

West Ilsley News

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Deadline for the next publication is:

5 pm on Friday 27th March

DIARY

March

25th Harrow Quiz Night

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH WEST ILSLEY

March Services at All Saints' Church

1 st	Family Communion	9.30am
8 th	Holy Communion	8.30am
15 th	<i>No service in All Saints'</i>	<i>*See Café Church below</i>
22 ⁿ	Mothering Sunday Family	11.00am
d	Service	
29 th	<i>No service in All Saints'</i>	<i>*See Café Church & 5th Sunday below</i>

Please see the lych gate notice board for details of other services in the benefice, go online at www.eastdownland.org.uk or follow our church and benefice Facebook pages.

Winter Warmer

The Winter Warmer this year took on an Italian theme, with large helpings of lasagne and tiramisu being washed down with Chianti and Prosecco. Many thanks to those who generously provided it all. As usual, a great time was had by all. There was no particular dress code but a chill entered the village hall as the local mafia godfather and his moll strolled in. Not what you need in horseracing country...

Café in All Saints' Church

Our next café will be on Sunday 8th March from 10am to 11am. Everyone is welcome - you don't have to be a church goer, just a lover of tea, coffee, home-made cakes and a good natter.

Mothering Sunday – 22nd March

Children, bring mum (and dad) along to our Family Service here in All Saints' Church at 11am and receive a small posy during the service. Everyone is welcome.

*Café Church at St Mary's Church, Chieveley

The next Café Church at St Mary's will be on Sunday 15th March at 5.00pm. You are invited to come at 4.45pm for refreshments before the service.

5th Sunday – 29th March

As there is a fifth Sunday in March there will be another Café Church on 29th March at 5pm but this

time at St Barnabas' Church, Peasemore. Also that day there will be a United Benefice Holy Communion Service at 9.30am at Peasemore. All welcome.

Contacts:

Churchwardens: Ian – 01635 281625; Alexandra – 01635 281306

Rector: Revd John Toogood – 01635 247566 - edownlandrector@gmail.com

East Downland Benefice Office: - 07957 458107 - eastdownland@btinternet.com – Usually manned on Thursday & Friday mornings between 9am and 1pm.
Kay and Ian Fewtrell-Smith



ILSLEY EVERGREENS

The Evergreens held their Annual General Meeting on the 26th of February 2020 at 2pm in the Wilkins Centre Compton. 26 members attended and after the Chairman's report and the Treasurers report a new committee was elected. After discussions the members voted to keep the subscriptions at £10 per year and the Coach Trip at £10 for members and £12.50 for Guests.

The outings for 2020 will be on a Wednesday to the following destinations;

April 22nd ~ Mystery Trip.

May 20th ~ Windsor with boat trip

June 17th ~ Compton Acres

July 29th ~ Southsea

August 26th ~ Bournemouth

September 23rd ~ Bourton on the Water / Stow on the Wold

October 21st ~ Gloucester. Christmas Market trip to be finalised

Please come and join us on any of our outings.

Theatre Trip

Seats have been reserved for the following show:

Wednesday ~ 8th April at 2:30pm.

Priscilla Queen of the Desert. This iconic musical stars Strictly Come Dancing Winner Joe McFadden in the hilarious adventure of three friends who hop on a battered bus for a heart-warming journey of self-discovery, featuring glittering costumes, fabulous feathers and a non-stop parade of dance floor classics. Tickets at £31.50 plus £10 transport.

Please come along and see the show.

