# West Ilsley News

May 2004

May is going to be even busier than April – let's hope that the good weather keeps up.

The Editors

#### ALL SAINTS WEST ILSLEY

#### William and Alexandra Axtell

#### **Church Services for May:**

2<sup>nd</sup> May All Age Service 11.00 am 9<sup>th</sup> May Holy Communion 08.00 am 16<sup>th</sup> May Family Communion 9.30 am

#### **ANIMAL SERVICE**

There were an amazing variety of animals at the service on Palm Sunday, from hamsters and cockerels to guinea pigs and chickens, with plenty of dogs and ponies thrown in for good measure. Antonia bravely led the procession on horseback from Rowles Farm and performed a wonderful and surprisingly tranquil service! It was as if the animals were regular worshippers, as they listened so attentively. Whilst the ponies and horses remained in the churchyard Antonia gave the smaller animals individual blessings. Definitely one to remember, and a service that the children particularly enjoyed. Hope you saw the picture in the Newbury Weekly News.

#### **EASTER SERVICES**

There were services in West IIsley all through Holy Week. On Monday to Wednesday evenings we held quiet reflective services of Night Prayer. The Maundy Thursday service was held in the Village Hall. It has become customary in the benefice to have this communion service away from Church, in order to help us to remember how Jesus and his disciples shared a Passover meal, the meal we call The Last Supper, in an unfamiliar place in Jerusalem the night before Good Friday. The service is held by candlelight and the people present sit in a semi-circle around the altar. A group of about 25 people gathered for this. On Good Friday West Ilsley was extremely well represented among the walkers who enjoyed a roundthe-benefice walk in perfect weather. Indeed, it was only a trio from West IIsley who managed to complete the full circuit, starting and ending at Farnborough! Needless to say, the Church was in full flowery glory for Easter Day and enjoyed by the many who came to the service.

#### PLANT SALE & COFFEE MORNING - 15<sup>TH</sup> MAY

Reminder that this will be held in the churchyard on Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> May at 10.30 a.m. The usual stalls will be there so come along for a coffee and a bargain. There will be something to keep the children amused, so please put the date in your diaries.

#### **RAISING THE ROOF**

**Sponsored Run** (Sunday 23 May) – hope you are all in training for the sponsored run, walk, ride or cycle in aid of the Raising the Roof appeal and the children's local cancer charity Rainbow Rooms! The 6-mile course will start from the cricket pitch at 11.00am with the finishing line at the Harrow Pub. For those who

haven't got a sponsorship form as yet please contact Tony Scriven on 01635 281 405.

PARISH COUNCIL

Linda Gibson - Clerk

Tel: 200242

**Reminder -** this year's Annual Parish Meetings will be held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May in the Village Hall. The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council will begin at 6.45. This will be followed by a talk from Angela Money of Neighbourhood Watch and the Annual Parish Assembly will begin at approximately 8.00p.m.

#### NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

- a suggestion

The meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> May will hopefully be sufficiently well attended to enable some sort of scheme to get off the ground. Reporting to the police is a matter of phoning the appropriate number to alert them to a problem, but receiving timely information from the police requires a little local organisation. We have no process in the village for quick communication of alerts that could enable us to avoid being the victims of crime or to help stop criminals. Working on the basis of maximum speed, minimum effort, the (rather amateur) map at the end of this WIN suggests how residences in the centre of the village (we assume the Stables have their own arrangements) could be grouped together so that a volunteer who lives in a group of houses would simply have to pass on information to their closest neighbours - this could be done by telephone, note, or in person – their choice. If you and your neighbours would like to like to take one more step forward in neighbourliness and form small groups to set up the West Ilsley network, please come along to the meeting to find out more. Please note the map is only a suggestion to show how easy it could be - groups could be smaller or larger and we are well aware that not everyone will want to receive alerts or to take any part in the network. We don't plan to take this any further - it's up to the Village, but if anyone wants our help, they only have to ask. Andrea Cook (261224) and Lynne Smith (281163)

#### Desperately seeking ......Hairdresser!!!

To put up Bride's hair on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May. Does not need to be qualified - just able! Please call Angela on 281500

#### VILLAGE HALL PONTOON

Audrey Tizzard

The winners of the last two pontoons of the season

A. COOK (Crystal Pal.) £28.00 J. HAYES (Chelsea) £28.00

Sarah GORE (Oxford) £16.00 (booby)

Over the season the Village Hall made £278.00 to help with running costs and maintenance. Thanks to all who took part. We'll hopefully be starting again in August.

