

JUNE BUG SAFARI

SUNDAY 19th June 2PM



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Contact for newsletter articles: Claire Turner - 751275 or
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Please submit articles by the 18th of the month.

JUNE 2016



St Mary's Church Fete

(Saturday 18th June 3-6pm Childrey Manor)

New for this year!

'Childrey Wares'

A free stall for local small businesses to advertise
their wares with a sample/poster/flier
(un-manned stall, no sales on the day)

For further details, please ring Nicky on 751470

Plus All Your Favourites

Bar, BBQ, Cream Teas, Children's Games,
Icknield Morris Men, Hungerford Town Band,
Cake, Produce, Plant and Bottle Stalls
Adult and Children's Choirs, Face Painting

Returning this year – Lenny's Lizards

Baking Competitions – See attached flier

Hope to see You All there!



Diary Dates for June

Date & Time	Event / Venue	Notes	Contact
7 th June 9:00am	Childrey & District Tuesday Club	Coach trip to Poole depart Childrey village hall at 9.00 am, return 6.30, fare: members £14, non-members £16	Pat Eglinton 751 663
3 rd June 12:30pm	Tear Fund Lunch The Lesters, High Street, Childrey	This month's lunch is being by kind invitation of Peter & Chic Cook,	All most welcome
11 th June 5:30pm	Queen's Birthday Shared Tea Childrey Village Hall	Please bring some food and drink to share. Food theme: cheese and meat ploughman's, eg. Bread, cheese, pickles, pickled onions, pork pies, sausage rolls, scotch eggs, also fairy cakes/cookies	clerk.childreyipc@aol.co.uk
18 th June 3:00pm	Childrey Fete at Childrey Manor		
21 st June	Childrey & Sparsholt WI	Evening Out for members only.	Pauline Higgs 751 544
23 rd June 7am – 10pm	EU Referendum	Griffin Hall - for residents of Sparsholt & Westcot Childrey Village Hall - for Childrey residents.	

JOB VACANCY

The Ridgeway CE Primary School - **West Street Childrey OX12 9UL**

We are looking for:- A cleaner/caretaker to work for 12.25 hours per week to clean and secure the building after school - Pay £7.20 per hour. With additional hours in the school holidays for deep cleaning. If you would be interested or like more information please contact Debbie Davies in the school office on 751254. email: office.3231@ridgeway.oxon.sch.uk Closing date 20th June 2016 Please note, the school office will be closed from Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June.

SOBELL HOUSE HOSPICE

BEREAVEMENT SERVICE are seeking to recruit a new group of VOLUNTEER BEREAVEMENT WORKERS - If you are interested in finding out more please contact Julian Bond, Bereavement Service Co-ordinator on 01865 225857 or Julian.Bond@ouh.nhs.uk

The Bereavement Service will offer you a 70 hour induction training course starting in October 2016 and then ongoing supervision and team meetings designed to support your casework with allocated bereaved clients.

The use of a telephone and car are essential requirements; and all legitimate expenses will be reimbursed

Two 'Open Evenings' have been scheduled to help prospective volunteers to find out more about the role, the Bereavement Service and the wider hospice organisation. These will take place at Sobell House in the Churchill Hospital in Oxford on Tuesday 21st June (6pm to 8pm) and Wednesday 6th July (4pm to 6pm).

The Bereavement Service was set up in 1985 in response to the demand for continuing psychological and social support from family members. Volunteers are an integral part of the service, and currently we have 21 working with bereaved clients in the client's own home or in 'counselling' rooms here at the hospice. We ask Volunteers to give 12 to 16 hours per month to the role.

We do not encourage those who have experienced a significant bereavement in the last two years to apply.



Wildlife Discovery Day

Saturday 16th July 2- 4.30pm

Letcombe Valley Nature Reserve,
Letcombe Regis, Wantage OX12 9JY

Discover the wildlife on your doorstep. Experts and enthusiasts on hand to show you birds, bugs, reptiles, bees, butterflies, moths and small mammals; den building and mud kitchens; nature craft, build a bird box, discover more about this reserve, its landscape and the treasures it holds. **Free Entry**

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Or visit the Letcombe-valley website.

