

NEIGHBOURHOOD NEWS FROM HILMARTON PARISH

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WHAT'S ON IN MARCH

Bingo in the Community Room
3rd March. 6:45pm

Great British Spring Clean
Saturday 4th March

Lunch Club at The Duke 8th
March.. 12:00pm

**Pot Supper at Natalies
Friday 10th March 7:30pm

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Phoenix 14th March
in the Community Room 7:30pm

Cameo in the Church Hall 15th
March. 12:00pm

Moviola in the Church Hall
18th March. 7:00pm

Gentleman's Breakfast The Duke
25th March 9:00am

Gardening Club 28th March in
the Church Hall 7:00pm

Contact a Councillor, read
Parish Council minutes
www.hilmartonparish.co.uk
Parish Council Clerk
Jacquie Henly
Jays Cottage, Compton Road,
Hilmarton, Calne, Wiltshire
SN11 8SG 01249760401

This Newsletter is produced for Hilmarton Parish Council. Private entries may be accepted for inclusion, subject to available space. Donations are suggested. The donation can go to your chosen Parish Group. Copy and donation please to Jacquie Henly 760401, Jays Cottage, Compton Road, Hilmarton, SN118SG

GENTLEMAN'S FULL ENGLISH BREAKFAST CLUB

Saturday 25th March 2017

9:00am for 9:30 start at
"THE DUKE HOTEL"

Hilmarton

Guest Speaker for March is
ANDY HENLY

"The Changing Face and
Sound of Radio"

Numbers are limited to 30 on a first
come first served basis.

£7.00 per head for a freshly cooked
hearty 'Full English Breakfast'

Please book in via email to
davemay104@yahoo.co.uk

Please note: members with mobility
difficulties should be aware the
speaker will be using the upstairs
meeting room.

I look forward to welcoming you on
the 25th Regards Dave

WILTSHIRE MOVIOLA

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



In Hilmarton Parish Church Hall
Saturday 18th March at 7.30pm

Doors open 7:00 pm

Tickets: £6.00

From:
27 Poynder Place 01249 760215
or E-mail MarkRokaby2@gmail.com
or 34 Church Road, Hilmarton

For more info call 01249 760312

hilmartonmoviola@hotmail.co.uk

Visit our website at

www.moviola.org



WOULD YOU LIKE A TIDIER PARISH?

Then please join **THE GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN**
Saturday 4th March - 9:30am at either the Church or
Goatacre Village Hall

Litter pickers, gloves, hi-viz vests and black bags will
be provided.

If you can spare a few hours making our Parish a
nicer place to live, please contact Mel Wilkins on
760572 or 07443 940 367 or melwilkins@live.com



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BINGO Come along to our friendly Bingo game & Raffle

All cash prizes.

Friday 3rd March, 6:45 for 'eyes down' at 7:00pm in the Community Room - Poynder Place.

From January we have introduced an Annual Bingo Membership Fee of £5.00 - this will give you the right to play for the monthly £70.00 Snowball.

The February Ten Score Club draw will also take place.

TEN SCORE CLUB WINNERS IN JANUARY

1st No.77 Sharon Bissett -2nd No.1 Mike Rumming

3rd No.23 Sheron Wilkins - 4th No.177 Ian Bissett

5th No.166 Piers Maynard 6th No.18 Sheron Wilkins

7th No.30 Louise Foley - 8th No.48 Elaine Leighton

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 monthly draws.

For more information please contact Mel Wilkins on 760572, 07443940367 or email melwilkins@live.com

HGC March Garden Tips 2017 **10th ANNIVERSARY YEAR 2017** hilmartongardeningclub@hotmail.co.uk

Spring has almost sprung. March is almost here. It is also the first month of Spring and already there is spring like activity in the garden. Snowdrops are out and other bulbs are beginning to poke through, weeds are beginning to appear and hedges are beginning to show signs of life.

