

EAST HENDRED Bulletin

Scarecrow Trail Results!

Our thanks to all entrants, the terrific amount of effort you put into your entries made a wonderful show for our Scarecrow Trail. Thank you to all of our 'voters' and our special thanks to Rev Elizabeth Birch for making the final decision from the top 5.

The winner received £50 prize money, a wonderful Scarecrow Trophy to keep and the Prior Memorial Cup which he keeps until the next competition - which will be part of our Hendred Festival in June 2010. He also gets to decide the theme for next years competition - so look out for details!

Thank you to Martin & Louise for selling the Trail Sheets - this service is invaluable to our many activities. Also a thank you to David Hunter, for being our BBC Radio Oxford spokesman and putting together a slide show of this years entries - available for viewing at Champs Chapel. We were very disappointed that there were no entries in Horn Lane, Cat Street, Orchard Lane, Orchard Close, Fordy Lane or St Marys Road (only a visiting entry) - maybe you can do better next year!?

It's terrific fun for entrants and great (& cheap) amusement for parents and children to follow the trail around our lovely village.

The photographs have now been uploaded onto the East Hendred website and this year they are available to order as prints and as greetings cards. Orders can also be placed by sending an email via www.cairneydownphotography.co.uk - please use the 'Contact Me' option. All the Scarecrow photographs can be viewed in the Gallery "Scarecrows". 50% of the profits from the sale of the photographs or the Greetings Cards will go East Hendred Heritage Trust.

Walk Way Officially Open



See inside for the photo options possible...

Tony Lundyates, Sian Mitchell, Kate Nicoll, Charles Matthews, Rev Elizabeth Birch, John Sharp, Iain Brown, Sarah James, Keith Mitchell, Charles Pappenheim

Our very new Rector opened our brand new walk from Snells to Fordy Lane on 12th September, the nicest morning for weeks. With a gracious speech that included as many as possible of the people who made this project happen, and backed up by our OCC Councillor Iain Brown and Chairman of the Parish Council John Sharp, Rev Elizabeth Birch cut the ribbon and declared the walkway open to applause from a good-sized crowd. The walk goes through the "Breathing Place", which Hendreds Environment Group is working to develop as a small nature reserve. Bat and bird boxes are already in place and working parties have started clearing the area of Himalayan Balsam and reducing the amount of brambles. Arrangements are in train for the Beaver group to have the first

organised nature walk through the Breathing Place. The major reason for building the walk was to provide a safer route than Church Street for people walking to The Hendreds School from Snells Hall car park. It is a bonus that the walkway route is also shorter. A group of parents is being organised to inspect the walkway regularly, to keep it safe and in top condition. Particular thanks are due to the Hendred Estate, which has made the area available for the walk and "Breathing Place" on a five-year lease at a nominal rent. We all hope that the project will be successful from everyone's point of view so that it continues to enhance the safety and the attractiveness of the village long into the future. The walk was financed with a National Lottery "Breathing Places" grant, an OCC grant for safer walks to school and East Hendred PC. East Hendred Entertains have provided a grant for carved rails and signs to help with wildlife appreciation. The final stages of the project, including agreeing the lease with the Hendred Estate were managed by the Parish Council with Charles Pappenheim acting as Project Manager.



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2nd- Simmons Girls- George & Dragon
3rd- Chloe Prior- Henry VIII & his 6 Wives

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from the chair

The opening of the Snells footpath on Sept. 12th by our new Rector was a significant milestone since the path had been in planning for over 5 years. It provides not only a safer way for children to access the Hendreds school but also a nature walk. The latter aspect has resulted from an initiative of the Hendreds Environment Group which is much appreciated. Many people have been involved over the years in getting the funding, planning permission and all the other aspects needed. The Parish Council took the lead in the latter stages by agreeing the lease for the ground from the Hendred Estate, arranging tenders and the insurance and project management of the

works. It is recognised as an important asset for the village and has been well worth the long wait.

The village is well provided with means of communicating news and events. There is the regular Bulletin (editors Harriet and Julian Gold), the village web site which is kept well up-to-date by Charles Pappenheim, the "What's on in the Hendreds" (web based newsletter -courtesy of the Pappenheims) and more recently the "Hoot" a monthly newsletter introduced by Hendred Entertains. The minutes of Parish Council meetings can also be viewed on the village web site. All of these require a lot of volunteer effort for which we are all grateful. The village benefits very much from having such a good information system.

The Vale District Council also has a good electronic system for planning applications which can all be read or downloaded from their web site (www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk). The Parish Council is increasingly using this site to keep itself fully informed of planning applications.

Managing the Council's finances is important and a special group has been set up to meet before each main meeting to provide the necessary input on financial matters. Every year the Council prepares a budget and decides on the level of precept to enable the Council to carry out its duties regarding the village. Last January it was decided to precept for a sum of £20,000, all of which is spent on supporting village functions and activities, such as the lengthman's

wages, courtesy lighting, publication costs of this bulletin and the salaries of the clerk and finance officer. Each year part of the precept is allocated to help village organisations with grants to support their own projects, recognising that these grants will hopefully be used to source additional funds from other grant bodies. In this way many tens of thousands of pounds have been acquired from outside sources for village projects in recent years. However all the signs are that the availability of such grants may be significantly reduced in the future due to the current economic climate. Local fund raising activities will therefore become much more important.

John Sharp

Appointment of New Councillor

Following the resignation of Rachel Sutton in the summer a replacement councillor is required. The Council has gone through the necessary procedure of advertising the vacancy and asking for those requiring an election to contact the Vale District Council. In the event no requests were received and hence the Parish Council can co-opt a new Councillor. The process of doing this is in hand and an announcement will be made in due course.

Village Design Statement- Progress

The group has met recently to progress this design statement. Of particular note is the Vale District Council's recent publication of their "Residential Design Guide", which contains sections on village developments, including small developments, replacement dwellings, conversions and extensions. All of these are relevant to our proposed Design Guide and will be referenced as appropriate. We are pleased that Roger Turnbull has decided to join the group- his professional expertise in planning will be very useful.

