

West Ilsley News

September 2000

Enthusiastic feedback and actual support with items for the WIN are still being gratefully received, and long may they continue. An opportunity for some advance planning for Burns Night is offered this month by the Caledonian Society's advertisement - dare you miss it? It's a while since we had the very interesting exhibition in the Village Hall about the village and its history, and there are very many new faces around these days who may be interested - do we have any volunteers to contribute some articles/information about the village? If any older residents don't feel up to writing something themselves, but would be happy to contribute memories/material, please contact us.

The Editors

EVERGREENS

Anne Carlisle

On Tuesday 5th September there is an outing to Salisbury - Market Day. The coach will leave West Ilsley Church at 9.35 am. Members £4, non-members £6. Names to J Collier, S Gore or A Carlisle.

MOBILE LIBRARY

The West Berkshire Mobile Library visits West Ilsley once a fortnight, stopping in Morland Close on a Friday between 4.05 pm and 4.30 pm. Confirmed dates for the next few weeks are: August 25th September 8th and 22nd. The stock includes fiction and non-fiction, books in large print, and books for children of all ages. The library has a lift for easier access. Enquiries to the Branch Supervisor, Thatcham Library on 01635 866049.

POST OFFICE NEWS

Tickets for Newbury Show on 16th and 17th September can be purchased at special prices from the Post Office. £7 adults, £7 children 5-16, under 5s free. £18 for a family ticket (2 adults and 2 children). Show opening times are 8 am to 8 pm Saturday, and 8 am to 6 pm on Sunday.

We may have lost our shop, but have you noticed the selection of items on sale in the Post Office? Besides the normal stationery-type items, there are sweets, crisps and drinks, cards, wrapping paper, shoelaces, cat food, washing-up liquid, washing powder, loo rolls, firelighters and much more - including some of those really bouncy little rubber balls which are hard to catch, and packets of modelling clay.

PARISH COUNCIL Linda Gibson (Clerk)

The Next Meeting of West Ilsley Parish Council will be held on Monday 11th September at 7.00p.m. in The Village Hall.

All residents of West Ilsley are welcome to attend this meeting. The 'Open Forum' will begin at 8.30p.m.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Ian Fewtrell-Smith

Church Services for September 2000:

3 rd	All Age Service	11.00 am
10 th	Holy Communion	8.00 am
17 th	Family Communion	9.30 am

TREASURE HUNT - 10th September

Meet at the church at 2.50 for a start at 3.00 pm. The course could last up to about three hours and will finish at the church. Marking will be done at the cricket pavilion, where you will be able to celebrate your win (or drown your sorrows). Entry will be £5.00 per car and all proceeds from this will go to church funds.

HARVEST SUPPER - 29th September

The harvest supper this year will be in the village hall at 7.30 for 8.00 pm. Dr. Paul Sievers will be giving a talk with slides on New Zealand. Tickets will be on sale from the second week in September and will be available (on a first come, first served basis) from Anne Carlisle, Shirley Gore, Jan Sheppard or me.

DON'T FORGET...

3rd November - Quiz Night

VILLAGE HALL PONTOON

Audrey Tizzard

We still need more names for this year's football pontoon, so please contact me at the Post Office.

TITTLE TATTLE

Miss Toffilees

Only short snippets this month, which makes a change to the large volume that I produced at the end of July. Firstly, whilst delivering the WIN last month we chanced upon Alison Coleman and would like to welcome her and her husband, Michael to Downside Cottage. Also, welcome to Bett and Jack Channon who have moved into Hodcott. I don't think the latter 'hello' is quite as tardy as the first! Please keep me up to date all you new chaps.

I don't suppose that any of the farmers will be pleased with the large amount of rain that fell yesterday, it really does add a huge amount of hassle to an already busy time of year. I was informed the other day that the grain needs to be stored at less than 15% moisture content otherwise it needs drying in the dryer with all the inherent cost of that procedure. During the dry spell that we had the moisture content fell to less than 15% and as a consequence did not need to be dried. Well, after yesterday's downpour, it must be well and truly saturated. The 'after-flood' brought spectators out and one resident even had to be rescued from their house. The water rose to a level such as I have never seen before. There is, of course, the possibility that I have missed previous occasions, or, the memory fails me. When I spoke to a chap who was marking the road prior to the re-surfacing, he assured me that the new road could help. Well! It has improved one's general passage through the village.

