

EAST HENDRED Bulletin

Treasure Island!

Auditions were held on 6th June at St Amand's School and well attended. So well was the support and enthusiasm that we have decided to run 5 performances of Treasure Island from Wednesday through to Saturday with an additional matinee performance.

The production team needs some additional support with the construction and implementation of our ambitious plans. If you have a few hours to spare and would like to dip your toe in the water- not on stage- but helping us make this another "magical moment" for East Hendred then please do make contact as soon as possible. You will have your name in lights and need not change it to "Exit"! Please contact Susie Turnbull on telephone 01235 833797 or email at susieturnbull@monkscoort.co.uk.

Look out for publicity appearing later in the year for Treasure Island, which opens in January 2010 at Snell's hall, and don't forget you can see what we've been up to on our website: www.springlineproductions.com.



The Scarecrow Trail Returns!

22nd August to 5th September

The theme for this year is History.

Entry £4, trail sheets are £1 and available from Hendred Stores, as are entry forms, from Hendred Stores.

Prizes: Winner £50 (and a trophy to keep), 2nd £15, 3rd £5.

Please do join in, lets make this years Trail bigger than ever!

East Hendred

Beer Festival

Snells Hall 11 & 12 September

Fri 11th, 7pm to 10pm Sat 12th, 11am to 11pm

The first East Hendred Beer Festival is coming!

With at least eight different real ales from local brewers, a selection of wines provided by Hendred Stores, soft drinks, hot dogs, bacon rolls, a bouncy castle on Saturday and live music on Saturday evening, this is going to be a great weekend for all beer fans and their families!

All proceeds will go to East Hendred Community Centre (Snells Hall) so please put this new event in your diary and come along and have a good time to support the village community's major asset.

Also Inside...

The painting bought for the village, with donations from villagers, now proudly in place in Champs Chapel...

A letter from our new rector...

A full diary of events in East Hendred this summer...



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from the chair

The lack of affordable housing in rural communities is one of the nation's persistent and key problems. A recent study showed that there were a large number of people on a waiting list for such housing across the country. Lack of affordable housing was leading to loss of village facilities and an unwelcome change in the demographic structure of many rural communities. DEFRA has announced the need to build 10,000 new affordable homes in rural areas.

Last year the Oxfordshire

Rural Community Council (ORCC), who facilitate new affordable housing across Oxfordshire, undertook a survey to identify the need in this village. 30% of villagers responded; 60% of these were in support of a small development of affordable homes for those with a genuine connection to the village. The identified locals need was for one bedroom and two bedroom properties. From the results of the survey the ORCC recommended that up to 12 homes were built for local people, being a mix of 1 and 2 bedroom properties. The 2008 Parish Plan also identified the need for more affordable housing in the village and it is one of the action plans.

In the last month Sovereign Housing together with the ORCC held a meeting in Snells Hall to outline their plans for a small development of three 2-bedroom rental houses at the Old Garage site in Coulings Close. Some modifications to the plans were made as a result of the consultations and it is hoped that a formal planning application will be made shortly and the development progressed. However there is still an urgent need for further new sites for such housing in the village. The ORCC survey asked villagers for suggested sites. The most favoured site was the one currently being progressed. The Parish Council will continue to

identify additional sites, but recognise that restrictions on planning and highways and ownership make this a difficult task.

We are sorry to lose Rachel Sutton as a Parish Councillor. She has provided valuable support to the Council over the last 10 years, with her professional knowledge particularly on financial and employment matters. She was also a valued member of the team developing the Parish Plan. We wish her well for her future activities in the village.

John Sharp

Goodbye Rachel!

Rachel Sutton has decided to resign from the Council after 10 years of service to the village. Regrettably she no longer feels able to provide the time and effort required to be a councillor. Rachel has played an active part in Council business, particularly on the financial side and was one of the members of the team that developed the Parish Plan. We thank her for all her hard work as a councillor and wish her well for the future. The formal processes to appoint a new councillor will start shortly.

New Finance Officer

The Council has recently appointed Diana Wheeker as the new Finance Officer for the Council. She takes over from Jan Marples who no longer has the time available to do the job. Diana will be responsible for managing the Council's finances and accounts, preparing monthly statements of outgoings and managing the payments following a Council meeting.

Affordable Housing

Sovereign Housing, with support from the Oxfordshire Rural Community Council and the Vale District Council held a open meeting in Snells Hall in May to outline their plans for three new affordable homes in the village. A previous questionnaire across the village demonstrated a need for more affordable homes in the village (see previous Bulletin), and the site in Coulings Close is available for development of three new rented houses which will be available for village people. Some further refinements to the plan for the site have been made as a result of comments received at the meeting. It is expected that Sovereign Housing will be submitting a planning application in the near future. A further site for more affordable housing is currently under investigation.

Community Self Help Plan

The County Council has produced a template for developing a Community Action Plan in the case of an emergency, flu pandemic or following the loss of basic utilities (electricity, gas, water) for an extended period, when outside assistance might be unavailable or delayed. The Parish Council is reviewing this and expects to develop such a plan for this village during the summer. The plan will need to identify for example people who will take the lead in an emergency, a suitable location for residents who are displaced from their homes and facilities including emergency power for such a reception centre. Anyone interested in being involved please contact John Sharp on 01235 833367.

Report on Annual Parish Meeting- April 2009

The meeting was held on April 20th in Snells Hall attended by Parish Councillors, District and Council Councillors and members of the public. The chairman, John Sharp, reported on the Council activities over the last year. The Council had a new Clerk (Tom Cunningham), a Minutes Secretary (Diana Wheeler) and a Finance Officer (Jan Marples). The Council had had strong support during the year from the Local Police including Community Support Officers and one attended the Annual Meeting to report on progress.