Update on Affordable Housing

Some small changes have been made to the plans for the proposed development of three affordable houses on the old garage site in Couplings Close and we expect a planning application to be made shortly. When the Oxfordshire Rural Community Council (ORCC) undertook a survey of the village needs for affordable housing they concluded that there was a need for up to 12 homes of this type. The Parish Plan also identified the need for more affordable housing and it is one of the action plans. New sites for further affordable housing are under consideration and a meeting between ORCC, Vale planners and the Council is planned shortly.

Scarecrow Prints

The individual photographs can be ordered either as a 6x4" glossy print (no border) or as a 12x8" glossy print (no border). Each 6x4" print will cost 50p and each 12x8" print will cost £3.50. (A 12x8" print is approximately the size of an A4 sheet of paper). An A5 sized handmade individual greeting card with the photographic scarecrow image, sold with a bright white envelope and protected by in its own cellophane wrapper, will cost £2.50. A Greeting Card Pack of 5 Cards (either five cards of the same image, or five cards of different scarecrows) will cost a special price of £10.00 - the perfect idea for sending at Halloween!

Courtesy Lighting

Good news- the energy saving bulbs put in over a year ago, have cut the cost of running the courtesy lights in the village. Although further ways of reducing the costs of this scheme are being investigated, this may be difficult, as maintenance and repair costs are likely to increase, because health and safety regulations now require all work, including bulb changes, to be carried out by a qualified electrician. There are now 31 courtesy lights in the village; the most recent addition is in Church Street. The Parish Council is very grateful to all those who have a courtesy light on their property.

Playgrounds

Now that the school path is complete, it is clear how much space is available in the Penney Play Park for additional play facilities. A request has been made for a basket ball net, and a suitable site is being sought, which meets the requirements for this. There is space in the playground for new play equipment; and possible sources of funding for this will be identified.

Grant Requests to the Council

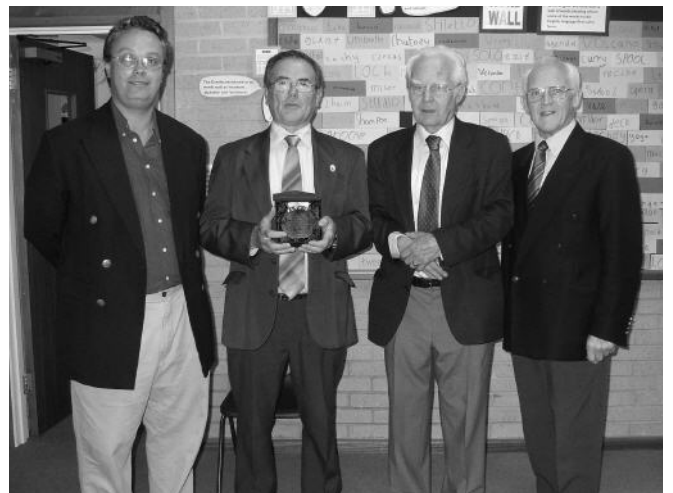
Each year the Parish Council makes provision in its precept for grants to be made to village organisations and some external organisations that can demonstrate that they benefited East Hendred residents. It is recognised that these grants are not going to be large but provide a very useful starter such that organisations can demonstrate to external grant bodies that the application has village support. For the current year this provision was £2000 (10% of our precept). At the present time the Council has awarded grants totalling £1200 to several organisations, including the Sports Club, Hendred Heritage Group and the Community Centre. The Council will be planning the budget for 2010/11 in the next few months and any village organisation that is expecting to approach the Council for grants next year should make its plans known to the Clerk so that these can be taken into account in setting the budget.

Retirement of John Laverty

The Parish Council decided to mark John Laverty's retirement after 29 years of being headmaster at St.Amand's School, with a gift of a glass plaque, engraved with the words "*In grateful appreciation and recognition of 29 years of outstanding service to the Community of East Hendred. Presented to John Laverty, Headmaster of St.Amand's school*"

John Sharp (chairman of the Council) presented the gift to John on his last day at school in July, thanking him on behalf of the village for his dedicated teaching and involvement in village activities over the long period that he had been headmaster.

The photograph shows John Laverty holding the glass plaque, with John Sharp, Edward Eyston and Terry Fraser (District Councillor), who also thanked John for his services to the village.



Overhanging Vegetation

Householders are reminded that it is their responsibility to cut back any branches or vegetation over-hanging footpaths or roadways around the village. In some areas footpaths are half obstructed with garden foliage. This can be unpleasant in wet weather, or even dangerous if pedestrians or parents pushing buggies are forced to side-step onto the roadway to avoid the greenery.

Please cut back your foliage!

Finance Group

The Council has decided to set up a Finance Group which will meet before each Council meeting. Managing the Council's finances is an important requirement, and includes setting the budget for each year. The members of the Group are John Sharp, Val Bacon, Tom Cunningham (Clerk) and Diana Wheeler (Finance Officer).

Message from Ed Vaizey

As Parliament is still in recess as I write this, I thought I would up-date you on some campaigns I have been running. Nationally, I have been campaigning on behalf of thousands of investors who invested in savings products. Although the products were advertised as 100 per cent guaranteed, because they were backed by Lehman Brothers, when the bank went bust investors lost all their money. One of those investors lives in our constituency, which is how I got involved. Having held a debate on the subject, and also written an article for the Financial Times, I finally got the Financial Services Authority to take the issue seriously, and investors should start to get their cases heard with a view to getting compensation. This is a real result, though it is early days. The whole campaign has thrown up some anomalies in our financial system, as far as investors are concerned, which I hope to raise in Parliament with a view to changing the law. I have opposed the incinerator in Sutton Courtenay, and argued that the County should consider a different technology. I have secured a small victory, in that the County has chosen a different site, although it is still pursuing incineration. So as a Nimby I am pleased, but still concerned about the use of incineration.

Appleford recently lost a number of trains which were cut from its timetable, and I have succeeded in reinstating these. Finally, as I may have mentioned before, the Government has agreed to hold a public enquiry into the reservoir planned for Steventon, something which I called for in November.