At Last, it is time to get going in the garden. There is a lot to do this month, here are some of the jobs to get on with. **1.** Take a little time to prepare the vegetable garden soil for planting to give better growth and bigger crops. Heavy rain and our wellies cause the soil to become compacted, so digging helps break up the soil. **2.** Dig over the entire plot every, 2-3 years, applying a mulch of organic matter to the soil surface in no-dig years. This also provides food for worms whose activity further improves the structure of the soil. **3.** Take out perennial weeds being especially careful to remove all traces of roots. **4.** Over time soil fertility declines so replace missing nutrients by adding fertilisers such as pelleted chicken manure or blood fish and bone. These break down gradually, so releasing nutrients slowly. Chemical fertilisers dissolve more quickly. **5.** When you have finished weeding, and feeding, leave beds for a few weeks to settle before planting or sowing, cover with fleece or similar to allow soil to warm up. **6.** Start tomatoes, lettuce, and many other vegetables from seed inside. Brussels sprouts, cauliflower, cabbage, celery, leeks, onions, early potatoes, peas and radish seeds may be planted in the garden about mid-month. **7.** Cut down colourful stems of dogwood, trim winter flowering heather, avoid cutting into old wood. Cut away dead woody stems of hardy fuchsias. **8.** Order seedling and plug plants now to grow on to flowering size, these are also available from the garden centre or mail order, to grow on in frost-free conditions. **9.** Get ahead with baskets and containers if you have frost-free conditions in which to grow them on, until they are put out in May. Use young plants or plug plants. **10.** Top dress existing containers and pots with fresh compost. **11.** Find concealed snails in dark damp places to prevent them breeding and spreading into your borders, remove in your preferred method. **12.** Cut back late flowered clematis such as *C.viticella* and *C.texensis* hybrids, to 30cm (12in) from the ground, as they will flower more strongly at a lower height. Give them a light mulch of garden compost to help retain moisture and don't forget to protect young shoots from slugs and snails. **The March HGC meeting is on Tuesday 28th March, with a return visit from Timothy Walker.**

Do put these dates in your diary and look out for our 2017 news. Everyone is welcome to our meetings. We meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month. Come along and see us at the Church Hall, Swindon Road, Hilmarton. The doors open at 7pm for 7.30 start. Free refreshments are served during the evening.

Please come along and meet us at Hilmarton Parish Church Hall. For more information call Lesley Hudson on 07802 741293 or Geoff Procter on 01249 760312. hilmartongardeningclub@hotmail.co.uk

SOUP LUNCH

12 noon to 2pm
Wednesday
15th March

Hilmarton
Church Hall

Come
And
Meet
Each
Other



Relax and chat ALL WELCOME

Bushton Manor Plant Fair and Open Garden Bank Holiday Monday May 1st 2017 11am -3pm Postcode SN4 7PX

- This event has grown and grown over the last 10 years with over 700 people attending last year.

To celebrate this 10th Anniversary there is to be a dedicated display of Garden Art which will include sculpture, painting, demonstrations and country style products. Within the lovely grounds of this 18th century Manor House there will be some 30 stalls scattered around the garden with plants, crafts and other related products as well as the ever popular bacon butty BBQ and home made refreshments. A plant crèche will enable you to stroll around without having to carry your purchases. For the younger people there will be outside games to keep them occupied. Money raised will go towards the upkeep of St Peter's Church the Grade 1 listed building in Clyffe Pypard. Entrance £2. Children and car parking free. Further details www.clyffepypard-bushton.com

Charity takes time out to launch £25k appeal

The Carer Support Wiltshire, Time For Carers Appeal is raising £25,000 to give the thousands of unpaid carers they support a break, and they are calling on the people of Wiltshire to help them. "One thing all carers say – whatever their age – is that they need a little time for themselves.. Many don't have time to enjoy some of the things we all take for granted, like a trip to the cinema, taking part in a sporting activity or spending time with friends. This can affect their physical and mental wellbeing and lead to feelings of isolation," says Catharine Hurford, CSW Chief Executive. "All the money we raise through this appeal will go directly to enabling carers to have a bit of time to themselves."

You can find out more about the appeal here: <http://carersinwiltshire.co.uk>

MOBILE LIBRARY

The Library Bus will be at the School Hall carpark in Poynder Place on Monday 20th March 10:15am

POT SUPPER EVENING!

There will be a Pot Supper evening on Friday 10th March from 7.30pm at 'Peartree Cottage' Compton Road, Hilmarton. Raising funds for The Hilmarton Scarecrow Festival.

If you would like to come along, just let Natalie know if you will be bringing a starter, main or side dish or a dessert. Plus £5.00 per person, a few pennies for the raffle and whatever you would like to drink.

