

WEST HENDRED

November 2017 **NEWSLETTER**

DIARY OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Venue	Time
19 November	Family Service	Holy Trinity Church	9am
25 November	New Kitchen Opening	WH Village Hall	11am -12noon
9 February	Indian Cookery	WH Village Hall	TBC
10 February	QI Quiz Night	WH Village Hall	

Deadline for next Newsletter 25 November 2017

WEST HENDRED VILLAGE HALL'S NEW KITCHEN OFFICIAL GRAND OPENING!

Saturday 25th November 11 am – 12 noon

Join us for teas, coffees and more!

West Hendred's Village Hall has a brand new kitchen, with professional-grade catering facilities able to offer more versatile menus for larger groups.

Upgrading of the Hall's kitchen has been achieved thanks to generously donated funds from the West Hendred Beer Festival, West Hendred Parish Council, and village residents. Grants for the new kitchen came from Awards for All England, the small grant division of the Big Lottery Fund, the Doris Field Charitable Trust, as well as from the Magnox Socio-Economic Fund (a community donations scheme established by nuclear-decommissioning company Magnox, which is currently decommissioning Harwell's former nuclear research facility). With its new professional kitchen, the Hall will now be able to meet an increasing demand for larger parties, including weddings, special birthdays and corporate events.

"Just to say I used the new kitchen yesterday to cater the Christening at the hall and all was working well. The oven and long stretch of worktop (uninterrupted by a tall cupboard) were a dream to use!" says Oli Barton.

West Hendred Village Hall Committee chairman, Hugh Rees, said: "Our village hall is much loved and an integral part of

this pretty rural village. We are hugely grateful to the organisations and individuals that have generously supported this valuable community project and to the Hall's committee members who have worked hard to achieve its realisation." The kitchen was installed ahead of schedule and within budget by Caterplan Solutions.

The Children's Society Coffee Morning Holy Trinity, West Hendred

Many thanks to all who supported the above on Sunday 15th October and I am very pleased to report that the sum of £163 was raised which has been forwarded on to the charity to help vulnerable children in the UK. Patsy Jenkins

Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child

Very many thanks for boxes and donations already received. A reminder that we have leaflets if you would like to take part and that we do need your completed boxes by **Sunday 12th November please**. Thank you. Patsy Jenkins 835113
Angela Findley 862912

Holy Trinity West Hendred Oxford Historic Churches Ride or Stride

This year's sponsored event took place on Saturday 9th September.

A total of 31 st/riders visited the church on the day, of which 5 were from West Hendred. Roy Lennox did his cycling a week earlier. We're continuing to collect money from sponsors. The total so far is £554, with quite a bit more to come in. Thank you to all to took part, and all who have sponsored. Hugh Rees

Holy Trinity Church Services

Sunday 5th	Morning Prayer	9am
Sunday 17th	Remembrance Communion	9am
Tuesday 14th	Holy Communion	10am
Sunday 19th	Family Service	9am
Sunday 26th	Holy Communion	9am

East & West Hendred W.I

Meeting on Thurs. November 16th at Snells Hall 7.30pm. Practical craft evening. No judging...just fun!

WHAT IS THE POPPY APPEAL?

The Poppy Appeal is the Royal British Legion's biggest fundraising campaign. Each year an army of volunteers distribute poppies throughout the country, collecting donations to help support the vital work to help the Armed Forces community.

People wear the paper poppy with pride and as a symbol of Remembrance: to remember the fallen Service men and women killed in conflict.

HOW IT ALL BEGAN: The first Poppy Appeal was held in 1921, the founding year of The Royal British Legion. Red silk poppies, inspired by the famous First World War poem 'In Flanders Fields', sold out instantly and raised more than £106,000. The funds helped WW1 veterans find employment and housing after the war.

This year was the 100th anniversary of the battle of Passchendaele, which remains one of the most notorious battles of the First World War, in which around 550,000 Allied and German troops were killed, wounded or lost. This anniversary was an opportunity to commemorate the service and sacrifice of those who lost their lives during WW1 and

in the years since then, also to reflect on the enduring support of the Royal British Legion.

STILL TODAY, by offering advice and support to military personnel and their families, the charity urges us: 'Don't just wear a poppy for the memory of the fallen, wear it for the future of the living.' Please give generously; every penny counts.

(If you are a UK tax payer, your donation could increase by 25% by the government if you complete the Gift Aid details on the Poppy donation envelope) Thank you! NF

Boxing Day Tug of War

West Hendred Village Hall. From 1pm West v The Rest

Bring your own Christmas picnic/grog Free Christmas cheer and cheesy tunes. Contact Sonya Bashford

sonya@you-agency.com

if interested in being on a team

Dog Fouling

In the interest of people's health and hygiene could you please pick up your dogs faeces and deposit in to a black bag and dispose of it at home. Or place it in the bins available in the village.

Unfortunately the bank behind the post box at the bottom of The Greenway has become a general dog's toilet. Over the last few months I have been cleaning up after these various deposits. Not pretty when you take the mower over them.

Many thanks for your co-operation.

Anne, Pykelle, The Greenway.

Neighbourhood Policing Update

'You said we did'/ Priorities

Rural Crime. During September we held a two night operation to help combat rural crime working with gamekeepers, farmers and landowners who act as spotters for suspicious activity and have direct contact with police officers on the ground. Although it was pretty quiet we did seize an air rifle from one male and also stop checked many vehicles gaining useful

intelligence on who is out and about in our rural areas late at night. Also during the month two vehicles were seized that were suspected in being involved in hunting offences, four persons arrested and five dogs seized.

