

# ***WEST HENDRED***

## ***APRIL 2018 NEWSLETTER***

### **DIARY OF EVENTS**

15 Apr	Family Service	West Hendred Church	9.00am
19 Apr	WI Meeting	Snells Hall	7.30pm
20 Apr	Youth Club	WHVH	7.00 – 9.00pm
28 Apr	Plant & Book Sale	WHVH	10am – 12pm
30 June	Summer Lunch	Manor Farm House	

**Deadline for next Newsletter 25 April 2018**

### **Beryl Maile**

I am sure many villagers will be saddened to hear that Beryl Maile passed away on the 3rd March, peacefully in the John Radcliffe Hospital, aged 89. She suffered from cancer, but succumbed to a stroke which ended her life.

Beryl lived in West Hendred for many years where she took an active part in village life, providing numerous illustrations for the Church and village events, besides giving her renowned talk on 'How to paint a picture while cooking with a bun in the oven.' Her humour and presence will be missed by all her friends in the village. She was frequently seen walking her dogs, who ranged from Fred, the Irish Wolfhound, to Fanny and Willy, her Pomeranians. She was also a well-known commercial artist, creating the Dolphin Gallery in Wantage.

Beryl had requested a private cremation (at the 'creamery' as she described it) and then a memorial service at Holy Trinity Church with her ashes being interred in the grave of her mother and sister after the service.

The Service will be on the 2nd May at 11:00 am. It is anticipated that there will be a fair crowd of friends and acquaintances attending the service, it is suggested that cars are left at or near the village hall.

All welcome.

### **Potholes - Help get them fixed!**

The streets in our village are becoming positively perforated. Repairing them is the responsibility of Oxfordshire Highways. Anyone can easily report potholes to them, via the website [www.fixmystreet.com](http://www.fixmystreet.com).

Accompany your report with photographs. A white painted line around a pothole means that it has been marked for repair by Highways, so there is no need to report it.

### **April Church Services**

Sunday 1st Easter Sunday Communion 9am  
Sunday 8th Morning Prayer 9 am  
(Benefice Communion E Hendred 10:30am)  
Sunday 15th Family Service 9am  
Sunday 22nd Holy Communion 9am  
Sunday 29th Morning Prayer 9am  
(Benefice Communion, Ardington 10.30am)

The next  
East & West Hendred W.I meeting  
will be on  
Thursday April 19th  
7.30pm at Snells Hall.  
*'The Future of the W.I –  
Resolutions and Finances'*  
with Catherine Blaxhall.  
Visitors welcome.

## Hendreds Twinning Group

The weekend of July 7 - 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in East and West Hendred offers an opportunity for making contact on a personal level with some French individuals, couples or young families. We are expecting around 25 people, with ages ranging from primary aged children to pensioners from our twin village(Sarceaux) in Normandy. All the children come with one or both parents. Most of the visitors have at least a smattering of English, and all are keen to practise and learn more, so don't worry if your French is rudimentary or even non-existent. It's amazing what can be achieved with a sense of humour, a dictionary and hand gestures.

We are arranging a programme for the weekend, from their arrival early on Sat. morning, a meal and entertainment for everyone on Sat. evening for visitors and host families, a visit by coach for the French + hosts on Sunday to a local attraction, to their departure after breakfast on the Monday morning.

Membership of the Twinning Group is open to anyone living in the Hendreds or surrounding area. We are likely to need a few more hosts this year, but also welcome anyone else who would like to be involved for part of the weekend. Hosts and visitors are matched as far as possible for ages and interests

Contacts for further details:

Margaret Sharp 01235 833367  
m.l.r.sharp@btinternet.com  
Lesley Lewis 01235 863184  
LesleyLewiswh@outlook.com

### **A fund raising Flower Arranging event in aid of Horatio's Garden**

This charity creates and lovingly cares for beautiful, accessible gardens in NHS spinal injury centres.  
[www.horatiogarden.org.uk](http://www.horatiogarden.org.uk).

There will be a demonstration and workshop on Monday 14th May 2018 from 11.30 am - 3.00p.m. nr North Moreton.  
Please contact Suzette Wilson-Macdonald either on 01235 861927 or [suzewilmac@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:suzewilmac@yahoo.co.uk) for details

## Church Bells in the Hendreds

We need more young people to learn the traditional methods of ringing church bells to continue the centuries old practices used to celebrate weddings, the occasional funeral, great events of the state and to call people to church services. After a series of accidents (one young ringer kicked by her horse) and running repairs to another ringer, there were nearly no bells rung at Christmas. We will be ringing bells to celebrate Easter Sunday, but end of year exams are looming, which will put an additional strain on our small number of ringers for the spring quarter.