(Natalie 01249 760199)

Samaras Aid May Appeal. For the past few years you have been amazing at supplying good quality clothing for the Syrian refugees through Samaras Aid. Everything that has been collected has been used and has helped to save lives. The appeal for this year has been launched and the collected items will be going in May. Can I ask you all once again to turn out your cupboards and help yet more cold and displaced people of all ages in Syria. They are in particular need of knitted blankets especially larger sizes as it is very cold. All clothing/blankets may be brought to me at Breda Cottage, Hilmarton. I am also happy to collect if required. The deadline for collecting will be the middle of April please.

If you belong to a group/school/church then perhaps you may like to help to supply a Care Pack (see Samaras Aid website for details). Thank you once again for your kindness. Val Procter 01249760312

Goatacre Cricket Club (The Goats)
Saturday 1st April is the Nat West Groundforce Day - Any help to get our ground ready for the forthcoming season will be much appreciated as there is a lot to do.

Bacon rolls and coffee will be provided
24th Sporting Dinner Thursday 13th April £45 per ticket from Pat Murphy on 07595 503509

Fancy making a scarecrow this year?

You could make; - The Queen, Sir Winston Churchill, Wallace & Gromit, a scarecrow with fish & chips!

Scarecrow entry forms are now available from Natalie Doust, The Duke Hotel & Hilmarton School. (Entry form also attached to the end of this newsletter - emailed version)

FAIRTRADE

There will be Traidcraft stall at our next CAMEO soup lunch on Wednesday 15th March 12 - 2

Hilmarton Church is a "Fairtrade church" and supports fair trade worldwide by using Fairtrade tea, coffee, sugar and biscuits, promoting the sale of cards and gifts Christmas and hosting the occasional stall.

Fairtrade Fortnight is coming soon, so please help us support farmers and producers all over the world in getting a fair price for their goods. *Thank you*

Big Breakfast Sunday March 12th 2017

9:30 – 11:30 Village Hall, Bushton

Come and enjoy a "Full English" breakfast prepared and served by Bushton and Clyffe Pypard WI. Price: £6.50 (reduced rates for children)

Always very good value!

No need to book – just come along, but it would be helpful if larger parties (6+) could let us know what time they are planning to be with us please call

Jan 01249 890726

THE ANNUAL CHURCH PARISH MEETING

this year is on Tuesday 25th April in the church at 6.30pm

(just before Gardening Club in the hall – don't worry, you CAN come to both as the APCM is short, but important!)

It is open to everyone:

- feel more involved in your parish church see who the Parochial Church Council members are
 - and vote for them and/or new candidates
- learn how much it costs to keep our church running and understand how your contributions are used

MARCH IN THE CHAPEL

Sunday 5th	Family Service	4:00pm
Sunday 12th/19th/26th	Service	6:00pm
Tuesday 7th & 21st	Coffee Morning	10:00am
Tuesday 7th	Crafters	7:00pm
Wednesday 1st & 29th	Worship in the Week	2:00pm
Thursday 2nd & 16th	Smile	10:00am
Friday 3rd/10th/17th/24th	Prayer Meeting	2:30pm

On Solitude and Isolation

I love to be on my own. I enjoy time without conversation or human interaction, time walking or swimming alone with only the rhythm of my own movement, my own breathing, my own thoughts. I've been known to say my idea of heaven would be a natural outdoor heated swimming pool just the width of a lane.

Such time, on retreat or snatched from the interruptions of daily life and work has become essential to sustainable living. Solitude, privacy, self-determination.

I struggle when I'm lonely, when the absence of someone I love enables me to share the highlights and challenges of the day. When long stretches of time when the only human contact I will have will be work or some other intervention like a visit to the GP remind me that I feel without love or friendship. When there is no shoulder on which to rest my weary head.

Such time feels interminable, tiring, depleting and undermining of fuller living. Isolation, abandonment, loneliness.

There are worlds of difference between Greta Garbo's 'I want to be alone' and being seen or described as a loner. And there can be solitude in crowds and loneliness amidst a multitude and contentment in solitary as well as partnered living. I ponder the loneliness of those who at work or home have responsibilities and take decisions that are unshared. I contemplate the joy of being unencumbered when making decisions about which way to go, what to eat, what task to complete.

