

Neighbourhood News from Hilmarton Parish

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This Newsletter is produced for Hilmarton Parish Council
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WHAT'S ON IN OCTOBER

- Bingo 2nd Oct. in the
Community Room 6:45pm

Table Top Sale in the Church
Hall 3rd Oct. 9:30am

Macmillan Coffee Morning
The Duke 10th Oct. 10am

Phoenix in the Community
Room 13th Oct. 7:15pm

Cameo in the Church Hall
14th Oct. 12 - 2pm.

Moviola on 17th Oct.
7pm Church Hall

Harvest Supper in the School
Hall 24th Oct. 7pm

Gardening Club 27th Oct.
7pm in the Church Hall

Halloween & Bonfire Party
31st Oct. 5pm at The Duke

Contact a Councillor, read
the Parish Council minutes
www.hilmartonparish.co.uk

A Royal Night Out (12a)

A Royal Night Out is a film about one perfect, glorious evening in the lives of two real-life princesses. They are Elizabeth and Margaret Windsor and the night is 8 May 1945, V-E Night. The whole of London is on the streets to celebrate the official end of World War II in Europe. It is known that the young princesses aged 19 and 14, slipped out of the palace to join the communal euphoria and went dancing at the Ritz, apparently returning to Buckingham Palace just after midnight. *A Royal Night Out* is an affectionate 'what-if' story about the adventures Elizabeth (Sarah Gadon) and Margaret (Bel Powley) might have had on the joyous night that brought the whole of London together.

WILTSHIRE MOVIOLA
In association with
ST LAURENCE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
and CALNE COMMUNITY AREA PARTNERSHIP
proudly presents

A ROYAL NIGHT OUT

In Hilmarton Parish Church Hall 12A
Saturday 17th October at 7.30pm
Doors open 7.00pm
Tickets: £6.00
From
• Birsden, Church Road, Hilmarton (SN11 8JL) (01249 760401)
• Jays Cottage, 34, Church Road, Hilmarton (SN11 8JG) (01249 760401)
or Email moviolas@hilmartonparish.co.uk

For more info call 01249 760401 or 01249 760411

Visit our website at www.moviola.org

Three Villages Treasure Hunt

Sunday September 27th 2015 from 2pm. Entry per Team / Car £10 on the day. Proceeds to Goatacre Village Hall fund. Enjoy a leisurely drive and pleasant walk around the three local villages and sights of Hilmarton, Foxham and Bradenstoke in search of clues and quiz answers. Starts and finishes at Goatacre Village Hall, followed by a delicious Cream Tea!

Prizes for Winning team and Runners-Up!

Please confirm your team entry by email to Mike Lewis
mikelewis54@googlemail.com so we know how many scones to bake.

PRIVATE ENTRIES
Dependent of available space,
private entries may be
accepted for inclusion in the
Neighbourhood News.
Donations of a minimum of
£10 are suggested. This
donation can go to your
chosen Parish Group. Copy
and donation, please, to
Jacquie Henly (760401)

2015 HARVEST SUPPER - SATURDAY 24th OCTOBER - 7pm for 7:30pm
The School Hall (off Poynder Place)
Four Course Supper consisting of:
Homemade Smoked Salmon Pate – Gammon Salad (Vegetarian option available)
Homemade Apple Crumble with Cream or Custard – Cheese & Biscuits
Still & Sparkling Water on each table
£15.00 per person – Limited availability – Avoid disappointment, get your tickets now!
Contact Sheron or Mel Wilkins 01249 760572 or email melwilkins@live.com
Please bring your own drinks and glasses
Raffle

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A BIG THANK YOU FROM THE DUKE

Gail, Steve and Sean are overwhelmed at the wonderful welcome they have received, especially from the local community.

"Thank you all so much" said Gail, "The support is far beyond our wildest dreams, we really appreciate your lovely comments, your friendliness and community spirit".

Arkells Managing Director, George Arkell said "If you could pick a team to run a pub, Stephen, Gail and Sean would be it and we're delighted they've taken on The Duke. With Stephen's military background, Gail's business experience and Sean's chef qualifications, there is no better recipe for success, to make The Duke the heart of the village."

