

Neighbourhood News from Hilmarton Parish

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WHAT'S ON IN SEPTEMBER

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

The Duke Lunch Club

12pm 7th September

Church Ride & Stride

10th September

Phoenix 13th September
Community Room 7:30

CAMEO 14th Sept. 2 – 4

Tea at Manor Farm

Goatfest 16th/17th Sept.
Goatacre Cricket Ground

Moviola 23rd September
7pm in the Church Hall

Garden Club 27th Sept. in
the Church Hall at 7pm

Contact a Councillor, read
Parish Council minutes

www.hilmartonparish.co.uk

PRIVATE ENTRIES

Dependent on available
space, private entries may be
accepted for inclusion in the
Neighbourhood News.

Donations of a minimum of
£10 are kindly suggested.

This donation can go to your
chosen Parish Group. Copy
and donation please, to
Jacquie Henly (760401)

WILTSHIRE MOVIOLA
in association with
ST LAURENCE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

**FLORENCE
FOSTER JENKINS** PG

MERYL STREEP · HUGH GRANT

In Hilmarton Parish Church Hall
Friday : 23 September at 7.30pm
Doors open 7.00 pm

Tickets: £6.00 from:

- 27 Poynder Place, Hilmarton 760215
- Breda Cottage, 34, Church Road, Hilmarton 760312 (opposite chapel)
- The Duke Hotel 760634 where you may also order a pre-cinema meal at a special price or E-mail MarkRickaby2@gmail.com

For more info call Geoff Procter on: 01249 760312

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LEAD THEFT

It appears, due to the increase in scrap prices, theft of lead from our Churches is sadly again on the increase. If you see or hear anything or anyone acting suspiciously near our Church, please contact the Police immediately. If they are strangers, do not attempt to approach them.

TEN SCORE CLUB WINNERS FOR JUNE 2016

1st No.77 – Sharon Bissett £25.50 * 2nd No.24 – Joyce Rummung £5.10
3rd No.43 – Louise Foley £5.10 * 4th No.198 - Piers Maynard £5.10
5th No.15 – Molly Jacomb £2.55 * 6th No.99 – Ron Jacomb £2.55
7th No.1 – Mike Rummung £2.55 * 8th No.123 – Mair Morgan £2.55
You too can have a chance to win every month – buy a number or numbers for £1 per month per number - £12 enters your number in 12 draws. For more information, please contact Mel Wilkins on 760572 07443 940 367 or email melwilkins@live.com

HGC 2016 August Garden Tips

August is a month of plenty in the vegetable garden, and harvesting is the order of the day. All the summer vegetables will be in full flow by now, and you're likely to have plenty of beans, peas, potatoes, cucumbers, tomatoes and courgette. The vegetable patch will look very green, with mature plants covering most of the soil, and there will be lovely splashes of colour from the runner bean and courgette flowers. If the weather is very dry, don't forget to water your patch.

It is too hot to write down lots of gardening tips, now is the time to enjoy your garden. Below are some short sharp reminders of tasks for August.

**1. Keep picking your veg – 2. Water pots and containers daily – 3. Keep weeding
4. Pest watch – 5. Harvest garlic and onions – 6. Tie up tomatoes – 7. Tidy up any harvested crops – 8. Shake your sweet corn – 9. Harvest ALL your potatoes
10. Remove butterfly eggs and caterpillars from your brassicas – 11. Tie in autumn fruiting raspberries – 12. Plant new strawberry plants – 13. Water blueberries and cranberries – 14. Prune stone fruit trees – 15. Hang wasp traps**

The speaker at the meeting on Tuesday 23th August will be Victoria Longue. The subject will be **Extending the Season in the Garden.**

The speaker at the meeting on Tuesday 27th September is Julie Richie. She will be talking about **Plants for Awkward Places.**

Do put these dates in your diary. Everyone is welcome. Come along and see us at The Hilmarton Parish Hall. For more information call Lesley Hudson on 07803 741293 or Geoff Procter on 01249 760312.

