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Council News

As mentioned in the last Council News the Pre-Submission Local Plan consultation is now being undertaken. The Local Plan if adopted will provide a planning framework for the Borough until 2036. The previous consultation on the Emerging Local Plan has been taken into account and this consultation is to allow the public to comment on any of the resulting changes and if the plan is sound. These comments will go to the Planning Inspector who will decide if this Local Plan should be adopted. The deadline for comments is 6th August.

The following are the main policies relating to Hamble:

- To provide a car park at Hamble Halt Station.
- Mercury Marina and the Riverside Camping and Caravan site is allocated for a marina, hotel, a range of other

holiday accommodation and car parking/boat storage but must meet a number of requirements.

 The former Hamble Airfield after gravel extraction should be restored in accordance with the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan and it shall be retained as an area of accessible countryside and open space with grazing, public access and outdoor recreation facilities.

There is no new development identified for Hamble and it says there should be no significant additional development in the Hamble peninsula.

The Committee responsible for considering any boundary changes in the Borough has recommended that Hamble's proposal to extend its boundary on the east side of Hamble Lane up to Mallards Road to take in all of the Hamble School, Blackthorn

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The Mercury Library and Community Hub

Manager and Volunteer Co-ordinator (Volunteer)

This exciting opportunity involves taking charge of the day-to-day running of The Mercury, providing advice and support to volunteer staff and promoting excellent customer service.

Initially the role will include supporting the set-up of the project, recruiting volunteers from across the local community and securing outreach services.

Training will be provided

Marketing and Events Manager (Volunteer)

We are looking for someone to arrange and manage community events, publicise out-reach services and manage the website.

Initially the role will involve supporting the setup of the project, publicising the services available and helping to arrange the highly prestigious opening event.

You will have a good knowledge of social media and be comfortable using a variety of IT packages and preferably will have experience of event management.

These roles will offer the opportunity to gain new skills and experience, get involved in a community project or showcase the talents of someone looking to return to the workplace.

Short term appointments will be considered but we are hoping for a long-term commitment.

After taking part in the project you will be able to demonstrate: Organisational skills - Team working - Communication skills **Time Management - Project Management**

All of which will look great on your CV.

Further information on how to get involved is available from the Hamble Parish Council's website: www.hambleparishcouncil.gov.uk

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Health Centre and Wessex Manor should

Council News (continued)

be approved by the Council. At the last Council meeting in the public session several Hamble businesses expressed their opposition to an application by Winchester Vintage Catering for a Street Trading Licence to sell tea. coffee, soft drinks and crepes from a van on the Quay in front of the Royal Southern Yacht Club. They commented that there was already another trader selling similar refreshments in the same location. Permanent Hamble businesses had to pay business rates, property and staffing costs and with lower overheads it would have an unfair advantage for established businesses and make a difference to their viability. This application is to the Borough Council but the Parish Council agreed to

write to the Local Area Committee - who will make the decision - to support the existing local businesses.

Work on The Mercury Library and Community Hub is nearing completion. It will contain approximately 2000-2500 books, several computer stations, audiovisual equipment, two meeting rooms and a small kitchen. There are now two further volunteering opportunities available: Manager and Volunteer Coordinator, and Marketing and Events Manager. If you would like to be considered for these voluntary roles, please see the website for further details.

The parking bays in Coach Road adjacent to Coronation Parade have now been completed and a new contractor has been appointed to undertake the refurbishment work at Coronation Parade. It is anticipated this will start in August – the Parade will remain open throughout the construction period.

The County Council is undertaking a consultation regarding: switching off street lighting for part of the night; supported passenger transport services; and concessionary travel. Regarding the last item it is seeking opinions on charging 50p a trip when using a concessionary bus pass although at present the government does not allow a charge to be made. This consultation ends on 5th August.

With the hot weather there has been some anti-social behaviour of the foreshore including swimming in the exclusion zone - which was set up for everyone's safety - around the public jetty. The local Police Sergeant attended the Council's last meeting to report on the water related incidents and what action was being taken. He said it was felt that the way forward was to use Acceptable Behaviour Contracts rather than using the local byelaw. The next quarterly crime statistics update should be published shortly.