Through the summer recess, I have continued to pursue individual cases as best I can, and hope the service has been as prompt and efficient as possible.

My next surgery is 9th October, Grove Old Mill hall, at 5.30pm.

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

Message From District Councillor Mike Murray

Firstly a thankyou to those who pelted Iain Brown and me with sponges in the stocks at the Steventon church fete (a) for mostly missing and (b) for paying for the privilege! It turned into quite a popular stand.

Secondly I am told by Network Rail that they are rolling out a new National Railway Communications System for drivers and signalmen to continuously communicate with one other. This, we are told, will do much to improve reliability and punctuality on the railway, and for regular users this is very good news. The system involves the erection of a new system of communication masts, one of which will be in Steventon, next to the track just to the west of the last unit in the Station Yard Industrial Estate. They have permitted development rights to do this, so if anyone has any questions or concerns on it, don't wait for a planning application, ask me, the Vale planning department or the Parish Council.

The Environment Agency have now updated their flood map for the Ginge Brook area, and several (86 in fact) properties have been removed from the at risk list, and 23 had their likelihood of flooding reduced. This is good news for those that had planning applications stalled due to inaccuracies on the map. Less helpfully some 72 properties have been designated as having an increased likelihood of flooding. The details are available on

www.environment-agency.gov.uk/homeandleisure/floods/31656.asp

Next year will see the introduction of the fortnightly wheelie bin service. The Parish Council will shortly be consulted on assessing homes that may not be suitable for wheelie bins (eg flats) or which are difficult to access, so please do say if you think you will fall into that category. Well ahead of the start an information pack will be delivered to everyone with details of the new service, but if anyone wants to see how South Oxfordshire are rolling out their new service now (which will be very similar to ours) look at www.southoxon.gov.uk/ccm/content/public-amenities/faqs-about-waste-and-recycling.en

For all regular users of the trains and roads to London- major improvement works that will (we are told) double capacity and increase performance and reliability at Reading station are about to start. The authorities are awaiting the imminent outcome of the Transport and Works Order Public Inquiry, following which phase 1 of the 6/7 year programme will start. This phase will improve the concourse and platforms. Reading is the major bottleneck on the Great Western Main Line (which by the way has now received approval for electrification works) running to Didcot and beyond so these improvements will very much affect us. For car drivers the major M4 Junction 11 works (which are promised to greatly ease the congestion that brings the M4 to a halt every morning) are about half way through their project, however the most disruptive elements of the work are about to start. We should expect delays at that junction to be significantly worse for a month or so.

Please do come and see me at my Surgery in Steventon Village Hall at 9am Saturday 24th October

Mike Murray

Allotments

The allotment rents have been renewed for the coming year 2009-2010 & there is now a half an allotment (5 poles) vacant. If anyone is interested please contact Susan Townley immediately on 820977.

East Hendred Community Centre

The first East Hendred Beer festival, which was held in aid of Snells Hall on 11th and 12th September, was a great success. With excellent weather, a selection of ten real ales and a lager, wine from six countries, hot dogs, BLTs, ice cream, a bouncy castle, live music and dancing, the jolly crowd (aged from 2 to 89 years) who came along from far (Rugby) and wide (Evesham) enjoyed a very special occasion. The wine tasting 'competition' was won by Vera and Ron Foster, who collected their well-earned pair of bottles of Chilean Sauvignon Blanc from Hendred Stores, who provided the wines, along with The Hendred Vineyard.

About 20 local people and several of Carl Pappenheim's friends from further afield provided tremendous help with everything from printing the banners (Vario Press) and the vouchers and programs (Eton Graphics) to lifting the barrels and clearing up on Sunday morning. Very special thanks are due to the generous sponsors of the festival, PowWowNow, Infineum, Matthews Land Group, Clearwater Hampers and The Marketing Practice and to the companies that took advertisements in the program. The cherry on the top of all this is that Snells Hall made a profit of £2000, which will be used to keep the hall in top shape for all to enjoy. The Pappenheim family merits our hearty congratulations for initiating this new (for Hendred) event and inspiring everyone through their involvement. All those who attended are asking 'when's the next beerfest?' Wait and see!

On more mundane matters, an unknown heavy vehicle damaged one of the front gate posts, the associated railing fence and several areas of Tarmac in the Hall car park. We thank the Matthews Land Group for promptly repairing this damage for the cost of materials only and no labour charges. The new Sound System, sponsored by Springline, is being installed by J.S.Stage and Events Services whilst this paragraph is being penned and will be up and running well in time for the next staged performances, i.e a pantomime by K.A.Players on 26-28 November and 'Treasure Island' by Springline from 18-23 January.

All user organisations have been informed of the new arrangements for access to the Hall which have been designed to restrict any unauthorised visits to the premises.

Please note the Christmas Bazaar will be on 5th December this year. Apart from traditional events any new ideas are always welcome.



Computer Classes

The computer facility in Snells Hall has already provided several hundred people in the village and a wide surrounding area with training in a variety of computer skills. However both the equipment and software need updating if we are to offer more classes, and this will involve initial expenditure. Before taking this step we need to assess the local demand for courses ranging from, for example, 'Computing for Absolute Beginners' to include guidance for students purchasing their own equipment, 'Word Processing', simple 'Book Keeping' for personal accounts, learning to use 'E mail and the internet to keep in touch' with family and friends as well as 'shopping, making travel reservations and banking safely' online. The suggestion is to run a series of modular 5 week courses of 2 hour classes each week, thus allowing flexibility and at a reasonable cost. If you feel left out of things by being unable to access all those 'www.addresses' in advertisements, this is the way to catch up with the younger generation! Family and friends from outside the village are very welcome to attend also.

If your options in the job market would increase by improving your computer skills, this is your chance to brush them up, but we do need to know what you need. Self-employed small tradesmen have benefited from earlier courses, learning how to keep accounts, send out invoices etc.

We also have in mind several different general interest courses that we could offer, in addition to the basic ones. These could include 'selling and buying on e-bay', 'digital photography', and 'family history'.