Our members are not just local to Hilmarton. Our 80 strong memberships include members from Calne, Bushton and Clyffe Pypard, Brinkworth, Lyneham, Royal Wootton Bassett and other local communities.

AFTERNOON

2pm to 4pm
Wednesday
14th September

Manor Farm,
Hilmarton.
(The home of Shirley
Yeatman, just opposite
the church gate)

TEA

**Come
And
Meet
Each
Other**



Relax and chat ALL WELCOME

PHOTOS PLEASE!

The compilation of the 2017 Hilmarton
Calendar

is under way,
but we are still looking for
a June picture

and one with *autumnal colour*, both
preferably of a local place within
Hilmarton Parish.

This could be your garden, your road,
your farm or fields.....

**Please look through your digital photos
from last year, or before, and send
anything possible, as soon as possible,
to sally_fox@btinternet.com**

THANK YOU

BINGO Come along to your friendly Bingo game. All cash prizes and raffle.
Friday 2nd September, 6:45 for 'eyes down' at 7:00pm. In the Community Room - Poynder Place. Our 'Snowball' has now reached it's maximum of £70 for 63 numbers!!!!
The draw for the August Ten Score Club will also take place.



Phoenix Group

13th September at 7.30pm Community Room

There is a romance in canal travel as anyone who has done it will tell you. The peace and quiet, mooring up at a good pub for an evening meal and a pint. A different pace of life!

Thanks to the hard work of groups like the **Wilts and Berks Canal Trust** we can enjoy the miles of these wonderful waterways.

On the **13th September at 7.30pm** in the **Community Room** Sheila Wade from the Wilts and Berks Canal Trust will be telling us all about their role in keeping these canals open.

Do come along and join us for an interesting evening.

All very welcome. £2 admission which includes refreshments.

HARVEST SUPPER 2016

Saturday 29th October in the Hilmarton School Hall

Menu

Assorted Canapes

Harvest Vegetable Soup, Roll & Butter

Cottage Pie & Vegetables

Profiteroles/Cheesecake

After Dinner Mints

All this for only £15 per ticket

(Please request vegetarian option at time of booking)

Bring your own drinks - still/sparkling water provided

Tickets are strictly limited, due to seating capacity - please purchase before the event

To secure your tickets, call Sheron on 760572

Why not make up a whole table of eight or more!!!



'FEED THE GOAT' - News from Goatacre Cricket Club



GOATFEST

With the memories (and hangovers!) still fresh in the mind from last year its incredible that next month it will again be time for Goatfest - the club's music and beer festival. Goatfest has quickly become the club's biggest fundraiser and promises to be another superb weekend with great music, fine ales and ciders, and fantastic food freshly prepared at great value so if you haven't got your tickets yet you can purchase them today from the club bar or by visiting <http://www.goatfest.co.uk/>.

Saturday tickets are running short but there's plenty of Friday and weekend tickets available and it would be great if all players and supporters take on the challenge of selling 4 each!

There's also 1 silver sponsorship package available at £250 and 4 bronze ones at £75 so if you wish to promote your business to the hundreds of local people attending please contact John Wilkins on 07798680724 or john.wilkins13@yahoo.co.uk for more information.

Goatfest is organised purely by volunteers from the club so if you can offer any of your time to attend, sponsor, sell tickets, serve behind the bar, or volunteer in any way over the weekend it would be much appreciated.

We welcome all our supporters to an end of season party at the club after the last league games on 3rd September.

We are always looking for volunteers to help with things off the pitch as well such as making teas, helping with the grounds and much, much more so if you can help with anything at all speak to someone at the club, email goatacrecc@hotmail.co.uk or contact Chairman John Wilkins on 07798680724.