#### Raise The Roof Appeal Feeding the 5000 Fiver

#### Children's Tea

At the Village Hall On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June 4:30-6:30 pm All welcome Shepherd's pie, drink and pudding £2.50 per child Adult refreshments also available

All proceeds to the West Ilsley Church Anna Sugden (281784) and Amanda Brown (281853)

#### **EVERGREENS**

On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May there will be an outing to Gloucester. The coach will leave from outside the West IIsley Church at 9 am. Members £6 Non members £8. Tokens can be used. Names to J Collier on 281283.

#### FOR SALE

**Chaise Longue bed settee** Made by Relyon £80 o.n.o **Phone 281665** 

#### PRAM SERVICE AND AFTERSCHOOL SERVICE, ALL SAINTS CHURCH

#### **Easter Activity Workshop**

Our services in April were replaced by an Easter activity workshop in the Village Hall on 7 April. A total of 22 children took part and had a fun packed and educational morning led by Denise and Antonia. The morning consisted of short stories to explain the story of Easter, which was followed by making something to symbolise the story the children had just heard. The first activity in which the children took part was palm making, followed by baking bread, drawing the Apostles at the Last Supper, making rock gardens and finally decorating eggs as a symbol of new life. The morning ended with a picnic lunch in the hall and our thanks go to Denise and Antonia, and all the helpers, for giving the children such a lovely morning.

#### May services

Our normal services will resume in May on the theme of Ascension, dates as follows:-

Afterschool Service, 4pm - Thursday 13 May Pram Service, 11am - Monday 17 May Dates for the June services will be:-Afterschool Service, 4pm - Thursday 10 June

Pram Service, 11am - Monday 14 June If you would like more information please contact Denise Brown on 01635 281825, Antonia Cretney on 01635 248925 or Liz Dray on 01488 638749.



#### WEST ILSLEY TENNIS COURT

Is now open for the 2004 season £2 per hour per adult £1 per hour for children under 16 To book please call 281344

#### **WEST ILSLEY** CRICKET CLUB

John Verney

#### **Fixtures for May**

#### **Saturdays**

First XI			Second XI	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Swindon NALGO	Α	Bradfield	Н
8 <sup>th</sup>	Sandhurst	Η	No game	
15 <sup>th</sup>	Yateley	Н	Yateley	Α
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mortimer WE	Α	Woodley	Н
29 <sup>th</sup>	Cavaliers	Н	Harlington	Α

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2 <sup>nd</sup>	Woodland St M	Н	5 <sup>th</sup>	Peasemeore	Α
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Chaddleworth	Α	12 <sup>th</sup>	Downlanders	Н
30 <sup>th</sup>	Peasemore	Α	19 <sup>th</sup>	Woodcote	Α
			26 <sup>th</sup>	Yattendon	Н

Ladies Darts home matches, Tuesdays, May 4th, 11th and 25<sup>th</sup>

The club bar will be open on match days, Wednesday night games and for Tuesday night Ladies Darts.

We are looking for new members as we have lost players to other clubs. Anyone interested please contact A Bloor for Saturdays - 281341, J Evans for Sundays - 281786, or K Holloway for Wednesdays 281556.

Date for your diary - Race Night will be held on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June.

#### **Activity Club**

(Organised by West IIsley Village Hall Management Committee)
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May

2-4.30pm Village Hall unless specified.

#### Still places available for this free event:

Cowboys and Indians (girls and boys 3 years plus)

Led by Alison and Angela, a short walk up the cart track to some woods, where we shall build our Indian camp and play games. We shall build a fire and cook marshmallows. Walk home via the track to the village hall.

Fancy Dress (optional) and old clothes a must (They may get ruined). Meet at the Village hall 2pm.

Silk painting (girls and boys 6 years plus - 10 children max)

Led by Kath Carter.

Come and make a silk picture. Design and draw on silk your own picture. Paint using silk dyes your picture plus paint one already drawn for you. Take home one mounted picture. All materials and instruction provided.

Meet at the Village Hall at 2pm.