Book your tickets with me on 281997 or 07780 994297

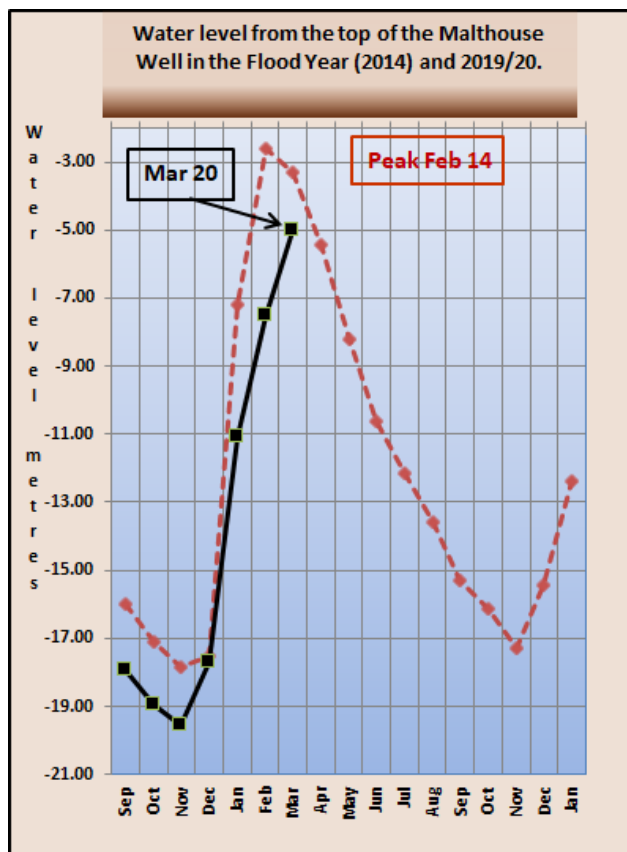
Thank you for supporting the Ilsley Evergreens.

Tony Elliott ~ Secretary

MALTHOUSE WELL

Despite Storms Ciara and Dennis doing their best in the last month the rain in February has been about average with around 50mm falling, a similar level to January. The Malthouse well reading now stands at around 5.1 metres (approx 17ft) below ground level which is a rise of about 1.7 metres (approx 5ft) during February.

The good news is that this is somewhat lower when compared to the same time in the 2014 flood year when the Malthouse well peaked at a record 2.48 metres (approx 8 ft). Thankfully we are about 2.5 metres lower now compared to then. Roll on Spring...



**?? MARCH QUIZ NIGHT AT
THE HARROW ??
Wednesday 25th March 8pm
Raising money for the
Evergreens
in memory of JV**

Book launch invitation:

Join us! Clare will be celebrating with a short informal reading and a few anecdotes enhanced by a glass of wine.

HOLD THE FRONT PAGE!

The Wit and Wisdom of Anne Scott-James
By Clare Hastings

Published by Pimpernel Press

Anne Scott-James started her career working for Vogue, she went on to become the first woman's editor on Picture Post, before leaving to set up her own page on the Daily Express in 1954. Anne divided her time between a cottage in Aldworth and London. Anne was also the mother of the author Clare Hastings. This is a candid behind the scenes look at the first woman of Fleet Street.

on

Wednesday 6th May from 7.15–8.30pm

at

Aldworth Village Hall RG8 9SE RSVP by
email: clare@indytute.com

CONCERT

in memory of

Jonathan Edwards

and in aid of:

Motor Neurone Disease Association

Saturday 4th April at 7.30 p.m.

at

Compton Village Church
(RG20 9RB)

featuring

Hagbourne Community Choir &

Goring Little Ukulele Group

Tickets £10 to include refreshment

from

Compton Village Shop (RG20 6NL)

or 01635 578177

Date for Diary – Saturday 28th March

Saturday 28th March - charity stall at Aldworth

Saturday Market 9.30 to 12 noon

in aid of Berkshire's "Alexander Devine Children's Hospice".

A wide range of lovingly handmade children's clothing, gifts, toys and adult gifts will be on sale. Every penny raised goes to this children's hospice service.

The charity "Action on Hearing Loss", formerly R.N.I.D., will also have an information stall and offer free hearing tests.

Aldworth's family friendly, community-run market opens every Saturday morning in Aldworth village hall with foods, produce, plants, cards, books etc. and refreshments.

For Market information please contact 01635 578090

Eco-Nauts is back for the Spring Term!

www.wiggyswams.co.uk



Afterschool club in a forest school site for unaccompanied primary school children. Eco-Nauts will be invited to undertake missions within the woodland environment. Missions will include mindfulness, crafts, sustainability, nature & identification, navigation and survival & bush skills.