The Library Bus will visit the School Hall car park at 10:15 to 10:45am on Monday 5th September 2016

CHAPEL ACTIVITIES IN SEPTEMBER		
Sunday 4th	Family Service	4:00pm
Sunday 11 th /18 th /25 th	Service	6:00pm
Tuesday 6 th	Village Crafters	7:00pm
Tuesday 13 th & 27 th	Coffee Morning	10:00am
Wednesday 7 th & 21 st	Worship in the week	2:00pm
Thursday 8 th & 22 nd	Smile	10:00am
Friday 2 nd /9 th /16 th /23 rd /30 th	Prayer Meeting	2:30pm

On Human Flourishing 'The glory of God is a human being fully alive' so wrote Irenaeus in the second century. Sometimes it takes time away from my usual daily pattern to remind me that I believe I'm in the business of human flourishing. Holidays can help with that.

For me, at its best holiday becomes holy-day. The pleasure of conversation with loved ones goes beyond arranging the diary or the shopping/ cleaning/ caring practicalities of daily life; and drinks deeply and thoughtfully at stuff that matters, or shares experiences of beauty and pleasure that brings laughter and comfortable silence.

Holiday calls me back to a truer balance of work and rest, of play and perspective.

As the school holidays end and the new school year begins I may not be alone in wanting to find ways of maintaining a commitment to the kind of human flourishing that has room for work and play; for being still and being active; for cherishing old friendships and developing new ones.

I desire a life centred on a form of human flourishing which isn't simply for the individual 'me', but which embraces the flourishing of the relationships and communities in which I live and work and love.

I want to begin the autumn season holding firmly onto the reminders of how I want to live life that a season of holiday gave me. I'm also aware of wanting to share changes to the rules for churchyards, and at first that seems to bring me up with a bump. I may believe I'm in the business of human flourishing yet it can sometimes seem as if my business is a dry and dusty churchiness focused in the griefs of funerals. So where is the pivot which balances holiday and holy day; death and life; neglect and flourishing?

I find it in some lines from a poem by Mary Oliver, *When Death Comes*:

When it's over, I want to say all my life

I was a bride married to amazement.

I was the bridegroom taking the world into my arms.

For so often I have found that it is in saying farewell I become aware of the contribution to human flourishing, to our flourishing that others have made. And that is inspiration enough to devote ourselves to the flourishing of the human being.

Reverend Rachma Abbott, Priest in Charge Woodhill Benefice, The Vicarage, Clyffe Pypard, Swindon, Wiltshire, SN4 7PY. Tel: 01793 731134

Date	HILMARTON	Date	Other Benefice Churches
Sunday 4 th Sept		Sunday 4 th Sept	10:00am Tockenham Communion for St Giles
Wednesday 3 rd Sept	2:00pm Communion in the Chapel, followed by tea and coffee		
Sunday 11 th Sept	11:00am Word and Worship	Sunday 11 th Sept	9:00am Communion, Clyffe Pypard 10:00am Communion, Tockenham 6:00pm Evensong, Broad Town
Sunday 18 th Sept	6:00pm Evening Worship	Sunday 18 th Sept	9:00am Morning Prayer, Tockenham 10:00am Word and Worship, Clyffe Pypard 11:00 Sung Communion, Broad Town
Sunday 25 th Sept	11:00am Sung Communion	Sunday 25 th Sept	8:00am Communion, Clyffe Pypard 10:00am Word and Worship, Broad Town 6:00pm Evening Worship, Tockenham

News from the Bell Tower

There is no more WW1 commemorative ringing until October.

A band made up of members of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild of Ringers will attempt to ring a quarter peal at Hilmarton on Friday 16th September starting at 3:30 pm. The ringing should be finished by 4:30pm and you may like to listen to some of it as we are assured that the ringing should be of good quality.

We continue to practice on Monday nights but would still welcome anyone who would like to know about ringing to come to a practice between 7.30pm and 9pm on Monday evenings. Now we are nearing the end of the summer perhaps it is time to think about learning a new skill!!

Elaine Leighton (Tower correspondent)

WILTSHIRE CHURCHES SPONSORED RIDE & STRIDE This takes place on Saturday 10th September. Please contact Mair on 760308 for further information or a sponsorship form. To help on the rota to keep the Church open between 10am and 6pm, please contact Trish on 760638.