The 'Pub' is about to receive a very welcome facelift to the exterior - fresh paint, new lighting and signage.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING Saturday 10th October at THE DUKE

from 10am till 12noon

Please come along and support this very worthy charity, enjoy coffee & cake and have a chat with friends

Hilmarton Community Speed Watch

The Hilmarton Parish Group have temporarily given up it's monitoring sessions due to the lack of members who can offer regular time slots.

I am sure our past efforts have made a definite difference to the speed of vehicles through the Parish, to the fact that we regularly report no vehicles speeding during the course of an hour. This is sometimes due to the sheer volume of traffic of up to 1000 vehicles passing within this period. Most 'speeders' are witnessed at weekends, whilst the road is quieter.

A big thank you is due to Malcolm for all the time given to Hilmarton CSW.

More details from melwilkins@live.com.

October 2015 HGC Garden Tips

It is coming up to a busy time in the garden, so get ready to put your garden to bed for the winter. Here are some of the jobs that need doing.

1.Plant daffodil bulbs, tulip bulbs and Allium bulbs for a glorious spring display. 2.Plant bare root ornamental trees and shrubs. 3.Plant out any perennials or biennials you've grown from seed this year. 4.Plant spring bedding such as wallflowers, Bellis, Primulas and winter pansies for a fantastic spring display. 5.This month is an ideal time to plant or move trees and shrubs, and plant hedges. 6.Prune climbing roses and rambling roses once they've finished flowering and tie in the stems before winds cause damage. 7.Clear up fallen rose leaves to prevent diseases such as black spot from over-wintering - don't compost the leaves. 8.Cut back perennial plants that have died down or alternatively leave the dead foliage in place for over-wintering wildlife. 9.Lift and divide any overcrowded herbaceous perennials whilst the soil is still warm. 10.Finish harvesting beans and peas 11.Harvest squashes and pumpkins before the first frosts. They will quickly turn mushy if left outside!. 12.Continue to plant autumn garlic bulbs now for a bumper crop next summer. 13.Plant autumn onion sets for cropping next summer. 14.Cut back the fruited canes of your summer fruiting raspberries, leaving the new green canes for next year's crop. Tie in next year's raspberry canes to support wires or fencing. 15.Wrap glue bands around the trunks of apple trees to trap winter moth females whose caterpillars shred spring flowers. 16.Remove the netting from fruit cages to allow birds to catch and eat any pests that are lurking there. 17.Apply a winter wash to the trunks and branches of fruit trees to kill off overwintering pests. 18.Move tender plants into the greenhouse to protect them from early frosts. Make sure that there is enough space between them to keep them well ventilated and reduce the risk of disease. 19.Check any plants which you are bringing inside for pests such as aphids. 20.Continue to remove any fallen or dead plant material to keep the growing area free of fungal diseases. 21.Set up your greenhouse heater in case of early frosts. 22.Clear up fallen leaves regularly to allow light to the grass. 23.A last mowing can be made this month before leaving your lawn for the winter. 24.Recut any lawn edges if needed. Try installing lawn edging to make future maintenance easier. 25.Finish off essential lawn maintenance to avoid waterlogging and compaction over winter. Try aerating your lawn with a garden fork, raking thatch from the surface and repairing dead patches. 26.Fresh turf can still be laid now. Autumn rains should ensure the turf settles successfully.

Regards **Lesley and the committee**

Next

Meeting Tuesday October 27th The speaker for the October Meeting is Carl Gill. In a previous life he was a senior member of staff at Lackham College. We have not chosen a topic yet as he is a late substitution as our scheduled speaker cancelled. Please look out for our posters at a later date, giving more information. Do put this date in your diary and come along. Everyone is welcome to our meetings. We meet the last Tuesday of the month at the Parish Church Hall. Swindon Road, Hilmarton. The doors open at 7pm for 7.30 start.

For more information call Lesley Hudson on 07803 741293 or Geoff Procter on 01249 760312

TABLE TOP SALE

The next 'Table Top Sale' will be held in the Parish Church Hall on Saturday 3rd October 2015, 9:30am to 1:30pm.

There are still a few tables available, so please book now to avoid disappointment. To reserve your table, or for further information, please contact Lesley on 01249 760576. Admission 50p under 12yrs Free. Refreshments available.

PHOENIX GROUP "An Introduction to the World of Whales & Dolphins"

Cetaceans - Whales, Dolphins and Porpoises. This, the largest group of sea based Mammals are at the top of their food chain. This talk will discuss their evolution, their behaviours linked to their advanced intelligence, the ways in which they have adapted to their environment and the increasing threats to their habitats and their ultimate survival.

