WEST HENDRED FEBRUARY 2023 NEWSLETTER

Deadline for next Newsletter 25 FEBRUARY 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.

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

Springline Singers

Are you looking for a new hobby to brighten your dark winter evenings, spend some quality time with your friends or other-half or just looking for an activity for dry January? Then why not try singing! Community singing has been proven to boost mental wellbeing and mood, lower blood-pressure and strengthen social bonds. Springline Singers is a community choir for men and women who practice in West Hendred on Thursdays between 7:30-9:30pm in term time. On Thursday 12th January we will have a free drop-in taster session for anyone over the age of 16. This term we will be singing: God Only Knows by The Beach Boys, One Day Like This by Elbow, Adiemus by Karl Jenkins and A Gaelic Blessing by John Rutter. So why not make a New Year's resolution you can keep and come along and join us! For more information or if you're interested in coming to the taster please email: springlinesingers@gmail.com

Money Scams & Fraud

1. If someone calls you saying they are from your bank, tell them you will call them back. If they give you a number to call back, make a note of it but don't call it. If you don't have the phone number for your bank, telephone 159 and when you respond to the questions you will be put through to your bank and you can ask if the call is genuine. 2. If someone calls you saying that they are from the fraud squad or police, investigating a fraud, do not believe them - finish the call. If you want to report the call, you can phone Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040, Monday to Friday 8am to 8pm but be prepared for a long wait on the phone. You can enter a fraud report online at www.actionfraud.police.uk

3. A particularly nasty way of stealing from people who have lost money to fraud is for the criminals to call the victim sometime after the theft and pretend that they are getting in contact because the victim is entitled to compensation. They then ask for bank details so that the compensation can be paid, which leads to further theft. If you get an unexpected call concerning money, be as suspicious as you can be.

The Hare is hiring for Front of House staff & Cooks, over 18's only. We have some new items on the menu and we also have a specials menu every week. We have now launched Breakfast every Saturday between 9-11 with lots of options to choose from, including vegan options. Afternoon Tea is now available here at The Extraordinary Hare where you can enjoy some lovely home baked scones and a selection of sandwiches accompanied by an English pot of Tea in the cosy atmosphere of our Moot Room.

Church Services

Sunday Feb. 5th Third Sunday before Lent 9:30am – Lockinge – Holy Communion (BCP) 11am – East Hendred – Holy Communion (CW)

Sunday Feb. 12th Second Sunday before Lent 9:30am – West Hendred – Holy Communion (CW Trad) 11am – Ardington – Holy Communion (BCP) Sunday Feb.19th First Sunday before Lent 9:30am – Lockinge – Holy Communion (BCP) 11am – East Hendred – Holy Communion (CW) Ash Wednesday Feb. 22nd 6:30pm – East Hendred – Holy Communion (CW) with imposition of ashes Sunday Feb. 26th First Sunday in Lent 9:30am – West Hendred – Holy Communion (CW Trad) 11am – Ardington – Holy Communion (BCP)

Reports of Burst Pipes

Please report here <u>https://www.thameswater.co.uk/leak/</u>

If you find any issues with the road not related to water please report here: <u>https://www.fixmystreet.com</u>

If the road condition is urgent / issues with lights / broken surfaces etc please report to the out of hours number here: The new telephone number 01223 849731

If you need to report an emergency, or are unable to use our online tools, call our Customer Service Centre on 0345 310 1111 – or write

to Highway.Enquiries@Oxfordshire.gov.uk

To report an emergency out of hours, contact the Thames Valley Police 101 service. If there is an immediate potential danger to life, call the emergency services on 999.

Please do share this amongst your friends and family members.

Thank you, Clir Sally Mob: 07939 912 997

From the Parish Council

Please could we remind all dog walkers that dog waste should be bagged and disposed of in any public litter bin or taken home and placed in your own grey bin. We respectfully request that you do not dispose of your dog's waste in other people's waste bins, or hang the bags on field fences or on tree branches. A huge thank you to those of you who already dispose of their dog's waste properly.

