

West Ilsley News

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Deadline for the next publication is:

5pm on Thursday 26th November

EVERGREENS

On Thursday 26th November the coach will leave from outside West Ilsley Church at 9 am for an outing to Bath. Members, £7 non-members £10. Names to Pat Burnett 281131



DIARY

NOVEMBER

5 th	Fireworks
9 th	Parish Council meeting 7.30 pm
13 th	Christmas Extravaganza
19 th	Youth Club AGM
21 st	Evergreens Bazaar
25 th	Village Hall AGM
26 th	Xmas greeting deadline

DECEMBER

5 th	Festive flowers
11 th	Bingo
12 th	Charity car wash – Rowles Farm

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

If you would like to send Christmas greetings to friends and neighbours in the village via the WIN and donate a sum towards Church Funds rather than sending cards, let me have a note of what you want to appear and your donation - any time from now up until 26th November and it will appear in the December edition.

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Firewood

mixed, seasoned logs - locally sourced

£50 a load

Giles North 07786 437188

Village Hall Committee AGM

Wednesday 25th November, 2009

At WI Village Hall 8pm

New faces welcome. We maintain and manage the Village Hall for the benefit of Village residents. In addition we run annual fun events such as the Summer Camp Out, The Village Fireworks, Bingo Nights and a stall at The Fete all to replenish our funds.

We meet 3-4 times a year to discuss and organise the above.

New committee members most welcome and needed as Angela and Alison are stepping down as Chairperson and Secretary. Please call Angela (281500) or Alison (281705) if you are interested.

WEST ILSLEY YOUTH CLUB

The AGM will be held on Thursday 19th November at 7pm in the Cricket Pavilion. The club urgently needs new committee members in order for it to continue. Any group of people willing to take this forward is welcome to attend. The current five committee members are standing down after 4 years of activities and enjoyable trips, in which many of the children and adults of West Ilsley have taken part. The main funds for this club to be set up came from the Local Network Fund and BACYP – this is now coming to an end. It has been extremely enjoyable watching the children having fun together and many have learnt new skills from first aid to skiing. All the children especially enjoyed the sweets available at the fortnightly held club. Over the years lots of equipment has been purchased which would either be sold off or given to another local club if no committee members are found. Many thanks to the chairman – Paul Willis, Secretary – Clare Alexander, Trip Organisers – Paula Oliphant and

Lorraine Willis, who have all worked so hard and given many hours of their free time to this organization. Also thanks to Peter Carlisle, Hugh Evans, Kevin Holloway and Sarah Norman for being our regular volunteer drivers to the many trips organized including Calshott activity in Southampton and Go Ape in Bracknell. Lots of fun has been had by all involved – let's hope it can continue. Tracey Young – Treasurer. (tel: 281619)

EVERGREENS BAZAAR
WEST ILSLEY VILLAGE HALL
 Saturday 21st November 2009 at 2pm
 Tombola
 Cake Stall
 Gift Stall
 Books and games
 Tea and scones with cream
 Father Christmas

OVER 80s
 It's time again for the over 80s Christmas parcels. If you would like to receive a parcel please contact me. O M Clarke 281368

West Ilsley Village Hall Committee
Bonfire Night Fireworks
 (kindly paid for by donations from WI Village Hall and the Fete Pre Show Dance funds)
 All villagers and their friends and families welcome to join us for a fun evening on
Thursday 5th November
 (next field but one to the pond)
 Bonfire lit at 6.30pm, Fireworks at 7pm
 BBQ (Hot Dogs and Burgers) and Refreshments available for sale from 6pm
 Glow sticks for sale.
 The Cricket Club bar will be open afterwards

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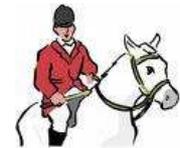
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**WHAT'S ON
 AT THE
 HARROW**



We would just like to thank everyone who came along to the Italian evening in September. It was a great success enjoyed by all. Thankyou !!!!!

Sunday 8th November
 As well as being Remembrance Sunday,
The Southern Shires Blood Hounds are meeting at The Harrow at 12 Noon. Come along and see them off.



QUIZ NIGHT
Wednesday 18th November
 Limited Menu served from 7pm £9
 Each
 Starts at 8pm
 £2 each to enter
 Teams limited to 6



ALPINE EVENING
Friday 4th December
 Book your tables NOW !!!!
 Surprise Menu!!



CHRISTMAS EVE CAROL SINGING
The West Ilsley Male Voice choir
 From 8pm
 Mulled Wine & Mince Pies
 Festive Fun !!

NEW YEARS EVE MASK PARTY
 Buffet, Disco & Champagne at Midnight !! No dress code, apart from wear a mask !! **NO CHARGE**
 Come along and bring in the New Year with a bang !!



