

# EAST HENDRED Bulletin

## New Perches In the Spring!

Thanks to a grant from East Hendred Entertains, the Parish Council has had perch seats installed in the bus stops on White Road. EHE grants provide very valuable support, not only for waiting bus passengers, but for the village as a whole. In this case, the grant provided a saving on the rates of nearly £1 per household. The Thrift Shop is aptly named!



## Fire Pump – Wash & Brush Up!

We would like to thank Ian Rideout from Mencap who came along to East Hendred along with two young men with learning difficulties to give our dear old fire pump a spring clean. It is looking great and ready for the summer season. Ian and his team were fortunate to receive advice and assistance from 'two old hands' – Peter Mulford and John Stevenson. Peter was instrumental in renovating the pump in the 1960's when it was discovered in the shed at the end of the Pound. Apparently no one knew it was there and it was in a very sorry state! But that was 40 years ago and the pump could do with some restorative work – which will hopefully preserve it for the next 40 years! If you would like to get involved then please call (Sonia Roberts 821796). The Pump now lives behind Snells Hall.



## Springline Festival

This takes place from 11th June to 20th June 2010, in East and West Hendred, Ardington and Lockinge.

Events in the week include:

**Money/Prize Bingo** - Snowball £80.

**The Hendreds School Summer Fete.**

**Film show** - Mamma Mia.

**Murder Mystery Trail** - follow the clues around the village, to see who killed the lord of the manor.

**East Hendred Heritage Open Gardens** with cream teas served at Hendred House and Hendred Stores.

**Morland Bowling Club** (behind the Plough) will be welcoming visitors to come and take part in a match or watch.

**Springline Pantomime Auditions** for Jack and the Beanstalk (you might also catch a recording of a radio play or a "silly 5 minute warm up").

**The Power of the Community Film Show** - How Cuba survived Peak Oil.

**Downs Golden Age Lunches** for £1 (the bargain of the Festival!) along with tea/coffee and cake for £1.

**Roy Gosling's slide show of East Hendred** (£2 to include tea/coffee and cake, in aid of East Hendred Heritage Trust).

**Tour of East Hendred** with Norman Francis.

**Patchwork and quilting** at West Hendred Village Hall Mother and Toddlers (children 3 or under) welcome.

**The Owl Man** - come and see the Owls and Birds of Prey (free).

**Oxfordshire Historical Society:** come and trace your family history - find out if you have any hidden skeletons!!!

**Golf Challenge** - at Snells Hall:

Can you hit your golf ball onto the £5 note?

**St Amand's School** - Irish Dancing and Singing at Snells Hall.

**Pre-school Barn Dance** - West Hendred Village Hall.

**The Plough Cockney Sing-along:** tickets £5 to include fish and chip supper or pie and chips, fancy dress welcome.

**St Amand's Traditional School Fete**

**Hendreds Environment Group** - Balsam bashing, free nature trail.

**Free Fun Day** - Sunday 20th June

Full details are in the Programme for the Festival on sale at Hendred Stores, Ardington Stores and the Plough.  
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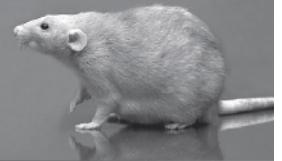
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## from the chair

At the last Council meeting in May annual elections were made for the main Council officers and I was pleased to be reappointed as chairman. This is the last year of this Council with elections due in May 2011. As Val Bacon had very unfortunately to resign due to ill health, Sue Roberts was appointed as Deputy Chairman. Sue has been a long serving member of the Council and her input as the Deputy Chair will be welcomed.

The new Government has announced that it will promote the radical devolution of power and greater finan-

cial autonomy to local government and community groups. A Bill that will shift power from the state to local communities and empower local people formed part of the Queen's Speech.

The new Secretary of State for the Department of Communities and Local Government has recently stated that "This important Bill would shift power from the central state back into the hands of individuals, communities and councils. It will empower local people giving them more power over local government. It will free local government from central and regional control so that they can ensure services are delivered according to local needs". What this will mean in practice at the Parish Council level is not yet clear;

wider powers for Parish Councils are to be welcome but this is likely to lead to an even heavier work load for councillors who currently all provide their services on a voluntary basis. We will watch with interest.