A recent one day workshop (on a Saturday) on E Bay was very popular and over-subscribed. If you are interested in these, the basic courses, or other options please take the opportunity to contact Margaret Sharp, as indicated below.

Your Input is Needed Now!

If we don't receive sufficient interest the village will lose this valuable training facility, and the dedicated computer room will be used for alternative activities. Contact Margaret Sharp urgently on 01235 833367 or by e-mail on M.L.R.Sharp@btinternet.com

Village Personality Profile

No. 10 Louise and Martin Johnson (Hendred Stores)

Previous Occupations: **Martin:** I was in the building trade for many years and worked on several local projects; one of the most interesting being the redevelopment of Oxford Prison.

Louise: I worked as Personal Assistant to the School Manager at Lord Williams's School in Thame for the past 9 years. Prior to that, I was a PA/Secretary in a number of roles and spent 4 years childminding.

Hobbies: We both love walking with our dogs (2 Jack Russells and an ageing lurcher). We also enjoy eating good food (hence the waistlines) and sampling the odd glass of wine (!!!). Sadly we cannot say we enjoy sport or anything healthy!

When & why did you move to the village?: We moved to the village on Saturday 31st January 2009 to take over the running of the village shop. This was a complete life change for both of us and something we had worked towards for many years.



What is your favourite place in the parish?: We both agree that our back garden offers us peace and tranquillity away from the hustle and bustle of the shop. Aside from that we love walking along Ginge Brook and on the Ridgeway.

If you had unlimited funds to spend on a project for the village, what would you do and why?:

A village owned marquee would be a great investment – this could be hired out for weddings and parties and of course, could be used by the village for events such as fêtes, beer festivals etc.

What is your favourite piece of music?: **Martin:** The Thieving Magpie by Rossini

Louise: Angels by Robbie Williams (I know that's quite sad, but I can't help it!)

What is your favourite book?: **Martin:** I rarely read fiction, but I really enjoyed Silence of the Lambs.

Louise: Wuthering Heights by Emily Brontë. I studied this for my O-level English and have loved it ever since.

What is your favourite film?: **Martin:** Pulp Fiction. It was, in my opinion, John Travolta's best performance.

Louise: Four Weddings and a Funeral (I love chic-flics and weepies- Bridget Jones' Diary, Love Actually and The Lion King are among my other favourites!)

What is your greatest fear?: **Martin:** Confined spaces, especially tunnels

Louise: Dying

What is your idea of perfect happiness?: Lying under an olive tree by a pool in the South of France with a glass of rosé and a good book

What would your motto be?: **Martin:** ... And the wisdom to know the difference.

Louise: Live your dreams.

How would you like to be remembered?: **Martin:** As being memorable!

Louise: To be remembered at all would be something, but to be remembered in a positive light would be better.

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Springline productions- Treasure Island!

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Auditions were held in July and a strong cast including Junior Chorus have all been chosen with a varied line up of 10 years through to more "mature" actors/actresses. Snells Hall has been booked for four months with rehearsals starting on 27 September. So we are all focused on exceeding expectations with our four nights performances planned for Wednesday, 20 January through to Saturday, 23 January 2009.

Nor have we let the grass grow under our shoes since Cinderella closed in January this year. We held a very successful fund raising "Wine Tasting" Experience and reached our first stage target of £9,000 for a new Sound System in the Hall. The Improvements to the Snells Hall village stage including renewal of the stage surface and installation of a permanent Public Address Sound System. In addition an Induction Loop System for hard of hearing together with mikes on stage will assist the audience and users of the hall as well as get the hall compliant with the Disability Discrimination Act. The work is being carried out by JS Stage & Events from Faringdon who are one of the national Theatrical Stage and Lighting Companies.

What is the next show, you ask? Well it's Treasure Island but with a twist! Tickets will go on sale in December but you can keep up with the behind-the-scene action by visiting our web site- www.springlineproductions.com.

80 years on...

It has been proposed to mark the 80th anniversary of the end of the First World War that our War Memorial be cleaned in readiness for the memorial day service in November. The total cost estimates are £1,400.00 - if you would like to donate to help finance this then please contact Diana Wheeler on 833279 or put donations in an envelope marked 'Donation for War Memorial' through her door at Old Post Office (adjacent to Eyston Arms) - please remember to add your name and address.

East Hendred Entertains- planned events...

Prize Bingo on Friday October 23rd

East Hendred Entertains are holding a bingo in aid of the 'War Memorial Cleaning Fund' - all profits from the night will be donated for this very worthy cause. If you would like to donate a prize for this event then please pass them to Diana Wheeler at Old Post Office (adjacent to Eyston Arms) - telephone 833279



Doors open at 6.45pm and Eyes down at 7.30pm - Guaranteed Snowball of £65 for 48 numbers!

Christmas Shopping

A coach trip for Christmas Shopping to Worcester has been arranged on November the 28th, leaving the Plough at 8.00.am and returning from Worcester at 5.30. In Worcester an area called the "Shambles" is a Christmas Market, containing all the feel and goodies of Christmas.

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...of the world- As the song goes! Well maybe not quite the world but pupils and staff of St Amand's have every reason to be very proud of their incredible sporting prowess. Not only did both girls and boys win their sections of the WASPS Cricket tournament earlier in the year, but the boys and girls also played in the Cricket County Finals and represented the Vale in the Oxfordshire Youth Games, coming 4th place overall. We also had some year 5 and 6 boys representing the Vale in the Youth Games athletics section, which they won! This success already adds to the fantastic achievement of those children who took part in the Chariman's Tag Rugby Tournament. The team won their section and the cup proudly sits in the school entrance hall, along with the other trophies from our sporting achievements this year. The school also boasts several cross country champions as the Year 6 boys team came first; and the Year 3 boys and the Year 4 girls teams were third in the Cross Country Championships at Chiltern Edge School held in the spring of this year. Not to be out done, our hockey stars were narrowly beaten by a "golden goal" in the finals of the Hockey Tournament held at Cokethorpe School in March. For a small school our success in sport is outstanding and the enthusiasm for taking part was evident at our annual Sports Day where the whole school took part in running race, obstacle races, throwing and jumping competitions. This was one of the ways that we joined in the National Sports week, along with aerobics in the playground for years 1, 2 and 3. Not only are the children encouraged to achieve themselves but they are also encouraged to help others. During Sports Week, years 5 and 6 were seen coaching the younger children in their football, basket ball, athletics and cricket skills. Another generation of sporting champions? We think so!

