company. However, this year an accident sets off a dramatic chain of reactions and emotional responses that result in longheld pretences being shattered and uncomfortable truths being revealed. French comedy-drama with subtitles starring Marion Cotillard. "A gorgeous cast, irreverent humour and beautifully drawn characters" Empire

Full details <http://www.wottoneph.co.uk/FS/LittleWhiteLies.html>

Sunday	29 May	7.45	Friday	3 June	7.45
Tuesday	14 June	7.45			

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WHAT'S ON AT WESTONBIRT ARBORETUM...

Forest Fun - Family Event

Tuesday 31 May - Thursday 2 June 10.30am - 4pm

Forests are great places for fun! Follow our playful trail to explore, create, build and imagine your way around Westonbirt. Make your own green games with natural materials. Free after admission

Remarkable Rhododendrons - Guided Walk

Saturday 4 June 10.30am - 12.30pm

Discover Westonbirt's fantastic rhododendrons and their links with the history at the arboretum. Free after admission. No dogs allowed.

Tetbury Royals - Charity Run

Monday 6 June 7.15pm

Contact David Edelsten on 01285 720421 or email david.edelsten@virgin.net

Specialist Wood Sales

Saturday 11 and Sunday 12 June 10am - 1pm

Held on the second Saturday and Sunday of every month. All manner of wood and sawn timber is available, produced from the routine pruning and thinning of specimen trees within the arboretum. Proceeds go to the Friends of Westonbirt Arboretum (only cash or cheques are accepted). Free after admission

Chair Making - Workshop

Monday 13 - Saturday 18 June Six day chair making course. Now in its tenth year at Westonbirt.

Cost of £250. Booking essential: more details from Paul Hayden on 01373 836051. www.greenwoodcourses.co.uk

Westonbirt's Wildflowers - Guided Walk

Tuesday 14 June 10.30am - 12.30pm

Discover the rare and intriguing wildflowers of Westonbirt with Rosemary Westgate, leader of the volunteer Westonbirt Wildflower Group. No booking required. Meet outside the Great Oak Hall. Free after admission. Dogs allowed but under close control.

Beginners Digital Photography - Workshop

Friday 17 June 10.30am - 3.30pm

For those who have a digital camera but not familiar with the settings and controls. Take the mystery out of the various settings and get guidance on image composition, lighting and capture. Tea/coffee provided throughout the day. Delegates to provide their own lunch or use the facilities on site. Number are restricted to 10 delegates. Cost £55.00. Booking essential: contact Graham Light on 01285 653069 or email consult@abbey-studios.co.uk. See www.abbeyphotoschool.co.uk for further details and dates.

In Pursuit of Plants - Guided Walk

Saturday 18 June 11am - 1pm

Join us to hear tales of the remarkable plant hunters, the trials they faced and the incredible plants they brought back. Free after admission. No dogs.

Woody Women - Workshop

Wednesday 22 - Thursday 23 June & Saturday 25 - Sunday 26 June

A two day course which women will find empowering by learning effective use of tools, woodland management, tree folklore and woodland crafts. Come and join for fun in the woods and take home your own hand-made spatula! Cost £140.00 including lunch, camping and materials. Booking essential: contact Ruth Goodfellow on 07794 054623 or email rgoodf@hotmail.com

Britain's Native Trees - Guided Walk

Saturday 25 June 2.30 - 4.30pm

Ever wondered why Britain has so few native trees? Or what we used before steel and plastic? Discover and celebrate our native trees. Free after admission. Booking essential, call 01666 880220. Dogs allowed, under close control.

The wider landscape in summer - photography day.

Saturday 25 June

Following on from Graham's popular workshops and the success of his book 'The Wonder & Beauty of Westonbirt' (see www.acerpress.co.uk for details) we are launching a new series of photography days at Westonbirt. Price per attendee is £125.00 and includes access to the arboretum and a cup of tea or coffee. Email or call to register your interest. Booking essential: contact Graham Light on 01285 653069

Westonbirt Concerts 2011

Fri 17 June — Simple Minds

Tickets cost £35.00
(plus £3 booking fee).

Sat 18 June — Erasure (support—Sophie Ellis-Bextor)

Tickets cost £34.50
(plus £3 booking fee)

Sun 19 June — Scouting For Girls

Tickets cost £28.00
(plus £3 booking fee).