The Parish Plan was published in March 2008 and progress on the action plans had been reviewed during the year. During the year a 40mph limit had been introduced on the A417 after much work by the Council and our County Councillor (Iain Brown). The village was successful in being awarded a prize in the Calor Village of Year competition for the Best Village in the Vale District, the bid was led by the Hendred Entertains Group. A new bus shelter in White Road has had to be provided since the previous shelter had been vandalised. Grants towards the cost of this had been received from the County Council and from Hendred Entertains. Considerable progress has been made to provide a path through Snells to the Hendreds School. The Hendreds Environment Group had received a grant from the Lotteries Fund which will be matched by a similar grant from the County Council. The Parish Council has signed a lease with the Hendreds Estate for additional land adjacent to the Playpark for the new footpath and associated nature reserve. The Council has also been reviewing the village needs for new play equipment, particularly for older children. An application to the County Council had been made for a Playbuilder grant with strong support from both village schools; unfortunately due to competition from other villages and towns in the County we were not successful. However the work done to support the application will be used to obtain grants from other sources.

The Council had responded to many consultations during the year. These had included the Vale District Council's consultation on their "Core Strategy" which will be used to plan the future of the District in the period up to 2026. As a result of the importance of this document the Council organized a meeting in Snells Hall on Feb 8th to outline the main points in the Strategy so that the Council's response could incorporate feedback from those attending the meeting.

Reports were also made by the County Councillor (Iain Brown) and the two District Councillors (Terry Fraser and Michael Murray) as well by spokespersons for each of the Council's working Groups. Correspondents from the two village schools also provided as well as from the village organisations receiving grants from the Council during the last year.

Playgrounds

How to up-date and improve play equipment in the Penney Playpark which is now ten years old, and providing facilities for older children (a basket ball net, and a teenage shelter have been suggested) are being considered by the Parish Council. Now that the route for the school path, which will cross the kickabout area of the Penney Playpark has been agreed, it is clear what space is available for play in this area. In addition, the clearing of the bushes from the Penney Playground has opened up more space for play equipment.

In spring, an application was made for funding to develop these play spaces from the Oxfordshire CC Playbuilder Fund. This was a competitive bid and it was known that the number of awards would be limited, so that a few play schemes could be implemented in full, rather than making a larger number of smaller awards. Putting together the application required a considerable effort from a large number of people in the village. The Parish Council adopted a policy for play, based on the recommendations in 'Play England', the Government's most recent policy document on children's play. A major input came from older pupils at each of the village schools, who wrote, did drawings, and made video clips about their ideas for play and playgrounds, which were truly inspiring and exciting. Parents of children attending Pre-school, and parents of children attending Beavers, provided their observations about how young children play outside and what play activities they most enjoy. Thank you to all the children and parents, who contributed so much to this project, to the teachers and leaders of children's organisations who put in time and effort to get the information needed, and to those individuals who contributed in other ways, such as providing photographs and computing skills. Sadly, our application was not successful. There were a total of 31 applications, all, we were told, of a high standard, but only eleven of these were funded. However, the wealth of ideas and information about play and playgrounds which has been gathered, will be used for further applications for funding to improve play facilities in the village, including those for teenagers.

Message from Ed Vaizey

At the beginning of April, the Daily Mail wrote a two-page spread on Wantage. The Daily Mail is now printed just a few miles away from Wantage, in Didcot, so you might have thought this would be a homage to a local, nearby town. Not a bit of it. Headed "Credit Crunch Central", the article depicted Wantage as almost a ghost town- boarded up shops, listless kids, even the famous statue of King Alfred denuded of his axe.

The premise of this article was that the Wantage constituency, which I represent, and which includes Faringdon, Grove, Didcot and Wallingford as well as Wantage itself, has seen the largest annual rise in unemployment in the country, in percentage terms- a whopping 204.9%. Now, that is a very worrying statistic. And I do not want in any way to underestimate the difficulties we face in this area, nor the personal crisis faced by many individuals and their families who together make up that terrible statistic, some of whom were quoted in the article.

But it is also important to present the other side of the story. Wantage- the town and the constituency- is very far from being a ghost town. Yes, Wantage itself has lost its Woolies, and several estate agents and a bar have gone out of business. But there are also new employers coming to the area all the time, to Wantage and elsewhere in the constituency. In fact, Wantage's rise in unemployment looks awful only because we start from such a low base. Even today, unemployment remains relatively low, at 2.5%, and Wantage ranks 601st out of 659 constituencies in terms of unemployment (with one obviously being constituency with the highest number of unemployed).

As I never tire of telling people, this is one of the most economically dynamic areas of the country, with Europe's largest business park, and some of the biggest scientific investment in the UK, as well as good transport links to the rest of this country. We are well-placed to weather this recession.

But we cannot just sit back. I am planning job clinics in Wantage and Didcot. As I have said before, I am ready to help any individual or business in difficulty, either with banks or Government bureaucracy. And we must also plan for recovery. We'll continue to need the skills to sustain our economy, which means investment in our local schools and colleges. We'll continue to need good transport links, which means planning infrastructure properly. And yes, we will need more housing, in the right places, so that people can be confident that if they invest here there will be the people to employ. But we are not Credit Crunch Central, not now, and I don't think ever.

At the time of writing, the controversy over the Gurkhas is also still very much in mind. It is the first time in living memory that the Government has lost to an opposition motion (in fairness, a Lib Dem one, not a Conservative one), and only the second time that this Government has lost a vote (the other one being 42 days detention without trial). The reason I am bringing it up is not to score points. Of the many national issues that my constituents write to me about, I received most in the shortest space of time on this issue. Dozens of people e-mailed and wrote to me, in the space of just 24 hours. In fact, it was also the first political issue my mum has ever lobbied me on!

The British sense of fair play triumphed on this issue. I am sure there are all sorts of technical and rational reasons why you could argue that Gurkhas should not have the automatic right to stay in the UK. There is also the cost to consider. But at the end of the day, the Great British Public decided that, if people were prepared to fight and die for our country, then those same people should have the right to stay here. My wife's great grandfather served with the Gurkhas, so I also had a (tenuous) family connection, and I was proud to vote for the motion saying the Gurkhas should stay here.