There is a vast universe of different experience between feeling isolated and enjoying chosen solitude. How do we find ways to seek solitude and reduce isolation, to develop the resilience of contentment alone and easing the pain of feeling unseen and alone?

Rachma Abbott, The Vicarage, Clyffe Pypard, Swindon, Wiltshire, SN4 7PY Telephone 01793 731 134

For enquiries about Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals and other special services, please contact Reverend Abbott, Lay Pastoral Assistant, Val Procter 01249 760 312 or Church Warden, John Henly on 01249 760 401.

DATE	ST.LAURENCE - HILMARTON	OTHER BENEFICE CHURCHES
Wednesday 1st March	2:00pm Communion in the Chapel Followed by tea & coffee	
Wednesday 1st March	7:30pm Benefice Communion with option imposition of ashes for Ash Wednesday	
Sunday 5th March	5:00pm Evening Worship	8:00am Said Communion, Broad Town 9:00am Family Communion - Tockenham 10:00am Communion, Clyffe Pypard
Sunday 12th March	11:00am Word & Worship	10:00am Communion, Tockenham 5:00pm Evensong, Broad Town
Sunday 19th March	10:00am Communion	11:00am Sung Communion - Broad Town 5:00pm Evening Worship - Clyffe Pypard
Sunday 26th March	11:00am Sung Communion for Mothering Sunday	8:00am Communion, Clyffe Pypard 10:00am Word & Worship, Broad Town 6:00pm Evening Worship, Tockenham

News from the Bell Tower.

Our next WW1 commemorative ringing is in April 2017. We are attempting to ring another new method this one is called Reverse Canterbury we have a very ambitious aim of ringing it for Easter Day but it is more likely to be later. We did learn and ring Bastow Little Bob Doubles at our first attempt and three of us went to the monthly meeting and rang it there too. We welcome visitors to our practice nights to just come and chat and see what we do.

Lent Discussion Groups

There will be two Lent groups meeting in the Benefice.

Mondays 4:30pm to 6:30pm at The Vicarage, Clyffe Pypard – first meeting 6th March

Thursdays 7:30pm to 9pm at 48 Poynder Place, Hilmarton – first meeting 2nd March

For full details pick up a leaflet in church, go to www.churchnearyou.com and search for Hilmarton,

ring Elaine (01249 760537) or email beneficeofwoodhill@yahoo.co.uk Everyone is welcome to any session - just turn up and feel free to attend as many, or as few, as you are able and mix and match as suits you.

ITEMS FOR INCLUSION IN THE APRIL EDITION BY 16th MARCH PLEASE

To melwilkins@live.com - 760572 Jacquie Henly, Jays Cottage, Compton Road, Hilmarton. 760401 - jacque88@btinternet.com or Geoff Procter Breda Cottage, Church Road, Hilmarton 760312 -

THE HILMARTON SCARECROW FESTIVAL 2017

Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th May 2017. 10.00am – 4.00pm both days.

Theme 'BEST OF BRITSH'

E.g. The Queen, Sir Winston Churchill, The Beatles, Wallace & Gromit, a scarecrow with fish & chips!

If you would like to enter a scarecrow, please complete the entry form attached **NO LATER** than Sunday 2nd April 2017.

Please note! Your entry **MUST** either be a scarecrow or have one included – it is a scarecrow trail after all!

People taking part in the trail will vote for their favourite scarecrow. There will be 1st, 2nd & 3rd place prizes – Good luck!

We ask for your Scarecrows to be positioned so that people do not have to enter your premises. If you do not live in the village, but would like to enter a scarecrow, complete the form & we will give you a location to place your crow.

Scarecrows must be in position by 9.00am Saturday 13th May, (you may remove your scarecrow if you wish after 5.00pm, but it needs to be in position again by 9.00am Sunday 14th May 2017).

Please **DO NOT** remove scarecrows before 4.00pm on Sunday.

We do ask you to make sure they are removed within 48 hours after the event if not on your own premises.

We will be running a scarecrow workshop again on Saturday 22nd April please contact Natalie on 01249 760199 or Mary on 07765 244494 to book your place.

Thank you for taking part – Happy Scarecrow Making!