Where? Langley Wood, nr Chieveley **When?** Monday 3.45-5.15pm
Dates this term: 3/10/24 February, 2/9/16/23/30 March (No session in half term)
Price: Total cost for this block - £64

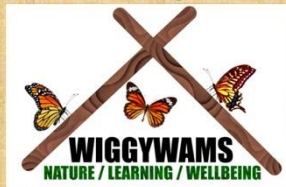
NEW for this term we will be taking inspiration from artists such as Hockney and Matisse to create artwork. We will also be using aspects of forest bathing to enhance the wellbeing of children in the session.

Please email Juliet at info@wiggyswams.co.uk for more information.

Nature Tales

@ Snelsmore Common Country Park

Outdoor learning inspired by storybooks. Toddlers and pre-schoolers accompanied by an adult.



Friday 10.15-11.45am

Spring 2020 dates

28th February, 6th/13th / 20th March & 3rd April

Come and enjoy some outdoor early years focused fun. Activities including mindfulness for children, heuristic play inspired treasure basket, forest kitchen, messy play and appreciation of the natural world.



Activities will be themed around the chosen storybook and linked to the Early Years curriculum.

If you would like to get further details, please contact Juliet on info@wiggyswams.co.uk or call 07815 041101.

More details and session price on www.wiggyswams.co.uk. This is a drop-in session but please contact Juliet to book your space. A discount on block booking is available.

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.

2020 Parish council meetings:

9 March 11 May 13 July 14 Sept 9 Nov

DEFIBRILLATOR CODE: C159

WHO TO CONTACT

VILLAGE HALL

Ros Duckworth—Bookings—281471
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 Rates: £10.00/hr Villagers £12/hr Non Villagers

PRESCRIPTIONS

Prescriptions are delivered from Compton on Tuesdays mornings at 8.30. Please collect yours from 2 Morland Close on Tuesday or Thursday evening between 6.00 and 7.30. Repeat forms can be posted through the letter box anytime before Monday evening for the following week's delivery. Thank you for your co-operation in keeping to the times listed.
 Tony Elliott

PATIENT REPRESENTATION GROUP

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 Ian Fewtrell-Smith 281625

TENNIS COURT

Membership: Please email tennis.bookings@westilsley.org
 Play without joining - book and pay via westilsleytennis.jezzam.com or the link on westilsley.org

PARISH COUNCIL

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01635 578394

Office hours 9.30 to 11.30

Monday to Friday

www.downlandvolgroup.org



DVG HANDYBUS SHOPPING - £3 RETURN

(approx 1 hour shopping time)

Didcot - Tesco Tuesdays (monthly)		Wantage – Sainsbury's Wednesdays (fortnightly)	
Outward Journey		Outward Journey	
Time	Place	Time	Place
9.45 am	Chieveley	9.45 am	Chieveley
10.15 am	Compton	10.15 am	Compton
10.30 am	East Ilsley	10.30 am	East Ilsley
10.40 am	West Ilsley	10.40 am	West Ilsley

To Book Telephone John Jeffery 07437 543098DVG
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WEST ILSLEY VILLAGE HALL

Available for hire by individuals and organisations.

Ideal for: business meetings, private family functions, birthdays, weddings, children's parties, anniversaries and events.

Heated with serving kitchen, disabled access and toilets.



Contact for bookings - Ros Duckworth
 01635 281471/ rosduckworth@btinternet.com

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Email: info@gardenfella.co.uk

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| Beds & Borders | Composting | Pruning | Lawn Care |
| Hedge clipping | Weeding | Soil improvement | Plant Selection |
| Regular visits | Seasonal Planning | One-off tidy jobs! | Plant & seed DIY advice |

Ilsley Under Fives
 We are a small and friendly toddlers group run completely by parents in East and West Ilsley and surrounding villages
Wednesday during term time from 9:45am to 11:45 at West Ilsley village Hall
 We run different activities each week from crafts and games to exciting trips out and would love to welcome some new parents/carers and little ones to join us.
 Please email Jillian.hobbs@outlook.com for more information or find us on Facebook at 'Ilsley Under fives'

Remedial body Therapy

Rachel uses a combination of Remedial sports massage and McTimoney chiropractic to address problem areas. Treatment aims are to encourage **symmetry**, identify muscle **imbalances**, **improve posture** and **alleviate discomfort**.

Not In pain? It is also a good idea to get yourself assessed even when you are not in pain as a preventative way of fine tuning your posture and spotting minor issues before they build into bigger problems.

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