WEST ILSLEY	The 2000
VILLAGE FETE	Fete Committee

A summary of the net amounts raised by each stall is:

5 a side football	(14.00)
Art Exhibition	183.75
Aunt Sally	66.00
Balloon Throwing	20.30
Balloons in Landrover	20.90
Bar Profits	510.00
BBQ	412.15
Biscuit Stall	17.30
Book stall	42.95
Bottle Stall	372.51
Bouncy castle	43.10
Bric-a-brac	100.15
Cake Stall	153.00
Coconut Shy	84.90
Dog Show	43.50
EI School	101.30
Face Painting	5.00
Flyte Entertainment	55.00
Gate	637.00
Golf	31.20
Home Produce Stall	60.00
Ice Creams	93.75
Jewellery	8.00
Penalty Shoot Out	46.85
Photos	10.00
Plant Stall	74.95
Produce Show	(10.00)
Q Gardens	10.00
Raffle	295.30
Roller Coaster	35.25
Skittles	86.15
Stocks	19.30
Teas	117.58
Toys & Prams	10.00

The final accounts still need to include another stall and some costs - but it looks as if the stalls in total made over £3,700 - a really magnificent effort. Given the various costs the event has raised just over £2,900 for our Village. A full and regularly updated excel spreadsheet of the complete Fete accounts is on the Ilsley Web Site - address below.

If your organisation would like a share of the monies raised please send a note to Chris Allan-Jones at Bakery Mews to arrive by Monday 11th September. An allocation meeting is planned for the following week and the allocations will appear in the October WIN. The Fete Committee will be pleased to learn in the note of as much detail as you feel appropriate. A mention of the total costs that are involved together with a figure that your organisation would ideally like to receive would also be of help.

As you may have seen in the Fete Programme, The West Ilsley Fete Committee are very grateful to so many for their support. Residents (current and past!), families and friends - and we wish to thank you all.

Thanks to all who helped make the big day such a success. And thanks again to our Village sponsors and supporters who included:

Mick Channon, West Ilsley Stables
 John Evans (Master Carpenter & Joiner, West Ilsley)
 Steve Price, Ilsley Finance
 David Gore, Landmark Systems Ltd
 David Gardhouse, GMF Land Rover
 The Star, East Ilsley
 The Harrow, West Ilsley
 Oakes Bros. Ltd.
 Sue Huntingdon
 The Carlisle Family
 The Gore Family

The 2001 Fete is planned for Sunday 15th July. Thanks go to Steven Banks for the Fete photographs to be found on the Ilsley Web Site. A further brief note is planned for the October WIN of those winners who have yet to get a mention.

WEST ILSLEY FETE	
FIVE A SIDE FOOTBALL	Gary Taylor

The East v West Ilsley Five a Side Football competition resulted in the following scores:

	WI-EI
Under 9's	7-0
Under 11's	0-1
Under 13's	0-13

So congratulations go to East Ilsley for winning 2 games to 1 overall. Special mention goes to some of the match stars which were: Adam Taylor who scored 6 goals in the Under 9's and Liam Murray for the winning goal in the Under 11's. Two other stars were Ron Calder who presented the Medals and Alan Holdsworth for Refeing. Great games, enjoyed by many, real good fun - well done everyone.

BUS SERVICE

An enquiry to Alfa-Bennetts on 01635 248423 produced the following information, but it was a little uncertain, so please check for yourself if you decide to try the service the editors will not take responsibility for stranded villagers!