A few days ago, I put together a fascinating day at Didcot Power station, with many small companies engaged in climate change and energy work. There was a building company that could halve emissions from our homes using organic building material; a company that manufactures high-temperature thermometers that cut fuel costs; and quite a few others. In the end, we talked more about money than energy. We contrasted the situation in the US, where hi-tech companies have much better access to financing than in the UK- a real problem which explains why we often lag behind in this area. We have the ideas, but not the investment climate to see them through.

On another front, I am working with other Oxfordshire MPs to get the local Health Trust to change its rules on IVF assisted pregnancy. At the moment, only women aged 35-38 can get the treatment, although national guidelines recommend from the age of 23. As a father of two young children, I know how important children are. In fact my first (successful) case as a candidate was helping a young couple in Grove adopt a baby. I very much hope we can persuade the Trust to change its guidelines to help more childless couples in Oxfordshire.

I recently visited the St John Ambulance in Kidlington to undertake a first aid course. I am campaigning with Beth Chesney Evans, who lost her son in a motor bike accident, to get first aid made compulsory in schools. I learned a lot, it is very straightforward stuff but it does need to be taught, and it could save lots of lives in future.

I can be contacted at the House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA, 020 7219 6350, or vaizeye@parliament.uk

Next surgeries are: **July 10th**- Faringdon Corn Exchange; **July 24th**- Wallingford Town Hall, all at 5.30pm

Message From District Councillor Mike Murray

I came across a particularly upsetting case this month of a lady aged 90 who lives by herself and without help. She had a "turn" and blacked out. Neighbours called an ambulance and she was taken to hospital. So far so good.

Surprisingly she was considered fit to be discharged that night, and sent home in a taxi (which she had to pay for herself) arriving home to an empty house at half past midnight. The A and E ward sister that I spoke to said that "this didn't sound like the normal procedure" but I thought it would be helpful to provide some details of support available if readers find friends, relatives or neighbours in a similar situation.

Oxfordshire County Council are responsible for and provide social services, can help in lots of ways and offer a range of support from the very un-intrusive, but perhaps reassuring, to much fuller care. They can be contacted on 0845 050 7666 or www.oxfordshire.gov.uk

If you are unhappy with treatment or care in hospital then the Patients Advice and Liaison Service can help and for the JR can be contacted on 01865 221473 or PALSJR@orh.nhs.uk or www.oxfordradcliffe.nhs.uk/forpatients/pals

I am now planning to alternate my monthly surgeries between Steventon and East Hendred, so I will next be in the Snells Hall balcony in East Hendred on Saturday 25th July from 9am to 10am. Please do come and see me!

East Hendred Community Centre

Most visitors to Snells Hall will have noted the splendour of our restored copper-clad cupola. This now really stands out, particularly in sunlight. Our thanks go to Charles Pappenheim for arranging the generous grant from WREN and coordinating the excellent work done by Michael Jacques at Forge Ahead Ironworks on this project. We expect this feature to last another 150 years! Our thanks also go to Richard Harris, who has completed the Interior redecoration of the premises with the Committee Room. This work was partly paid for using a generous grant from East Hendred Entertains. The much needed renovation of the stage floor is going to be carried out by D.K.Decorators over two days the 9th and 10th July, thanks to a donation from East Hendred Parish Council.

Unfortunately, our hard earned income is being hit by bills for repairs that have been brought about by careless or deliberately anti-social behaviour. For example, recently a WC pan and seat in the gents' toilet were badly damaged, it seems by being jumped upon, and had to be replaced. Also two hydro spray fire extinguishers were taken from the premises, discharged, damaged and then discarded outside the hall. Such stupid behaviour is almost beyond belief. Another matter of concern to the Management Committee is the 'rope swing', which regularly is being attached to a branch of the horse chestnut tree. We are advised that this is not covered by our insurance policy and therefore has to be removed. However, as soon as it is cut down someone replaces it. Will children of the relevant ages, please use the apparatus in the nearby play area, which is covered by the Parish Council Policy.

Fortunately, most users appreciate the effort and cost needed to keep the premises attractive, clean, tidy and safe and realise that Snells Hall is much more than a mere 'village hall', but a major community asset to be cherished.

Finally on a more positive note, please keep the 11th and 12th September free for our first Beer Festival... details elsewhere in this Bulletin.

Introduction of 40mph speed limit on A417

The A417 from Rowstock to West Hendred has had a regular incidence of road traffic accidents and various conventional measures have been implemented over the years aimed at its reduction, with limited success.

In order to remedy this situation, a 40 mph speed limit was introduced recently between Rowstock and West Hendred on an experimental basis. This followed a long campaign for the introduction of this measure by Iain Brown, County Councillor and East Hendred Parish Council.

The Parish Council considers that this is a major contribution to road safety on the A417 and has noted a distinct improvement in traffic conditions since the 40mph speed limit was introduced

Oxfordshire County Council proposes now make the 40 mph speed limit permanent and a plan of the proposed lengths of road affected and the associated draft traffic regulation Order can be viewed at Wantage library during its regular opening hours. The County Council will consider any representations and objections from members of the public that are received not later than 10th July 2009.