Hopefully with the continuation of the good summer weather and Hamble at its best those who wish to enjoy the water can do it safely by choosing the right location and conditions to undertake their activities.

Have an enjoyable and safe summer!

Agendas, minutes and reports for all Council meetings can be found on our website: www.hambleparishcouncil.gov.uk



MERCURY OLD BOYS ASSOCIATION: FORMAL DISBANDMENT



The Mercury Old Boys Association will formally disband on Saturday 22nd September 2018 following our last reunion. Some events will be held in Hamble-le-Rice, where the school was based between 1892 and 1968 and we would be pleased to see local residents joining us. The schedule of events are:

THURSDAY 20[™] SEPTEMBER

19.00 Presentation to the Hamble History Society, in the Memorial Hall, by a small number of members recalling our experiences during three eras of the school under the captaincies of C.B. Fry, Commander Matthew Bradby RN and Commander Ronnie Hoyle RN. A number of photos will be left on display until Saturday 22nd.

SATURDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER

- **11.00** Members muster in the village square car park, along with St. Andrew's Pipe Band Pipe Band, Sea Scouts (Mercury Unit) and other units of the local Scouting movement, prior to the march-past to St Andrew's Churchyard.
- **11.10** March-past begins (we apologise for any inconvenience caused by the short road closure).
- **11.30** Service of Thanksgiving in St. Andrew's Church followed by the laying of a wreath at the Mercury War Memorial in the Churchyard.
- **12.00** Formal opening of the Mercury Library and Community Hub. The model of our ship will be formally presented to the village for permanent display in the building.
- **12.30** Buffet Lunch (invitation only), Hamble Memorial Hall.
- **14.00** Coaches depart for Southsea stopping at the old Mercury site (Mercury Gardens) to visit the Slipway Memorial.
- 14.30 Members depart for final AGM and reunion dinner in Southsea.

- Captain David Parsons MNM, Chairman



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Hamble Parish has a number of public rights of way along which the public has a right to pass. In our case these will be footpaths or bridleways (other categories exist but not in our Parish). The right to use these paths has developed over the centuries and is now protected by law.

There are also footpaths which are in common use but are not designated as public rights of way, but are open to the public by consent of the landowner.

Usually, a public right of way can be identified by a finger post, or a way-marker which will show the category of path that it is.

Public rights of way are formally inspected by the Parish Council once a year and a report submitted to Council. Any remedial works are notified to Hampshire County Council Countryside Service.

Public rights of way which cross land owned by Hamble Parish may be maintained by the Parish, or the Parish may request landowners adjacent to the path to trim back vegetation which is spreading from their land.



Paths which are not public rights of way will not be maintained at the public expense, and maintenance is the responsibility of the owner of the land over which they cross, but at their discretion. There is no obligation to maintain these and paths may be closed at any time without notice.

Any problems with public rights of way, such as broken stiles, obstructions and overgrowing vegetation should be reported to the Parish Office.

Ar you spare 3-4 hours a week to volunteer at The dercury Library and Community Hub: As a volunteer you will... 9. support the community? 9. gain work experience? 9. gain work experience? 9. learn new skills? WERE RECRUITING NOW FOR THE SEPTEMBER OPENING 023 8045 3422 / asstclerk@hamblepc.org.uk



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Some trees have legal protection called a Tree Preservation Order (TPO), not just within public land but in gardens and other private land too. If a tree has a TPO, you must contact Eastleigh Borough Council (EBC) before undertaking any works. Anyone who carries out, or permits work to be carried out, without permission could be prosecuted and be liable to pay a large fine.

If you're unsure if a tree has a TPO, you can check with EBC (023 8068 8000 CustomerServiceCentre@eastleigh.gov.uk) who can advise if there is and the process required to seek permission to carry out work on such trees.