SCARECROW ENTRY FORM

Title of chosen scarecrow theme:	
Created by (name to go on scarecrow)	
Location of crow or if a location is required:	
Your name:	
Tel no. :	
Email address:	

Return completed entry form & £2.50 entry fee to: - Natalie Doust, 'Peartree Cottage', Compton Road, Hilmarton or via Hilmarton School office **No later** than Sunday 2nd April 2017.

Church Representation Rules 1(2) (Appendix 1)

APPLICATION FOR ENROLMENT ON THE
CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL OF THE PARISH OF

.....
Full name

Full address

..... Post Code

I declare that

1. I am baptised and am aged 16 or over
(or, become 16 on.....) *

2. (a) I am a member of the Church of England (or of a Church in communion with the Church of England) and am resident in the parish. †

Or (b) I am a member of the Church of England (or of a Church in communion with the Church of England) and, not being resident in the parish, I have habitually attended public worship in the parish during the period of six months prior to enrolment. †

Or (c) I am a member in good standing of a Church (not in communion with the Church of England) which subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity and also declare myself to be a member of the Church of England and I have habitually attended public worship in the parish during the period of six months prior to enrolment. †

I declare that the above answers are true and I apply for inclusion on the Church Electoral Roll of the parish.

Signed **Date**

* Those who become 16 during the next 12 months may complete the form, and become eligible to be entered on the Roll on their sixteenth birthday.

†Tick **one only** of boxes 2(a), (b) or (c).

Notes

1. The only churches at present in communion with the Church of England are other Anglican Churches and certain foreign churches.
2. Membership of the electoral roll is also open to members in good standing of a Church not in communion with the Church of England which subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity where those members are also prepared to declare themselves to be members of the Church Of England.
3. Every six years a new roll is prepared and those on the previous roll are informed so that they can reapply. If you are not resident in the parish but were on the roll as an habitual worshipper and have been prevented by sickness or absence or other essential reason from worshipping for the past six months, you may write "would" before "have habitually attended" on the form and add "but was prevented from doing so because..." and then state the reason.
4. If you have any problems with the form please approach the clergy or lay people responsible for the parish, who will be pleased to help you.
5. In this form "parish" means ecclesiastical parish.

Calne Choral

Vivaldi: Beatus Vir RV 597

for solo voices, two orchestras, and two choruses in four parts

Will Todd: The Lord is my Shepherd

Hummel: Mass in B flat

for orchestra and full chorus

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,
CHIPPENHAM, SN15 3HT
SATURDAY 1ST APRIL 2017
AT 7.30PM

Conductor: Philip Springate



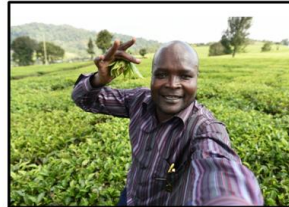
Tickets £10 (Students & Children £2).
Tickets available from Calne Information Centre,
choir members or on the door.



Calne Community Area FAIRTRADE Group
presents

A Fairtrade Fortnight Event HERE at the TOWN HALL Saturday 4th March 10am-1pm

Fairtrade stalls and



Meet Patrick Kaberia
A Fairtrade Tea Farmer
from Kenya
**Short Talk and
Film at 11.30am**

Followed by Soup & Cheese Lunch
Donations welcome



For Local Fairtrade News
www.calnexion.org.uk/fairtrade

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The Carer Support Wiltshire, Time For Carers Appeal is raising £25,000 to give the thousands of unpaid carers they support a break, and they are calling on the people of Wiltshire to help them reach their target.

3 in 5 of us will become a carer at some point in our lives. Often as a result of illness or accident suffered by a loved one, many take on the role without question, but are often unprepared for the impact on their own life and health.

“One thing all carers say – whatever their age – is that they need a little time for themselves. Yet our research shows one in three carers never have a weekend or evening break from their caring role, and one in three feel guilty if they do. Many don't have time to enjoy some of the things we all take for granted, like a trip to the cinema, taking part in a sporting activity or spending time with friends. This can affect their physical and mental wellbeing and lead to feelings of isolation,” says Catharine Hurford, CSW Chief Executive.

“All the money we raise through this appeal will go directly to enabling carers to have a bit of time to themselves.”

We are calling on people to get involved with fundraisers or sponsored events, and businesses to make CSW their charity of the year.

You can find out more about the appeal here: <http://carersinwiltshire.co.uk>