One aspect of the above is the abolition of regional spatial strategies and returning decision making powers on housing and planning to local councils, which will include decisions on the amount of new housing within individual local authority areas. This is likely to affect the several planned large housing developments in this area. This Council has been concerned for some time about planned major housing developments near Wantage and Didcot and the impact of

these on the local infrastructure, particularly on traffic and the road network (e.g. A417). It is likely that the new government's plans will require a revision to the District Council's Core Strategy which is commented on elsewhere in this Bulletin. However additional housing is needed in the area and it is not clear at this stage where and when it will be built.

We welcome the Springline Villages Festival from 11th June to 20th June 2010, where the villages of East and West Hendred, Ardington and Lockinge will be holding a week-long Festival. This will give a focus on local villages and provide a vehicle for many societies and organisations to show off their achievements.

## Proposed Boundary change

We have known for some time that West Rowstock is expected to become part of East Hendred parish. We have now received a map showing the proposed change. The plan is for all houses north and south of the Wantage Road (A417) west of Rowstock corner to become part of our parish. The change also includes the houses in Tudor Walk. It is understood that the changes will become effective for the parish elections in 2011.

## Mrs Val Bacon

The Parish Council is very sorry about Val Bacon's ill health which has resulted in her having to resign from the Council. Val has been a highly effective councillor for seven years and Deputy Chairman for the last three. She had particular interest in the provision of children's activities in the village and led the Council's bid for grant funding from the "Playbuilder" scheme run by the County Council. For many years she managed the very popular courtesy lighting system in the village. Val was also an active member of the team developing the Parish Plan, with a particular interest in the environment. She subsequently became a member of the Environment Group and provided a valuable link between the Parish Council and this group. Val also takes a keen interest in developments in the wider area of the Vale. The Council will greatly miss her thoughtful and valued input to all aspects of Council activity

## Co-option of New Councillor.

Following the resignation of Val Bacon from the Council a notice was placed in the village notice board calling for names to justify an election for a new councillor. These were not forthcoming and hence the Council can co-opt a new Councillor. Anyone interested in standing please contact the chairman, John Sharp, on 01235 833367 or by e-mail [J.V.Sharp@btinternet.com](mailto:J.V.Sharp@btinternet.com).

## Council's Annual Meeting

Following the Annual Parish meeting held in April the Council's annual meeting in May elected officers and representatives on working groups. John Sharp was re-elected as chairman and Sue Roberts as the Deputy chair. Sue has been a councillor since the early 1990's and one of the longer serving members of the Council. Stephen Wyatt has agreed to join the transport group and will work with Susan Townley on this topic.



## Report on Annual Parish Meeting – April 2010

This was held in Snells Hall on April 27<sup>th</sup> and attended by Parish Councillors, District and County Councillors, our Community Police Support Officer and members of the public.

The Chairman, John Sharp, reported on the Council activities over the last year. He was pleased that East Hendred had been awarded best village in the Vale District in the Calor Village of Year Competition, organised by ORCC. This had been led successfully by Hendred Entertains.

During the year Rachel Sutton had resigned as a councillor and been replaced by Janet Shelley. There had been a welcome representation at Council meetings from the local Neighbourhood Police Unit.

The boardwalk path in Snells had been opened in September by the new Rector. The planning and construction of this had been managed by the Parish Council, with funding from several organisations including the County Council, Parish Council, Hendreds Environment Group, UKAEA Harwell and Thames Water. It was now in good use and much appreciated by those using it to and from school or for leisure purposes.

The Council has had several concerns about funding levels, as reserves had been run down in the last 5 years. A Finance Group had been set up which met before each Council meeting. The precept for 2010/11 had finally been agreed at a sum of £22,000 which was 10% up on the previous year. This covered items such as the village lengthman, clerk and minute secretary's salaries, courtesy lighting, bulletins, insurance and grants to local organisations totalling about £1800.

The Council had commented on 25 planning applications during the year and also been involved in several appeals involving the Cottage (Chapel Square) and Greensands.

Four Bulletins had been produced during the last year and the distribution now includes West Rowstock as well as the village. The village web site was kept up to date and minutes of the Parish Council meetings were now available on it.

