

WEST HENDRED

JANUARY 2019 NEWSLETTER

DIARY OF EVENTS

18 Jan	Youth Club	WHVH	7.00pm
19 Jan	Coffee, Plants & Books	WHVH	10am – 12pm
20 Jan	Coffee Morning	Holy Trinity Church	9.40am
20 Jan	Family Service	Holy Trinity Church	9.00am

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Deadline for next Newsletter 25 January 2019

Waste Collection Information

Waste collection through the village over the next couple of weeks will be as follows:

Thursday 3rd January

Grey Bin & Food Bin

Wednesday 9th January

Green Bin, Food Bin & Garden Waste

Collection days will be back to normal with effect from Tuesday 15th January.

Real Christmas trees can go out with your Garden Waste bin. Please do not put the tree inside the bin and if the tree is over 6ft, please cut it down into manageable pieces. If you don't have a Garden Waste bin but have a Christmas tree to dispose of, it can be taken to Charlton Park Garden Centre in Wantage until 13th January.

"Save the children" charity - Yemen

Thank you to everyone who helped Tom raise money for children in Yemen at the West Hendred Christmas Market. We were able to donate £80, which will help to feed a family of seven for one month and get eleven children a life-saving measles vaccination.

Many thanks and all the best for 2019!
Anke, Guenther and Tom.

Coffee Morning for The Children's Society

Following the Family Service at Holy Trinity Church on Sunday 20th January there will be a coffee morning in aid of The Children's Society starting at 9.40am. Cakes, groceries or raffle prizes will be most welcome. I am happy to receive donations beforehand or they can be brought along to church on the morning. Please do come along and help to support vulnerable young people across Britain. To find out about the work of the Children's Society please visit www.childrenssociety.org.uk
Patsy Jenkins, The Old Post Office 835113

Church Services January

Sunday 6	Morning Prayer	9:00am
Sunday 13	Morning prayer	9:00am
Benefice Communion (East Hendred)		10:30am
Sunday 20	Family Service	9:00am
Sunday 27	Holy Communion	9:00am

Carol Singing in the Village

It was lovely to hear the carol singers as they toured the village on Friday 21st Dec. This year, their numbers were increased by some of the members of the Youth Club, which was much appreciated. They collected £200, which has been sent to the Helen House Childrens Hospice in Oxford.
Many thanks to all those who contributed.

Holy Trinity Church West Hendred Oxford Historic Churches Ride and Stride – record-breaking total !

This year's sponsored event took place on Saturday 8th September. A total of 13 st/riders visited the church on a pleasant late summer day – dry and not too sunny.

Charlotte Jenkins participated in her first Ride & Stride. She says "Taking part in the Ride & Stride back in September was really enjoyable. Starting off with East Hendred's churches before pedalling via West Hendred and Lockinge to Wantage, from there I visited the Springline villages of Letcombe Regis, Letcombe Bassett, Sparsholt and Childrey. I returned via the tiny church at West Challow, Goosey, Denchworth and then Grove, before finishing at Ardington. It was really very interesting visiting different churches in the area and a great sense of achievement to have ticked off 24 by the end of the day!"

Thank you very much for everyone's donations. We now have the phenomenal final total of £1,324.20. This is the largest total ever, and significantly exceeds the previous largest total in 2010 of £1,187. Holy Trinity Church receives half of sponsorship, which is £662.14; this was raised by 5 St/riders and well over 70 sponsorships, with 151 church visits. This is a fantastic total! Over the last 5 years, West Hendred has raised £4,848, and over the last 10 years £9,967.

Thank you to all who took part – Roy Lennox, Angela and Nigel Findley, Charlotte Jenkins as well as Hugh Rees. Thank you also to those who welcomed St/riders to Holy Trinity Church.

Finally, a BIG THANK YOU to all who sponsored!
Hugh Rees

Christmas Eve Crib Service

At 3pm on Christmas Eve, the church was full to overflowing for the Crib Service! Readings of the Christmas story were given by children from the village, carols were sung

Hendred Reeling Society

invite you to join "THE ART OF REELING" at Snells Hall, East Hendred, on Saturday 2nd March 2019.

For some light-hearted fun and no matter what your dancing skills may be, please do come along to the practice sessions at West Hendred Village Hall from 8.00-10.00p.m. on Fri 15th Feb; Weds 20th Feb & Mon 25th Feb. We will be cheerfully guided by James Fairbairn, our professional and patient instructor – no need to book – just turn up on the night - £2.00 per person, per session.