Even if a tree doesn't have a TPO, care still needs to be taken when tending to trees for a variety of reasons, including to ensure their structure isn't weakened and that they're maintained in a way that maximises their life. Also, at this time of year, birds are still nesting so care should be taken not to disturb them.

Trees on public land are assessed and safety tested. Work is carried out on any that are potentially unsafe. If you do have any concerns about trees on public land and would like the Parish Council to take a look, please contact the office. To help the Parish Council in the future, we are looking to train a number of people to become tree wardens. There is a structured training programme and at the end of it, they will be called on when problems with trees are reported or a planning application involves work to a tree. We hope this speacilist resource will help to keep our trees in good order.

With any work that is carried out, it's important that a skilled professional does so. There's been reports recently of unsolicited door-to-door salespeople offering tree services, using the recent growth spurt as a tactic to persuade people to undertake immediate work. Competent professionals will carefully plan the work and won't carry out work out of season unless its absolutely necessary, so err on the side of caution if anyone tries to pressure or suggest you have work carried out without proper thought and planning.

How to spot a scam

Scams:

- are received out of the blue
- promise something for nothing
- tell you respond immediately
- ask you for money upfront

Very often work is unnecessary, of poor quality or excessively priced. The trader may harass, pressure or even try to scare you into having the work done.

If you have been affected in this way or are concerned about a doorstep caller, please call the Trading Standards Doorstep Crime Section on 01962 833666.

Trading Standards' advice is to never agree to work that is instigated as a result of unsolicited contact.

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HAMBLE CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS



With many volunteers on holiday we take a break from the main tasks in August but of necessity the beach cleans continue as it is a peak time for discarded rubbish.

We have yet to firm up on the main task for September but please do not be put off from joining us, there will certainly be a task. In previous years we have painted the historic AA gun at Hamble Point car park in September but with no sign of any repair work to the gun's foundations on the horizon, this looks increasingly unlikely.

The most likely task is further repair work on the various paths across Hamble Common. Further work may be necessary on a path that we had helped build some years ago. The path, which is part of the Solent Way, runs from the BP oil terminals to Hamble Point car park and was created to give walkers the opportunity to walk a safe distance from the crumbling bank edge facing Southampton Water. Recently a combined team of Eastleigh Borough Council staff and Volunteers moved 7 tons of gravel by wheelbarrow to the places where it was needed. After raking, it was flattened by a mechanical 'wacker' plate. The job was undoubtedly made easier because one of the volunteers turned up with a mini digger that made the task of filling the barrows a one swoop task! Alternatively, we may be needed to help the national Ramblers Society who have made a commitment to re-route the often waterlogged part of the Solent Way that runs parallel to the boundary to Hamble Point marina.

Regardless of the task, we welcome volunteers, the tasks can be arduous but there are roles for a wide range of agilities.

BEACH CLEANS

Wednesdays 1st and 15th AUGUST and 5th and 19th SEPTEMBER

The next conservation task is: Wednesday 12th SEPTEMBER.

Meet 10am Hamble Point Car Park and please wear clothing suitable for the weather on the day. We provide all equipment but welcome contributions to the tea fund. To book your place for this event please contact Philip: 07810 453 138 / hambleconserve@btinternet.com. www.hambleconservationvolunteers.org.uk



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AGE CONCERN: VILLAGE AGENT

A Village Agent is an information point and can signpost to relevant support services. There is contact with local services, agencies, organisations and the Information and Advice Service of Age Concern Hampshire, who run the project. Any topic relevant to keeping parishioners independent in their own home can be covered, and gives a single point of reference rather than the person having to make multiple calls to get the information required.

Training is given initially covering Safeguarding, Mental Health, Lone Working and Trigger Tool. Age Concern Hampshire believes that training is of the utmost importance and, thinking that an expansion of knowledge can only be a good thing, I have done Form Filling, Information and Advice Adviser and Benefits training.

