

West Ilsley News

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DIARY FEBRUARY

4th Winter Warmer

7th Bake off

MARCH

7th Ilsleys Pamper evening

JUNE

29th Pre-fete party

JULY

1st Fete

WEST ILSLEY FETE 2012

SUNDAY JULY 1ST

Keep this date free

Many attractions have already been booked and indeed this years theme is The Olympics. There will be a produce show, dog show and this year Olympic games for all ages so get training. Watch out for more information in the WIN and for all those gardeners where and when to get your potato and for the budding cooks/chefs of all ages in the village what competitions are going to be in the cookery section. Alan Bloor

For Sale

Ken Messer original Watercolour
"Above West Ilsley"
painted from The Furze looking south
towards Hodcott Buildings and on to
Parkwood
01635 281600

FOND FAREWELL TO EILEEN CALDER

We thought many villagers would be like to know that Eileen Calder recently moved out of West Ilsley having lived here since 1946. Many people will remember her late husband, Ron, who worked at Rowles Farm for many years and was a staunch member of the West Ilsley Cricket Club not only spending many hours playing but also umpiring.

Eileen will be sorely missed by everyone including members of the Evergreens. We wish Eileen well at her new sheltered housing in Didcot where she will be living with two of her remaining sisters.

Sandra Carlisle

Calling all ladies and gentlemen.....

Wednesday 7th March, 6.30pm – 9.30pm

The Friends of the Ilsleys Primary School

Will be holding a

Pamper Evening

Where taster treatments will be available (bookable in advance), along with the opportunity to spoil yourselves and others (don't forget Mother's Day is March 18th) with goodies from one of the beauty, art and craft stalls on the night.

Tickets £5, which will include a glass of Bucks Fizz and nibbles.

If you would like to come along, please contact the School at: office.ilsleys@westberks.org Treatments need to be booked in advance and therefore we do require definite numbers.

Tennis Club 30th Birthday Party!

To celebrate and raise funds for the upkeep of the tennis court

1980's
Disco, Bar and Canapés

Tickets available from any of the Tennis Committee

Saturday 10th March
Time: 8pm - Midnight
Place: WI Village Hall



£7.50 a ticket!

CLEANING

Karen Calder-Hoath, West Ilsley born and bred will be in West Ilsley on Tuesdays and Thursdays helping with cleaning. If you too would like some help please contact Karen on 01635 867574 or email: calderhoath@btinternet.com to make plans.

HARD WORK AT THE VILLAGE HALL

A small working party consisting of Mel Cook, Tony Elliott, Fred Carter and Philip Knight spent a productive morning last Saturday clearing trees, undergrowth and rubbish from around the garages at the Village Hall. Particular thanks to Tony for organising. If anybody would care to join further maintenance



working parties (they only last a couple of hours at a time) then please contact Philip or Tony.

THE ILSLEY EVERGREENS

The Evergreen members enjoyed a lovely Christmas Lunch at the Windmill Carvery, Nr. Burford. We have been there for several years and they always put on a lovely spread for us. It is now a quiet time for us, as the first Committee meeting of the year will not be until the 30th January, when we will be discussing the results of the questionnaire we gave to members before Christmas. Will members please get their completed questionnaires to Pat Burnett before the 30th January. We will be holding our AGM at West Ilsley Village Hall on the 20th February at 2pm.

Anyone of 60+ years who would like to join the Ilsley Evergreens, please get in touch with me. Meanwhile I would like to wish all our members and friends a Very Happy and Healthy New Year. Jean Wells – Secretary 281255

WEST ILSLEY BAKE-OFF

We were delighted to welcome our first chap to join the fun – Sefton Holloway achieved 3rd place with his mother's secret recipe for chocolate brownies – well done Sefton, are there any more cooking chaps out here?

The results were:

- 1st Juliet and Alison Banks
- 2nd Adele Peek
- 3rd Sefton Holloway

This month we're baking Victoria sandwich – see you on 7th February at 8pm in the Village Hall.

Andrea 281224 and Angela 281500

Or email WIN.

JANUARY PUB QUIZ

Thank you to all those who came along to the quiz. We managed to raise £70 for the Ilsley Evergreens - it will fund cream teas on their next outing.

There was tough competition which ended with a tiebreak between two teams - the Harrowing Experience and the One Short of a Team. One Short of a Team had the closest answer to the weight of the heaviest cabbage recorded - and won the bottle of bubbly!

ILSLEY UNDER FIVES

The toddler group is now in full swing again after the Christmas break. The group is continuing to expand, with new families coming nearly every week! The word is definitely spreading about the group, which is great news. The more the merrier! We have celebrated 3 birthdays this week, with the children all turning 2 just days apart! A lot of singing happy birthday and blowing out candles has happened recently, followed by the children (and maybe mums!) eating the birthday cakes!