Crime prevention advice

Over the last month there has been an increase in theft from vehicles across the area. Vehicle criminals are opportunists, and most vehicle-related crimes can be prevented by taking simple security measures. Always lock your car, wind up the windows and close the sunroof, even if you're only leaving it for a few minutes. Contact us: If you want any advice or would like to contact the neighbourhood team you can call us on the police non-emergency number 101 or if it is an emergency then dial 999. You can also contact us via email
WantageandGroveNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

Thames Valley Police website at:
www.thamesvalley.police.uk

Receive free local crime alerts and crime prevention advice by registering at
www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk today.

This allows anyone who signs up to choose what updates they receive and how they would like to receive them. The Thames Valley Police Twitter account is kept up to date with what we are up to; please follow us
@TVPSouthandVale

Do you need more people to get involved in your community?

Are many of the positions of responsibility within your community held by only a few? If you answered 'Yes' to either question, you should attend the up and coming FREE CFO event:

Attracting the Unusual Suspects

Date: 14 November 2017

Time: 9.45am to 1:00pm

Venue: Islip Village Hall, Church Lane, Islip. OX5 2TA

The event will be facilitated by Grant Hayward, whose company Collaborent, is all about creating opportunities, making connections and solving problems in

business and local communities.

We know succession planning is difficult and that most work falls to a few in the community, so let's start a discussion to see how we can change this.

To register:

Either book direct with Eventbrite:
Attracting Unusual Suspects

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/attracting-unusual-suspects-tickets-37645383355%20>

The deadline for next month's Newsletter is 25th November

Hand delivered items – please place your article in an envelope marked clearly “WH Newsletter” and deliver to Janet Trotman, Tean, The Millham
Tel:833531

Alternatively, you can send items for inclusion to our email address:
newsletter@westhendred.net

HARD CORE & RUBBLE AVAILABLE!

Free, but you need to come to collect it from Manor Lane. Approx. 1 tonne

FOR SALE

Tall chest of drawers...painted pale pink!

Four full width drawers. Two half width drawers H98cm W90cm D43cm

Perfect for a girl's bedroom

£80.00 o.n.o.

Phone Katy on 821452

FOR SALE

Two John Lewis wooden curtain poles and hooks, perfect condition.

One is 140 cm long, one is 176 cm long. Both 9 cm circumference.

£8 for small pole, £12 for larger pole or £18 for both.

2 cream lampshades suitable for central hanging light. £4 each or £7.50 for both. Tel 07758 730164

WEST HENDRED AND GINGE VILLAGE HALL NEWS

HALL LETTINGS

All hall enquiries/bookings should be made via email to villagehallbookings@westhendred.net

Web Site : www.westhendred.net

We've greatly improved our website recently, so please do visit it.

OFFICIAL GRAND OPENING! Of the Village Hall's new kitchen –

Saturday 25th November 11 am – 12 noon Join us for teas, coffees and more!

Upcoming events – for your diary

Indian Cookery course run by Manjit Kahlon– Friday 9th February 2018 followed by

Indian meal and QI Quiz hosted by John Lloyd – Saturday 10th February 2018

Childrens Party – Saturday 11th November 3 – 5pm

This event regrettably has been cancelled.

REGULAR EVENTS AT THE HALL INCLUDE:

Youth Club – Friday November 17th TBC (third Friday) - 7 pm to 9pm

The Youth Club meets usually on the third Friday at 7 pm. Please contact for more information, Penny Meston. Adult helpers are urgently needed! Anyone interested in helping to run the youth club should contact Penny. We need adult helpers to go on a Rota. If we get enough, it could mean only helping once or twice a year as it is a monthly Youth Group.

Please contact Penny: 01235 832113.

Coffee Morning, plant, and book sale – Saturday 27 January 2018 10 am – 12 noon

Thank you to all who came to the October sale and raised £51-45. Thank you to all who have come and supported book sales in 2017, and raised £195.45! The next sale will be in January.

Mother and Baby/Toddler Group

Monday mornings' 10.15am to 11.45. Get together in the hall and meet/chat to other local mothers.

Fathers welcome too. Just drop in.

West Hendred Stitchers

Meet on 2nd & 4th Tuesdays in the month 10am - 4pm

Open to everyone who'd like to stitch with friends in a warm and sociable atmosphere.

Beginners welcome. Work on individual projects. Tea & coffee provided. Bring own lunch.

Further information from Jane Soffe 01235 832554

Family Service – Sunday 19th November 9AM

The Family Service and Sunday club at 9AM will be in the Church.

Pilates - Monday evenings 7 to 8 pm, Wednesdays 6 to 7 pm, and 7.15 to 8.15 pm

Please contact Charlie Prince on 07581462317, or

charlie@princepilates.co.uk or see Charlie's website for more information about classes etc.

www.princepilates.co.uk

YOGA

Tuesdays 6 – 7pm Yoga with mindfulness for teens. Focusing on strength and flexibility as well as strategies to deal with exam stress and aid relaxation. Ideal as sport or skill for Duke of Edinburgh awards.

Thursdays 9.15-10.45 am. Yoga for beginners and improvers

Thursdays 11-12.15 Gentle yoga

For further information on any of these courses and to enrol, please contact Linda on 01235 863647. (British Wheel of Yoga and TeenYoga teacher)

Village Hall Committee Contacts

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