Weekdays

Departures from West Ilsley:

7.40 am, arriving Newbury Post Office at 8.08 am

9.20 am, arriving Newbury Bus Station at 9.50 am

Departures from Newbury Bus Station:

4.10 pm, arriving at West Ilsley at 4.40 pm

Saturdays

Departures from West Ilsley:

7.40 am, arriving Newbury at 8.10 am

10.00 am, arriving Newbury 10.30 am

Departures from Newbury Bus Station:

12.30 pm, arriving West Ilsley 1.00pm

If anyone has more information, please contribute it to the WIN.

ILSLEY UNDER

FIVES

Tracy Gregory 281650

Toddler Group

The Toddler Group is thriving and with new babies arriving it should continue to do so for years to come.

The Group is for Parent/Carer and baby and/or toddlers up to school age. It is held in the Village Hall on a Wednesday morning from 10.00am to 11.30am during which the adults get to drink tea/coffee and have a good old chat while the children play, hopefully with each other without too much squabbling. This is followed by juice and a biscuit or two and then Song Time.

During the summer holidays the group has been getting together in various peoples gardens which has helped the children to keep in their routines. We start back in the village hall on Wednesday 6th September and new faces are very welcome.

Play Group

The Ilsley Under Fives playgroup was set up by a group of parents to provide a local place for children to play and learn together. The emphasis is on the children having a good time, with lots of games and planned activities, which we feel is the best way for them to acquire vital social skills and learn about the world.

The playgroup is held in the Main Hall in the Ilsleys Primary School on a Wednesday and Thursday afternoon from 1.25pm until 3.30pm during the school terms. The playgroup is mainly for children from 3 years old until they start in full-time education. There are a limited number of places for 2½ year olds, at the playgroup leaders discretion, and parents are asked to join a parent's rota to enable this to continue. The 2½ year olds attend only one afternoon a week. Playgroup starts back on Wednesday 6th September.

If you are interested in your child attending the playgroup or would like to see it for yourself please call either Jill Brophy on 281672 or Julia (Playgroup Leader) on 281357 for an application form or to arrange a visit.

PLEASE HELP

Our much loved Ginger Persian (Long Haired) Cat called Freddy, went missing at the end of July. If you have any news, good or bad on his whereabouts it would be much appreciated if could let us know. Please either call Ali or Mike on 281158 or email downside.cottage@virgin.net
A big thank you for all the people who have helped us so far.

On a lighter note, we are trying to find the history of our home, Downside Cottage (on the cart track at the east side of village). We have discovered many very interesting roof and floor beams perhaps from a much early building and also uncovered a huge Inglenook fireplace. We have had an Inglenook expert complete a survey on it and he has dated it to around, 1700 - 1730 which would make the cottage almost twice as old as we first thought. This is why we would be delighted if anyone could either point us in the right direction or share what they know, anything however large or small would be a great help. Contact Mike Coleman on 281158, downside.cottage@virgin.net
P.S. If anyone would like to see the building plans that we have submitted to the planning office, please let us know, we would be delighted to show anyone who is interested or concerned.

SAD NEWS

Thankfully not Freddy above, and despite enquiries, the owners could not be located of a beautiful large cream and ginger tabby cat found dead by the side of the road in West Ilsley early on Wednesday 2nd August. If you think you know who they might be, and they are missing a handsome chap can you please pass on this sad news.

PRAM SERVICE

Alison Banks

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Liz Dray

Pram services resume in September. The dates for next term are as follows:

Monday 18th September - Harvest
Monday 16th October - Lost and Found
Monday 20th November - Saints
Monday 18th December - Christmas

The services are for 0-5 year olds plus parent, grandparent or carer etc and last for half an hour, followed by refreshments for the children. This informal service includes lots of songs with instruments for the children to play plus a short story based on a theme.

Everyone welcome. Contact Alison on 281705 and Liz on 281704.