Friday 15 July — Bryan Ferry

Tickets cost £36.50
(plus £3 booking fee).

Sat 16th July — Westlife

Tickets cost £37.50
(plus £3 booking fee).

Sun 17 July — Texas

Tickets cost £33.50
(plus £3 booking fee).

Tickets are now on sale from the Forestry Commission box office tel. 03000 680400, or buy online at www.forestry.gov.uk/music.

Downy Ducklings Days

Slimbridge Wetland Centre

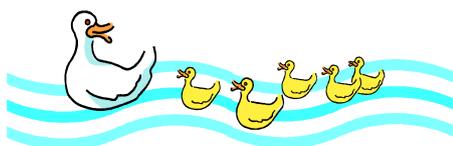
Saturday 28 May to
Sunday 5 June 2011
From 9.30am

Slimbridge Wetland Centre will once again be home to a newly-hatched batch of adorable downy ducklings, this spring.

The ducklings are a popular pull to the Gloucestershire headquarters of the Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust, allowing visitors to take a peek into the first few days and weeks of their fluffy lives.

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Chipping Sodbury Jazz Festival 29-30 July 2011

Jazz on a Summer's Day

The sweet sounds of jazz come to Chipping Sodbury when the town hosts a two-day jazz festival in July 2011. Headlining the event on the first night of the festival will be the legendary **Kenny Ball**, appearing in concert at Chipping Sodbury Town Hall with his Jazzmen. The Festival also features some of the best musicians from the Bristol and Bath area who will be playing at a number of local venues.

Other featured performers include keyboard virtuoso **Paul Buck**, the world jazz quintet '**Radio Banska**' who bring together music from Buenos Aires to the Balkans, the **Cass Caswell Monster Jazz Trio**, the **APO Jazz-Funk Quartet**, plus Bristol's own **Kate McNab** and **Kit Morgan**.

All the local pubs in the Town's main thoroughfare are hosting and there will be no admission charge other than for the headline act on the 29th. In addition, there will be an **Artisan Market** on **Saturday 30th** during the day and live jazz in the street.

Tickets for Kenny Ball and His Jazzmen cost £18.50 and can be obtained from Chipping Sodbury Tourist Information Centre, Penny Farthings Gift Shop, Vickers Stationery, or by email to info@visitchippingsodbury.com

For more information: www.visitchippingsodbury.com

Chipping Sodbury Festival 2011

10th June - 19th June

Highlights of this year's festival...

Friday 10th June

Festival Team Quiz

at the Town Hall £12 per team of four
(proceeds go towards workshops for school children)

Saturday 11th June

Barn Dance

at the Town Hall 7:30pm £6 per ticket

Sunday 12th June

Songs for a Summer Evening

with the Mendip Male Voice Choir
at St John's Church, Wickwar 7:30pm £6 per ticket

Monday 13th June

Tasting of Organic Wines

at the Charter Suite, Town Hall 7:00pm £8 per ticket

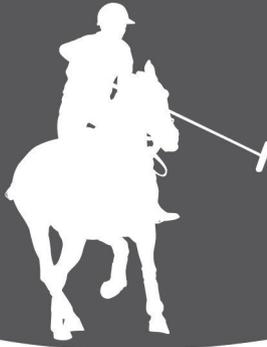
Thursday 16th June

An Audience with Giles Brandreth

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Saturday 18th June

All Day Street Fayre and Carnival



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District Councillor Results & Report

Sue Hope	(Lib Dem)	902
Helen Heeley	(Conservative)	722
Ruth Jahans-Price	(Labour)	91

Thank you for your support and for re-electing me to serve as the Cotswold Edge Ward Councillor on South Gloucestershire Council. The work goes on, with lots still to do, and I will endeavour to represent all the area as well as I can, however if you spot a problem please let me know, or if there is something I can help with, please don't hesitate to contact me and together we might be able to change things. I will also continue to report back through the Parish Magazine – if there are matters you think should be covered – let me know.

There has been little change at the South Gloucestershire Council level, with the Council continuing with a Conservative minority administration. The committee structure will remain as before 5th May, with a review being carried out during the year as to how the system can better reflect residents concerns.