Christmas opening times for The Harrow will be printed in December's WIN

Domestic Electrical Installation

Building regulation Part P Compliant
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and certification

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Contact Keith Pentecost

Tel: 01635-281389 (East Ilsley)

Mobile: 07985-797333

LETTER FROM AMERICA

Hello West Ilsley

I'm looking (so far not so fruitfully) for a snail mail pen pal. I know this is not the most modern way of communicating but it is I think a worthy pastime to put pen to paper. I'd like to exchange letters with someone in a small English village. I myself come from a small town, have four kids, eight hens, one husband, and more books than I actually have room for. I also garden (badly but not without enthusiasm). My vegetable garden has been eaten by the local deer, wild turkeys, and raccoons who, despite my best efforts have not been deterred by netting, fencing, repellent or my angry shouting. My husband and I are in the process of house hunting - a harrowing experience. We have looked at homes with helicopter ceiling fans, beer stein stain glass windows, a built in phone booth in a kitchen (I kid you not) and in one case a missing floor. When we're not house hunting we are with the kids and I am cooking or folding laundry. These two latter activities seem to dominate the majority of my time.

I know it is a ways to mail international letters and that most folks would prefer email but if any of y'all feel inspired to dig out a pen and a piece of paper and delve into the old art of handwritten mail I'd be incredibly grateful. I get along well with all ages and would love to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Kalee Lagomarsino

652 West Linn Road

Eagle Point, Oregon 97524 USA

"Turkey & Tinsel Bazaar"

Aldworth Village Hall

Saturday 21 November

9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

FREE Walter's Turkey Tasting

FREE Mulled Wine

R.N.L.I. Christmas cards & gifts - fresh produce - cakes etc. - cards - crafts & gifts - charity stalls
Father Christmas also invited!!

Please join us and support the R.N.L.I.

Organised by Aldworth Saturday Market Volunteers

Details 01635 578090

Christmas Extravaganza



At West Ilsley Village Hall

Friday 13th November 3pm to 7pm

Lots of stalls, fairies, towels, hat hire,
toys, phoenix cards, gifts

Santa will be there 4 to 6 pm

Tombola, refreshments, raffle in aid of
village hall funds

Contact Julia: 01635 281597

WEST ILSLEY SHOW COMMITTEE 2009

Donations from the proceeds of this year's Village Show have now been given to the following:

West Ilsley Village Hall*	£200
Evergreens	£150
Toddlers Under 5's	£125
Friends of East Ilsley Primary School	£125
All Saints West Ilsley Church	£125
West Ilsley in Need Charity	£140

A small sum of money has been retained to purchase a Christmas tree to be suitably placed near the pond.

* Includes money for Village Fireworks on the 5th November

The Committee is looking forward to holding a successful show in 2010. The date is Sunday 4th July so make sure you have it in the diary.

Show Committee: Alan Bloor, Doug Brown, Jo Cole, Hayley Watling, Sara Norman, Sue Simmons (Produce)

Festive Flowers



Come and be inspired by a Royal florist to create your Christmas table centre

Saturday 5th December 2009

At West Ilsley Village Hall

10am Coffee and demonstration
then over to you!

12.30 Light lunch will be provided

Tickets - £15

Available from
Alexandra Axtell
01635 281306
Rosanne Pilditch
01635 280553

Available to buy on the day
foliage, oasis, ribbons,
cones and accessories
wine and soft drinks
coffee after lunch

In aid of All Saints' Church, West Ilsley

Christmas BINGO



Friday 11th December

In the Village Hall at 7.30pm

All the Family welcome

Bingo and Raffle Prizes

Bring your own refreshments

Admission: Adults 20p, Children 10p

Bingo Books 30p

Any donation of prizes to

Audrey, 5 Fir Tree Cottages

Proceeds to Village Hall Funds

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for individuals, community organisations, voluntary organisations, small businesses and public bodies dedicated to supporting the needs of their local community. Action For All has information about events and activities run by voluntary groups, parish and town councils, pubs and village shops, and details of volunteering opportunities and vacancies.

Local organisations can register to:

www.actionforall.org.uk provides **FREE COMMUNITY WEBSITES**. Action For All is managed by the Community Council for Berkshire and provides an online community

- receive an **E-Bulletin** for news and information
 - enter the contact details and information on the **Free Directory**
 - create their own **Free Community Website** to market themselves and increase membership
 - access our **Resource Centre** providing information on funding, managing personnel, legislation, health & safety and environmental issues
 - become members of other community websites to **Develop Partnerships**.
- Don't delay. Join www.actionforall.org.uk today!!**

AFTERSCHOOL SERVICE, ALL SAINTS CHURCH

The service this month will be in the church at 4pm on Thursday 19 November. The theme for this service will be "Advent" and we will be making little advent candle holders to take home for December. Services are aimed at all ages from babies to older ones and last approximately half an hour. The following service will be on Thursday 10 December at 4pm. If you would like any further details please do contact any of us on the following numbers:

Denise Brown on 01635 281825

Liz Dray on 01635 281688

Louise Taylor on 01635 280622.