In November we intend to ring the bells as part of the nationwide celebrations to commemorate the end of the first world war. Ideally, the bells of both Hendred Churches will be rung at 7:05pm, the time the armistice was signed. At this time we do not have enough people who can ring at both towers simultaneously, so we urgently need to recruit and train more ringers to carry on the tradition.

Anyone can learn to ring the bells in the traditional methods. No musical ability or training is required. The basic principles can be learnt quite quickly, but to ring well in a team requires regular practice as part of the team. Hence we practice for an hour most Wednesdays in either East or West Hendred. Bell ringing is good exercise and can form part of the Duke of Edinburgh Award program. If you would like to try ringing please contact me, Dave Trotman on 833531. Why not give it a try during the Easter Holidays, I can be coerced to teach you at almost any time.

### **Holy Trinity Church, West Hendred – Data Privacy**

Data Privacy regulations (GDPR) are being strengthened, with new regulations coming into force on 25<sup>th</sup> May. We can no longer assume consent for your personal details; we have to obtain explicit consent for specified purposes.

We will be contacting individuals in the next few weeks to seek consent for holding personal details. This includes members of the "59 club", regular donors, church electoral roll members, and also recipients of emails for church services and events.

We thank you in advance for your help in complying with the new regulations.

**West Hendred Summer Lunch**  
**Saturday 30th June**  
**12-30 to 3:30**  
**In aid of Holy Trinity Church**

The Summer Lunch will be at Manor Farm House, kindly offered by Lys and Peter Cook. The internationally famous duck race is anticipated to have its usual excitement and suspense this year. Downy Duck has already been waddling through the snow and daffodils to prepare for a celebrity appearance.

We do need help with the food on the day, as well as people volunteering food items. I'll be emailing on the food items required. If you would like to help with this, please do contact Hugh.

We will also be asking for help for stalls, and also for the Friday evening with putting up tents.

If you can help, please contact Patsy Jenkins on 835113, Sally Hutchinson on 833081 or Hugh Rees on 833174.

Hugh Rees

**THE WATERMILL  
TOURING COMPANY**

present

**BURKE AND HARE**

At East Challow Village Hall  
On Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May  
7.30pm

Tickets £12  
Contact Jenny on 01235 763173 or  
[penfoldjm@gmail.com](mailto:penfoldjm@gmail.com)

**Interested in joining the Scouts?**

See below details of what's happening in the Scout Movement for East & West Hendred & the surrounding villages

Scouting at Snells Hall, East Hendred  
(boys and girls (10 to 14.5yrs) welcome)  
Monday Scouts 7-9pm  
Scout Leader - Rich T

Tuesday Beavers (6 to 8yrs) 5.25- 6.25pm  
Beaver Leader - Simon

Tuesday Cubs (8 to 10.5yrs) 6.30-8.00pm  
Akela (Cub Leader) - Mhairi

Contact: Group Scout Leader,  
Doron Jensen

[doron.jensen.scouts@gmail.com](mailto:doron.jensen.scouts@gmail.com)

**For Sale**

"Pro-Fitness" Rowing Machine  
Looking for a good home-

This rowing machine is ready assembled, and is in very good condition, complete with original manual. Available for a donation towards the printing expenses of the "Newsletter"  
Phone 833488

The deadline for the next edition of the West Hendred Newsletter is  
**25 April 2018.**

Please email any inclusions to  
[newsletter@westhendred.net](mailto:newsletter@westhendred.net)

*We wish all our readers  
a very happy & chocolatey Easter*

## WEST HENDRED AND GINGE VILLAGE HALL NEWS

All hall enquiries/bookings should be made via email to [villagehallbookings@westhendred.net](mailto:villagehallbookings@westhendred.net)  
[www.westhendred.net](http://www.westhendred.net)

### **Bookings Team - Vacancies**

We currently have 2 vacancies in the West Hendred Village Hall bookings team. These voluntary positions are a good way of being part of village life, helping the hall run smoothly and being part of a great team. The workload isn't large (approx. a couple of hours a week) and is shared between the 3 booking officers, so cover is provided if a member of the team is unavailable. Full guidance and support will be given. No previous experience necessary. Please contact [villagehallbookings@westhendred.net](mailto:villagehallbookings@westhendred.net) if you would like more information about the role.

### REGULAR EVENTS AT THE HALL INCLUDE:

#### **Youth Club** – Friday 20th April (TBC) - 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 on 01235 832113. 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.

#### **Coffee Morning**, plant, and book sale – Saturday 28th April 10 am – 12 noon

Thank you to all who came to the February sale which raised £34-00. We await the March sale as we go to press. Many nearly new cookery and children's books! Also a variety of hardy plants. All proceeds are for the Village Hall. Please contribute - Hugh and Annabel on 833174.

#### **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 Club** – Sunday 15th April 9am 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](mailto:charlie@princepilates.co.uk) or see Charlie's website for more information about classes etc. [www.princepilates.co.uk](http://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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