Village Personality Profile No. 9 Mr Laverty

Occupation: Teacher

Previous occupations: Barman, lorry driver, labourer

Hobbies: Walking, talking and reading

When & why did you move to the village?: September 1980, to take up my post at Saint Amands

What is your favourite place in the parish?: The bench at the top of the school field when everyone has gone home

If you had unlimited funds to spend on a project for the village, what would you do and why?:
A nature trail with wildlife identification keys

What is your favourite piece of music?: "Alright Now" by Free

What is your favourite book?: Far from the Madding Crowd

What is your favourite film?: Local Hero

What is your greatest fear?: Pot holing

What is your idea of perfect happiness?: Knowing that my family are safe and well

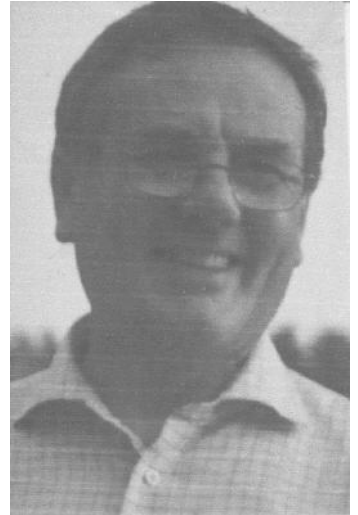
What would your motto be?: "Do as you would be done by"

How would you like to be remembered?: *Trying* to do as I would be done by

There were some errors in Anthony Ford's profile, his correct answers are below.

What is your favourite book?: Anything by John Buchan, Tom Sharpe, Arthur C Clarke, Douglas Adams or Terry Pratchett.

What is your favourite film?: "Picnic at Hanging Rock" written by Clifford Green, based on the novel by Joan Lindsay and directed by Peter Weir.



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Springline productions- Treasure Island!



Our amateur dramatics group started less than two years ago and has accomplished quite a lot including a membership of over 60 adults and children, two traditional pantomimes performed to capacity audiences as well as raising over £9,000 to improve the sound system at Snells Hall. And to top it off we received the "Memorable Moment in a Pantomime" award (for the Cinderella transformation scene) from the Oxfordshire Drama Network, an association of over 55 drama groups across the county

Time to lean back and bask in the glory? Well not if our Director, Kevin Martin and the production team have their way! So this year we have started early and pulled together the Production Team of Kevin Martin, Sara Hildebrandt (Producer), Lorraine Clayton (who is taking time out on stage to be Production Manager), Lesley Hunter (Production Assistant), Jane Parker (Set Design), Will England (Sound and Lighting), Jennie Cosgrove and Graham Bradley (Script), David Hunter (Treasurer and Web Master), and Susie Turnbull (Chair of the Society) and the glue that holds us together. Other crew members will be roped in over the coming months including Emma Bambridge (Costumes and Props), Jane John (Make-Up) and Charlie Clayton (Set Construction).

Scripts were reviewed for the third production and the consensus was for Treasure Island written by Alistair Clinton who has agreed to attend the final night of the pantomime- so no pressure on Springline!

The show promises a strong cast with 16 principals including Jim Hawkins, Long John Silver, Dame Hawkins, Ben Gunn, the Doctor and Squire and an assortment of pirates, farmers and Indians. Although female parts are few in the script we will suspend belief and share them around to involve all concerned.

East Hendred Entertains- planned events...

Film Shows, a trip to Weymouth, Bingo, the Scarecrow Trail, It's a Knockout! Competition and even a carol service... East Hendred Entertains have got many things planned for the coming months including the Thrift Shop as usual, Fridays 1-4pm at the Tin Hut, Newbury Road. Check the diary at the back of the Bulletin for more dates.



A coach trip to Weymouth will be taking place on Saturday 15th August, tickets £11.50 each. Contact Val on 833973 for more info...

Bingo nights are 23rd October and 11th December at Snells Hall- doors open 6.45pm, eyes down 7.30pm.

It's a Knockout! As part of the Family Show on Sunday 6th September at Sports Ground, Mill Lane.

Team Entry £50 for two hours of fun. (Teams of eight made up of two over-25s, two aged 15-24, two aged 10-14 and two under-10s). All the fun of the original! Bounce, water, foam, jokers and so much more!

Run by professional event organisers 'Demon Wheelers'. For details call Sarah Breakspear 833561 or Karen Philips 834568. Entry Forms available from Hendred Stores.



The Hendred Plotters

Several allotment holders and their families and friends held the first ever get together on a glorious Saturday evening in June- a most enjoyable time was had by one and all.

Fantastic Fun at Forest School for Hundreds Pre-School



If you go down to the woods today you might just find a Hundreds Pre-School child! They could be busy exploring, collecting treasures, making mud pies, climbing trees, building rope swings or dens or even sawing sticks ready for an end of term celebratory fire.

Since April, these are some of the healthy activities of days-gone-by that the children have been experiencing, whilst visiting Forest School. This opportunity has been made

possible with the help of Mhairi, one of the pre-school mums, who is a qualified Forest School leader. She and the staff take the children to a Forest School site at Sutton Courtenay Environmental Education Centre. It is a secure piece of land full of interesting nooks and crannies and secret undergrowth where the children have freedom to explore and initiate their own activities.

Forest School happens in woodlands all around Oxfordshire and is an idea that originated in Scandinavia. There, it was discovered that young children going to Forest School started school with strong social skills and high self-esteem and confidence, which in turn gave them a secure foundation to learn at school. At the heart of this powerful process is an ethos focused on child centred learning. This means the children take the lead, which in turn develops a greater capacity to learn.

Our visits to Forest School have been extremely successful and are always eagerly anticipated by the children. Parents have commented how much their children have enjoyed themselves and their 'adventures' and it has been the point of many discussions at home and at school.



Thank you to Mhairi, the staff and the committee who have made this exciting project possible. Thanks also goes to parents and grandparents who has supported and helped with transport to Forest School.

For information about Hundreds Pre-school please contact the supervisors, Tracy and Sarah, on weekday mornings at 01235 831555.



Job Vacancy: Deputy Pre-school Supervisor

Hundreds Pre-School is a small, friendly pre-school meeting daily in its own building in East Hendred. We are looking for a part-time deputy to assist our supervisor and her team in all aspects of pre-school life. The candidates need to be lively, enthusiastic, committed and have experience with children. Ideally they will already have an Ofsted recognised Level 3 Diploma, or will be willing to train. Hours are approximately 8 per week (over 2 days) and may require some flexibility.