CRICKET FIXTURES

Saturday 26th August

1st XI Goring (home)

2nd XI Woodcote (away)

Sunday 27th August

Yattendon (home 2.30)

Saturday 2nd September

1st XI IBIS Mapledurham (away)

2nd XI Thatcham (home)

Sunday 3rd September

Aldworth (away 2.00)

PEOPLE LIKE US (PLUS) -

Waiting to hear from you

If you

- Sometimes receive treatment from your GP or other professional for stress, depression, anxiety or mental health problems
- Would like to have more choices in the things you do
- Don't know what your rights are
- Don't know how to say what you want
- Feel unhappy but don't know what you can do about it
- Find it difficult to get information
- Find it difficult to get support
- Would feel better if you knew other people who are in the same position
- Want to make some decisions for yourself about the treatment you get

Then you might be interested in getting in touch with the PLUS project. This new project in West Berkshire gives people like you the opportunity and the confidence to have a say in the treatment and support you need.

The PLUS Project is supporting people in a number of ways to voice their concerns and ideas about services.

Together they are managing to make a difference, and find they feel stronger than trying to 'go it alone'.

To get in touch with the PLUS Project, which is independent and confidential, contact Lisa Taylor on 01635 523859 or write to her at CCB, 1 Bolton Place, Northbrook Street, Newbury, RG14 1AJ

Newbury & District  **Caledonian Society**

Scottish Country Dancing

Learn the basics on Saturday, 30 September 2000, at Falkland School and St George's Hall.

Separate afternoon classes with qualified teachers for children and for adult beginners.

Children's Dance in the early evening followed by the Adults' Dance, both to live music.

Details and tickets from: Reuben Freemantle (Newbury 40530) or Jim Johnston (Newbury 45687).

Free event

funded by a Millennium Festival Awards for All grant.

DIARY DATES ...

September

9th CROW

10th Church Treasure Hunt

11th West Ilsley Parish Council 7.00 pm

29th Church Harvest Supper

November

3rd Church Quiz Night

13th West Ilsley Parish Council 7.00 pm

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, **please do contribute**. The **latest deadline** for the next publication is 5pm on Tuesday 26th September 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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West Isley Village Fete 2000: Cup Winners

Cup	Classes	Winner
Colling Cup	Homecrafts	Anne Carlisle
Sheilah Hearn Rosebowl	Flowers and Ornamentals and Flower Arranging	M Moye
Walton Cup	Fruit and vegetables	Sandra Carlisle
Country Gardens Cup	Best Kept Garden	Annie Paynter
Hanging Basket Cup	Best hanging basket	The Harrow

West Isley Village Fete 2000: Produce Show Results

Flowers and Ornamentals

Description	Class	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
Roses - 3 blooms, any variety	1	John Verney	Cathy Patterson	Shirley Gore
3 blooms of any flower	2	Cathy Patterson	John Verney	Shirley Gore
Patio flower pot- minimum 3 plants	3	M Moye	Anne Carlisle	
House pot plant-foliage	4	Anne Carlisle		
House pot plant-flowering	5	J Hayes	Anne Carlisle	Steve Banks
Pot of herbs-minimum 3 plants	6	M Moye	Annie Paynter	Anne Carlisle
Pot of alpiners / rockery plants	7	M Moye		

Fruit and Vegetables

Description	Class	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
One dish of soft fruit, any variety	1	Pia Burton	Sarah Norman	Jane Carlisle
Collection of three types of vegetables, 3 of each	2			
Potatoes -3	3	Sandra Carlisle	Anne Carlisle	
Carrots-3	4	Anne Carlisle	Sandra Carlisle	John Verney
Onions-3	5	Pia Burton	Jane Carlisle	Anne Carlisle
Shallots-6	6	Sandra Carlisle		
Beans / peas-3 pods any variety	7	B Lafferty	Annie Paynter	Pia Burton
Lettuce-1 head any variety	8	Sandra Carlisle		
Courgettes-2	9	Sandra Carlisle		
Cabbage-1	10	Sandra Carlisle		
Most exotic or unusual home grown fruit or vegetable	11			

