

WEST HENDRED

MAY 2021 NEWSLETTER

**Deadline for next Newsletter
25 MAY 2021**

IMPORTANT! The newsletter will no longer be distributed as a hard copy. Please can we ask that, if you know of any neighbours who may not have access to the internet, you print a copy off for them and pop it through their door. Thank you.

For the most up to date Government advice regarding the Coronavirus, please go to <https://gov.uk/coronavirus>

Your Village Help Co-ordinators: If you need help with shopping or collecting prescriptions. Please get in touch with any of the following people:

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The Extraordinary Hare – re-opening!

I am the general manager at The Extraordinary Hare. We are excited to announce we will be reopening fully on Tuesday 18th May.

I would like to invite the village to the pub on Monday 17th May for a BBQ at 4pm till close. The kitchen will be closed but the bar will be open, and the food will be complementary.

We are very much looking forward to reopening and seeing you again!
Mechelle Quinn, Manager

Holy Trinity Church West Hendred North Aisle roof – supporting timbers – URGENT WORK TO THE CHURCH

In February's Newsletter, we provided the background to the urgent repairs to the North Aisle's supporting roof beams. The Church's architect and the structural engineer provided a budgetary estimate and outline repair scheme in early January. They have devised an approach that does not require lifting off the North Aisle's roof, with the need for external scaffolding; this approach means that the estimate cost is approximately £52,000. This approach has been reviewed by one of the Diocese's experts. Other professional advice suggests that we should add a contingency sum in addition to this of £6,000, to give a total of **£58,000**.

The architect has sent out tender documents to 4 contractors, and we are to receive their tender responses in early May.

We need your support.

We've had a number of very generous donations to the appeal to raise money, which now totals £7,240, and with Gift Aid the total is £9,050.

We are awaiting the outcome of applications to the Allchurches Trust, and also the Garfield Weston Foundation. We are in the process of applying to the National Churches Trust and some further potential funders.

As we go to press, the good news is that our Patron, Corpus Christi College, Oxford has donated £1,250. This means that the total so far raised /pledged is £38,300 – we are over halfway to achieving our target.

Other funders want to see significant funding from the local community before making grants. Please can you help secure the future of West Hendred's church, by donating either online via

www.achurchnearyou.com/church/6046
/ and selecting "Give Now" from the webpage

or contacting the church Treasurer, Roland Jack by email rolandmjack@gmail.com (corrected email address).

Thank you very much in anticipation
Hugh Rees

Newsletter – Thank you to Dave and Janet Trotman

On behalf of the village, we'd like to say a huge thank you to Dave and Janet Trotman who have masterminded the village newsletter every month for many years. They have overseen the editing, finalised it for print, picked it up and organised and distributed it to the various people who have delivered it. Time Dave and Janet had a rest! Thank you so much for all your hard work.

I am one of the team of three editors and will be taking on the overall organisation from now onwards. This has been made a rather easier task now the newsletter is sent out mainly by email.

Jane John

Thank you for the Easter flowers

A very big thank you to the village for the beautiful spring flowers delivered to my door at Easter. They gave me so much pleasure following a rather dismal winter.

Bless you all.

Sue Roberts (the Barnyard)

Pendon Live, Ridgeway Hillforts

Pendon Museum in Long Wittenham are celebrating their reopening with talk by archeologist Professor Gary Lock of Oxford University. Click on the link for details:

https://pendonmuseum.com/events/6-july-pendon-live-ridgeway-hillforts?utm_source=Pendon+Master+Contact+List&utm_campaign=9cf88452da-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2018_03_30_COPY_03&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_4e3e8ae242-9cf88452da-439523622&mc_cid=9cf88452da&mc_eid=a3eb5ffad2

Love to Sing Course - June 2021

Do you love to sing? Would you like to try something new this year?

Harmony InSpires, the all-female a Cappella chorus based in Marcham, (near Abingdon, Oxfordshire) invites women of all ages and all levels of experience to join a FREE online 'Love to Sing' course over three evenings on 2nd, 9th and 16th June. No need to read music as

we provide teach tracks to help you learn as you sing along! For more details email lovetosing@harmonyinspires.org or visit www.harmonyinspires.org

As a chorus we not only sing for pleasure, but also sing at care homes, clubs, weddings, Christmas Fairs, music festivals etc, so if you ever need a 35-strong chorus to sing at an event, please get in touch!

Meriel Lewis

Help with long-term Covid

Over a million people in the UK are suffering from Long Covid, the accepted term for Coronavirus that lasts more than four weeks. And, sad to say, more than 70,000 people in this country have had Covid symptoms - fatigue, breathlessness, numbness, pain or partial hearing loss - for over a year.