Due to an increasing amount of school work and AS exams Harriet has decided that the Christmas Bulletin will be her last. We are looking for someone with basic computer skills (it's not as hard as it may look!) and an interest in village life to take over the editorship. If you are interested please contact John Sharp: J.V.Sharp@btinternet.com



The Hendreds Pre-School
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Pumpkin Party!



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The Green Column

Some Practical Advice!

How to recycle an old T-shirt into a reusable, washable shopping bag:

1. Lay your T-shirt out flat and cut away the arms and the neck as shown by the dotted lines on diagram 1. Cut the back to match the front.
2. Turn the T-shirt inside out and fold it so the side seams line up. Then sew it together about 2 cm from the bottom edge, as shown by the dotted line on diagram 2.
3. Fold the bottom edge up about 5cm. Sew this fold down at each edge, as shown by the dotted lines in diagram 3.

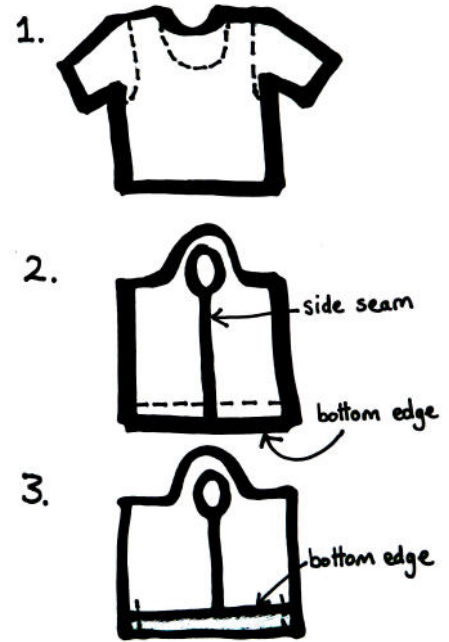
Turn it the right way out, and you have your bag.

You will notice that you haven't hemmed the bag's handles (where the neck and sleeves used to be). You would think this would fray, but I have a bag that I made earlier (a few years earlier) and this hasn't happened. I have had to re sew the bottom seam to catch up some holes that had worn in the fabric, but the handles are as good as ever.

Of course you can hem and add other finishing touches and make a beautiful bag, starting from this basic method. The basic method described above gives a quick and easy, but scruffy-round-the-edges bag. To my mind even the basic bag is a lot more pleasing on the eye than the carrier bag it replaces.

(Credit for this idea goes to a past issue of my son's RSPB Wildlife Explorers magazine.)

Interested in green issues? Get in touch with Hendreds Environment Group Sarah James, 831568 or sarahjames@f2s.com



Shoe Box Collection for Eastern Europe

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The Wallingford branch of the Rotary Club is the local contact point for this collection scheme, and some of the boxes ready for filling are available in this village from Margaret Sharp (833367, m.l.r.sharp@btinternet.com).



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Hendreds Twinning Group News

At the beginning of July this year 20 members of the Twinning Group set out for Portsmouth for the overnight ferry to Caen. This was to be our 13th exchange visit. We arrived at our twin village of Sarceaux near Argentan early on Saturday morning to be greeted by their committee and our hosts. We presented our gift, which was a specially made large flag showing the Uffington white horse on a green background. We each received a small gift of a book of photographs of Normandy, with 2 extra copies for us to deliver back to the two Hendred schools on our return.

Saturday was a day with our hosts, until the evening when we travelled to a nearby village hall. We played our annual challenge match of Aunt Sally, and on this occasion we were the winners (about time too!). We all then enjoyed a formal meal including many local specialities, prepared by our French friends.

On Sunday we went to Bayeux where there the annual medieval street fair was in progress. Many characters were in impressive historic costumes. Stilt walkers, musicians, archers, knights in armour and their ladies made up a long procession winding its way through the narrow streets. There was also the opportunity to have a traditional lunch as cooked in medieval times. Not surprisingly Bayeux was very busy and it was an opportunity to see hordes of French families out enjoying themselves. Sunday evening was dinner with the host families at home, often with several families joining forces for a convivial evening.

Monday was time for us to return to the UK, via a stop at the local supermarket and also in the centre of Caen, visiting the chateau and surrounding museums, before our crossing home, arriving back in the village about 11.30 pm.

Overall it was a very special weekend with our French friends.

Next year it is our turn to be hosts and we are already planning the weekend (July 3-5th 2010) If you are interested in being involved, join the Twinning Group and help us plan the week-end's activities. Members are welcome from the surrounding area as well as from East and West Hendred. Contact Margaret Sharp (01235 833367, m.l.r.sharp@btinternet.com) or Lesley Lewis (01235 863184, lesley.lewis@avondale.co.uk).



Feast of Local Food, Saturday February 6th 2010

A date for your diary! Hendreds Twinning Group is joining forces this time with the WI to organise this popular annual event. Last February, in the midst of the very cold weather, nearly 80 people of all ages enjoyed a delicious meal prepared from ingredients sourced whenever possible from a 10 mile radius of the village. In 2010 we shall support Fair Trade also for ingredients such as coffee, chocolate and sugar which unfortunately aren't produced locally!

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The Downs Golden Age

On July 2nd D.G.A. members sat down to a fine Summer Luncheon. Guests from Blewbury, Chilton and Ardington clubs were invited. There were one or two stalls and an excellent raffle. On July 7th four members represented us on a reciprocal visit to Chilton and a further visit was made to Blewbury on August 18th.