The Council had actively been involved in responding to the Vale District Council's draft Local Framework Development, particularly the Core Strategy which will replace the current Local Plan and guide development for the next 20 years. The Council had organised a village meeting to explain the content of the Core Strategy and used the feedback to support its comments to the Vale. In addition the County Council had produced the SCOTS (South Central Oxfordshire Transport Study) which had also been commented on. A particularly disappointing aspect of this study was the lack of concern for future problems on the A 417 resulting from the building of more houses near Wantage. A further consultation on the Core Strategy had taken place in January 2010 with the need to identify more housing sites in the District. A new housing site had been proposed east of Wantage as well as a potential new development on the northern part of the Harwell Campus. The Council had responded on both of these, with serious concerns about the proposed site east of Wantage, due to traffic issues.

The Harwell-Chilton Stakeholder Group had met on four occasions during the year attended by a Council representative. The main interests had been the activities of the new Joint Venture company (Goodman, UKAEA and the Science and Facilities Research Council), as well as the future of the site in terms of decommissioning timescales.

Contributions were also made by the County and District Councillors and spokespersons for each of the Council's Working Groups. Charles Pappenheim reported on progress with the actions from the Parish Plan published in 2009. Reports were also given on the village schools and from the village organisations which had received grants during the last year.

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## Harwell

Representatives of local Councils (including East Hendred) have been invited recently to a meeting organised by Goodman (the company in a joint venture with UKAEA) to be kept up to date with plans for development of the Harwell site as land becomes available from de-commissioning. This will include both commercial type premises and residential. In the last Bulletin there was information on a possible development of housing at the north end of the site, to be part of the Vale's District Council's Development Strategy. It is planned that similar meetings will be held quarterly.

### Keep up - don't miss out

What's On in The Hendreds is a weekly email message to let you know what's happening in the village.

By sending a message to [events@hendred.org](mailto:events@hendred.org) you can subscribe to the (free!) service and receive the messages every Thursday evening. Also, don't forget about the new village calendar of forthcoming events on [hendred.org](http://hendred.org) website!

The messages also appear on the [www.hendred.org](http://www.hendred.org) website.

If you are organising an event in the Hendreds (or nearby) send a message describing it to [events@hendred.org](mailto:events@hendred.org) and it will be included in the messages for a few weeks before the event takes place.

## Message from District Councillor Mike Murray

With the General Election now over, we now have two Conservative MPs and a Lib Dem run council in the Vale, so perhaps the spirit of coalition will filter down as far as us..... On election matters, things went reasonably well, other than the Vale sending out the wrong polling cards (which the printers corrected and resent at their own expense together with a letter of apology), some very unfortunate cases of people being struck off the register, and of course the Acting Returning Officers dress code – the Vale Chief Executive has come in for much well deserved ribbing for the scruffy T shirt he was wearing when announcing the results on national TV!

With National Government wielding the axe we are unfortunately starting to see the effects of some of the Vale's own cuts, and people have been encountering problems with the new charging regime for planning advice, and also with access to government grants for energy saving home improvements for example. If anyone does have difficulty then please let me know when you are in the thick of it rather than after the event, and I will do my best to help.

Please do come and see me at my monthly surgery, Saturday 19th June 9am and Saturday 24th July 9am, in the Millennium Room, Steventon Village Hall.

## East Hendred Community Centre

Regular Snells Hall users will have noted that the markings defining bays in the main car park have been improved and one has been widened, with an appropriate sign, for use by disabled visitors. However, it is difficult to repeat this process in the overflow car park because of its loose surface. Nevertheless, it is recommended that the most efficient use of this space is for vehicles first to be parked facing the hall foyer and Pre-School building and when this space is filled for later arrivals to be fitted in alongside the boundary fence.

The key barrel in the main door needed replacing recently since when some difficulties have been experienced unlocking, and particularly, in locking this door. If you have had any such problems please contact the Warden (833561) who will demonstrate the relatively easy and straightforward method to do this. Please note it is the duty of all hirers to ensure that the premises are left properly locked and secured at the end of their event. Our insurers would certainly resist payment for any items lost or damages sustained if the premises were left wide open and unsupervised.