Bags are being distributed to each parish/area of South Gloucestershire for collection by those who need a bag to put in their cardboard waste in for collection. This should take place in June/July. Please keep an eye out for local announcements.

Work is on going with graziers, residents and those with registered Commons Rights on the future management of the Commons. South Gloucestershire Council will distribute information to those concerned.

Thank you to all those who helped celebrate the Royal Wedding with great Hawkesbury Style. There was a great atmosphere in the High Street, and special thanks to all those for their hard work in making it happen; all good practice for next year's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations.

Sue Hope

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Councillor Cotswold Edge Ward, South Gloucestershire Council

Parish / Parish Ward Elections, 5th May 2011

Hawkesbury Parish

This area has 9 seats

Surname	Forenames	Party	Votes	Note
BARNETT	Peter		256	ELECTED
BLEAKEN	Hazel		375	ELECTED
BOYLE	Deborah		196	
COX	Michael		308	ELECTED
FRANKCOM	Mark Christopher		269	ELECTED
HEELEY	Helen Elizabeth	The Conservative Party Candidate	213	ELECTED
HIGGS	Derek Arthur		146	
HOPE	Sue		510	ELECTED
ISAAC	Peter		234	ELECTED
MAY	Clive		120	
MUSTY	Andrew Christopher		280	ELECTED
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Hawkesbury Parish Council

During the meeting the following applications were discussed.

App. No.	Address	Description	PC's comments
PK11/1054 /LB	Wellington, The Manor House, Petty France, Badminton	Internal and external alterations including the formation of two entrances, to facilitate the subdivision of 2 no. dwellings to form 4. no dwellings (amendment to previously approved scheme PK07/0688/LB to reposition ground floor to first floor staircase).	The Parish Council asked the Clerk to contact the Planning Officer to asking why the Site Plan-Design and access statement had not been provided with the paperwork Also the planning application includes the internal and external alterations including the formation of two new entrances- no details provided re the new entrances? Can you clarify these discrepancies in the application and also clarify if there is going to be any new entrances into the grounds. Comments received from the Planning Officer; I know not why admin. did not send you copies of the Site Location Plan or Design and Access Statement. These are on the public website. The application relates to an amendment to a previously approved scheme PK07/0688/LB and it is the amendment only that needs to be considered now i.e. the repositioning of the internal staircase. If approved, all previous conditions and approved plans would be carried over to the new consent. Details of the two new entrances are shown on the originally approved plans, which can be viewed under PK07/0688/LB and which can be installed under that permission. The proposed amendment does not affect that element of the previously approved scheme
PK11/1014 /TCA	The Monument High Street, Hawkesbury Upton	Works to fell 3no Fir Trees and 1no Sycamore tree all situated within the Hawkesbury Upton Conservation area.	The Councillor's do not object to the planning application , however please be vigilant of any birds nesting in these trees
Planning Applications withdrawn			
PK11/0462 /F	Queens Hive Cottage, Back St, Hawkesbury Upton.	Erection of two storey rear extension to provide additional living accommodation. Erection of replacement garage.	Withdrawn
PK11/0555 /F	Oxleaze Farm, Oxleaze Road Inglestone Common	Erection of single storey detached annex ancillary to main dwelling.	Withdrawn

The Plain-Replacement Tree

Following the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 18th April 2011 it was agreed that the Cherry Tree taken down last year will be replaced with a White Beam and not another Cherry Tree to prevent any cross infection. The White Beam will cost in the region of £26.00, this will be planted in the autumn.

Also you may have noticed that the Plain has been damaged by heavy Lorries cutting across the grass, the Parish Council will be looking at repairing this in September.

Hawkesbury Parish Council (continued)

Oak Sapling

Last year the Parish Council was given an Oak Sapling which had originally been considered to be planted on The Plain. In view of the size of the Oak when fully grown, it will need to be planted in open space. The Parish Council would like suggestions as to where you would like to see the Oak planted. Please contact the Parish Clerk with suggestions, contact details below.

Post Office Sign-On the Plain

A request had been made to the Parish Council from Kerri Lawrence regarding a Post Office sign to be erected on the Plain during business hours. The Parish Council discussed this in full, and their main concern was that there would be an increase in businesses within the village that would want to advertise in the same way. Finally, it was agreed by the Parish Council that the Post Office could place the sign on the Plain for a trial period of 6 months; the sign must be removed at the end of each day.