If you are one of those affected, you should know that PIP (personal independence payments) may be available. PIP is financial support for those who have an illness, disability or mental health condition, making it hard for them to do everyday tasks or get around. Income, savings and employment status don't affect your PIP eligibility, and PIP can supplement any other benefits you might be receiving. To apply, you need to be aged between 16 and your state pension age, and you need to have had these health problems for at least three months and expect them to continue. For help with applying for PIP, contact Citizens Advice Adviceline on 0808 278 7907 (for Oxfordshire South and Vale). There is more information about PIP at <https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/benefits/sick-or-disabled-people-and-carers/pip/>

The deadline for items for next month's newsletter is 25th May. Please email them to newsletter@westhendred.net

WEST HENDRED AND GINGE VILLAGE HALL NEWS

HALL LETTINGS All hall enquiries/bookings should be made via email to villagehallbookings@westhendred.net OR www.westhendred.net

Covid-19 As we go to press, we are at Step 2, and approaching Step 3 on 17th May.

We are awaiting further updated Government Guidance from ACRE, as are our hirers, of what may and may not be permitted in the coming weeks.

We have been working through Government Guidance, and guidance from ACRE (Action with Communities in Rural England) with revisions / updates on opening the hall. This is for specified uses by hirers.

PUPPY SCHOOL Puppy School is the UK network of training classes for young puppies. The next 6-week puppy training and socialisation class is planned to start on 20th May 2021.

This course is for pups who will be fully vaccinated and under 20 weeks at the start of the course.

Please get in touch for more information or to book via the website www.new-tricks.net

MINI-KICKS We offer fun and imaginative football coaching sessions for children aged 18 months to 7 years old, enhancing their football skills as well as using their imagination and improving social skills.

Class are 9am Saturday mornings at the Village Hall.

For more information contact minikicks18@gmail.com

REGULAR EVENTS AT THE HALL WOULD USUALLY INCLUDE:

KONGA ~~every Friday term time, 9.30 – 10.30 am £5 per class!~~ - POSTPONED

Konga classes will recommence once the government lifts the current lockdown'

For more information Contact Rachel Lock on 07801 824293.

Youth Club - sadly cancelled for the foreseeable future

Please note Youth Club is sadly cancelled for the foreseeable future. We will reassess the situation in according to government advice. For more information, please contact Penny Meston on 01235 832113.

Mother and Baby/Toddler Group Monday mornings' – POSTPONED

West Hendred Stitchers West Hendred Stitches aim to be able to start again in June, but very dependent on update on Covid regulations call Jane Soffe for details. Thanks very much, Jane
Further information from Jane Soffe 01235 832554

Pilates - General Mat classes on Mondays and Wednesdays 7-8pm on Zoom

This is aimed at all ages and abilities; places are available for anyone who is interested.

New Children's Online Pilates Class starting Saturday 30th January 9.30-10am ages 5-12, but everyone welcome. Free taster session for children for their first class.

Please contact Charlie Prince on 07581 462 317, or charlie@princepilates.co.uk or see Charlie's website for more information about classes etc. www.princepilates.co.uk

YOGA Thursdays 9.30 – 10.45 am Hatha Yoga - via Zoom

Fridays 9.30 – 10.30 am Hatha Yoga – via Zoom

Tuesdays 10 – 11am – Gentle / chair yoga – via Zoom

Tuesdays 6 – 7 Teen Yoga with mindfulness – via Zoom this half term

I am also hoping to run some extra classes at different times. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact me on 01235 863647 or linda@soderstrom.myzen.co.uk

New students welcome! Linda

Village Hall Committee Contacts

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PUBLIC WORSHIP IN MAY 2021

SUNDAY 2nd MAY – EASTER V

9.30 am – West Hendred - Holy Communion (CW Trad)

11 am – Ardington – Holy Communion (BCP) 

6 pm – Lockinge – Evensong (BCP)

Wednesday 5th May

10 am – East Hendred –Requiem Holy Communion (BCP)

Friday 7th May

10 am – Ardington - Holy Communion (BCP) 

SUNDAY 9th MAY – EASTER VI

9.30 am – Lockinge – Holy Communion (BCP)

11 am – East Hendred – Holy Communion (CW)

Wednesday 12th May – Rogation day

10 am – West Hendred – Holy Communion (CW Trad)

Thursday 13th May – ASCENSION DAY

10 am – Ardington – Holy Communion (BCP) 

7 pm – East Hendred – Holy Communion (CW)

Friday 14th May – St Matthias, Apostle

10 am – Lockinge – Holy Communion (BCP)

SUNDAY 16th MAY – SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY/ EASTER VII

9.30 am – West Hendred - Holy Communion (CW Trad)

11 am – Ardington – Holy Communion (BCP) 

Wednesday 19th May

10 am – West Hendred –Holy Communion (CW Trad)

Friday 21st May

10 am – Ardington - Holy Communion (BCP) 

SUNDAY 23rd MAY – WHIT-SUNDAY / PENTECOST

9.30 am – Lockinge – Holy Communion (BCP)

11 am – East Hendred – Holy Communion (CW)

Wednesday 26th May – St Augustine of Canterbury, Patronal feast at East Hendred

10 am – East Hendred – Holy Communion (BCP)

Friday 28th May

10 am – Lockinge – Holy Communion (BCP)

SUNDAY 30th MAY – TRINITY SUNDAY

Feast of title at West Hendred and Ardington

9.30 am – West Hendred - Holy Communion (CW Trad)

11 am – Ardington – Holy Communion (BCP) 

 **Services marked with this symbol will also be live-streamed on the Benefice of Wantage Downs Facebook page**