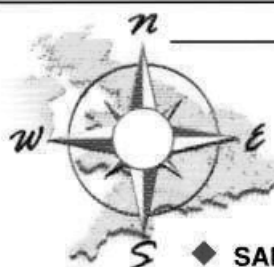
The Community Centre's AGM was held on May 4<sup>th</sup> as advertised, and we would wish to express our thanks to those (few!) who came along for showing their interest and support. As a result John Sharp was re-elected Chairman, Charles Pappenheim vice-Chairman and Ken Taylor Treasurer. Margaret Halliday and Mark Beddow also were re-elected as full Committee Members. The remaining places are taken up by representatives from regular user organisations. We would invite all users to appoint one of their people to attend the monthly management committee meetings (held on the first Tuesday of each month at Snells Hall starting promptly at 7.45 p.m.) where their views and concerns about the Hall's operations would be welcomed.



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## Hendreds Pre-School

Is your toddler almost three?

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## The Upper Thames Reservoir

The Parish Council is aware of potential major developments close to its northern boundary with regard to the proposed Upper Thames Reservoir and is monitoring closely its progress.

In this respect, the Vale of White Horse District Council has welcomed Thames Water's announcement that its plans for future water supply have changed: initially it was predicted that a reservoir would be required that could hold 150 million cubic metres by 2021. A reservoir with a capacity of 100 million cubic metres by 2026 is now proposed and plans to build the reservoir will be postponed for five years.

The company said that factors which significantly impact on water supply and demand forecasts, such as the economic downturn and revisions to population forecasts, have played a major part in this change.

Every five years water companies in England and Wales are required to produce a Water Resources Management Plan that outlines how they aim to meet predicted demand for water over the next 25 years (from 2010 to 2035). Thames Water's plan "raises a number of important issues, which will be fully examined at a **public inquiry in June 2010**".

**Proofs of Evidence for the public inquiry are due to be published as we go to press (June 2010).**

Further details and information can be found on the VOWH web site ([www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk](http://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk)) and from Thames Water itself at [www.thameswater.co.uk/cps/rde/xchg/corp/hs.xsl/2550.htm](http://www.thameswater.co.uk/cps/rde/xchg/corp/hs.xsl/2550.htm)

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## Young People in Hendred

The Parish Council is still seeking ways to promote the involvement of young people in the economic and social framework of the village: as mentioned in the last bulletin, there are many legal and health and safety related issues that need to be addressed before any ideas or policies can be implemented. Investigations and inquiries are on-going.

With regard to the proposed basketball area in Snells, the Parish Council submitted its plans to the District Council Planning Department for their advice. Their response indicates that such a plan "would fail to preserve or enhance the character or appearance of East Hendred Conservation Area and therefore would not be looked on favourably by officers". As a result, the Parish Council is actively investigating some alternative options.

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## New Waste Collection Arrangements

Your waste collection service is changing from 4th October.

You should have received some information on the new service in the post, unless you have a no junk mail policy. Should this be the case you will need to ring for details on 01235 520202. The village rubbish collection day will change to a Tuesday.

The bins are expected to be delivered towards the end of July on a ten week rolling programme. Some properties in the village have been deemed unsuitable for these bins. If this affects your property you will be informed by letter and will receive bin liners instead.

If you are already in receipt of assisted refuse collection, this service will continue. The elderly or the infirm can be considered for this service by ringing 01235 520202.

The Brown Bin collection will continue, for the annual fee of £34.50, but you will now have to put cardboard in the recycling bin.

Details, including a calendar, will be enclosed in your food waste bin to show which bins will be collected when (Food waste will be weekly with refuse and recycling on alternate weeks)

Please read this information carefully, as it will list what items can be put in which bin. Should the wrong items be put in the incorrect bins a contaminated sticker will be attached and it will be the responsibility of the householder to sort before the bins will be emptied.



## Hendreds Twinning Group

### Visit to Hampton Court Palace

Hendreds Twinning Group have a few spare seats on a day trip by coach to Hampton Court Palace, leaving East Hendred at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday July 4<sup>th</sup>.

**£25 for adults, £15 for school age children.**

The price includes the coach fare and admission to Henry VIIIth's palace, maze, and gardens, with individual audio guide.