Please contact Tessa Case (*Chairman*) for further information, salary details and an application form. Tel: 01235 821276 or info@hundredspreschool.org.uk. Deadline: 6 July 2009.

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The Heart of Hendreds Project: HOHP

The Hendreds Environment Group, the Parish Council and Hendreds School are working on the Heart of Hendreds Project to provide a pleasant and safe walking route from Snells to Fordy Lane, primarily for children going to school. The Big Lottery fund and Oxfordshire County Council have provided the funds to build a footpath and make improvements to the natural environment in the "breathing place" (which will be treated as a small nature reserve) which the path will go through. The Hendred Estate owns the ground where the breathing place will be and has generously leased the ground to the Parish Council at a nominal rent for five years. We are hoping that the project proves to be popular and congenial to all concerned, so that it can go on well into the future.

As reported in the Spring Bulletin, the Environment Group organised a very successful working party early in the year to clear the route and Julian Gold has recently been very helpful in keeping the route clear and commencing control of the nettles! The construction of the footpath has been put out to tender and a contractor will be selected shortly, so that the path will be in place for the new school year.

The Green Column

Reduce, Re-use, Recycle!

Do you want to waste less and save energy? Just remember to Reduce, Re-use, Recycle- in that order.

1. Reduce:

DON'T BUY IT. Do you really need it? Is it just future clutter? Could you borrow or hire one if you need it for a particular task? If you do need it, is there one with less packaging?

2. Re-use:

- * Jars and tubs for storage. Left-overs for dinner the next day. Carrier bags. Envelopes. Scrap paper for shopping lists. Pass on magazines to friends. Be as inventive as you can in re-using your stuff. Failing that, can someone else re-use it?
- * The East Hendred Thrift Shop (in the tin hut on Newbury Road every Friday afternoon) will take clothes, shoes, books and household items (not electrical) for resale, and so will other charity shops.
- * The Vale of White Horse Freecycle Group is for giving away stuff you don't want (and taking free stuff off other people's hands). This is an email list. Join at <http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/valewhitehorsefreecycle/>
- * Furniture and household items (including electrical appliances) which are suitable for re-use can go to homeless charity Emmaus which runs a furniture store in Oxford and will collect from anywhere in Oxfordshire. Phone 01865 763698.
- * Paint should be used up, not put out with the rubbish. If you can't use it and can't find anyone who can, give it to Orinoco, a charity in Oxford which accepts usable paint at their scrapstore in Headington and will then pass it on to community projects and members of the public to use. See <http://www.oxorinoco.org/> or phone 07960 661748.

3. Recycle:

- * Green Box for paper, glass bottles and jars, cans and aerosols, aluminium foil, plastic bottles, clothing and textiles, batteries and mobile phones.
- * Brown bin or compost bin for garden waste, cardboard and yellow pages.
- * County waste recycling centres (Drayton, Stanford in the Vale or Redbridge) for batteries, bicycles, cans, cardboard, household chemicals, computer monitors, foil, food and drink cartons (Tetrapaks), fridges and freezers, gas bottles, glass bottles and jars, glass sheet, green waste for composting, light bulbs and fluorescent tubes, scrap metal, engine oil, paper, mixed soft plastics, soil and rubble, televisions, textiles and clothing, tyres (small quantities, there is a charge), white goods and wood.
- * East Hendred Thrift Shop will take clothes, handbags and shoes that it can't sell in the shop, but which it can sell as 'rags'. So even if your stuff is really old, it can still come here. They also recycle most printer cartridges (not all Epson can be recycled) for Guide Dogs for the Blind. Donated jewellery and watches that don't sell in the shop can also raise funds for Guide Dogs for the Blind.
- * Food and drink cartons (Tetrapaks) can also go in recycling bins at Sainsbury's in Wantage and Tesco's in Abingdon.

There is further information available from the Vale of White Horse District Council's Waste Management Team on 01235 520202 or at http://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/rubbish_recycling_waste/

And if you've got a good re-use or recycling tip, please let us know...

Hundreds Twinning Group News

A group of 20 villagers will be setting off by coach and ferry for a long week-end in Sarceaux near Argentan in Normandy on July 3rd. This will be the 14th exchange between the two villages. Everyone will again be staying with French families and enjoying their generous hospitality. We are taking a gift of a specially made flag showing the White Horse on a green background to present to the Sarceaux Twinning Association. There will be a celebratory meal and barbecue in a local village hall on the Saturday and on the Sunday we are expecting to spend the day in Bayeux where there is an extra attraction this particular weekend of a medieval street fair, in addition to the opportunity of seeing the famous Tapestry for those who have not already seen it.

Our next fund raising event will be cooking bacon butties as refreshments for competitors and supporters at the Ardington Boneshaker event on September 20th. This year we are running the stall jointly with Springline Players, sharing both the proceeds and the organisation of the stall.

The Feast of Local Food has become a popular annual event, taking place on the first Saturday on February 6th in Snells Hall. Last February almost 80 people enjoyed a very varied menu as well as the talk by Steve Callaghan from Hendreds Vineyard. Our plans are well in hand for February 2010, as we are joining forces with the WI for the catering this time.

New members from East or West Hendred, or surrounding villages, are always welcome. Further details from Margaret Sharp, m.l.r.sharp@btinternet.com, tel. 833367.

Farming Focus

The weather extremes of recent years seem to have continued into 2009. The spring planting season was characterised by repeated cultivation passes to try to get air into the soil and dry out the "pudding" which was a legacy of the wet autumn and winter. Fast forward a few months and here we are in June with the ground baked out and cracking to depth, with the crops all starting to die off early. The worst affected will be the spring planted beans and barley, which have not had time to build deep root systems to scavenge for moisture.

On the subject of spring crops I must admit to a bit of herbicide failure in the spring beans in the block of ground next to the A417 going towards Rowstock- some of you may have noticed the delightful yellow colour in the field which is charlock and definitely should not be there!