The event will be raising money for "The Art Room" (which is attached to the new Aureus School in Didcot) where they help children and young people who have experienced emotional and/or behavioural difficulties to re-engage with learning and help them to thrive in life. If you have any questions or would like a Ticket Application form please email rachaelaustin@fastmail.fm or ring on 01235 833798.

between the readings. The children carried animals to the crib with Mary, Joseph, Jesus, and the shepherds. The Magi are still to arrive (waiting at the back of the church). We were so grateful to the Rev. Nicholas Cheeseman who took this service and the Christmas Morning Communion, as we are still without a resident vicar.

The deadline for submitting information for inclusion in the next village Newsletter is 25th January 2019. Please email to newsletter@westhendred.net

West Hendred & Ginge Village Hall, A birdseye view of 2018

With our sparkly new professional-grade kitchen, the Hall has now been able to provide for larger parties, including weddings, and special birthdays.

At the AGM in June, we welcomed Joff Meston and Stefan Povolotsky to the Committee, both of whom have contributed greatly to the work of the running the Hall and its events.

Events held in 2018

In February there was Manjit Kahlon's Indian Cookery Masterclass, followed the next evening by the completely sold-out QI Quiz hosted by John Lloyd with Manjit Kahlon's superb Indian supper.

Over the summer we had our floor treated with its coating, so it is sparkly as new! We squeezed an extra year since its previous treatment, which really helped when we had our kitchen upgraded in Summer 2017.

In early September we hosted the West Hendred Not Just a Beer Festival both in the hall and with marquees and tables in the car park.

At the very end of November, the Whalebone Band brought their unique acoustic instrumental folk music to West Hendred.

In mid December, we held the Christmas event, celebrating not just the Yuletide, but also the formal unveiling of the New Hall Opening pictures on 12th June 2005. This enabled us all to commemorate the effort and contributions made by donors and villagers to the new Hall. We formally unveiled the photographs of the Hall's opening as well as the beautiful framed painting by long-time village resident, Beryl Maile, kindly donated by Roy Moorhouse. Beryl was a great supporter of the hall, and was on the Management Committee for several years.

The donations and proceeds from the tombola, raffle, and children's lucky dip will help us with the hall's winter heating bill. Thank you to all who helped at or attended the Christmas event

in the village hall. It was a brilliant get together and lots of fun had by all ages.

On behalf of all who manage and run the hall, we are all really grateful to everyone who initiated, organised, contributed to and participated in all the events and work to maintain our thriving Hall.

Linda has continued to build on her great success of Yoga and Mindfulness, adding a session for teens, to help with focussing & dealing with exam stress. She is also running sessions for Yoga for beginners and improvers, as well as Gentle yoga

Charlie Prince has kept us spectacularly fit with her Pilates classes on Monday evenings and Wednesday evenings.

On Friday Mornings, Rachel Lock has also run her KONGA fitness routines, set to the hottest sounds of music.

In January, February, and March the snowdrop "in the green" sales at the Coffee Morning, plant and Book Sales added spring colour, and a variety of hardy plants. The most recent sale was in November. Over the year, these sales raised £309-90 for the Village Hall.

In July, the Youth Club held its enjoyable highly summer party and Barbeque.

The Mother and Baby/Toddler Group continues to go from strength to strength, and its fame continues to spread far and wide.

The West Hendred Stitches have provided a warm and sociable atmosphere to all.

The Coming Year - we're anticipating doing further talks. We're firming up on details, and also on the range of subjects. Please do make your comments, and suggestions.

Christmas Event Carol Singing



Regular Events in West Hendred & Ginge Village Hall

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.

For more information, contact Rachel Lock on 07801 824293.

Youth Club – Next meets in the new year – Dates to be revealed!

The Youth Club meets usually on the third Friday at 7 pm, which would be Friday 18th January. Please contact Penny Meston for more information.

Adult helpers are urgently needed! On 01235 832113. 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.

Coffee Morning, plant, and book sale – Saturday 19th January 10 am – 12 noon

Thank you to all who have come and supported book sales in 2018, and already raised £309.90! The next sale in mid January is anticipated to have early snowdrops on sale.

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 20th January 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. Classes start again on the 15th January

Thursdays 9.15-10.45 am Yoga for beginners and improvers. Classes start again on the 10th January

Thursdays 11-12.15 Gentle yoga. Classes start again on the 10th January

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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