Being part of the local transport group and a member of the Patient Participation Group (PPG) for the above gives opportunities to become more widely known. Leaflets have been distributed to "well known" local people to hand out if they hear of someone needing help. If an event is held by the PPG, then I would have a Village Agent stand at

FREE TAP WATER REFILLS

Hopefully the warm weather will continue and while you're out and about don't forget to refill your bottles. Several businesses in Hamble have joined the free tap water refill scheme, allowing anyone to take their reusable bottle into the business to be refilled for free!

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If your local business would like to join the

that event and collect any enquiries to be dealt with privately at a more convenient time for both participants.

Hampshire County Council has had to make further large budget cuts and they have, therefore, decided not to fund the Village Agent project this year. Age Concern Hampshire believes that this is a very important project which should not be allowed to fold. They are looking at other areas of funding available and are in contact with parish councils in the hope that they would feel it worth supporting their own Village Agent. This money, added to other funding being looked into, would help to pay for the administrative support needed to keep the project functioning efficiently.

The project is very important as a method of supporting people in their own homes and helping them to stay independent. My contact phone is 07768 533194 and I always return calls if you leave a message for me.

Margaret Fisher, Village Agent for Hook Village, Hamble, Warsash, Titchfield and Stubbington.

scheme, please let the Parish Office know so that we can provide you with a sticker. Offices can join too, if there is a publicly accessible tap available!



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Park Sport 2018 - a summer-long sport and activities programme for local 8-16 year olds taking place from 31 July to 31 August. Now in it's 14th year, Park Sport is funded by the Local Area Committees, Parish and Town Councils and Radian Group, who are also the main sponsor this year. This enables Eastleigh Borough Council to provide heavily subsidised sessions including sailing, football, skateboard coaching, netball, cricket and more.

All the activities are led by highly qualified instructors from the best local clubs, and cost just $\pounds 1$ booking fee per person, per session.

Eastleigh Borough Council (EBC) aim for all their Park Sport activities to be inclusive and ask that if your child does have additional needs you inform them as soon as possible so they can work with you to make your child's experience as good as possible.

In addition to the bookable sessions, two free Skate Jam events will be run by the professionals at Team Extreme, as well as free swimming for under 16s at Places Leisure Eastleigh, Hamble Sports Complex and Wildern Leisure Centre.

From Monday 30 July to Friday 31 August, children aged 16 and under can enjoy FREE swimming at Places Leisure Eastleigh, Hamble Sports Complex (from Monday 6 August) and Wildern Leisure Centre session times vary and each venue will have its own terms and conditions. Sign up by completing the form in the Park Sport brochure (download from the EBC website) and taking it along to your chosen venue. Forms will also be available at the venues. This will be exchanged for a swimming pass which will need to be shown when attending a free swimming session.

Children may be asked for proof of age.

TO BOOK

You will need to create an account and register your children's details on the Eastleigh Borough Council website. You must do this even if you have taken part in Park Sport before.

Just search 'Park Sport Eastleigh' online for full details of all activities and to book.



Eastleigh Borough Council's SportWorks team are delighted to bring you their new Your Park summer programme. Your Park is a drive to get more adults and families active by making the most of Eastleigh's glorious open spaces and local parks. Getting active need not be expensive or dull. With sessions on offer at various times across the whole borough, there truly is something for everyone.

Activities on offer will include Canoeing, Buggy Fit, Cardio Tennis, Family Yoga, Pilates, Boxercise, Family Fun, Tai Chi and even Jog with your Dog plus lots more!

Thanks to funding from Sport England, adults (16+) can enjoy a range of activities for just £3 booking fee per person. Families with children aged 5+ can enjoy sessions for just £5 booking fee for up to a family of four.

YOUR PARK SESSIONS IN HAMBLE Pilates

A fitness class that offers a blend of strength and flexibility training while improving posture and toning muscles. This gentle-paced full-body workout is the perfect activity to be practised outside, in the fresh air.

Wednesdays: 1, 8, 15 & 22 August, 12.30pm – 1.30pm.

Mount Pleasant Recreation Ground, Hamble. £3 per session

Tai Chi

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Thursdays: 2, 9 & 16 August, 11am – 12noon.