Cetaceans closer resemble humans than the fish that surround them - does this go some way to explaining the bonds that so many humans seem to have with them? Do they really seek out human company and interact with us? And why do their major threats emanate from us as humans?

All welcome. Come along to the Phoenix group meeting on Tuesday 13th October 7.15 in the Community Room.

Non Members pay £2.00 entry fee plus £1.00 to include a raffle ticket and light refreshments.

All are very welcome to attend. For further information, please contact Ruth on 760205 or Tina on 822531.

BINGO Come along to your friendly Bingo game. All cash prizes and our popular raffle.
 Friday 2nd October, 6:45 for 'eyes down' at 7:00pm In the Community Room - Poynder Place
 Our 'Snowball' is now £40!!!! The draw for the September Ten Score Club will also take place.



On Monday, 14th September, five ladies from Hilmarton, all blessed with the art of floral arranging, travelled to Salisbury Cathedral with the aim of creating a tableaux depicting an aspect of harvest.

Jasmine, Joan, Natalie, Anna and Sheron had spent time over the preceding months, discussing and illustrating their ideas.

The photo above depicts the culmination of their combined creativity, a worthy compliment in such a wonderful setting.

Props were borrowed - the tall steps being the property of our own Church - barrels, sacks and crates were kindly loaned by Keith & Becky at Pillar Antiques of Lyneham, the lovely assortment of vegetables generously donated by local Bromham growers, V&P Collins.

Sincere thanks to all involved, for a marvellous display.



Sheron – Natalie – Anna – Jasmine - Joan

RURAL CRIME

We have had several reports of crime this month.

As usual, please make life as difficult as possible for offenders. Whilst they are determined, if taking time to commit their crimes – it gives us time to have a chance at catching them, whilst in the act of stealing.

In the early hours of the morning on 27th August, a resident at Hilmarton called 999 reporting an intruder in the garden shed. Police attended and managed to detain one offender and one known individual is still outstanding. It transpired that another two properties had been attacked at Hilmarton. The offender is currently on Police bail and will be dealt with in due course. Thank you to the eagle eyed resident.

Several vehicles at The White Horse at Cherhill have recently been broken into with handbags left within being stolen along with mobile phones and cash. These thefts have been happening during the early afternoon times 1400 up to 1700 hrs.

As always, if you see anything suspicious, please report it. It may seem small to you but could be part of a bigger picture.

I have had a few complaints this month regarding vehicles being parked on pavements. This is particularly the case in Hilmarton. Myself and my colleagues will be dealing with the vehicle owners in due course, but in the meantime, please remember, roads are for cars and pavements are for people.

WPC 319 Sonya Stockhill Community Beat Manager – Rural Calne NPT ☎ 101

✉ sonya.stockhill@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk 📍 Calne Police Station Silver Street Calne SN110JF

The Library Bus will visit the School Hall car park 1:30pm to 1:50pm Mon. 5th & 19th October

CHAPEL ACTIVITIES IN OCTOBER

Sunday 4 th	Harvest Family Service	4:00pm
Sunday 11 th /18 th /25 th /	Service	6:00pm
Wednesday 7 th & 21 st	Ladies Meeting	2:00pm
Wednesday 14 th & 28 th	Coffee Morning	10:00am
Friday 2 nd /9 th /16 th /23 rd /30 th	Prayer Group at Audrey Peglar's, Dauntsey	2:30pm

On Migration

Selfishly one of the joys of holidaying on Crete was that I had all the joys of a Greek island without encountering refugees on the beaches as I might have done on Cos. I returned to hear about the reverberations of a particular image of a drowned child and how that seemed to have shifted the national conversation. I'm guessing that lots of people in the villages locally are already pondering what support they might offer to those in such distress that they are willing to risk of a small boat on the Mediterranean and a trek across borders that makes the local Ride and Stride look like a stroll to the corner.

I'm mindful of how the bible often encourages the people to keep the commandments and to be concerned for widows and orphans – those in the context of scripture without a family safety net to keep them protected and fed. Often in the bible people are told to do this with God saying 'remember you were a slave in the land of Egypt' or a reminder that our ancestors too were 'wandering Arameans'. Maybe you know that you can trace your family history in this place back hundreds of years and many generations. I know in mine that the sanctuary of the UK is part of the reason why my family has survived.

