**Holy Trinity Chuch Summer Lunch 2018**

Yet again we were blessed with a beautiful sunny day, and enjoyed ourselves in Peter and Lys’ s garden. Many thanks to them for allowing us to use their garden again. We appreciated the trees under which we could sit and enjoy the lunch.

This year we made £1282.82 which was less than the last few years, but never the less a healthy addition to our funds. Many thanks to all those very willing helpers – too numerous to mention by name- masterminded by Hugh who did a sterling job. Thank you to all those who helped erect tents, move tables and chairs, man stalls, serve food and serve at the bar.

This year the food was exceptionally good, with quiches, cold meats salads and beautiful deserts, and we have had some very pleasing feedback. The raffle and Tombola stands were well attended, and had some wonderful prizes.

As usual the duck race was very exciting. Norman Francis made us a beautiful cake with fantastic icing to raffle. The rose was ‘Eye of the Tiger’. The other stalls and games were enjoyed by many and all added to the fun. Through the afternoon many tried their hands at ringing the portable ring of bells. As always a wonderful day, no doubt with many aching limbs afterwards – and we thank everybody who helped for all the assistance, donations, and best of all for the comradeship and happiness.

THANK YOU

**Holy Trinity West Hendred**

**Oxford Historic Churches Ride and Stride** – Saturday 8th September

Sponsorship forms available now!

Ride and Stride 2018 is now only weeks away so it’s time to pump up your bike tyres, clean your walking boots or polish your stirrups.

This year’s sponsored event will take place on Saturday 8th September – money raised will be divided equally between The Oxford Historic Churches Trust and Holy Trinity Church West Hendred. Last year’s grand total was a phenomenal final total of £1020. Holy Trinity Church receives half of sponsorship, which is £510; this was raised by 5 St/riders and 47 sponsorships, with 106 church visits. Over the last 5 years, West Hendred raised £4,554, and over the last 10 years £9,818. There are several “old hands”, young and old, who will be participating.
So please join us, either by Riding or Striding yourself, or sponsoring us. Sponsorship forms are now available in the Church, or from Hugh Rees on 833174.

**West Hendred 59 club**
Your opportunity to join the West Hendred 59 Club! The 59 Club is Holy Trinity Church’s smaller version of a 100 Club. It has been raising crucial funds to maintain our beautiful medieval church for about 8 years now. Each participant is assigned two numbers for the year and has the chance to win £8 each weekly draw. The cost of taking part is just £1.25 per week or £65 a year. A few numbers have recently become available so if you’re interested in taking part and helping to support your local church, please contact: Angela Findley on 862912 or angela.findley@westhendred.net

**Glasses found**
If you have lost a pair of black Foster Grant glasses which were found ¾ of the way along the brook please email Emma: emsccmarsh@gmail.com

**Keys found**
Set of keys with an estate agent’s key ring found 12.7.18 on a post near to the bridge and stream. Contact Gina 01235 820866

**Services at West Hendred Church in August**
- Sunday 5th Morning Prayer 9:00
- Sunday 12th Morning Prayer 9:00
- Benefice Communion (WH) 10:30
- Sunday 19th Family Service 9:00
- Sunday 26th Holy Communion 9:00

**Speeding Vehicles**
The newsletter has received another complaint about cars speeding along The Greenway. Sadly, this one from a villager whose cat died after being run over. Please do respect the 30mph speed limit.

**Neighbourhood Policing Update**
From PCSO Tom Walcott-Smith.
Priorities
Visibility and reassurance: Following a public meeting in June you told us that you wanted greater police visibility to deter crime and offer reassurance. The neighbourhood team are carrying out dedicated days of action where they will be patrolling high footfall areas. The neighbourhood action group (NAG) are a group of volunteers who are helping the team focus on this priority by supporting us at events. The launch of the new South and Vale TVP Facebook page is helping us to communicate and increase our visibility.