A fund raising Bridge Drive was held on July 13th. Funds raised in this way help support the cost of coaches for our outings, such as the trip to Bitton, in the Avon valley, two days later. It was very well supported and was one of the best to date. On August 6th Norman Francis gave the talk after an excellent lunch prepared by Linda. The next outing was to Toddington and Cheltenham on September 17th (£15). This will be followed by a trip to Bicester Shopping Village and the Wyevale centre on October 20th. (£5.50) Both of these outings are generously subsidised.

To take advantage of free meals and subsidised outings; members pay just £10 per year- it must be a bargain!
For any enquiries regarding helping with or joining the DGA please contact Betty Holliday 833400



The DGA on a recent outing to Toddington

Dates for your Diary

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| 1 st Oct | Tea and talk by David Glover "Red Kites over Oxfordshire" |
| 12 th Oct | Bridge Drive with lunch. Contact Betty Holliday on 833400 to book a table |
| 20 th Oct | Outing to Bicester Outlet store and Wyevale, which has excellent restaurant. Contact Jean Hoskin 833281 |
| 5 th Nov | Lunch, wine and talk by Peter Cook "Afghan Insights" Free to members, guests £2.50 |
| 12 th Nov | Christmas shopping trip to the Reading Oracle, £5 for members, £10 for visitors. Contact 833281 |
| 3 rd Dec | Christmas lunch and entertainment |

East & West Hendred WI

The September meeting of the East & West Hendred WI had an 'Antiques Roadshow' theme and everyone was asked to bring along something would like valued. This resulted in a very interesting evening with a variety of fascinating items including pictures, jewellery, pottery and china and even a piece of furniture being shown and valued.

The summer has had a variety of events organised both by us and the Oxfordshire Federation, a Summer Exhibition of Art, an evening walk in Burford and a Thames cruise in August, science lectures at Rutherford Laboratory and a day out in Bristol. The challenge from Drayton WI to a 10-Pin Bowling event comes up later this month.

Future events include an autumn walk in Dorchester and a Barn Dance and Ploughman's supper in October. The Good Food Show at the NEC in Birmingham in November and a trip to Winchester Cathedral and Christmas Market early in December.

We have a Coffee morning to Court Hill arranged for later this month and a visit to Wessex Mill in Wantage arranged for November followed by lunch at the Lamb.

An open Coffee Morning will be held on Tuesday, 13th October at which there will be a 'bring & buy', a raffle and a sale of cakes. It has a Christmas theme to it and the aim is



to raise funds towards The Thames Valley & Chiltern Air Ambulance and The South and Vale Carers, which are our chosen charities for this We would be delighted to see you at 'Penang' Orchard Close, East Hendred any time after 10.30.

The following events are arranged for later in the year:

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| October 15 th | Deborah Brady- A female in Fleet Street |
| November 19 th | Martin Woodgett- The Cutty Sark |
| December | Christmas Theme |
| January | Birthday Party |

We are always pleased to have new members, if you would like to come, or you would like to know more about East & West Hendred WI please contact our secretary by email on jpxpol@tiscali.co.uk or phone 835689. Most meetings are held in Snells Hall from 7.30pm on the third Thursday of the month.

Don't forget to visit the
village website:
www.hendred.org

News from St Augustine's and St Mary's

At St Augustine's, the big news is that our new Rector, Rev Elizabeth Birch, was 'inducted and installed' on 4th September. The church (and later, Snells Hall) was packed with well-wishers from her old parish of Pinner and her new parishioners welcoming Elizabeth and her family to the Benefice of Wantage Downs. We are delighted to have our new Rector in post. Thank-you to everyone who has worked so hard to keep things running smoothly through the interregnum.

Special services this autumn

This year there will be a Benefice-wide service of remembrance and thanksgiving for the departed, on the traditional day for remembering loved ones, the Feast of All Souls, Sunday 1 November. This will be a simple service of readings, prayers, hymns and an address, with an opportunity to light candles of remembrance, starting at 6pm at All Saints church, Lockinge. Refreshments will be served in the church afterwards. Everyone is welcome to come. If there is someone whose name you would like to be remembered at this service, please contact the Rector (tel: 833235) or complete a form at the back of St Augustine's church.

The following Sunday is Remembrance Sunday, 8th November, when as usual the service at St Augustine's will start earlier than normal, at 9:30am, so that we are able to join with the rest of the village for the Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial just before 11am.

And on Sunday 29th November at 6pm there will be an Ecumenical Advent Service, to be held this year in St. Mary's church. Everyone is invited to the service and to drinks and nibbles afterwards.

Regular events

Don't forget the coffee mornings in St Augustine's church on the last Wednesday of each month- that's 30th September, 28th October and 25th November- from 10:30am to 12 noon. There's tea, coffee and biscuits, and a small table for bring-and-buy. Everyone is welcome.

A new series of the popular Penney Memorial lectures in St Augustine's church starts on Friday 23rd October with a talk titled 'The Heart of the Matter' by Rev Edgar Daniel. He is a Methodist minister who has pioneered courses for young people who are considered to be unemployable, and whose circuit covers East Shallowford Farm on Dartmoor. This is where the legendary Miss Elizabeth Braund set up 'a lung for the city' for the children of the tower blocks of Battersea, where she established a Sunday school known as Providence House in the 1950s. Come and hear how to this day these young people's visits to the farm invest in them a work ethic that lays sound foundations for a sense of responsibility and teamwork, and about the farm's prospects for the future. As with all Penney Memorial Lectures, it starts at 7:30pm in St Augustine's church. Tickets cost £6.00, in aid of the church, and after the talk there's the chance to talk with the speaker over a glass of wine (for which we ask for a small donation.) The next two lectures are on Friday 27th November, when Ruth Wharton, of the Thames Valley Energy Centre, will talk about energy efficiency in our homes; and Friday 29th January, when Kate Nicoll (an ex-East Hendredian!) will talk about the history of the walled garden at Attingham Park, which it is now her job to develop.

Special events

On Saturday 12th December, we're planning an afternoon of Christmas activities for children and their parents together, at West Hendred Village Hall from 2-5pm. More details of this and all other Christmas events nearer the time.

