

West Ilsley News

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Deadline for the next publication is:

5pm on Thursday 26th September

DIARY

SEPTEMBER

9th Parish council meeting
14th Ride and stride
27th Macmillan coffee morning

OCTOBER

6th Church Harvest festival and lunch

DECEMBER

7th Tennis court Christmas fundraiser

EVERGREENS

On Thursday 19th September there will be a coach outing to Poole. The coach will leave from outside West Ilsley church at 9.00am. Members £10, non-members £12.50. Names to Julia Rockall on 281597.



World's Biggest Coffee Morning

In aid of

Macmillan Cancer Support

Friday 27 September, 10am - midday

The Poplars

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Alison Banks 01635 281705 or

Liz Dray 01635 281688

Please bring your friends!

VILLAGE FUNDING

After discussions with various village fund raisers I've pulled together some figures to get the overall picture of the funds needed by the following village organisations/facilities – the church, tennis court, evergreens, under 5s, play area and village hall.

Broadly, the total annual running costs of our village organisations/facilities exceed their income by about £7,500 per annum. Unless they are going to dig into any reserves they may have to fund future running costs until those reserves are exhausted, the deficit needs to be made up somehow.

Historically, fundraising events are the way in which this has been done, organised by the individual groups to fundraise for their facility. However, several people have commented that the responsibility falls on very few shoulders which are beginning to droop and they also find themselves in competition with each other for dates and types of events which will draw the most money. Also, fundraising isn't that efficient – I suggest that to raise £100 of funds for a cause the event attendees probably have to spend £200. Raising £7,500 per annum would actually cost about £15,000 per annum. I estimate that there's a core of about sixty people in the village who attend most fundraisers, so that means they'd have to spend about £250 per annum each on events to raise the money. That seems a lot to me, and would also mean rather a lot of fundraising events to attend which means it probably isn't achievable.

Similarly, some rough figures on necessary future capital projects indicate that in the next few years we'll have to find over £70,000 which if raised only by fundraising would mean expenditure by each of those core 60 of at least another £250 per annum. So is there an easier and more reliable way to fund the village? I think so. One suggestion is that adding the money onto the rates precept would spread the cost amongst a greater number of people (I'm guessing about 200) and by giving the money directly to the facilities rather than having to spend out for the "entertainment" part of a fundraising event, the average sum paid by each person would be far less – under £40 per

annum per adult for ongoing costs, plus about £40 per annum to meet future capital expenditure.

So what do you think? The parish council have agreed to have this topic on the agenda of the 9th September meeting and I hope that everyone with any interest in the future of our village facilities will attend to join in the discussion so that we can try to find a way forward.

If you'd like to see the detail behind this note, I have produced a document which I'm happy to share if you contact me via the WIN email or ring me on 281224. I would like to thank those people who gave me the figures which enabled me to pull this work together. Andrea Cook

Hi everyone,

I have managed to persuade my Mum to allow me to have a pet hamster, does anyone have a hamster cage they are no longer using that I could buy? Also if you have any hamster toys and equipment that you don't need that would be good too!

Thankyou!

Lizzie Carrington

01635 281 354 or 07826 555 062

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

September Church Services

1 st	Family Communion	9.30am
8 th	BCP Communion	8.30am
15 th	*No service in West Ilsley	
22 nd	Family Service	11.00am
29 th	Downland United Communion	9.30am

*Please see the lych gate notice board for details of other services in the benefice or go online at www.eastdownland.org.uk

The Downland Michaelmas United Communion Service will take place here at All Saints' Church on Sunday 29th September at 9.30am. We hope you will join us and take the opportunity after the service to have some refreshments and meet with folks from other villages within the Downland area.



Saturday 14th September – Ride+Stride – between 10am and 6pm.

It's nearly time for the annual sponsored cycle, run, walk or ride event again. Remember, if you take part, All Saints could receive half of the sponsor money you receive, while the rest goes to the Berkshire Churches Trust for grants towards the renovation of churches in Berkshire. In the past, when we re-roofed All Saints we received funding from them and may well need to ask for further grants in the future. If you would like to



participate by visiting churches in the area, by sponsoring someone else or by manning All Saints for some of the day, please contact Ian on 01635 281625 or email ian.fewtrell-smith@keme.co.uk

Harvest Lunch on Sunday 6th October – This will take place in the village hall around 12 noon, after the Harvest Festival service at 11am in All Saints. Tickets are £7 for adults, £5 for concessions and £3 for children and can be bought from Rosanne on 280553. Everyone is invited – we'd love to see the entire village at one or other, but preferably both!!

Harvest Festival – any produce you would like to bring to the service will be delivered to Willows Edge Residential Home in Newbury.

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 edownlandrector@gmail.com



The Royal British Legion (RBL) **– news from your local branch** **August 2013 – Compton, Ilsleys** **& Norreys Branch**

There is much to cover!

Firstly, thanks to all those who supported the Poppy Appeal last year by donating and wearing their poppy with pride. Our Remembrance Sunday parade and service at Hampstead Norreys was wonderfully attended by a large congregation. Lessons were read by parish & local council representatives and we were so proud of the smartly turned out youth groups who paraded with us. The result was a record Poppy Appeal collection – £3,098.55 from Compton & Ilsleys alone - thank you. Details of this year's event can be found below.

