WEST HENDRED NEWSLETTER MARCH 2020

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

15 March 20 March 29 March 4 April

Family Service Jazz in the Village **Hive Market Coffee Morning** Plant/Book Sale

Holy Trinity Church WH Village Hall Loyd Lindsay Rooms WH Village Hall

9am 7.30-10pm 11am-2pm 10-12pm

26/27 June

WH Beer Festival

WH Village Hall

Deadline for next newsletter 25 March 2020

Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Update

The Shoeboxes sent from here in November have been happily received by needy children in Serbia and Belarus. Thank you again to all who supported this important project. Patsy and Angela

At long last- The Great Water Leak Of 2020! By Jane Soffe

After 11 days of water streaming down the Greenway, despite many long calls to Thames Water (usually unhelpful and with varied responses); three separate visits to 'assess' the leak where we were told it was likely that the copper beech roots had damaged the pipes and they would need us to remove some of our wall and the copper beech on the end; arriving to dig a hole around the leak on the Saturday night, then another lorry turning up to fill the hole in on the Monday morning then leaving without filling it as it was pointed out that the leak had not yet been fixed, only to return on the Monday afternoon to fill it as the permit was going to run out Monday evening! This led to the leak slowing but then washing all the filler out very quickly! Another gentleman came to view the "patch" and said the job would be put as a priority.

Brian then set about removing part of the wall and cutting the copper beech to be removed, as Thames Water had insinuated. We rang Thames Water again on the Thursday to find out when something was

going to be done as we were very aware of the safety issues with the hole on the footpath and the issues the water running down the path/road was causing to a lot of people in the village. At this point we were told it was booked in to be fixed on the following Monday afternoon. We held our breath and waited!

The Monday came and at 3pm another lorry arrived and after 134 hours they were all done. We were then told it was nothing to do with our copper beech and that the wall hadn't needed to be removed!

All through this we had little or no water pressure, so no chance of a shower (we were also worried about the heating as we were not sure if the water pressure would affect the boiler) and couldn't drink the water as it was full of sediment.

Brian and I would like to thank you all for your understanding, support and patience through this debacle! It has been very much appreciated. Thank Goodness it is all over.

Jazz in the Village

Ian Millar on saxophone and Dominic Spencer on piano will be playing accessible, melodic jazz at West Hendred Village Hall as part of their UK 2020 tour on Friday 20th March, doors open 7.30pm, jazz starts at 8pm. Licenced bar, accompanied under 16s free. Tickets on sale at Hendred Stores, East Hendred or email whvhbookings@gmail.com www.millarandspencer.co.uk

West Hendred Not Just a Beer Festival 2020

The committee are delighted to announce the date of this year's 9th West Hendred Not Just a Beer Festival: 26th and 27th June. As always we will be looking to grow and improve, and if you've any ideas and/or suggestions we would be pleased to hear them.

A website is being developed and we desperately need images/videos of previous years. If you have some that you are happy to share and be published on the website, would you please let Tim Hutchinson or Piers Denne know on tim.hutchinson@outlook.com or piersdenne@msn.com

We also need help over the two days and in preparation – particularly the catering department. If you are able to volunteer please do let us know – contact Tim or Piers as above.

With kind regards
The committee

CHURCH SPRING CLEAN!

Our Church in West Hendred needs a good Spring clean & we're looking for helpers. On Friday afternoon 20th March and Saturday morning 21st March. You will be rewarded with homemade cake & bacon butties!

Contact Patsy 835113 or Angela 862912 for further details. THANK YOU!

The deadline for next month's newsletter is 25th March

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

NEW: Weekend art classes for children in East Hendred

Starting 14 March with Greg Whiteman

Contact <u>greg@gregwhitemanart.co.uk</u> for more details.

THE HIVE Eco Store & Refill Station

It's been a busy few months for The Hive market which started out at West Hendred Village Hall and is now held at the Loyd Lindsay Rooms in Ardington.

The next Hive Market is 29th March from 11am - 2pm which includes the normal local traders and Hive Refills plus lots of Easter inspiration and this market has a Village Wide Easter Egg Hunt (£2 per map), and kid's workshop. Plus Adult Story time, come and find out more!