### Hendreds Twinning Group: French Exchange, 2010

#### *Visitors from Sarceaux, our twin village in Normandy.*

We are expecting 20 visitors to stay with us over the weekend of July 3 – 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010. They are due to arrive in East Hendred, somewhat bleary-eyed off the overnight ferry to Portsmouth, early on the Saturday morning and leave again early on the Monday morning.

There is an organised programme of activities for the weekend, including a visit to Best Mates Brewery in Ardington on Saturday afternoon, a celebratory meal in Snells Hall with competitions and entertainment on the Saturday evening and an all day visit to Hampton Court Palace on the Sunday (see above).

Our visitors all have accommodation offered at least on a B&B basis, in the Hendreds and surrounding area, but if you would like to get involved by looking after one or two of them in the daytime on either Saturday or Sunday, we should be delighted to hear from you. It's a rewarding and fun way to practise some French, however rudimentary, and to get to know something of the day to day lives of our nearest European neighbours.

There is no charge for the meal, including wine, on Saturday evening, or for the trip on Sunday, for anyone hosting our visitors either overnight or during the daytime, although we do ask everyone to help with the Saturday catering by contributing a dessert and/or a salad.

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## Springline

The Springline Amateur Dramatics Society has now got three productions under our belt and this year we are aiming for a "giant" of a production with our cast and crew heading for the clouds – well the Giant's kingdom – which is just above cloud level.

The script for Jack and the Beanstalk has been selected out of 1,000's of pantomimes and we are well on the way to define our "production values" for the show – that's theatrics speak for "what is it going to look like".

We are holding an Open Audition on Sunday, 13th June at Snells Hall from 3 – 6 pm so if you like to get involved or just want to see how much fun you could have then why not come along.

To make the afternoon even more interesting, as if it could get any better you can watch a rehearsal and recording of our newest venture – Springline Radio Players. Using state of the art digital equipment, we will be recording a radio play which will be broadcast through our web site as a Podcast and available for download. We are planning a series of recordings over the next twelve months including a selection of Sherlock Holmes adventures with plays specially written for Springline.

If you would like to get involved on stage or behind-the-scenes then give Susie Turnbull a call on 01235 833797 or by visiting

## Allotments

Due to the warmer weather there has been plenty of activity on the allotments.

Several people have remarked on how good they are looking this year.

For the first time the allotments are to be included in the Open Gardens on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June.

Once again the plotters will be holding (weather permitting) their most successful Midsummer & Harvest get-together.

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### Hendreds Environment Group Festival Events

**Film Showing and Discussion:** 7.30pm Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June in Snells Hall.

**"The Power of Community – How Cuba survived Peak Oil"**. This lively film looks at how Cuba dealt with the sudden loss of imported oil that occurred when the Soviet Union collapsed. We'll also hear from someone from Transition Eynsham. Can communities make choices that will make them resilient to negative impacts of peak oil and climate change? This is something the Transition Town movement is testing out. £2 entry per person, refreshments available.

**Conservation Work, Volunteers Needed:** 10am – 12noon Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June.

'Balsam Bashing' and other conservation work in the woodland next to Snells Hall. Meet on the boardwalk. (Balsam bashing means pulling up invasive Himalayan Balsam. Dress for nettles.) Accompanied children welcome. Fresh air and fun.

**Free nature trail** available throughout the Festival week, from Hendred Stores or from Snells Hall when it's open for events.

Hendreds Environment Group contact: Sarah James, [sarahjames@f2s.com](mailto:sarahjames@f2s.com)



## Downs Golden Age

On 1<sup>st</sup> April the Club held an Open Afternoon to try and attract more of the "Young Old Folk" to join the club. This was a great success. More than 20 non-members came for tea and 6 joined the club. The dates and speakers for the spring and summer are as follows:

- 10<sup>th</sup> June Tea at Hendred House and "Travels with Auntie: Life at the BBC World Service" by Alistair Lack
- 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> June Lunch and Tea at Snells Hall
- 1<sup>st</sup> July Summer Luncheon at Snells Hall
- 5<sup>th</sup> August "The Seaside comes to East Hendred" – lunchtime meeting
- 2<sup>nd</sup> September A.G.M.