Mountain Bike trek. (girls and boys 8 years plus)

Led by Peter Carlisle, Mark Ryan and Paul Willis. Hit the dirt cycling along The Ridgeway from The Bell at Aldworth to West Ilsley. The group will be taken by vehicle and trailer from the village to The Bell where they shall be escorted back. The ride is approx. 5 miles and all standards are welcome. It is a tougher ride than last year – more up than down! All participants to wear cycle helmets and old clothes. Any other big kids welcome!. Meet at Rowles Farm at 1.30pm. Please bring a water bottle.

Refreshments for all at 4pm. Finish at 4.30pm.

Please give Alison (281705) or Angela (281500) a ring to book a place or offer help.

The Village Hall Management Committee announce

## The West IIsley Camp Out Weekend 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> June

Following last year's success, the Village Hall Committee is planning to run the Camp Out again. This is an afternoon of activities for all the children, centered on camping and located in nearby woods, followed by a camp out over night. Children can be left for the daytime, but an adult and tent is required for the sleep over. We camp within 1 mile of the village. More details to come...but book the date and your adult now!!!!

#### WEST ILSLEY FETE SUNDAY 11 JULY 2004

The Produce Show categories have been finalised and are listed separately. There are some new categories, especially for the children's classes. The man made scones are once again included.

Anyone who attended the last 2 fetes will know how hot it has been, the sun beating down all day. We have arranged for a large gazebo to provide shade, or, in the unlikely event of rain (we hope!) somewhere to keep dry. We have new attractions for all ages, as well as the traditional favourites.

We are looking for volunteers to man stalls, especially for the bric-a-brac and plant stalls. We have seen a number of new families coming into the village over the last year or so and we would welcome their help. It's also a good way to meet just about the whole village and make new friends.

If anyone would like to help, please contact Ron Cook on 281565.







### DIARY

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13 <sub>1H</sub>	AFTERSCHOOL SERVICE		
	EVERGREENS TO GLOUCESTER		
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16TH	FAMILY (OMMUNION		
1 <b>7</b> TH	PRAM SERVICE		
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	NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH MEETINGS		
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And finally: contributions to the WIN can be made by conversation, phone, email, handwritten or typed copy, "word" file (via email or disk) or fax, but most importantly, <u>please do contribute</u>. The <u>latest deadline</u> for the next publication is <u>5pm</u> on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May but the editors would appreciate receiving your contributions as you get them ready during the month, to save a rush of work at the last minute.

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#### **Produce Show Classes 2004**

#### **Flowers and Ornamentals**

1 Roses - 3 blooms of any variety

2 3 blooms of any flower

3 Houseplant, flower or foliage

#### **Fruits and Vegetables**

4 One dish of soft fruit, any variety

5 Potatoes, 3

6 Onions, 3

7 Beans / peas, 3 pods any variety

#### Flower Arranging

8 Arrangement in any container, max 24w x 24d

x 36 inches high

#### **Home Cooking**

9 Jar of jam

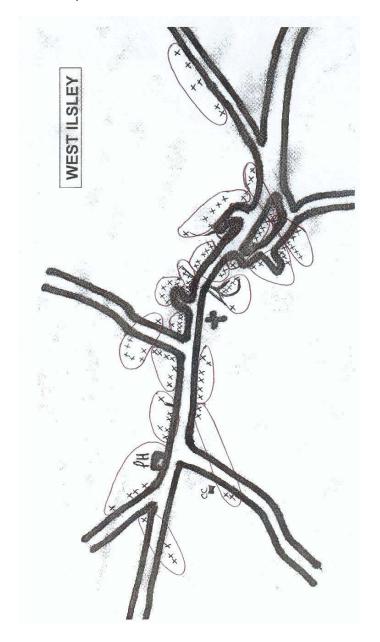
10 Jar of marmalade

11 Ginger cake

Man Made Scones - ie made by the men

#### Handicraft

13 Specimen of needlework



14 Specimen of handicraft

#### **Photography**

15 Views of the countryside

16 Photo of a pet

17 Photo of a flower / flowers

18 Photo of family or friends

19 Holiday photo

#### Children's Classes (under 7)

20 A drawing or painting of family member

A drawing or painting of your pet or an animal

22 Food face on a paper plate

Home made article; toy, needlecraft, handicraft

24 Sprouting seeds in a jam jar

#### Children's Classes (7-12)

A miniature garden, not exceeding 12 x 18 inches

A painting or drawing of pets or farm animals

27 Hand made article; toy, needlecraft, handicraft

28 Mosaic; picture or decorated object e.g. plant pot

29 Hand made greetings card

30 Picture created on a computer

Neighbourhood Watch suggestion