We would like to hear your comments regarding this decision; please email the Parish Clerk.

16th May 2011 AGM

This was the first meeting held following the Elections on the 5th May 2011. Your Parish Council consists of the following; Hazel Bleaken, Sue Hope, Andy Musty, Peter Isaac, Mike Cox, Mark Frankcom, Helen Heeley, Bryan Robinson and Peter Barnett.

A vote was taken to appoint the Chair and Vice Chair the results being; Cllr Bleaken Chair and Cllr Hope Vice Chair.

Three Parish Councillors stepped down and two were unsuccessful in being re-elected. The Parish Council would like to take this opportunity to thank Louise Roberts, John Otley Derek Higgs, Clive May and Colin Dixon for all their hard work they have put in, and commiserations to Deborah Boyle.

Dates for your Diary

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 6th June 2011 in the upstairs meeting room in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Contact details for Hawkesbury Parish Council via:

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Hawkesbury Upton
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TRADING STANDARDS — ATTENTION!

Bogus charity collecting clothes in South Glos warns Trading Standards

A flyer is being distributed in the South Gloucestershire area seeking to collect clothes on behalf of a **bogus charity** called 'Breaking the Waves'.

Checks have found that the website on the flyer does not connect, the phone number is no longer valid and the company BTW Ltd does not exist. In addition the charity number, 1133899, listed on the flyer has been withdrawn. South Gloucestershire Council's trading standards officers and neighbourhood police are **warning people in the area to be wary of door-to-door leaflets asking for unwanted clothing.**

Trading Standards said: "Clothing collections are regularly conducted throughout the area and, although some are genuinely for charitable purposes, we have concerns that others are just done for commercial gain and that the public are being misled by false claims about the use to which their donations are put and the use of bogus company details. The only way to guarantee that donations benefit good causes is to deal only with charities you know are genuine, or take unwanted items direct to a charity shop. At the moment textile prices are high and consumers need to ensure that their valuable donations reach the organisations they wish to give to".

Anyone who is in any doubt about door-to-door flyers like this, or any others offering goods or services, should contact Consumer Direct on 08454 04 05 06.

Hawkesbury Upton Neighbourhood Watch

Reducing the opportunity for crime



Avon and Somerset Police issue out a regular newsletter if you would like to read it, then it's available on the Hawkesbury website.

There have been an **increasing number of thefts** from gardens, garages and cars over the last few weeks. Items such as bicycles, car washers and sat navs have been included. For most of the year there is little need to worry that anyone will creep into our gardens and out-buildings and take whatever will get them a few pounds to feed their habit. As such its very easy to forget to lock things away and unfortunately these thieves know that and are opportunistic. They will be out and about most evenings/nights and they are getting sneakier going into areas that we least expect. They wont visit us every night, every week or even every month just when we least expect it, so please lock away your valuables, put them out of sight and if appropriate mark them in some way. Concealed postcoding is very popular and if the goods are found the Police will look for that.

If you see something suspicious ring the Police on 0845 456 7000
If you see a crime in progress RING 999

TRADING STANDARDS — ATTENTION!

The Tricks Rogues Play

South Gloucestershire Trading Standards would like to remind residents to **be extra vigilant when dealing with unsolicited visits from traders and the deals they offer.**

A **new trick** being used by rogue traders is to **back date the contract paperwork so it looks like the consumer's cooling off period has expired.** This then prevents consumers from cancelling the contract, committing them to the work and the cost.

Always check the date on the contract before signing anything and, if it has been back dated, consider whether you really want to go ahead with work by a rogue trader who has just tried to deny you your legal right to a 7 day cooling off period.

To help avoid becoming the victim of a rogue trader, here are some **simple tips** to remember –

- ◆ Be wary of traders who cold call and the deals they offer you – it is unusual for genuine tradesmen to need to cold call to drum up work!
- ◆ If they claim work needs doing, get a second or even third opinion from other professional tradesman.
- ◆ Obtain a number of quotes, in writing and detailing what work will be done.
- ◆ If you agree to work following an unsolicited visit, you are afforded cancellation rights by law, and these should be given to you in writing.
- ◆ Ensure you have the correct company name and/or owners name and the full postal address – this will not guarantee the work is done satisfactorily but may enable you to take further action if things go wrong.
- ◆ If the goods / services cost £100 or more, try and pay some or all of it on a credit card as this may afford you additional protection.