But for all of us migration brings great joys and enriches our lives, our culture and our food. Imagine this country without the potatoes, tomatoes, oranges and lemons that came from somewhere else. Perhaps you enjoy Indian or Chinese or Vietnamese food or prefer pizza and pasta. All of these are some migrants' food originally. Maybe you like reading Conrad or watching Spielberg's movies. Maybe you have friends across Europe or on the other side of the Atlantic.

Maybe – like me you feel we ought to be doing something and as Harvest approaches that seems a time to continue to give to the Swindon foodbank but maybe do something extra for those fleeing violence and horror in search of what many of us want – a better future for those we love.

Here is one set of possibilities from within the Church of England, I'm sure within the generosity of our communities – we might want to do something together. Let me know if you would like to do that.

Rachma

<http://www.salisbury.anglican.org/news/churches-respond-to-refugee-crisis>

Reverend Rachma Abbott, Priest in Charge Woodhill Benefice, The Vicarage, Clyffe Pypard, Swindon, Wiltshire, SN4 7PY.

Date	HILMARTON	Date	Other Benefice Churches
Sunday 4 th Oct		Sunday 4 th Oct	9:15am Harvest Family Communion, Tockenham 11:00am Family Communion, Broad Town 6:00pm Evensong, Clyffe Pypard
Wednesday 7 th Oct	2pm Worship in the Week in Church Communion followed by tea & coffee		
Sunday 11 th Oct	11:00am Harvest Family Service	Sunday 11 th Oct	9:15am Harvest Family Service, Clyffe Pypard 6:00pm Evensong, Tockenham
Sunday 18 th Oct	6:00pm Evensong	Sunday 18 th Oct	9:15am Morning Prayer, Tockenham 11:00am Sung Communion, Broad Town
Sunday 25 th Oct	9:15am Communion	Sunday 25 th Oct	8:00am Communion, Broad Town 11:00am Communion, Clyffe Pypard



PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH

14.00pm to 2pm
Wednesday
14th October

Church Hall
Hilmarton

Come
And
Meet
Each
Other

Relax and chat ALL WELCOME

News from the Bell Tower.

We continue with our special half- muffled ringing to mark the 100th anniversary of people connected with Hilmarton Parish who died as a result of the First World War. There is one person to ring for in October and we will ring from 6.30pm to 7.15pm. 22nd October – Charles Ponting

Our ringing on these occasions always takes the same form. We ring each bell up one at a time. We then read the entry from Richard Broadhead's book about the person for whom we are ringing and then ring two periods of call changes. The bells are rung down at the end one at a time.

Elaine Leighton (Tower correspondent)

For enquiries about Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals or other special services please phone Rev'd Abbott (01793 731134), Lay Pastoral Assistant – Val Procter (760312) or Churchwarden, John Henly (760401)

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THE DUKE HOTEL

HALLOWEEN NIGHT & BONFIRE PARTY

SATURDAY 31ST OCTOBER

FANCY DRESS OPTIONAL



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&

GOOOOULASH WITH RICE

WE WILL BE OFFERING A FINE SELECTION OF SPIRITS!!!!

TICKETS

£5 FOR ADULTS £3 CHILDREN

STARTING FROM 8.00PM





The **DUKE** Hotel



Christmas Menu

Starters

- Chicken, Cranberry & Brandy Pate
- Sweet Red Pepper & Tomato Soup
- Breaded Lemon & Black Peppered Scallops
- Prawn & Smoked Salmon Marie Rose

Main

- Roast Turkey with Cranberry Stuffing
- Roast Beef with Horseradish

Both served with all the traditional Christmas trimmings

- Salmon Supreme with an Orange & Cranberry Sauce

Served on a bed of crushed potatoes and seasonal vegetables

- Mushroom, Brie & Cranberry Wellington

Served with Dauphinoise Potato & Seasonal Vegetables

Desserts

- Viennese Mincemeat & Orange Tart
- Mulled Wine & Apple Crumble with a Crunchy Oaty Orange Topping
- Chocolate Yule Log
- Traditional Christmas Pudding
- Selection of West Country Ice Creams & Sorbets

2 Course £16.95

3 Course £20.95