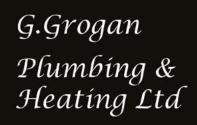
Mount Pleasant Recreation Ground, Hamble. £3 per session

All sessions will be run by qualified and friendly local providers and are tailored as introductory taster sessions, giving you the chance to try something new and get fit and active along the way.

Your Park will run from Monday 30 July to Sunday 26 August 2018 and bookings can be made at www.eastleigh.gov.uk/YourPark

For more information visit:

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HAMBLE-LE-RICE FLOWER CLUB



The July meeting on Monday July 9th at 1.30pm (new permanent start time to help avoid traffic afterwards) was a demonstration by Anne Clark, an Area Demonstrator from Bournemouth, who entertained us with "In My Element!" which turned out to be using three of the elements. Earth, Fire and Water. The arrangements were very varied in colour and depicted their titles perfectly. After the Demonstration, all who attended enjoyed tea and cake. The cake was to celebrate the Hamble Le Rice Flower Club's 30th Anniversary, the Pearl! To celebrate 30 years as a Flower Club we will have held an evening demonstration by Katherine Kerr entitled "Petals and Pearls a Plenty" on Thursday July 26th.

Advanced Notice: Designs are underway for the Flower Festival at St. Andrews Church to commemorate 100 Years since the end of World War One over the Remembrance Days of Friday 9th to Sunday 11th November 2018. The Club would like to hear of Hamble Families who were involved in the Great War, so we can feature them



and show that they have not been forgotten. Details to Judy Raponi, 02392554157 or Sheila Barker on 02380453718.

Monday August 13th

Our next meeting (start 1.30pm) is a practical entitled "Port of Call" or "Village Church Pedestal" so you need to bring something appropriate to create a masterpiece!

Thursday September 6th

The Club has chosen this year for their outing a coach trip to the RHS Garden at Wisley, Surrey, with it's amazing display of blooms, and we have a few spare tickets available for visitors, please contact Judy Raponi for details.

The New Beginners Classes are really popular. They are on the third Monday of the Month and anyone interested should contact Sheila Barker or Judy Raponi.

The Hamble Le Rice Flower Club consists of a friendly group, mainly but not exclusively of ladies, who meet on the

second Monday of each month at 2pm in the Hamble-Le-Rice Memorial Hall.

Visitors welcome at all Club events, just turn up or if you require more details/tickets: Valerie Pritchard,Chairman: 02380455952 Sheila Barker Vice Chairman 02380453718 Rosemary Dorman,Secretary: 02380452385 Judy Raponi, Treasurer: 02392554157







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HAMBLE LADIES GROUP

I don't know how many of you have read the book 'Spike Island' by Philip Hoare but after Philip came along to our meeting in May to talk to us about this particular book, and other things, I think there were quite a few members who were eager to get a copy.

Philip Hoare is a trained historian and 'Spike Island' is his fifth book which he wrote because of his strong memories of Royal Victoria Hospital in Netley as a young lad growing up in the area and using it as part of his playground.

The hospital was the first purpose-built hospital to be built in England and Philip showed us a large photo of the hospital taken from the air, from a hot air balloon. What a magnificent building it was.

Philip showed us a selection of his slides of the hospital which were extremely interesting and they were all very familiar to our members and many of them could remember it as it was before it was pulled down in 1966. He gave us a lot of very interesting facts about the hospital most of which are in the book.

Of course, we all know about the part Florence Nightingale played in the history of the hospital. Apparently, Florence never actually visited the hospital. There is also the story of the ghost of the Grey Lady supposed to be the ghost of a Victorian Nurse who threw herself off the roof of the hospital after giving her soldier lover the wrong dose of medicine. The book gives you lots more interesting facts and is certainly worth reading.

All that remains now is the beautiful chapel which is in the throes of being refurbished. How lucky that the site was bought by Hampshire County Council for ± 1.00 and is now an amazing country park open to the public, much used and much loved.

I have read 'Spike Island' and would thoroughly recommend it. An excellent insight into the history of the hospital on guite a personal level.

Another very interesting evening for our group.