Lambing this year was very successful with the flock achieving an average of 1.77 lambs per ewe (the trouble is the lambs that are only .77 of a lamb keep falling over because they only have three legs!) Anything over an average of 1.7 is very good and we are a bit surprised that the ewes were so fertile at tugging time because their body condition was not too good last autumn (generally the better the ewe body condition the more they ovulate).

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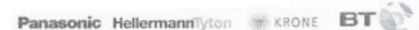


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The Downs Golden Age

The DGA meets at Snells Hall on the first Thursday of every month for approximately two hours for either for tea or for lunch. There is always a small raffle and a Bring and Buy Stall. A range of excellent speakers have been booked for the forthcoming months, they usually talk for approximately 45 minutes on a variety of subjects. The DGA is a very friendly club and would welcome new members.

Please ring Betty Holliday on 01235 833400 for more information

2 nd July	Summer Luncheon
6 th Aug	Lunch and talk by Norman Francis " <i>Norma Lindsay's Gardens</i> "
3 rd Sept	Lunch and AGM
1 st Oct	Tea and talk by David Glover " <i>Red Kites over Oxfordshire</i> "
5 th Nov	Tea and talk by Peter Cook " <i>Afghan Insights</i> "
3 rd Dec	Christmas lunch and entertainment

The recent trip to Cardiff was a great success, over thirty members set off by coach. The weather was indifferent for the journey but the sun broke through and allowed everyone to sit outside at lunchtime in restaurants overlooking Cardiff Bay. Some members took a boat trip round the bay, others climbed to St. Augustine's church at Penarth, and some strolled along the water front or admired the lovely concert hall... then back to the coach to Cardiff Castle. Having thoroughly enjoyed that visit members quickly signed up for their outing to Bitton in the Avon valley on July 15th

Wednesday 15th July to Bitton/Avon. Leave Hendred at 10.00. Leave Bitton at 5.00. Coach to steam railway. All to take picnic to eat on train, change to boat for a 40 minute trip and enjoy a cream tea on train back. Members £15, non members £26.00

Thursday 17th Sept to Toddington/Cheltenham, leave Hendred at 9.45, leave Cheltenham at 4.00. Train from Toddington at 12.15. Members £15, non members £20

Thursday 12th November to Oracle Reading leave Hendred at 10.00, leave Reading at 3.00. Members £5, Non members, £10

East & West Hendred WI

Julie Summers, writer of the story of the Bridge on the River Kwai was the most recent speaker at the Hendreds WI meeting. She is the granddaughter of the real officer in charge of the bridge-building during the second world war in Thailand, Philip Toosey. In her talk she told of a rather different account of the POWs lives than the film with Alec Guinness's Oscar winning performance as Colonel Nicholson portrayed.

Other events have included an enjoyable day out viewing the gardens of Highgrove the home of Prince Charles and a trip to the theatre to see 'Calendar Girls' in London and another to Blythe Spirit at the Watermill.

We have an afternoon tea party arranged for July and an evening visit to Burford and an afternoon at Kelmscott. Drayton WI have challenged us to a 10-Pin Bowling event in September.

The Oxfordshire Federation have had various events to celebrate their 90th anniversary including a thanksgiving service at Christchurch Cathedral in Oxford in April and a private opening of Hatfield house.

Supper with Scarecrows has been organised by the Federation at Millets Farm. Should be a sight to behold as everyone is to make their own scarecrow and a barbecue supper will be provided. A trip to see Hidden London and Regents Canal has been organised in July and an



Exhibition of Art in August and a WI lunch on the river event in London.

The following events are arranged for later in the year:

July 16 th	Tim Hutchinson- Local Vet
August 20 th	Summer Party
September 17 th	Simon Jones- Antiques Roadshow
October 15 th	Deborah Brady- A female in Fleet Street
November 19 th	Martin Woodgett- The Cutty Sark

We are always delighted to have new members. Most meetings are held in Snells Hall from 7.30pm on the third Thursday of the month and if you are interested please contact our secretary by email on jxpol@tiscali.co.uk or phone 835689.

News from St Augustine's and St Mary's

The big news at St Augustine's is that our new Rector, Rev. Elizabeth Birch will be officially inducted and installed by Bishop Stephen on Friday 4th September at 7:30pm. Everyone in the Benefice is warmly invited to this very special occasion (and for those who haven't heard him, the Bishop is an excellent and entertaining preacher) and to refreshments afterwards. I think we are all very glad that the end of the interregnum is now in sight. Many thanks to the clergy- Jean, Ron, Antonia and Sister Patricia -and to our indefatigable churchwardens Jackie and Trevor, for all their hard work keeping everything running so smoothly.

Elizabeth introduced herself to us in the May edition of 'The Henchman', where she said how much she was looking forward to moving to East Hendred and being involved in the life of the whole community. She will be accompanied by her husband, who works in the City, and 11-year-old son- and soon after (she hopes) by an Afghan hound and Millefleurs Belgian Bantam chickens. Her letter to us all is printed in full below.

Meanwhile services continue at the usual times. Please do not forget our coffee mornings on the last Wednesday of each month (July 29, August 26, September 30 etc), in St Augustine's church from 10.30am - 12 noon. As well as tea, coffee, biscuits and lots of chat, there's a 'Bring and Buy' stall, which is an ideal opportunity to swap any excess produce from your garden or allotment. Everyone is invited and you will be made very welcome. Another regular event in the church is the fortnightly prayer group, whose next meeting is on Wednesday 8th July at 8.00pm. Meetings last about half an hour, and again, everyone is welcome.

This year's StRide in aid of Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust (a sponsored cycle ride or walk visiting churches of all denominations) will be on Saturday 12th September. St Augustine's, St Mary's and Hendred House chapel all participate in this event and welcome support from both active StRiders and less energetic volunteers to greet visitors to our churches. Sponsorship forms and more details will be available in church nearer the time.