Thanks to the Sheep Fair Committee, the branch was delighted to have such a good pitch at this year's East Ilsley Sheep Fair on 2nd June which was blessed with fine weather. We ran our golf chipping game which attracted a good amount of attention. Many thanks to all those who took part, had some fun, and contributed to our fund raising effort. We have learnt some lessons – left handed and children's clubs next time!

The Branch is to hold its annual lunch at the Compton Swan on Friday 4th October. We have this year as guest speaker a young Puma Helicopter pilot from 230 Squadron based at RAF Benson – Flight Lieutenant Tim Stringer. You do not have to be a member of the RBL to attend this event with your partner – so please put the event

in your diary. The cost will be £15 per head for a two course lunch with choice of menu and table wine. If you would like to attend this event that raises money for the Poppy Appeal please contact one of those undersigned – we would be delighted to see you.

During our last branch meeting, it was decided that in the late spring or early summer of next year 2014, we will organise an outing to a place of interest to members and friends. We haven't decided quite where yet but on the list of possibilities at the moment are the Tank Museum at Bovington Dorset www.tankmuseum.org.uk and Bletchley Park of code breaking fame near Milton Keynes www.bletchleypark.org.uk We will keep you posted.

This year's Remembrance Parade and Service will take place in East Ilsley on Sunday 10th November. Please come and support this important event. Those wishing to parade should be at the East Ilsley Swan car park no later than 1030hrs to receive instructions from the parade marshal, our chairman Alex Lister. The service will be led by the Reverend Clive Jones.

Finally, may we renew our call for new members? You do not have to be an old stager or have been a serving member of our armed forces but just be a believer in the RBL cause – young applicants are particularly welcome and the annual membership fee presently stands at £14. We meet every two months at the East Ilsley Swan at 1930hrs usually on the first Wednesday of the month. If you are interested in joining please use the points of contact below - we look forward to hearing from you. David Norbury 01635 578531 davidnorbury@btinternet.com Alex Lister 01635 281343 alexplister@btinternet.com

**Aldworth Saturday Market's
11th Birthday FAIR**

Saturday 14th September: 2 to 5 p.m.

Aldworth Village Hall & Rec. (RG8 9SB)

FREE slice of birthday cake for everyone!

Gypsy Jazz & Swing

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(Bouncy Castles, Candyfloss etc.) Jeff's Ice Creams

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and Gifts Vintage Vehicles & Steam Engines

PORTRAITS

ARCHERY – to be confirmed

Artisan Breads, Homemade Cakes, Speciality Teas

Flowers, Plants, Produce & Preserves

REFRESHMENTS

Enquiries re YOUR own stall etc.:01635 578090

Dear Editors,

For a bit of public service, I thought it would be of value to write about Ray Lorenz in the next West Ilsley News. He bakes bread and sometimes other scrummy things for folk. Personally can't wait for Chelsea Bun day. Anyways, as I was interested in ordering some goods, he has sent over his regular 'menu'. I think I understand that he prepares most of the work on Friday to bake on Saturday morning and so orders are ready for collection from East Ilsley on Saturday afternoon. Am sending over his mail with his price list attachment (attached to this WIN email) because he might just be of interest, even if only occasionally, it can be a treat having a change of daily bread. *Marnie*

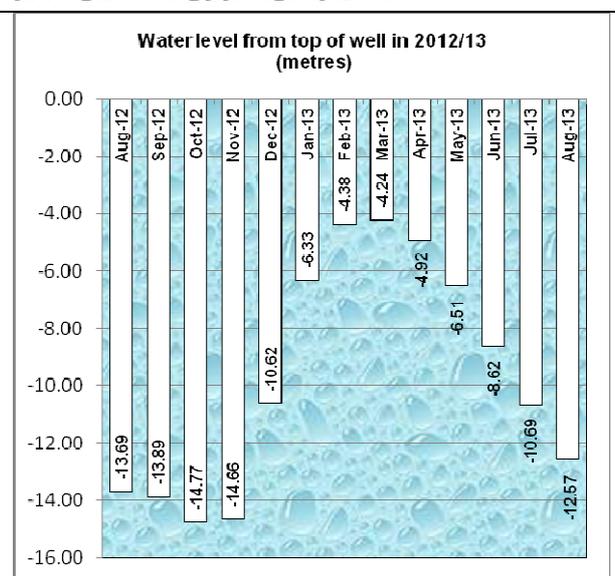


PARISH PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

7th September

West Ilsley – Main Street - 1400/1430

LATEST WELL READING



PARISH COUNCIL

Read the latest Parish Council Minutes and hear how village matters are being addressed. Visit our village website at www.westilsley.org - all the latest minutes from our meetings are available under the "Parish Council" tab.

PARISH COUNCIL

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Meeting dates for 2013:
 Sept 9th
 Nov 11th

WHO TO CONTACT

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Sessions will be £4 for children and students, £5 for salaried adults, payable on the day to begin with. If you are interested, please contact me on 07503 719136 or mail me at Compton.dojo@gmail.com.

Vicky Green, Nidan EGKA/IOGKF



Come and join the party at Compton Village Hall every Wednesday from 6.30 – 7.15pm.

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