Ilsley Under 5's is a well established parent and carer playgroup which in partnership with Surestart provides a great place to play in a friendly safe atmosphere and fun environment. We meet every week, most weeks of the year, in West Ilsley village hall between 10am and 11.30am. The children have a snack and drink half way through the session, with tea and coffee available for mums dads and carers. Every week we offer a new activity table; painting, drawing, play dough etc, not forgetting the regular toys that are available and suit all ages of toddler or baby. And we finish the session with a group sing along. If you are planning a party or event remember the

small tables and chairs as well as our toys are available for hire throughout the year for a donation of £10. Please call myself for more details.

Lastly, if anyone has a spare/unwanted ' little tikes' car please get in contact with myself as we only have 1 and it's by far the most popular toy!!
Kate Storrar 281132

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Dear Children of West Ilsley

It was such fun to put together our Crib Service on Christmas Eve and I think we had the church really rocking! You all worked hard to learn the songs and your energy and enthusiasm was infectious. You can be very proud of yourselves.

Thanks to everyone's generosity the collection was over £300 – enough for a donkey **and** some sheep in Africa as well as adopting a donkey in this country to be ridden by sick and disabled children. It is wonderful to think that so many families will benefit from your efforts.

Thank you also to Liz and Sue for their ideas and encouragement which helped to make all of this possible.

If you would like to be part of a junior choir for the Easter Sunday service (Sunday 8th April 2012) please could you let me know and I will organise CDs and music for you to start learning. (Rehearsal times/dates to follow.)

Happy singing! *Alexandra Axtell*

(alexandra.axtell@homecall.co.uk or telephone 281306)

Artisan Breads at Aldworth Saturday Market

A variety of **delicious, homemade, artisan breads**, from local baker Lucie Steel, will be available to taste and buy the **SECOND** Saturday of every month at Aldworth's community-run market.

***Please note that the weekly Saturday market opens from **10 a.m.** to 12 noon, in Aldworth village hall, during the months of January, February and March.

On **Saturday 10th March** the market will promote its **FAIRTRADE** products. There will be **FREE** Fairtrade tea/coffee and biscuits too!

Please come along any Saturday to see what our market has to offer - enjoy a social cuppa and a warm welcome!

N.B. We will celebrate our **10th BIRTHDAY** on **Saturday 8th September** with a **Birthday Fair** from **12 noon to 4 p.m.** Put the date in your diaries!

If you ever wish to have a stall at our market, please contact Kathy on 01635 578090

HAPPY 2012 from us all at Aldworth Saturday Market



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ALL SAINTS WEST ILSLEY

Kay and Ian Fewtrell-Smith

February Services in All Saints' Church, West Ilsley

5 th	Family Communion	9.30am
12 th	Holy Communion	8.30am
19 th	*No service in West Ilsley	
26 th	Family Service	11.00am

*Please see the lych gate notice board for details of other services in the benefice or go online at <http://tinyurl.com/east-downland>

Christmas Giving

Those of you who attended the Crib Service on Christmas Eve may like to know that, with money you gave in the collection, we are paying for a donkey and four lambs to provide assistance for poor farming families in Ethiopia, as well as adopting a donkey here in the UK. We hope to keep you posted with details about our adopted donkey, as and when we can.

Winter Warmer – Saturday 4th February at 7.45pm

There are still tickets left so contact Sue at sue.hightrees@tiscali.co.uk or on 281354 as soon as possible. Don't be left out in the cold!

Attempted break-in

Most of you will have heard of the attempted break-in at All Saints' Church on Tuesday night. The day before Farnborough church was targeted, although again nothing was taken. Please keep your eyes open for anyone suspicious in the vicinity.

Contacts: If you have anyone or anything specific you would like mentioned in church prayers at services throughout the year, do speak to either Ian (281625) or Alexandra (281306). If you would like to organise a baptism, wedding or funeral or would like to talk to a member of the clergy for any other reason, ring Revd John Toogood (our Rector) on 01635 247566 or email him at cwando@btinternet.com

The Oxford Welsh Male Voice Choir

invite you to join us for a



**Saturday 25th February 2012
6.30**

**Wesley Memorial Church
New Inn Hall Street, Oxford**

Tickets: £10 to include buffet

from George Jenkinson 01865 741419
george.jenkinson@gmail.com
or choir members

WHO TO CONTACT

VILLAGE HALL

Ros Duckworth-Bookings-281471 rosduckworth@btinternet.com
Fred Carter - fred_kathcarter@btinternet.com 281621
Rates: £7.50/hr Villagers £15/hr Non Villagers

PRESCRIPTIONS

Prescriptions can be collected from Liz Elliott at 2 Morland Close, between 10 am and 6 pm, Monday to Friday 281997. Should you wish to collect outside the above hours, please telephone to ask if it's convenient. Prescription requests can be put through the door any time. The surgery bus makes deliveries on Tuesday and Friday mornings.

CHURCHWARDENS

Alexandra Axtell 281306 Ian Fewtrell-Smith 281625

TENNIS COURT

Membership: Liz Dray - lizdray@btinternet.com 281688
Play without joining - to book: Amanda Knight - 281609

PARISH COUNCIL

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