### Outings

- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July 9.00 am – 4.00 pm  
Wilton House and Gardens and Shopping outlet  
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Wilton Gardens and Shopping Outlet  
£12.00 Members Visitors £17.
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 9.30 am – 4.30 pm  
Stratford upon Avon At 2.30 a cruise of 1 ½ hours  
Cost to members £15.00 Visitors £20.
- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 9.30 am – 3.00 pm  
Christmas Shopping Cheltenham  
Cost to Members £5.00 Visitors £12.

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

## Hendred Ladies Walk For Charity

On Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May four Hendred "ladies", Jane John, Julia Dewar, Lorraine Clayton and Susie Turnbull took part in The Breast Cancer Care Blenheim Palace Pink Ribbonwalk Charity walk. Despite the fact that it was hottest day of the year they stormed round the beautiful Oxfordshire countryside and completed 20 miles in just over 6 hours.

They have raised over £2,000 for the charity and would like to thank everyone in the Hendreds who so generously supported them



### Please Use the Walkway!

"The main reason for building the walkway from Snells to Fordy Lane was to provide a safer walking route between Snells Hall and the Hendreds School. Church Street is pretty, but parts of it have no pavement and people on foot get awfully close to passing cars. My main motivation for helping to push the walkway project ahead was a dangerous incident when a child being walked from school got away from his parent and ran into the side of our car. Please do use the walkway. I think you will find it a pleasant route, and even if it is slightly longer it is much safer for you and your children than the Church Street option." Charles Pappenheim

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## East & West Hendred WI



The WI continue to have entertaining and interesting meetings. At our April meeting, Michael Lynes, who has a jewellery shop in Witney, gave a fascinating talk about diamonds and jewellery and then looked at members' items that they had brought in for valuation, with some very pleasant surprises.

At our May meeting we welcomed our local PCSO Catherine Johnson who talked about her job and our own personal safety. We all enjoyed her talk very much and found her very approachable and reassuring, a great help in case of future concerns. She encouraged us to be vigilant and gave good advice on how to stay safe.

Our social get-togethers continue to be popular with our members, particularly the monthly Coffee Outings. We have also had a very successful visit to Aston Potteries at which we had a fascinating talk about how a teapot is made followed by a tour of the workshop. We then all decorated a piece of pottery which was we left to be glazed and was collected at a later date.

Our members continue to attend events organised by our Oxfordshire Federation including a visit to Nottingham and an evening about the Shakers.

We have many future outings to look forward to including our AGM in Cardiff, a visit to Hardwick Hall in Derbyshire, a magical Pudding Evening in Oxford and our visit to Abbey House Gardens in Malmesbury, the home of the 'The Naked Gardeners'.

Unfortunately we have postponed the Ritzy Tea but we will be at the Hendred Family Show with our Stall and Teas.

Our future General Meetings include: -

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| June   | - | Fan-tastic<br>(Vera Hughes and David Weller who will be giving a dramatic presentation from Lady Windermere's Fan) |
| July   | - | 'A Taste of Honey'<br>(Steve Mol will be talking about 'Honey Bees')   |
| August | - | Our Birthday Party<br>(postponed from January due to the snow)   |



On a coffee outing

If anyone is interested in joining our group we meet at 7.30pm in Snells' Hall, East Hendred, on the third Thursday of every month. We welcome new members, any age and we are happy for those interested to attend their first meeting as a guest. So please come along or if you would prefer please contact our secretary by email on [jpxpol@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:jpxpol@tiscali.co.uk).

## How was the Springline Festival for you?

While writing this we are still a couple of weeks away from the first 'Springline Festival' so I don't know whether it was successful or if the weather was kind. I can tell you that there have been frantic preparations by the whole team, but especially Val Prior, to put on events and to make sure that there is something happening every day. We are just putting the final touches to the programme which Pam Lundyates is doing a marvellous job of editing and producing.

So how was it? Did you enjoy it? We had grand ideas of funfairs and float parades, but we simply didn't have enough volunteers to make it happen. Do you think we should make the Festival a regular event? If so would you be interested in becoming a member of the Festival Committee? Maybe there are events that you would have liked to have seen taking place?