Those of you who lived in the village for some time will remember the Passion Play that was staged ten years ago by the people of the Downland Villages. Next Easter it is to be staged again, with performances planned for 2nd, 3rd, 9th & 10th April 2010 in the gardens of Hendred House. For more information or to volunteer your services, visit the website www.thegreatestgift.org.uk, email thegreatestgift.org.uk or call: 079 7908 8308.

An event of this scale requires lots of forward planning, so please get in touch before 31st October 2009 if you would like to be involved as actor, administrator, costumier, backstage and front of house staff, technician or anything else.

Rev Elizabeth Birch presenting one of the three books she gave to Jean, Antonia and Sr Patricia-Ann to thank them for the work they all did during the interregnum, in Snells Hall after the service in which she was installed as our new Rector.



East and West Hendred Cricket Club

Junior Section

The junior section, numerically the strongest part of the club, has seen a very active season with over thirty fixtures between April and July in three leagues (Oxfordshire Under 11, Under 13 and Under 15) and an enhanced programme of friendlies for the Under 11s. All four teams, with very little overlap of players between, performed very creditably. At the Awards Evening 2009 at the beginning of September, trophy presentations were made:

Under 11 Best Batsman: Robbie Dadomo
Under 11 Best All-Rounder: Andrew Francis
Under 13 Best Batsman: Ben Mitchell
Under 13 Best All-Rounder: George England
Under 15 Best Batsman: Archie Napper
Best All-Rounder: Jack Mulford

Under 11 Best Bowler: Joseph Kelly
Under 13 Best Bowler: Michael Dewar
Under 15 Best Batsman: Will Bennett

A warm 'well-done' goes to the two Under 11 captains, Luke Mayor and Elliot Hutt, who presided over an immensely enjoyable season. The Under 13 team did very well, having lost several players since last season to the higher age bracket and playing against rather older opposition, achieving fourth place in their league. The standard of the Under 15 cricket remains high and several players have been selected for our senior teams. The mid-week Youth Coaching sessions which have been so popular in recent years (such that they now occur on two week-day evenings) will start again in April.

Senior Section

Thankfully, only one of our 32 Oxfordshire Cricket Association league fixtures was cancelled or abandoned because of rain: as recently as 2007, just over a quarter of the matches were abandoned. After three consecutive seasons in Division 2, the first eleven, occupying ninth place in a division of ten, has been relegated to Division 3. It has to be said that the team has been out of luck: the one abandoned match was against the team at the bottom of the table that we won against easily in the return match. With full points from that abandoned match, we would have ended up in the top half of the table! Furthermore, we won more batting and bowling points than any other club in the division- these bonus points are arguably a better measure of ability than position in the league table. This apparent anomaly is explicable because the average margin by which we lost matches (in terms of runs or wickets) was about half of that for the matches we won - we narrowly lost several times. We hope Lady Luck will not be so perverse in 2010!

No such comments can be made for the second eleven, who won only two of their 14 matches and are also relegated, but it is odd that the two wins were registered against the teams coming second and third in the final league table! Top of the club batting averages (irrespective of whether first or second team) for the OCA league is Jon Francis, who scored 479 runs with an average of 34, followed closely by Nigel Hutt and Steve Shephard with averages close to 32 and Ian Clewley on 31. Jack Mulford with 29 wickets at an average of 18 runs is top of the bowling averages, followed by Simon Berry, Pete Beckley and Peter Baring each with slightly fewer wickets and averages close to 21 runs per wicket.

The club was honoured to host two County fixtures; the Oxfordshire Under 16s and Under 17s Trial Match at the beginning of May and Oxfordshire Women against Gloucestershire Women in August. Experienced county officials at the latter match were heard to comment on their discovery of "this superb ground". During the match, which was won by Gloucestershire, there was a wonderful display of spin bowling which reflected the great strength of women's cricket at National level.

The 'square' received its annual treat of about a ton of loam in the third week of September. Sometime in October the Annual Dinner and Award Presentations will be held in the clubhouse. During the winter we plan to make further improvements to the ground. Given the demand for practice facilities, particularly from the junior section, the number of fixed wickets will be increased from the current one to five, including another artificial wicket and three grass wickets. We will also have the sad task of making good the expensive damage done by vandals at various times during the season, particularly to the score board. Many thanks are due to those who organised and carried out preparations of the ground and square, made teas for the 'home' matches and coached at the youth sessions (some with specific training in coaching and all with CRB clearance). Particular thanks go to Neil Knowlden and John Walker who did pretty well all of the club's share of OCA umpiring. Duncan Francis did an impeccable and very time-consuming job of co-ordinating 'player availability'. The 'square' received its annual treat of about a ton of loam in the third week of September. Sometime in October-November the Annual Dinner and Award Presentations will be held in the clubhouse. During the winter we plan to make further improvements to the ground. Given the demand for practice facilities, particularly from the junior section, it is planned to increase the number of fixed 'nets' from the current one to five, including another artificial wicket and three grass wickets. We will also have the sad task of making good the expensive damage done by vandals at various times during the season, particularly to the scoreboard.

Practice for 2010 will start, as usual, at the end of February, using indoor nets at one of the local sports halls used by the club previously. If you wish to join the club for next season, please contact Ivan Mulford (820316).

Hendred Heritage

Genealogy or the study of family lineage is a big part of our activities at East Hendred Heritage Trust (EHHT) as we get enquiries and visitors from all over the world. They may want to know about births, deaths & marriages in order to create a family tree but some want to know more including who were their forefathers, where did they live or what they did for a living. For much of this research we rely on Church Records (our thanks to Stan Francis), but for some it is from residents and their memories.



Hines Cottage, Horn Lane

By way of illustration... Recently Isobel Smith (nee Tomlin) was on duty as Steward at Champs Chapel- it was her first time as a steward and within minutes of opening the door two families entered who were researching their ancestors- and fate would have it that one of these was researching the Giles family, who happen to be related to Isobel! On a previous Sunday, when I was on duty, a family group entered who were researching the Hine family- so I quickly phoned Robin who popped down and compared family trees with his distant cousins.

