

WEST HENDRED



APRIL 2023 NEWSLETTER

Deadline for next Newsletter
25 APRIL 2023

IMPORTANT! 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.

West Hendred Parish Council asks that people do not park on village pavements.

The Highway Code states that you should not park on pavements unless signs permit you to do so and we don't have any such signs in the village.

Parking on the pavement can obstruct and seriously inconvenience pedestrians especially people in wheelchairs, those with visual impairments and people with prams or pushchairs.

Thank you for your consideration.

West Hendred & Ginge Village Hall

This Spring, West Hendred & Ginge Village Hall is installing a new booking system, which will enable you to make enquiries and book the Hall much more easily – in fact, with little more than the click of a button.

The new system will also enable the bookings team to manage heating and hot water requirements remotely. Once the new system is installed, we will be updating the Hall's website.

Comments on the Hall

With these improvements, we are particularly keen to have the views of all residents on how our Hall can best serve the community.

Here are some questions, but do please add any comments or other suggestions.

We will be giving a bottle of wine to a randomly chosen person sending us their views.

Before Easter, please send your answers and suggestions to: whvhbookings@gmail.com or via the Google link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdcqLBUQbo3FBMI_1I3cyi77mv2ZYRX9u3_SrdSJ1w5kFYxkQ/viewform?usp=sf_link or talk to any of the committee members listed below when you bump into one of us out and about. Thank you.

Which of the following fund-raising and community events would you be interested in participating in (and/or helping to organise)?

- coffee mornings
- the West Hendred Not Just a Beer Festival
- quiz nights
- horse-racing evenings (not done since 2005/6)
- talks by people with particular expertise (do specify any subjects that would interest you)
- Christmas and/or Easter fair
- music and/or singing evenings
- any other suggestions

In addition to the current Pilates and Yoga classes, are there other physical or well-being activities you would be interested in?

Are there other ways you can think of in which we might help bring the community of different or all ages together at the Hall?

Committee members: Hugh Rees, Nigel Findley, Chantal Ligertwood, Stefan Povolotsky, Tony Lewis, Sarah Lloyd, Rosemary Budge

Holy Trinity Church, West Hendred

On Sunday 2nd April – Palm Sunday – we'll have a short, interactive Family Service in West Hendred at 3pm with a real live donkey thanks to Island Farm Donkey Sanctuary.

We'll remember when Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey and discover what happened the week before Easter through stories, props ... and treats!

The service will start outside Tames Farm Cottage, which as you're going down the road through the village is just a little further south of the village hall. When you've passed Manor Lane on the left it's the next turning on the right, a gravel track. Please walk to the end of this short track. At the start of the service we'll walk along to the church following the donkey. All welcome!

Nikolaj Christensen,

Rector of the Hendreds and Ardington with Lockinge. Tel: 01235 634940

West Hendred (not just a) beer festival

After 10 highly enjoyable (not just a) beer festivals, the beer festival committee are keen to take a back seat role (though will still be available to help and support). This means

there is the opportunity for new blood to take on the festival this year and into the future. We are holding a drop-in session at West Hendred Village Hall at 6pm on Sunday 2nd April for an hour. If you are interested in taking part, come along to find out what is involved. If you cannot make that time but are still keen send your details to Tim Hutchinson tim.hutchinson@outlook.com
Cheers!

**West Hendred Summer Lunch –
Saturday 1st July - 12-30 to 3:30
In aid of Holy Trinity Church**

The Summer Lunch will be at Manor Farm House, kindly offered by Lys and Peter Cook. The internationally famous duck race is anticipated to have usual excitement and suspense this year. Downy Duck has already been waddling through the snow and daffodils to prepare for a celebrity appearance. We do need help with the food on the day, as well as people volunteering food items. I'll be emailing on the food items. If you would like to help on this, please do contact Hugh. We will also be asking for help for stalls, and also for the Friday evening with putting up tents. If you can help, please contact Sally Hutchinson on 833081 or Hugh Rees on 833174. Hugh Rees