For our June meeting we decided to celebrate our 25th birthday with a social evening. This turned out to be lots of fun with the wine flowing, a great selection of biscuits and cheese, strawberries and cream and a yummy birthday cake. It's a wonder any of us could walk home that night.

We opened the evening with the local Ukulele Players entertaining us for the first half hour and there were a few of us up on our feet jiving to their lively music. We played a few games of 'Irish Bingo' which is always good fun and if you don't know what that is it is when the winner is the one who has not had any of the numbers called on her bingo card.

We also set up a screen on which we showed pictures of the various outings and fun nights we have had over the years. A great night enjoyed by everyone. I guess the ladies enjoyed it as they were chatting and laughing most of the evening - in between eating and drinking that is.

We're very proud that our club has been going so long and have a group of very friendly, happy ladies who are appreciative of our efforts. We must be doing something right as new members are joining us on a monthly basis.

We now move on to our meeting in July.

Unfortunately, we were a bit stuck for a speaker so we decided to try out an evening of horse racing for the ladies and what a fun night it was.

We set up the race course and we had five races with 6 jockeys in each race. Each member at the meeting had a go at being a jockey and moved around the race course according to what number and colour came up on the dice that was thrown. There was a tote and everyone could place their bets on what horse they fancied and if they won they walked away with some sweeties. Everyone got into the spirit of the game and declared it a very enjoyable evening.

We are getting a bit worried now as these 'social evenings' seem to be very



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popular - are we setting a trend I wonder for future meetings? Oh well, only another 4 meetings and we will be having our Christmas Dinner!!

We have no meeting in August as we are off on our annual outing. This year we are going to Goodwood House for a tour of the house and then afternoon tea. This outing has proved very popular and we have nearly filled a 52-seater coach. There are few places still available. If anyone would like to join us please give me a ring on 023 8045 3626.

Our programme for the rest of the year is as follows:

11th September - Greyladyes Arts Foundation (GAF) - Ang Leeves 9th October - Honeypot - Viv Carter 13th November - Bishop Bell Ringing 11th December - Christmas Dinner Well, I am up to date now with what has been happening at the Hamble Ladies Group. Hope you have enjoyed reading what we have been doing. If you fancy joining us just pop along to the Priory Centre. Our meetings start at 7.30pm. The next time we will be there is 11th September.

-Bobby Conduit (Hamble Ladies Group)

Hamble Local History Society

To open the final events of the Mercury Old Boys' Association formal disbandment, the Hamble Local Society will be hosting a talk by some former Mercury Boys of their memories of life at TS Mercury. The Old Boys' Association has decided as each year there are fewer members with the youngest in his 70s, it is an appropriate time to hold its last formal events at Hamble to mark the 50th anniversary of the training ship's closure.

TS Mercury trained boys for the Royal and Merchant navies and was part of Hamble village life for 76 years. By the time it closed in 1968, it had prepared around 5,000 boys for a life at sea. The boys endured a tough regime to prepare them for a career at sea, but they also enjoyed sporting and other activities. TS Mercury boys slept on the training ship, not ashore.

Last year the Society was given a talk about the history of TS Mercury and this year it will be followed up by some of its former boys recalling their lives and experiences while in Hamble. Each Mercury Old Boy will give a short talk on his experiences, each from a different era of the training ship's life. There will also be some short film clips and a static display of photographs of the training ship.

The meeting will be held at Hamble



TS Mercury band at a regatta and carnival, 1960s



TS Mercury

Memorial Hall on Thursday 20th September at 7.30pm. New members and visitors are always welcomed but particularly residents from the Mercury area whose homes were built in the grounds of the former training ship establishment. Our meeting fee is just £2. If you would like more information please contact our secretary, Janet Flack, telephone 8045 7189.



Saturday 1st September

Join us on Hamble Quay from 10am – 4pm. A FREE foodie themed day out for all the family.

 Hampshire Farmers' Market & Local producer stalls - over 30 booked & confirmed!