We are privileged to live in a village that has existed for most of the Millennium, with our earliest records dating back to Saxon times. But do we appreciate it? The answer is probably not enough! When we talk about history we may think of wars and Kings & Queens, but in East Hendred our history is as much about farm workers, blacksmiths, dairy maids, and apple pickers as it is about Sir Thomas More and the Eyston Family.

Our ancient history is reflected in the buildings and the narrow roads, our modern history is captured in photographs and spanning between the two are our artefacts. We have a long and fascinating story to tell about village life and the outside influences such as politics, religion and war which have played a part in shaping East Hendred. This is where East Hendred Heritage Trust comes in- the displays in Champs Chapel are a work in progress at the moment, and will eventually tell the complete story of East Hendred. We have made a great start in revamping the museum and now that the complete digital archive is available on the web at www.ehive.com we are well on our way.



Mrs Hudson

However we do need volunteers to help us on our quest... Could this be you? Please call Sonia Roberts 821796 or David Hunter 835092.

Civil War!

The Civil War may be beyond living memory, but that doesn't stop the hardy researcher! EHHT has been approached by an author, John Rosenfield, who is researching Sir Thomas Fairfax who commanded the 'New Model Army' for Cromwell against the King. The book John is researching is the second volume of his biography of Sir Thomas, and his researches lead him to East Hendred. Sir Thomas and his men marched to Cornwall; they stayed in Newbury for three nights then marching a further 12 miles to East Hendred where they spent the night of 30 April 1646. They continued to Garsington, the following day.

We know that the barns opposite Champs Chapel were used as a garrison and we have our ghost story of Roundheads (more can be heard during the Ghost Walks planned for November, when the nights get dark!) The barns at the time were part of what is now known as Kings Manor, so it probably garrisoned Royalists as well.

Do you have any stories to tell? John would be most interested in hearing them.



Portrait of Sir Thomas Fairfax

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

EHE 4797/31, 18 White Rd (2 storey rear/side extension, single storey rear lean-to and internal alterations). The Parish Council offered no objection and the planners' decision is awaited.

EHE/215/8, The Stables, Monks Farm, Newbury Rd: (Conversion and extension of former tack room and barns to form three residential units with associated access garaging, domestic storage and parking - resubmission). This application comprised a revised version of a previous application that the Parish Council objected to and which had been refused. In regard to the revised application the Parish Council offered no objection but requested a clause limiting the future use of the garage unit, and the application was allowed.

EHE/4434/2, Keepers Cottage, Newbury Rd: (Replacement access, enlargement of existing utility room, with new conversion of existing garage into one bedroom annex and new carport/stable). The Parish Council offered no objection and the application was allowed.

EHE/14747/6, Eyston Arms, High St: (Modifications and improvements to existing rear car park). The Parish Council offered no objection, provided a revised lay-out for the disabled parking space was found, and the application was allowed.

EHE/4797/31, Hendred House, High St: (Construction of swimming pool (open air), paving, associated works and building to house services). The Parish Council offered no objection and the application was allowed.

EHE/4434/2: Greensands, Reading Road; (Planning Inspector inquiry in regard to 3 appeals against enforcement decisions and 2 further appeals against refusal of planning permissions). The Parish Council has supported the enforcement notices and the refusal of planning permissions and, for this enquiry, engaged a planning consultant to make the Parish Council's views heard prominently. The Planning Inspector delivered his judgment on 10th October. The judgment is complex and can be viewed on the Planning Inspectorate website (www.planningportal.gov.uk) using the search facility for appeal number 2073354.

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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 Wed 7 St Amands Open Day
 Mon 12 DGA bridge Drive with lunch
 Thur 15 WI: Deborah Brady- A female in Fleet Street
 Tue 20 DGA outing to Bicester Outlet store and
 Wyevale
 Fri 23 Bingo, Snells Hall, 6.45pm
 Fri 23 Penney Lecture 'The Heart of the Matter' by
 Rev Edgar Daniel, St Augustine's church,
 7.30pm

NOVEMBER

- Thur 5 DGA lunch, wine and talk by Peter Cook
 Thur 12 DGA christmas shopping trip to the Reading
 Oracle
 Thur 19 WI: Martin Woodgett- The Cutty Sark
 26-28 KA Players pantomime, Snells Hall
 Fri 27 Penney Lecture by Ruth Wharton, St
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 Fri 27 Bulletin Deadline
 Sat 28 Christmas Shopping to Worcester

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DOCTORS	<i>Church Street Practice, Mably Way</i>	770245
	<i>Newbury Street Practice, Mably Way</i>	763451

Regular Events

MONDAY	Karate 5.30-7pm, Snells Hall (Iman Amanpour, 762608) Junior Football 6.30-7.30pm, Mill Lane Sports Ground (Ian Rees) Scouts 7-9pm, Snells Hall (Richard Tingley, 07771 545006)
TUESDAY	Cub Scouts 6.30-8pm, Snells Hall (Robin Gray, 769787) Beaver Scouts 5.25-6.25pm, Snells Hall (Pauline Rogers, 832340) Springline Rehearsals 8.15-10pm, Snells Hall
WEDNESDAY	Mother & Toddler Group , 10-12am, Snells Hall (Clara Williams, 833204) Youth Club , 7-9:30pm, Snells Hall
THURSDAY	Brownies , 6-7.30pm, Snells Hall (Linda Harris, 833126) Bowls 7.45-10pm, Snells Hall (Ken Taylor, 833359)
FRIDAY	The Village Thrift Shop , 1-4pm, Rectory Room (Tin Hut)
SATURDAY	Soccer School , 10.30-11.30, Mill Lane Sports Ground (Richard Frost, 07882352214, richard_frost@hotmail.co.uk)
SUNDAY	Springline Rehearsals 8.15-10pm, Snells Hall
WEEKDAYS	Preschool , 9-12am, Snells Hall (Tracy Taylor 01235 831555 / Anna Chapman 01235 821564 / www.hendredpreschool.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

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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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