There are Parish Council elections in May this year.

If you are interested in becoming a councillor why not talk to the Clerk to the Council, Mrs Julia Evans

parishcouncilclerk@westhendred.net to find out more about a role as a councillor.

Notice of the elections will be published by the elections officer of the Vale of the White Horse District Council on Monday 27th March 2023. If you wish to put yourself forward to be a candidate, your nomination form must be submitted by hand to the Vale elections officer by 4pm on Tuesday 4 April. Nomination forms are available from the Clerk to the Council or the Vale elections officer. The Clerk to the Parish Council will make a trip to the Vale offices to hand in nominations for you if you wish. A date for you to hand your nominations form to Mrs Evans will be announced shortly.

Hendreds Tennis Quiz

Friday, 17th March 2023 at West Hendred Village Hall

Arrive 7pm for a 7.30pm start.

Join us for a jolly on St. Patrick's night with our delightful host, Dom Hones.

Expect the unexpected, lots of laughter and maybe sport a touch of green!

The entry fee is £14 for members, £16 for non-members, which includes the quiz and supper.

Teams of 8 are just great. We are more than happy to join smaller groups or individuals together to make 8.

Register your team/partial team by email at play@hendredstennis.co.uk

by Feb. 24th at the latest.

We'll then send you payment details*. You should also let us know of any dietary requirements in your team.

* A percentage of profits will go to the DEC UKRAINE appeal.

Simon John

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Holy Trinity Church West Hendred

North Aisle roof – URGENT WORK TO THE CHURCH – COMPLETING As the Newsletter goes to press, work is on track to finish on 27th January.

Our Architect reports

"Works to stabilise the roof structure are nearing completion with just a few finishing touches required before the scaffolding is taken down. Patch repairs using traditional techniques have also been carried out to the lead roof to the nave and aisles to prevent any further water ingress."

And our contractor, Ward & Co, reports "The main work installing the new plate is complete. The work has been inspected by the engineer.

This means that the scaffolding on the North side of the nave can be struck. Once done we will clean up any debris. All that remains are the installation of 4 metal straps to the roof timbers presently inaccessible due to the scaffolding."

As we go to press, one remaining matter is for Ward & Co to apply a special paint to the new timbers and metal fittings. Ward & Co. are needing to wait until slightly warmer weather (manufacturer's guidelines) to apply the paint; they hope this will be done in the next day or so.

Hopefully, by the time you read this, the work will have all completed.

The organ has been covered by plastic sheeting to protect it during the work. The organ specialist from Walkers Ltd will be removing the sheeting when he comes to service the organ.

Hugh Rees

For Sale

Vauxhall Corsa- Ideal for young driver X reg, 23 years old, yet 51,450 miles! petrol 973CC MOT to Oct 23. Very reliable; low cost – both maintenance and excellent MPG. Low insurance cost. Full service history. Sale due to bereavement £750 Contact: Hugh Rees, 01235-833174

For Sale

Halfords Exodus 470 Roof Box and roof bars.

£250 ono. Good condition - a few minor scuffs only. Local delivery possible Contact: Ken and Anne Pagett 01235 797405 <u>kppagett@gmail.com</u>

Sunglasses

A pair of sunglasses were found on the east side of Ginge Brook close to Ginge. Please contact Victoria on 07980302720 if they are yours.

The deadline for items for next month's newsletter is 25 February. Please email to <u>newsletter@westhendred.net</u>

THE WEST HENDRED AND GINGE VILLAGE HALL NEWS

HALL LETTINGS

All hall enquiries/bookings should be made via email to <u>villagehallbookings@westhendred.net</u> Web Site: <u>www.westhendred.net</u>

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. Pause in December For more information contact <u>minikicks18@gmail.com</u>

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 - SECOND and FOURTH Tuesdays in the month

West Hendred Stitchers meet on the SECOND and FOURTH Tuesdays in the month. Call me for details. Thanks very much Jane 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 me and I can provide more information.

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

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 <u>linda@soderstrom.myzen.co.uk</u> *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

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