Heritage Walk & Martime Talks with the Hamble

Valley Heritage Guides to celebrate Hamble's



- maritime heritage.Children's crafts and workshops:

- Children's crafts and workshops:
- Live Music and entertainment

For updated event information & timings see:



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FROM THE COUNCIL'S RECORDS

100 YEARS AGO - Scavenging Contract

Mr Knowlton expressed his readiness to renew the Contract, provided that he was given an increase of Five Pounds. Also that he should not be called upon to remove any Refuse or Deposit from Big Field ... that the Contract be renewed ... a Clause be inserted in the Contract, that the Contractor shall not be required to remove any Refuse or Deposit from the Aerodrome and Barrack Fields, unless special arrangements are made. AUGUST 1918

75 YEARS AGO - Obstruction to Lovers Lane

... The question of the barb wire obstruction to Lovers Lane was considered, & after Mr Boasman explained that this had been erected by the Military for defence purposes, it was agreed that no further action will be taken at the present time. **SEPTEMBER 1943**

50 YEARS AGO - Complaint

College of Air Training. Complaining of a lorry and trailer proceeding to the Scout Hut, crossing their footpath and causing a nuisance to residents of Hamble House Gardens. The Chairman explained the incident in detail to the Council, which took place on the morning of Hamble Carnival, one resident had been very offensive and parked his car in front of the lorry and would not move it. The Police took over the situation in view of the fact that the car was parked across the public footpath ... SEPTEMBER 1968

50 YEARS AGO - Southampton Harbour Board

... the Harbour Board will cease on 31st July and, from 1st August 1968, the British Transport and Docks Board (BTDB) will take over ... the Council had been informed that BTDB would be in control of the River for one day only, after which it would be handed over to the County Council. SEPTEMBER 1968

25 YEARS AGO - New Sports Pavilion

The agreement with the architect Mr Weakley had been that his fee would be paid in two halves, the first when the scheme was submitted for planning permission ...

SEPTEMBER 1993

The new pavilion was the Roy Underdown Pavilion

25 YEARS AGO - Major Hein

The Chairman then reported that Major Hein, who had been in charge of the American Troops in Hamble during World War II, had died in the United States. Major Hein had got on very well with the community during the war and had kept in contact SEPTEMBER 1993

THE ABOVE IS AS RECORDED IN THE ARCHIVES (IMU)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY IN AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

| Throughout August | Throughout August |
|---|--|
| PARK SPORT | YOUR PARK |
| PARK SPORT SPORT | ACTIVITIES AT UR UR PARK THIS SUMMER |
| A sport and activities programme for local 8-16 year olds. See centre pages for full details. | Your Park offers taster sessions in a variety of fitness and activities for adults (16+) and families with children aged 5+ to try. |
| Monday 10th September | See centre pages for full details. |
| Hamble Parish Council Meeting | |
| | Thursday 20th September |
| | , , |
| | Hamble Local History Society: Memories of TS Mercury |
| All Council meetings are open to the public. Each agenda includes a Public Session where members of the public may speak on any matter. 7pm, Roy Underdown Pavilion | Hamble Local History Society: Memories of |

Wednesdays 1st & 29th August

Bursledon Windmill: Bursledon Bake Off

Knead, roll, top, bake, eat! Make your own pizza in our outdoor bread ovens. No need to book, just drop in by 2pm. Limited parking available on site, but the nearby Tesco is happy to accommodate overflow parking. £3.50 per pizza.

11am-3pm, Bursledon Windmill, Windmill Lane

Listing of an event does not constitute endorsement. Details believed to be correct at the time of publication.

Saturday 1st September Hamble Valley Festival of Food

Hampshire Farmers' Market & Local producer stalls. Join us on Hamble Quay from 10am - 4pm. A FREE foodie themed day out for all the family.



Saturday 22nd September Mercury Old Boys: **Final March**



The Mercury Old Boys Association will formally disband on Saturday 22nd September. See Page 5 for details of events on the day.