If you think you have fallen victim to such activities, or would like further advice, please contact Consumer Direct on 08454 04 05 06.

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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

NEWSLETTER

In this issue

Thursday 28 April 2011

- Ongoing – Theft from Motor Vehicles
- Emerging – Theft of Lead
- Ongoing – Catalytic Converter Thefts

All NHW's Theft from Motor Vehicles

Police have seen an increase in theft from motor vehicles.

In Yate, specifically in Abbotswood, Blaisdown and Shire Way.

No specific day is favoured.

Combination of forcing locks and items from outside (aerial/index plates) - when force is used CD players and Sat Nav's are being targeted.

No specific types of vehicle.

Crime Reduction Advice

- Park vehicles in secure or well lit areas.
- Never leave any items within, regardless of value.
- Report any suspicious activity to the Police on 0845 456 7000.

NHW in Wickwar - Theft of Lead

Two men called at a house in Wickwar claiming to be working on a neighbouring property and asking to put a ladder up. The men left about 10 minutes later and lead roofing material was later found to be missing.

It happened at about 12.30pm on Friday April 15 2010.

The men were both described as white and about 25 years old, wearing high visibility jackets. One had short blond hair, the other had short brown hair and they made off in a large white van.

If you can help, please call the Police on 0845 456 7000.

Catalytic Converter Thefts

Busy car parks are being targeted for the removal of catalytic converters.

Evidence suggests that vehicles are more likely to be targeted on a weekday, between 1100-1700, with the favoured vehicle being Peugeot 406s, both older and newer models.

- Whilst out and about shopping, if you see any suspicious activity please report it to the Police on 0845 456 7000.

Beat by Beat

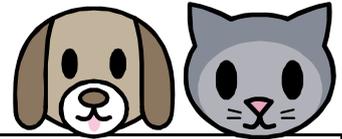
Covering the areas of: Yate, Chipping Sodbury, Frampton Cotterell, Charfield & Laddon, Thornbury, Severn & Avon



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Babysitting, Dog Walking and Pet Sitting



Beth Stanbridge	01454 238591	I am available for babysitting and pet care - including horses. I am 15 years old.
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Charlotte Carnegie	60 Highfields 01454 238918	18yrs old. Available for baby sitting, dog walking and pet minding.
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.
Katie Munro	01454 238 174	I am 14 years old with some experience of babysitting. I am reliable, trustworthy and enjoy the company of young children.
Libby Musty	01454 238118	I am a reliable, family friendly 14 year old who enjoys looking after young children. I get on well with all animals, particularly dogs! I am available during most weekday evenings and at weekends. For further details, rates and availability, please call Libby.

PARISH NEWS NEWS

Just a quick update on what the Parish News team has been up to in recent months.

Apart from making sure that we cover our running costs with the money from sales, subscriptions and advertising, we try to support village causes and events, where possible.

We agreed to support the Royal Wedding street party and donated just over £80 for flags, table cloths and balloons, to help the party go with a swing!

As the village hall waived their fee on the day and allowed use of the hall and toilets, plus chairs and tables, and permitted the film show, we are donating £50 towards their funds. In addition, we are making a donation of £30 to the Methodist Church for the kind use of their tables on the day.

So we (Parish News) are donating £160 in all to the Street Party Fund.

Furthermore, we are in the process of handing over a cheque for £200 to the village hall, as a contribution towards the replacement of the playground equipment.

We also hope to support the village Christmas lights, once costs are finalised later in the year.

Parish News Team

Fiona, Pauline, Sarah-Jayne, Suzanne and Vicky



Some new definitions...

CHICKENS – The only animals you eat before they are born and after they are dead.

HANDKERCHIEF – cold storage

RAISIN – a grape with sunburn

COMMITTEE – a body that keeps minutes and wastes hours

TOOTHACHE – a pain that drives you to extraction



June Sudoku

Neil Fozard

For the uninitiated:-

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

EASY !!

NOT SO EASY !!

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

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

Answers to the May quizzes:-

'Easy'

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

'Not so Easy'

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



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