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)

ITEMS FOR INCLUSION IN THE OCTOBER EDITION BY 18th SEPTEMBER PLEASE TO: Mel Wilkins 760572
melwilkins@live.com - Jacquie Henly, Jays Cottage, Compton Road, Hilmarton 760401 jacque88@btinternet.com - Geoff Procter, Breda Cottage, Church Road, Hilmarton 760312 geoffphilmarion@hotmail.co.uk **ENTRY IN Microsoft 'WORD' FORMAT PLEASE**

GOATFEST

SEPTEMBER 2016

A FESTIVAL OF
MUSIC, FOOD & DRINK

FRIDAY 16TH

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THE LAST CHANCE AND MORE...

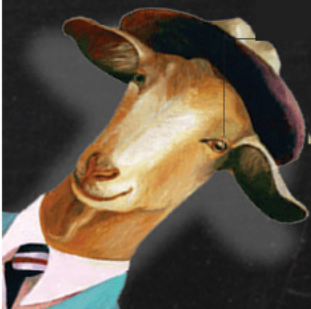
SATURDAY 17TH

JOSIE AND THE
OUTLAW

WILL BLAKE SLOETRAIN

PSG AND LOADS MORE....

WWW.GOATFEST.CO.UK





SEPTEMBER NEWS FROM THE DUKE



www.dukehilmarton.co.uk

01249 760634

What a warm few lazy days of summer we have had, and many have spent some happy times in The Duke Beer Garden. There should be lots more days of late summer and early autumn sunshine to enjoy. Have you seen the glorious sunsets behind your favourite local? ☺



This is a very good time to relax but also plan ahead for those long winter days and Christmas and New Year celebrations.

In anticipation of your forward planning, The Duke has now launched an exciting **Christmas Menu** and we don't mind if you book now to secure your table over the Christmas period. SEE LATER IN NEIGHBOURHOOD NEWS FOR DETAIL



WHY NOT HIRE THE 'THE OLD COACH HOUSE' FOR YOUR AUTUMN AND WINTER PARTIES. THE FEEDBACK ON THIS NEW VENUE HAS BEEN TERRIFIC. COME OVER AND CHECK IT OUT.

VILLAGE LUNCH WEDNESDAY 7th SEPTEMBER

7TH SEPTEMBER (1st Wednesday in the month). The 'now traditional' village lunch is on again. Whether working from home or retired or waiting to pick up the children from school. Young or old, all are welcome. Make new friends or

chat with old friends and neighbours. Phone **01249 760634** to book.

DAILY LUNCH MENU TWO COURSES £8.95

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Are you planning to go to the Free BBQ at The Duke on Saturday 27th August, (Bank Holiday weekend) and would like to build up a "guilt free" appetite? We might be able to help!



The Churchyard grass is maintained by Kevin Iles Home & Garden Services, and I'm sure you will agree with me, Kevin and his Team do an excellent job. Once a year we try to organise a Churchyard tidy-up to tackle other jobs that need doing from time to time. In the past we have done anything from painting iron gates to clearing unkempt corners of the churchyard. Fortunately due to extensive works completed in 2015 there are no major areas that need tackling. However, there are always opportunities to edge paths, weed the gravel drive, removing any new growth of ivy from walls, removing moss from the paths and any general maintenance such as clearing drains and leaves from roof areas and the perimeter paths.

If you would like to help us on Saturday 27th August from 9AM onwards, please just arrive in your old clothes and perhaps bring a couple of garden tools of your choice. We are not totally weather dependant because we can always find something to clean inside the Church if necessary, although working outside in the rain can be fun too!! There are no set plans or times so just turn up if and when you can. We will have the Community Corner open for tea, coffee and squash and of course we have modern and accessible toilets in the Church.

Hope you can make it; any help no matter how small will be greatly appreciated.

John Henly
Churchwarden
Tel: 760 401.