The Old Tin Hut in East Hendred is undergoing a make over to become the Hive Hut and opens on **14th March 2020 at 1400.** Click here to book your free tickets: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/hive-hut-grand-opening-tickets-97576282287

The Hive Hut will be a workshop and collaborative space as well as have several exciting new Eco products, and plenty of home cleaning, hair, body and skin care on refills. With lots more exciting news to come, follow on Instagram @bzbwraps.

FOR SALE / FREE ITEMS

13.5 tog duck feather and down double duvet, very little used. £35.

One sprung, single Slumberland mattress, good condition. £60.

07976 229210

FREE: 31" Sony TV in excellent working order free to anyone who takes it away.

Please contact David or Juliet on 01235 833586

FREE: Children's double height playhouse. Needs some TLC but all easily fixable. Call Kate on 07785 37047

Gardener/Outdoor Work

Should anyone require a gardener / outdoor work please contact Jim on 07530 804011

WEST HENDRED AND GINGE VILLAGE HALL NEWS - HALL LETTINGS All hall

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

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JAZZ IN THE VILLAGE – FRIDAY 20th March 7.30 to 10pm Ian Millar (Saxophone) & Dominic Spencer (Piano) play high quality, sophisticated, melodic jazz, improvising on standards and original compositions. Jazz in the Village returns to West Hendred following their very successful and popular appearance here in January 2017!Doors open at 7-30pm, concert starts at 8PM. Licensed Bar. Tickets £10 each, available from Hendred stores and whyhbookings@gmail.com

PUPPY SCHOOL

March

Puppy School incoming to West Hendred to make training simple and fun for pups and owners within a small group. Ideal for dogs aged up to 20 weeks, and owners of any age, Puppy School will welcome the whole family and teach you and your pet how to enjoy a happy and healthy life together. Only kind, fair and effective techniques are used and puppies are educated to have good manners, be friendly with people and other dogs, and to respond to commands. All classes are stimulating and fun for owners and puppies.

During six, one-hour long sessions, tutors show owners how to improve their dog's obedience and ensure their puppy's become good-mannered, well-balanced and non-aggressive pets.

Your local classes will be taking place at West Hendred Village Hall on Thursdays at 6.30pm from 21st May. For more information about Puppy School contact Deb at debbennison@puppyschool.co.uk or log onto www.puppyschool.co.uk.

West Hendred Easter and Lent Services

Sunday 1 st	Morning Prayer	9:00
Sunday 8 th	Morning Prayer	9:00
	Benefice Communion Ardington	10:30
Sunday 15 th	Family Service	9:00
Wed 25 th	Holy Communion	10:00
Sunday 29 th	Morning Prayer	9:00
	Benefice Communion	10:00
April		
Sunday 5 th	Palm Sunday Communion	9:00
Monday 6 th	Benefice Communion Ardington	10:00
Tuesday 7 th	Benefice Communion Ardington Holy Communion	10:00 10:00
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Also, each Wednesday, from 4th March to 1st April, Compline 7:00pm

Full list of Benefice services at the churches or on the benefice website www.wantagedownsbenefice.com/service-infomation/

REGULAR EVENTS AT THE HALL INCLUDE:

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 on Friday 27th March.

The Youth Club meets usually on the third Friday at 7 pm: 27/3, 24/4, 22/5, 19/6 & 17/7 **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 4th April 10 am – 12 noon Thank you to all who came and supported the February sale, which raised £72-95! Many nearly new cookery and childrens books! Also a fantastic variety of spring plants, hardy plants, and early summer 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 15th March 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 9.15-10.45am Yoga for beginners and improvers**. **Thursdays 11 – 12.15 Gentle yoga** (including chair yoga) Not sure if yoga is for you? Come along for a free trial lesson! For further information on any of these courses and to enrol, please contact Linda on 01235 863647 or linda@soderstrom.myzen.co.uk (British Wheel of Yoga and TeenYoga Teacher)

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