Local Church services April 2023

Sunday 2 April – Palm Sunday
9:30am, Lockinge – Holy Communion
11am – East Hendred – Holy Communion
3pm – West Hendred – Family Service
Thursday 6 April – Maundy Thursday
8pm – East Hendred – Holy Communion
Friday 7 April – Good Friday
3 pm – Ardington – Service Of The Cross
Saturday
Saturday 8 April – Easter Vigil
8pm – Lockinge – Holy Communion
Sunday 9 April – Easter Day
8am – East Hendred – Holy Communion
9:30am – West Hendred – Holy Communion
11am – Ardington – Holy Communion
Sunday 16 April – Second Sunday of Easter
9:30am – Lockinge – Holy Communion
11am – East Hendred – Holy Communion
Sunday 23 April – Third Sunday Of Easter
9:30am – West Hendred – Holy Communion
11am – Ardington – Holy Communion
Sunday 30 April – Fourth Sunday of Easter
9:30am – Lockinge – Holy Communion
11am – East Hendred – Holy Communion

Bring photo ID when voting in local elections

The government has introduced a requirement for voters to show a photo ID when voting at a polling station in local elections taking place in England. This will apply to residents of South Oxfordshire and Vale when they cast their ballots on 4 May 2023. Acceptable forms of photo ID include a driver's licence, passport, some kinds of bus pass, and others. All of these IDs must be originals, not copies, but some expired documents will be accepted. People who have no photo ID can contact South Oxfordshire District Council (SODC) for a free Voter Authority Certificate (VAC), which will enable them to go ahead and vote. The deadline for applying for a VAC is 5 pm on 25 April. You can also apply for a VAC online at <https://www.gov.uk>, giving your name and address, date of birth and National Insurance number, and submitting a photo (similar specification to passport photos). You can also vote by post, in which case no photo ID is needed. If you fill in a postal vote application form, this must arrive at SODC by 5 pm on 18 April. Your ballot paper must reach its destination by 10 pm on 4 May. More information is available from <https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk> or from Citizens Advice Adviceline 0808 278 7907.

For Sale: Vauxhall Corsa – Ideal for young driver

X reg, 23 years old, yet 51,800 miles, petrol 973CC MOT to Oct 23. Very reliable; low cost – both maintenance and excellent MPG. 5 gear manual, low insurance cost. Full service history. Sale due to bereavement
£750
Contact: Hugh Rees, 01235-833174

For Sale: Firewood

Seasoned hardwood (oak, ash, and beech). Sawn and split last summer. Stored indoors, dried to burn now. The same wood is available freshly sawn and split, ideal to put in store for this coming autumn.
Call Ed: 07733 363 711

The deadline for items for next month's newsletter is 25 April.

Please email to newsletter@westhendred.net

West Hendred and Ginge Village Hall News

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

Covid-19

The restrictions have been lifted. All hirers are kept fully informed as part of their booking process, which continues to include the need to do a risk assessment.

Current Events

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 imaginations and improving social skills. Class are 9am Saturday mornings at the Village Hall.

For more information contact minikicks18@gmail.com

Boogie Mites – Monday mornings

It's music and dance for preschool children, every Monday morning. Contact Lizzie on Lizziel@boogiemites.co.uk

West Hendred Stitchers meet on the SECOND and FOURTH Tuesdays in the month. Further information from Jane Soffe contact 07455076584

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

This is aimed at all ages and abilities. Places are available for anyone who is interested. Zoom Pilates continues to be held on Mondays at 7-8pm.

Wednesday evenings are now back for face-to-face classes in the hall at 6-7pm and 7.15-8.15pm.

Please contact Charlie Prince on 07581 462 317, or charlie@princepilates.co.uk or see www.princepilates.co.uk

YOGA

Tuesdays 10 – 11am Gentle / chair yoga (on Zoom)

Wednesdays 10 - 11am Gentle / chair yoga

Wednesdays 4.45 – 5.45pm NEW! Hatha Yoga – suitable for beginners and improvers

Thursdays 9.30 – 10.45am Hatha Yoga – suitable for improvers

Fridays 9.30 – 10.30am Hatha Yoga (on Zoom) – suitable for beginners and improvers

Please contact me for further information on 01235 863647 or linda@soderstrom.myzen.co.uk

Not sure if yoga is for you? Contact me and arrange for a free trial lesson.

Linda Davey – British Wheel of Yoga / Yoga in Healthcare Alliance

Village Hall Committee Contacts:

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