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News from St Mary's Audience for King Alfred's Music Students

We would like to thank everyone who came along to hear King Alfred's 'A' level and GCSE music students record their final exam pieces for marking. Many of you told us how much you enjoyed the opportunity to hear the students perform and how good it was to listen to the very high standards and the wide range of music performed. On occasions the church was 'rocking' to the music! Congratulations to all the students for their achievements. We wish them the very best of luck with their forthcoming exams. We hope to be able to let you know how well they did when the results are announced

Teddy Bears Picnic

On Wednesday 8th June at 10.30 am St. Mary's and Little Ducks are holding a short Teddy Bear's Picnic service at the playing fields for the children. Everyone is welcome but don't forget to bring your teddy bear!! The Open the Book Team will also be there. Each week the team attends The Ridgeway School and performs a short story from the bible.

Next month we will update you on how the Die Altan Knaben Choir evening went which was held on 27 May. We may also have news on further events planned for later in the year.

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The Discussion Group
will meet at 8.30pm on Monday
20th June in Childrey village hall.
The topic is 'humour'. You might
feel you need some of
that about then. Come along –
everyone is welcome - and let's
have a laugh as we discuss what
it is. Rob.



Returning by popular demand
THE BETA MALES
Brilliant night of comedy in
Childrey village hall. Saturday
25th June. Bar open at 7pm.
Tickets are £10 each from
Childrey Stores.

Sparsholt & Westcot Village litter pick - should we arrange one this year?

For the past few years, volunteers have kindly taken part in a spring village litter pick around Sparsholt & Westcot, when the verges have been cut by the Vale and pickers, hi-viz vests and refuse bags arranged with Biffa.

Should we do it again this year?

If so, and if you can help for an hour or so one weekend sometime soonish, please get in touch and if numbers are sufficient, I'll try & arrange. Email me at nick@ingenium-it.com or call me on 751155. Nick Price, Westcot.

And Then There Were Two!

I would like to remind dog owners to please look after their dogs and keep them under control in Childrey village. Recently one of three village ducks was killed by a dog and around the same time one of the geese was found with puncture wounds to its neck which may have been from the same incident; the geese are very protective of their feathered friends! It's not the first time that a dog has been uncontrolled and off its lead near the pond, attacking the ducks. They can't fly, so have little chance of escape. Most dog owners are extremely responsible but sadly there are a few who are not.

I hope that if the dog did belong to a village resident they may consider replacing the duck as the remaining two ducks are missing their playmate. R. Blowfield

Teddy Bears' Picnic

St Mary's Church teddy bears would like to invite you and your favourite cuddly toy to a Teddy Bears Picnic at the Childrey pavilion on Wednesday 8 June at 1030 am! We all know how special our favourite cuddly toy is, the comfort they bring and how much we love them. The teddy bears that live in St Mary's church would like to invite everyone, but most particularly the younger members of the village (and their parents, carers, grandparents, siblings) to bring their favourite cuddly bear or toy to join a teddy bears picnic on 8th June outside Little Ducks pre-school on our beautiful playing field at 1030am. There will be a short outdoor service of thanksgiving (around 20 mins) led by Rev. Leonora Hill and a celebration of how special our bears are to us. After the short service please join us for a drink and cupcake to share with your bears. We hope to see you there! Love from, the St Marys Church Teddy Bears. There is no charge for this event. If you have any questions or require any further information please contact Suzy Alder on 01235 751892 / aldersuzv@yahoo.co.uk



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I am looking forward to participating in the Queen's birthday event at CHALLOW and CHILDREY cricket club on Sunday 26/06/16 2pm-5pm, hopefully I will be able to bring along a marked vehicle, provide some Crime Prevention advice, and do 'hand prints' for the children.

Unfortunately I am holiday for the Garden Fete on Saturday 18/06/16 but I know two of my colleagues from the WANTAGE Neighbourhood Policing team will be coming along, especially when I mentioned 'cream teas'!