Flower Arranging

Description	Class	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
Arrangement in unusual container to be viewed all round, max 24x24 inches	1	Jane Carlisle	Carolyn Davies	Anne Carlisle
Arrangement of foliage, max 24 x 24 inches	2	Annie Paynter	Anna Wond	Cathy Patterson
Arrangement of flowers from owner's own garden	3	Jane Carlisle	Shirley Gore	Sue Carrington
Miniature flower arrangement, max 6 inches overall	4	Anna Wond	Kevin Clarke	Sue Clarke
Arrangement in a beer can – men only	5	Peter Davies		

Home Cooking

Description	Class	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
Jar of jam	1	Anne Carlisle	Jane Carlisle	Sue Huggins
Jar of chutney	2	Shirley Gore	Pia Burton	
Jar of marmalade	3	Anne Carlisle	Shirley Gore	Peter Davies
Savoury flan	4	Kay Fewtrell-Smith		
Ginger cake	5	Sarah Davey	Cathy Patterson	Sarah Norman
Decorated chocolate cake	6			
Biscuits or cookies-6	7	Sarah Norman		
Home made chocolates or sweets	8			
Summer juice cocktail-fruit or vegetable	9			
Man made scones –ie made by the men!	10	Denis Gilmore	David Gore	Steve Banks

Homecraft

Description	Class	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
Specimen of needlecraft eg hand knitted garment, article of crochet work, article of dressmaking, patchwork, weaving or any other needlecraft	1	Anne Butterworth	J Patterson	Jane Carlisle
Home made cushion cover	2	Carolyn Davies		
Upholstered item	3	Jane Carlisle	Jill Wiejak	Sue Carrington
Specimen of handicraft eg pottery, woodwork, corn dolly, whittling or any other handicraft	4	Kevin Holloway	Jane Wiejak	M Moye

Photography

Description	Class	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
Views of West Ilsley	1	Clare Paynter	Jo Scriven	J Wiejak
Photo of a pet	2	Sue Clarke	Sue Clarke	Kevin Clarke
Photo of a local person(s)	3	Sue Carrington	J Wiejak	Clare Paynter
Photo of your garden	4	Sue Clarke		
Holiday photo	5	Andy Carrington	Sue Clarke	Clare Paynter

Childrens Classes up to 6 years

Description	Class	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
A miniature garden, not exceeding 12x18 inches in size	1	Alex Dibble	Melanie Jones	
Wild grasses in a jam jar	2	Alex Dibble		
A picture of your garden, any medium	3	Zoe Carrington	Amy Allan-Jones	
A pressed flower picture	4			
A painting or drawing of a pet	5	Ryan Young	Jack Channon	Melanie Jones
Papier-mache mask	6			
Clay / salt dough face	7	Amy Allan-Jones	John Wiejak	
Specimen of needlecraft / home made toy	8			
A decorated 6 inch plant pot	9	Ellen Scriven		
6 items that you would put in a millennium time capsule (shoebox size)	10			
A gingerbread man	11	Zoe Carrington		
3 biscuits/cookies	12	Ellen Scriven		
6 home made sweets	13			

Childrens Classes 7-11 years

Description	Class	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
A miniature garden, not exceeding 12x18 inches in size	1	Clare Lafferty	A Jones	
Wild grasses in a jam jar	2	Adam Nash	Georgina Carlisle	Vanessa Fewtrell-Smith
A picture of your garden, any medium	3	Alyson Hardy	Adam Nash	
A pressed flower picture	4	Georgina Carlisle	Georgina Carlisle	Jane Wiejak
A painting or drawing of a pet	5	Charlotte Ryan	Vanessa Fewtrell-Smith	Alyson Hardy
Papier-mache mask	6	Jane Wiejak		
Clay / salt dough face	7	Alyson Hardy		
Specimen of needlecraft / home made toy	8	Jane Wiejak	Victoria Carlisle	Robbie Dibble
A decorated 6 inch plant pot	9	Will and Tom Carlisle	Georgina Carlisle	Vanessa Fewtrell-Smith
6 items that you would put in a millennium time capsule (shoebox size)	10	Adam Nash		
A gingerbread man	11			
3 biscuits/cookies	12	Robbie Dibble		
6 home made sweets	13			