At the end of each summer we celebrate the harvest, and this year's Harvest Festival in St Augustine's will be on Sunday 27 September, followed by a delicious home-cooked Harvest Lunch for the whole parish in Snells Hall. Contact Jackie Francis (tel: 833473) for tickets and details.

Then as autumn draws in, another series of Penney Lectures will start, bringing interesting speakers on a wide range of subjects to a venue near you- your parish church! This season's programme is still being arranged so watch the notice boards and the village 'what's on' email for details.

More information about all of St Augustine's services and village events, and those in the other parishes in the Benefice of Wantage Downs, can be found in our Parish Magazine, *The Henchman*. This is published 10 times a year and distributed to 450 homes, with 900 delivered in December. Current advertising rates offer excellent value at £35 per year for a quarter page, so if you would like to publicise your business locally please contact Geoffrey Bailey (tel: 762221). And if you would like *The Henchman* delivered to your door for the bargain price of £3 a year, contact Stan Francis (tel: 833473) to be sure you get your regular copy.

The times of services are on the notice boards at news sheets at both churches, and on the church websites, easily reached through the 'Churches' tab at www.hendred.org.



St Augustine's church fete

We had perfect weather for our fete on Saturday 13 June, and the garden at Cowdray's made a perfect setting. As you can see, everyone enjoyed themselves and we made £1000 for the church. Thank-you to all who helped and to those who came along.

A letter from the Rector designate

I am 43 and currently a curate in the parish of St John the Baptist, Pinner in north-west London, where coincidentally (or not, depending on how you look at it!) I was baptized before my parents moved away when I was small, and where I was ordained priest in 2007. Before I was ordained I taught Latin and French in a co-educational prep school in St John's Wood. I am married to David who is a Chartered Accountant working for Ernst and Young in the City in their expatriate tax department. We have one son, Hugo, who is 11 and whose delight is unbounded at the prospect of living somewhere where there is the possibility, in due course, of having a much-longed-for Afghan Hound! Whether an Afghan Hound and the chickens (Millefleurs Belgian Bantams for preference) who are also on the "rectory-garden-residents-to-be" list will get along together is, of course, debatable. Watch this space!

My ministry hitherto has been in suburbia, leafy suburbia, but still suburbia, so moving to the country will represent a big change for us. We view the change very positively however and hope to be involved in the wider community life of the Benefice as a whole, as much as possible.

My background is liberal catholic in terms of spirituality and I am looking forward to cherishing the Eucharistic emphasis of the worship in East and West Hendred, Ardington and Lockinge and looking at ways in which we can be creative together to grow and blossom as God's people in this lovely part of the world. History and tradition are important to me as well as openness to the new things God is always on the lookout to bring to our attention and I know that worshipping in four such old and beautiful churches, in continuity with all who have worshipped there in centuries past, will always be a great privilege.

I am looking forward very much to moving to East Hendred over the summer, to starting my ministry as your Rector in early September and to getting to know you all. In the meantime I am praying for you and for all that we will do and be together in God's name.

Rev Elizabeth Birch

East and West Hendred Cricket Club

The club is currently fielding seven teams; the First Eleven (in Division 2 of the Oxfordshire Cricket Association), the Second Eleven (in Division 8), the Sunday Friendly team, two Under 11 teams (League and Friendly), the Under 13 and Under 15 league teams. In addition, there are training evenings for the Junior members of the club (now split into two evenings to cope with the demand). It is very heartening to attend the junior matches and observe young people playing enthusiastically, but always with courtesy and much hand-shaking after the games. The matches are always well-attended by spectators. The Junior fixtures end a few weeks before the end of the Senior season, which will be on 20th September. The fixture list is posted on the village notice board and also through email via events@hendred.org.

The Senior Matches have seen many close finishes and high scores and we hope for a good conclusion to the season in both Division 2 and 8. The First Team were knocked out of the Airey Cup competition by Oxford Caribbeans, of Division 1, but with a very creditable performance. At the time of writing, Steve Shephard is top of the club's league batting averages, with 45.5 and the leading wicket-taker is Jack Mulford with 17 wickets.

At the beginning of May the club hosted the Oxfordshire Under 16s and Under 17s Trial Match, paying testimony to the high quality of the ground. On Sunday 9th August the club will host a match between Oxfordshire Women and Gloucestershire Women in the England and Wales Cricket Board Championship. You are cordially invited to join us in what promises to be a truly first-class event.

The club's programme requires a tremendous amount of effort in ground preparation and organisation. If you would like to participate as a player or in support activities, please contact Ivan Mulford (820316).

Hendreds Family Show!

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Hendred Heritage

It's here! But have you seen it yet? We asked and you gave... this beautiful painting by Albert Dunnington was purchased with your help. It is now hanging in Champs Chapel Museum and looks truly magnificent and at home here in East Hendred. We will be having a 'welcoming event' in the autumn for Contributors, Stewards and Friends of the Museum.

The watercolour painting by Albert Dunnington is signed and dated 1916 and inscribed 'East Hendred, Berks'. Albert Dunnington was born in Lenton near Nottingham in 1860. He later moved to Manchester and exhibited at Manchester City Art Gallery. He is recorded in the British Artists Dictionaries and died in 1928.



Donations to acquire this picture for the village were received from:

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What's New?

As many of you know Fergus and Kate Nicoll are moving to pastures and adventures new, which meant for us the loss of Fergus as a Trustee- we thank him for his service and wish him and Kate best wishes for their future. Robin Hine also retired as a Trustee after many years of involvement- but he still remains an active 'Friend of the Museum' for which we are extremely grateful (and relieved). We welcome Sue Roberts as a Trustee- or should I say 'welcome back'- Sue was one of the Parish Councillors who helped set up the Museum and has always kept a keen interest. We have now twisted her arm (only slightly) to join our very small committee!