Residents have made me aware that they concerned about persons that are going door to door trying to sell various household goods etc. and will not take 'no' for an answer; they can be intimidating especially for elderly and vulnerable; these persons are commonly known as 'Nottingham Knockers', young lads who go door to door selling household goods. Often they have some form of ID which they display, but this is bogus. They may also hand over a card saying they are deaf / dumb / just out of prison / in the process of being reformed and working towards a better life. They will knock on a door, offering cleaning items, they know to be rubbish, which the householder also knows to be rubbish. That is part of the scam. Many people will purchase items to just make them go away. They often pay a return visit if they think the householder is vulnerable.

We advise residents not to purchase items on your doorstep. If you choose to though we recommend you ask for a pedlar's certificate as these are only issued under very strict conditions.

The Pedlars Act 1871 is the legislation that governs the regulation of door-to-door selling. A pedlar's certificate is a certificate that allows a person to trade whilst on foot. Pedlars can travel from door-to-door, place to place or town to town. A pedlar's certificate is obtained from the Chief Officer of the Police from the area where the person lives.

The applicant will require two forms of identification, one with a photograph and the other showing an address where the applicant has lived for at least 28 days. The applicant must be over 17 years of age. This information is used by the police to check the applicants' identity and that they are of good character. The cost of a certificate varies but is around £12- £15.

The certificate is valid for one year from date of issue. Once a certificate has been obtained, they can be used anywhere in the United Kingdom.

Any legitimate person that visits you will always be happy to show you their ID, so, please ask for it; if you have any doubts please call 101 and report it to the police.

Please use 101 to report any 'Non-Urgent' Crime related matters...Report it so that we know about it.

If you'd like to receive FREE crime alerts and info about where you live by Email, Phone or Text then please contact me on 101 or when you see me on patrol and I will be happy to 'sign you up' alternatively please register at www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk and please use www.thamesvalley.police.uk to visit our Website.

Useful Numbers - The 24-hour non-emergency number for Thames Valley Police is '101'. Use 999 in emergencies.

Regards,

Howard

Chat from the Clerk

SPARSHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

meeting Tuesday's 21st June and 19th July 7.30pm clerk.sparsholtpc@aol.co.uk

CHILDREY PARISH COUNCIL

meeting Monday 20th June 2016 starting at 7.30pm in Childrey Village Hall. clerk.childreyipc@aol.co.uk

Childrey Parish Council and the Village Hall Committee would like to invite all Childrey residents to a Village party to celebrate the Queens 90th birthday. Saturday 11th June starting at 5.30pm in the Childrey Village Hall, all welcome. Activities for children. Some liquid refreshments will be provided, thanks to a grant from the Vale of White Horse District Council. Please bring some food and drink to share. Finger food only please on a platter/bowl ready to put on the sharing table. Food theme: cheese and meat ploughmans, eg. Please see notice board nearer the time for full details.

BUS UPDATE

Childrey Parish Council have been supporting other local villages to secure a regular bus service after the announcement that all subsidised bus services will terminate on the 20th July. We currently have no further information but hope to be able to update you in the next newsletter but for up to date information please view the Oxfordshire County Council website

www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/stconsultation

or if you have any direct questions please email the Supported Transport Team at supported.transport@oxfordshire.gov.uk

DOG FOULING

Childrey Parish Council take dog fouling very seriously as dog mess is not only

unpleasant but it spreads diseases, which can cause illness and even blindness.

Under the Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996 a person who is in charge of a dog must clean up after it when it fouls any footpath, highway, verge or other open space to which the public have access. It is therefore a crime to allow a dog to foul in any public area without clearing it up. Those that fail to do so could face a fixed penalty notice of £50 or prosecution. Here some tips to avoid a fine:

- never let your dog walk far from you as this makes it difficult to see when they foul
- always carry a bag when walking your dog so you can clean up or ask another dog walker if they have a spare bag
- encourage your dog to stay on the perimeters of fields so any fouling does not cause any harm to other people
- don't let your dog roam on its own as it could be taken away as a stray, – microchipping is now required by law.

If you see a dog owner allowing their dog to foul and not picking it up, take details of anything that might help identify them and contact Environmental Protection at env.health@southandvale.gov.uk or 01235 540555. Please do not leave the bag hanging from a tree! Bag it and Bin it. Clerk to both parishes: Debbie Lewis-Pryde 01235 751923.

CHILDREYFEST

SATURDAY 2nd JULY 2016

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