**Let us know your thoughts and ideas ..... but especially if you want to get involved!**

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## News from the Churches

Publication schedules mean that it's not possible to show you a picture of St Augustine's traditional English garden fete on Saturday 5th June, but here are some photos of other things we have been getting up to recently.

Two more events are scheduled in June. As part of the East Hendred Festival and Open Gardens Day, St Augustine's will be welcoming visitors with organ music and tea and cake on Sunday 13th June from 2pm. Two weeks later, St. Mary's Parish Garden Party will be held on Sunday 27th June, in the grounds of Hendred House. Please put the dates in your diary.

Another date for your diary is the annual Ride and Stride sponsored event on Saturday 11th September. Churches across the county are open for you to visit on foot, bike or horse, including all three churches in our village – St Augustine's, St Mary's, and St Amand's chapel in Hendred House. The money raised by sponsorship is split between the Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust and the church of your choice. More details and entry forms will be available from the churches nearer the time.

The times of all our services and events are available on the noticeboards outside the churches and on the church websites, easily reached through the 'Churches' tab at [www.hendred.org](http://www.hendred.org).



The floor of the south aisle of St Augustine's church has been sanded and sealed, and it now gleams in the sunlight. As you can see in some of the other photos, opening up this aisle has provided us with extra space that we put to good use for all kinds of social and other events.

Our Rector, Rev Elizabeth Birch, chats to one of the many parishioners who called in on Gift Day earlier this month.



If you missed Gift Day but appreciate our beautiful parish church and would like to contribute to its upkeep, please get in touch with the Rector.



On the feast of Pentecost (Whit Sunday), both churches met together at St Mary's for a service of readings, reflection, hymns and Taizé chants. Rev Elizabeth and Fr Terence led the service together. St Mary's and St Augustine's hold shared or ecumenical services such as this several times a year, demonstrating the spirit of friendship and cooperation that exists between the two congregations.

Some of the crowd at this month's coffee morning at St Augustine's.

These are held in the south aisle of church on the last Wednesday of the month, from 10:30am to 12 noon.

Future dates are June 30, July 28 and September 29 (we're taking a holiday in August). Everyone is welcome.



## Hendred Heritage

Our on-line collection is being updated by our new volunteer, Bob Cox. Bob lives in Southmoor but every day he gets to know Hendred a little better! Have you visited the site yet? You can link to the site from the museum website (go to the media page). The really fantastic thing about this site is that YOU can add details about our photographs. Tell us who the people are, where the photograph was taken or maybe details of the event shown. There are photographs of houses which no longer exist – Rising Sun, Downs House and Mulford's Farm – to name but a few. There are people enjoying parties and fetes who you may know.... some are probably a lot younger than they are now and some may no longer be with us, but the digital archive has captured them for us to share with everyone!



Champs Chapel is open every Sunday from Easter through October from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm and is free to young and old. Of course we would welcome any donations and if you can sign a Gift Aid envelope we will get an extra 25% contribution from the Government. We rely on

donations to keep the museum running and to help with preserving artefacts. Every penny makes a difference.

We would like to thank Sally Gregory who has again generously lent us one of her lovely paintings to display at Champs Chapel.



## Hendreds Pre School

Hendreds Pre-school has been busy and is thriving with almost 30 children on the register. At the end of July last year we said goodbye to Sarah Cousins who had been a supervisor for 10 years and welcomed Sarah Woodhouse as a deputy supervisor to Tracy Taylor.

Forest School has been a regular item for over year and we have been well supported by Oxfordshire Forest School Services. The children visit a secure piece of land in Sutton Courtenay which is full of interesting nooks and they have freedom to explore, collect treasures and build rope swings. We are delighted to have also started using the area around the Snells boardwalk where the children discovered a nesting pheasant.

We received an Oxfordshire County Council grant last July which was used to buy ICT equipment including a new computer and laptop. We were also able to buy new chairs, rugs and book corner seating. With the East Hendred Entertains grant we are paying for the coach hire for our annual summer outing and Forest School waterproof clothing for staff. The West Hendred and Ginge Village grant will go towards computer software and Wi-Fi access in the pre-school. We are very grateful for the support from the villages.