MOBILE LIBRARY

Fir Tree Paddock, Tuesday 17 November
2.10-2.40pm

ILSLEY UNDER FIVES



An excellent start to the Autumn Term, especially with having the pleasure of welcoming new families to the group from West

Ilsley and Compton .

In addition this term, we are pleased to be the first hosts of a qualified family support worker, Elizabeth Morton, who will be at hand every week to help support our group, provide professional advice from feeding, sleep problems, potty training etc.

We are also pleased to announce that Ilsley Under 5's will be running every Wednesday throughout the school holidays for all children aged 7 and under. Ilsley Under 5's is an established parent and carer run playgroup offering a great space to play in a friendly and safe environment. It is a great opportunity to get together with other families and enjoy talk, play, going on picnics, trips, learn together or just have fun.

Every week we provide a craft such as painting, play dough and sticking, and special themed activities throughout the year. We provide drinks and snacks for the children, and tea and coffee for the adults on a rota basis. The session ends with circle time sing song. Simply pop along and join us. New members are always welcome. We look forward to seeing you. Every Wednesday at West Ilsley Village Hall, West Ilsley 10.00am – 11.30am
Caroline Rand

WELCOME: A warm welcome to Simon and Liz who have recently moved to Downside Cottage.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH
Kay and Ian Fewtrell-Smith

November Church Services

1 st	All Age Communion	10 am
8 th	Remembrance Service	10.55am
15 th	All Age Worship	11 am
22 nd	Holy Communion	8 am
29 th	* No service at West Ilsley	

* Please see the lych-gate notice board for details of other services in the benefice.

N.B. Please note we have an extra service this month on 22nd November.

Harvest Festival

As always, at this time of year, the church looked spectacular with its decorations of flowers, fruit and vegetables, gleaned from many a West Ilsley garden, I'm sure. The children in the congregation brought up to the altar an assortment of harvest fare, which together with the decorations, was delivered to Willows Edge Nursing Home, in Newbury. Thank you to everybody involved.

Harvest Lunch

This took place recently in the village hall and was attended by around 60 villagers. Our thanks should go especially to Rosanne, Anna, Justin and Ed, for organising us all. Thank you also to those who donated such delicious food - shepherds and cottage pies, apple pies and crumble with cream, followed by cheese, biscuits and coffee – a veritable feast. We mustn't forget our younger helpers too, in particular Zoe and Anna who diligently sold raffle tickets and also thanks to all who provided raffle prizes. Over £370 was raised for church funds, but more importantly everyone had a good time!

Forthcoming Events

Saturday 5th December – Festive Flowers. Come to the village hall at 10 am and create your very own floral Christmas table centre piece. Tickets, £15 each, can be obtained from Alexandra (281306) and Rosanne (280553) and include a demonstration, coffee and a light lunch.

Tickets are limited, so don't delay, reserve your ticket now!

Clay Pigeon Shoot. For further details, watch this space.

WEST ILSLEY CRICKET CLUB
Justin Pildich

The AGM was reasonably well attended with the committee reporting a healthy club in both sporting and social terms. Of particular interest, there was a better than usual representation from the non cricket playing community and this is reflected in the newly elected 2010 committee making up 7 out of the 16 members. This can only be a good thing meaning that the club will go forwards into 2010 hand in hand with the rest of the village. Earlier this year, the cricket club commissioned Eric White to capture the recreation ground on canvas. The result is a delightful scene with the original now hanging in the pavilion but there will be a limited edition print run as well for the discerning aficionado. Please review the attached sample image and if you would like to add one to your extensive art collection for a mere £30 each (unframed), Tony Scriven is taking names. Once he has been inundated with requests, Tony will place a single order, thus keeping production costs down. Please form an orderly queue along the lane...



WHO TO CONTACT	
VILLAGE HALL	
Audrey Tizzard - Treasurer and Bookings	281646
Rates: £7.50/hr Villagers £15/hr Non Villagers	
CHURCHWARDENS	
Alexandra Axtell .281306	Ian Fewtrell-Smith 281625
TENNIS COURT	
Membership: Amanda Hagen - amandahageruk@yahoo.co.uk	
Play without joining - to book: Amanda Knight - 281609	
Dave Gardhouse - 281391	
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