Monday 24th September Hamble Parish Planning **Committee Meeting** 7pm, Roy Underdown Pavilion

Regular Events

| Weekly | What | Where |
|---|---|--|
| Monday | Monday Club | 1.30pm, Hamble Club |
| Monday (except Bank Hols) | Hamble River Singers Community Choir (Contact basschickbev@gmail.com) | 7.30pm , HRSC Rooms |
| Monday | U-Tone Circuit Training | 8.15-9.15pm, Memorial Hall (Rear Hall) |
| Monday (except Bank Hols) | Forever Fit: 60+ fitness exercise to music. 4 week block £16. (Call Julie: 07952 983 349) | 10.30 - 11.30am, Follands Sports & Social Club. |
| Tuesday | Parent & Toddlers Group | 9.30-11.30am, Memorial Hall |
| Tues & Thurs | Pilates | (Tues 12-1pm) (Thurs 10-11am) Memorial Hall |
| Tuesday | Puppy Classes (contact Annette 023 8045 3490) | 6-9pm, Memorial Hall |
| Wednesday | Yoga | 10-11.30am, Memorial Hall |
| Wednesday | Body Control Pilates (Contact: Caroline 07803 302654) | 9am-10am, Roy Underdown Pavilion |
| Wednesday | Chairfit: 60+ Seated exercise to music. 4 week block £10. (Call Julie: 07952 983 349) | 11.15am-12pm, Roy Underdown Pavilion. |
| Wednesday | Cherubs (Contact: Father Graham Whiting 023 8045 2148) | 10.30am - 12pm, St. Andrews Church. |
| Wednesday | Acting Up For class times contact: 07519 754829 | Memorial Hall |
| Thursday | Walking Netball | 9-10am, Hamble Sports Complex |
| Friday | Village Market | Memorial Hall, 9.30-10.45am |
| Bi-Weekly | What | When |
| Sept 4 th & 18 th | St. Andrew's Cafe @ The Priory Centre | 10.30am-12.45pm |
| Monthly | What | Where |
| 2nd Monday | Hamble Flower Club | 1.30pm, Memorial Hall |
| 4th Monday | RAF Association Itchen & Hamble branch (Contact: Steve Rawlings 02380 740771) | 12pm, Hamble Club |
| 1st Tuesday | Bursledon and District Gardening Club | 7pm, St Pauls Church, Bursledon |
| 2nd Tuesday | Hamble Ladies Group | 7.30pm, Priory Centre, St Andrew's Church |
| 1st & 3rd Weds | Hamble Conservation Beach Cleans | 10am, Hamble Point Car Park |
| 2nd Wednesday | Hamble Conservation Task | 10am, Hamble Point Car Park |
| 4th Wednesday | Informal Bereavement Support Group (Contact: Heather Smith 02380 452998) | 2pm-4pm, The Priory Centre |
| Last Saturday | Place 2B Café (Coffee, Cake & Conversation) | 10am-12pm, Priory Centre |

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| HAMBLE CLUB FC | Colin Williams (Sec) | 8122 7187 |
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| HAMBLE LADIES GROUP | Bobby Conduit | 8045 3626 |
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| | | 8045 5499 |
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| HAMBLE-LE-RICE PARISH COUNCIL | Amanda Jobling | 8045 3422 |
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| AMBLE POST OFFICE | | 8045 2323 |
| HAMBLE PRIMARY SCHOOL | | 8045 3298 |
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| AMBLE SEA SCOUTS (CUBS 8 - 10.5) | Sue Hand | 07775 856 345 |
| AMBLE SEA SCOUTS (10.5 - 15, Explorers 15-18, Networks 18-25) | Annette Dyke | 8044 1007 |
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| | | of an emergency |
| | larami Clark | 8040 2767 |
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| ST ANDREW'S CHURCH (inc Priory Centre) | Father Graham Whiting | |
| Priory Centre bookings | Jeff Law | 8045 4299 |
| hurs Family Fellowship | Pat Gillman | 8045 2422 |
| Cherubs | Father Graham Whiting | 8045 2148 |
| Beacons | Roy Baker | 07971 721 652 |
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