Burglary: Burglary remains a priority across the area. We have a dedicated team called Op Monitor who are active in reducing and detecting burglaries. The neighbourhood team, in partnership with the neighbourhood action group (NAG), will be organising crime prevention days of action where we will be distributing crime reduction advice and signing the public up to our messaging system so they can receive further information. We are disrupting and engaging with any known offenders. Anyone with any information regarding burglaries and the handling of stolen property should report it to police or Crimestoppers.

Rural Crime: As the Wantage area is surrounded by countryside, this attracts rural crime such as hare coursing/poaching which can have a significant impact on the rural community. Regular rural crime meetings take place where landowners, police, council and other agencies come together to discuss operations going forward and share best practice. We have formed a rural community resilience group with local landowners which has improved communication and accurate crime recording.

Home security advice
Burglaries are still being reported in our area. There are simple crime prevention tips to keep your property safe; Lock all front and rear doors and windows at night and when you are out.
Keep all valuables and keys, including car keys, out of sight and out of reach of windows and letterboxes. Double check your vehicle is locked too. Ensure side gates are locked to prevent access to the rear of your property. Move bins away from side walls and fences. Keep ladders and tools stored away. Don’t leave them outside where they could be used to break into your home.

Are you going on holiday? Please do not advertise that you are going away on social media – wait until you get home to upload your holiday snaps!

Check that your home insurance policy, as some may pay out less or not at all, if you have posted that you are away on social media.

Use a timer switch to make your house look occupied, even when it isn’t. Ask someone you trust to keep an eye on your house while you are away. Don’t leave spare keys in obvious places such as under doormats and plant pots.

Parking: Wantage PCSOs are raising their profile with increased foot patrols in Wantage town centre and will take more attention to illegal parking so please be more thoughtful where you choose to leave your car. A reminder, double yellow lines indicates parking is not allowed at any time, single yellow signs are dependent on the sign posts located at either end of the markings. During the times displayed on the sign post, parking is not allowed.

What the neighbourhood team have been doing: With the assistance of the Neighbourhood Action Group (NAG) volunteers the neighbourhood team have been attending various events over the last month engaging with the public and offering crime prevention advice. We have also been updating signage in the beauty spot car parks along the Ridgeway due to cars being broken into. Please remember to not leave any valuables on show whilst your vehicle is unattended.

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

Please note this email address cannot be used to contact Thames Valley Police to report crimes or for any urgent matters.

To view information on your neighbourhood team visit the 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. Please also follow us on Twitter @TVPSouthandVale.

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**For Sale**

Mahogany extending dining table and six carver chairs. £150
Mahogany sideboard, same range as table and chairs. £50
Large antique style desk £150
Leather desk chair £50

All in very good condition
Contact
Anne 07758 730164

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**The deadline for next month’s Newsletter is 25th August**

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
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
Bookings Team – Vacancy. We currently have 1 vacancy 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 is approx a couple of hours a week shared between the 3 booking officers. Full guidance and support will be given. No previous experience necessary.
Please contact: villagehallbookings@westhendred.net

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
Friday 7th and Saturday 8th September - 7th West Hendred Not Just a Beer Festival
Friday 30th November – Whalebone Band – Tickets will go on sale 2 months beforehand £10 excluding food, drink. More details in the Autumn.

REGULAR EVENTS AT THE HALL INCLUDE:
NEW! KONGA every Friday term time. 9.30 - 10.30 am £5 per class. Konga is a fusion of Boxing, Cardio, Dance & Sculpting set to the hottest sounds of music. This fitness routine is designed to get results through increasing fitness levels and redefining your physique. Can burn approximately 700 calories from one class.
Contact Rachel Lock on 07801 824293.
Youth Club – On holiday until September, third Friday - 7 pm to 9pm
The Youth Club held a very enjoyable Summer Party. The Youth Club meets usually on the third Friday at 7 pm. Contact Penny Meston. Adult helpers are urgently needed! 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 15th September 10 am – 12 noon
Thank you to all who came to the June sale which raised £31-54. So far, the sales have raised £178.44, which is nearly as much as all of 2017! Thank you for your support!
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. 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.
Further information from Jane Soffe 01235 832554
Family Service – Sunday 19th August 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
Charlie’s website for more info 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. Classes start again 12th September. 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)

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