As you may know the Trustees have been working at bringing Champs Chapel Museum into the 21st Century. If you have visited the Museum since our re-opening in April you will see we have 2 slide show presentations running, one of which is projected onto the wall and the other shown on a large flat screen TV, which enables our visitors to really appreciate our photo archives- we have comfy chairs too for you to sit and enjoy the show.

By the time this goes to print our new website will also be up and running- please now visit us at www.hendredmuseum.org.uk. It is fresh, bright and exciting and we can't wait to hear what you think of it. Our digital archives of pictures and objects will be available on-line too! You will find them on www.ehive.com (EastHendredMuseum). This is really exciting as we are one of the first Museums in the UK to transfer our data onto this site. E-hive is a New Zealand based company who specialise in on-line Museum Collections and we are very fortunate to be working with them. You will be able to view the digital pictures that we have already transferred and we will add the rest as soon as we can. You can add comments to the pictures if you recognise someone- or if we have wrong information! This is a really exciting time so if you would like to get involved in making our whole collection available on this site and updating the information we have, please let us know. Remember as it is on-line, you can now do this from home!

Please contact David Hunter 835092 or Sonia Roberts 821796 to join the team... become a Friend of the Museum and help to preserve the past- for the future!

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Planning Matters

EHE/18806/1, Oak Barn, Old Road: (Ground and first floor extension). The Parish Council offered no objection to this proposal.

EHE/20690, 1 The Spinney: (Erection of extension). The Parish Council offered no objection but commented on the proximity of the extension to the neighbouring property. The application was refused.

EHE/20788, The Port Hole, Cat St: (Fitting of solar panels on garage roof). The Parish Council offered no objection. The application was refused. The Council have since requested guidance on acceptance criteria for solar panels.

EHE/CHI/3506/14: Rutherford Laboratory, Harwell site: (Erection of new laboratories). The Parish Council did not object. The application was allowed

EHE/14746/1, Southernwood Cottage, Cat St (Conversion of existing store, internal alterations and erection of first floor rear extension). The Parish Council offered no objection. The application was allowed

EHE/215/6 & EHE/217/7—CA, The Stables, Monks Farm, Newbury Road (Conversion and extension to former tack room and barns to form three residential units with associated access garaging, domestic storage and parking): The Parish Council visited the site and subsequently objected to this application on the grounds of footprint increase, 2-storey height of extension and loss of open space. The application for erection of new buildings was refused (EHE/215/6). The application for demolition of the stables was approved (EHE/217/7-CA).

APP/V3120/A/09/2099123, Greensands, Reading Road: (Appeal against refusal of retrospective application for change of use from dwelling to guesthouse with advertising signage and retention of access road). An appeal commenced on April 21st at Abingdon with a further hearing in May. The Parish council engaged a planning consultant to present to the inquiry its case for rejection of the appeal. The decision of the Inspector is not yet known.

APP/V3120/A/09/2093648, The Cottage, Chapel Square: (Appeal against refusal of planning permission for erection of two storey rear extension, provision of vehicular access and associated parking): The Parish Council objected to the original application and commented similarly to the appeal Inspector. The appeal was upheld and planning permission thus granted.

Parish Council

Council meetings are held in Snells Hall at 8pm on the second Tuesday of each month. An Open Forum, in which parishioners may ask questions, starts at 8:30pm.

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- Sat 11 Hendred Primary School Fete, 12-3pm
- Wed 15 DGA trip to Bitton
- Thur 16 WI talk by Tim Hutchinson

AUGUST

- Thur 6 DGA lunch and talk
- Sat 15 Coach trip to Weymouth, (Tickets £11.40)
Contact Val on 833973
- Thur 20 WI summer party
- Sat 22 Start of the Scarecrow Trail

SEPTEMBER

- Thur 3 DGA lunch and AGM
- Sat 5 End of the Scarecrow Trail
- Sat 5 Film Show- The Young Victoria (PG), Snells Hall, 7pm (Tickets from Hendred Stores, £5)
- Sun 6 Family Show
- 11-12 Beer festival, Snells Hall
- Thur 17 DGA trip to Toddington
- Thur 17 WI talk by Simon Jones
- Sun 26 Boneshaker, Ardington

Regular Events

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- WEDNESDAY** **Mother & Toddler Group**, 10-12am,
Snells Hall (Clara Williams, 833204)
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- THURSDAY** **Brownies**, 6-7.30pm, Snells Hall
(Linda Harris, 833126)
Bowls 7.45-10pm, Snells Hall
(Ken Taylor, 833359)
- SATURDAY** **Soccer School**, 10.30-11.30, Mill Lane Sports Ground
(Richard Frost, 07882352214,
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- FRIDAY** **The Village Thrift Shop**, 1-4pm, Rectory Room (Tin Hut)
- WEEKDAYS** **Preschool**, 9-12am, Snells Hall
(Lisa Russell, 01235 861144
www.hendredspreschool.org.uk)
- MONTHLY** **Snells Hall Management Meeting**, 7.45,
Snells Hall Committee Room, **1st Tuesday**
Downs Golden Age, Snells Hall,
1st Thursday (Betty Holliday, 833400)
Parish Council Meeting, 8pm, Snells Hall,
2nd Tuesday
WI, 7.30pm, Snells Hall, **3rd Thursday**
Sunday Squad, 10.30am, Rectory Room (Tin Hut), **3rd Sunday**

Church Services

Catholic Parish of St Mary

St. Mary's, East Hendred
Tel: 833269

Sunday Mass

9.30am St Mary's,
East Hendred

Parish Church of St Augustine of Canterbury

Rector: Rev. Rita Ball
Tel: 833235

Family Service

10.30am 1st Sunday
(Children are welcome at all our services, but will find this one particularly appealing.)

Parish Communion

11.00am 2nd Sunday
10.30am 3rd/4th Sunday

Benefice Communion

11.00am 5th Sunday
(See Noticeboard for venue.)

Sunday Squad

10.30am 3rd Sunday
(Fun stuff for children.)

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