We have had successful fundraising events such as our Pumpkin Party, a cake sale to businesses in Ardington and we are very much looking forward to our main event of the year, a **Barn Dance** on Friday 18 June to which you are all welcome.

As always the pre-school has been able to enjoy the many facilities in the village including seeing the lambing, visiting the nativity set in December, the village shop as well as meeting Tony the postmaster. The children made poppy pictures using half apples to print with and visited the war memorial on 11 November. This experience has helped the youngest children in our community to start to understand the significance of Remembrance Day.



And when we are not busy at pre-school or exploring the village, we have had visits from the local police and from the fire service. The police let us try on their helmets and we even went in the back of the police van but the sirens were so noisy, we covered our ears. The fire men told us what to do if you catch fire – 'Stop, Drop, Roll.' The children went in the fire engine and had a go at shooting water from the hose across Snells wood – watering the nettles!

For further information about Hendreds Pre-school, please contact the membership secretary, Anna Chapman, on 01235 821564.

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### Planning Matters

EHE/21116-LB, Chapel House, Chapel Square  
Interior renovations around fireplace and replacement of exterior cement rendering with lime mortar. The Parish Council offered no objection.  
Application permitted

EHE/215/9, Monks Farm, Newbury Rd  
Demolition and reconstruction of rear wall & roof, erection of conservatory & other amendments to the Tack Room.  
Application withdrawn.

EHE/1043/4-X, Land near Rowstock House, Rowstock  
Erection of two small barn style dwellings to replace existing commercial buildings.  
Although the Parish Council did not object to the development, the Vale District Council Planning Department refused the application.

EHE/18266/1, Brandelhow, Orchard Lane, East Hendred  
Demolition of existing garage and construction of new kitchen extension to replace garage, new porch and living room extension and first floor accommodation with landscaping amendments to front parking spaces.  
The Parish Council had some comments on the application but did not object to these plans.

EHE/21150, Planning application for extension at 3 Orchard Lane.  
This application has been permitted.

EHE/4071/1, Proposed additional Radiological Discharge Stack, Building R40, Rutherford Appleton Laboratory.  
The Parish Council had no objections.

EHE/19314/5 – The Cottage, Chapel Square, East Hendred,  
Erection of 1 ½ storey dwelling with gardens, single car port and off street parking.  
The Parish Council have objected to this for a number of reasons, namely excessive overdevelopment of the area, boxing in a listed building and increased road traffic on a narrow lane used by school children.

EHE/2680/3, Mafraq, Mill Lane, East Hendred  
Erection of a single story side extension to provide ground floor WC and boot-room/utility room.  
Application recently received.

EHE/215/11 Monks Farm, Newbury Road, East Hendred  
Demolition and reconstruction of existing roof, erection of new garden retaining wall and other minor amendments (The Tackroom).  
This is a recently received application and the Parish Council have yet to arrange a site visit.

EHE/215/12-CA Monks Farm Newbury Road, East Hendred  
Demolition of existing roof structure.  
Application recently received - Parish Council yet to arrange a site visit.

### Parish Council

Council meetings are held in Snells Hall at 7.30pm on the second Tuesday of each month. An Open Forum, in which parishioners may ask questions, starts at 8pm.

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## Apr-Jun 2009

### JUNE

- Fri 11 Start of Springline Festival, more details on front page.
- Sat 12 Cricket Match vs. Stonesfield, 2.00pm
- Sun 13 Open Gardens, £5, 11.00am - 5.00pm
- Cricket Match vs. Shrivenham, 2.30pm
- Fri 18 Pre-School Barn Dance, 7.30pm, West Hendred Village Hall
- Sun 20 End of Springline Festival, Free Fun Day, East Hendred Sports Ground
- Mon 21 History Walk, £2, 7.30pm
- Sat 26 'Have your Say' (replaces Police Surgery) 4.00pm, Snells Hall
- Sun 27 St Mary's Garden Party, Hendred House

### JULY

- Thur 1 DGA Summer Luncheon, Snells Hall
- Sat 3 Twinning Group visit
- Sun 4 Twinning Group Trip to Hampton Court
- Sat 10 Summer Lunch, Manor Farm, in aid of Holy Trinity Church, West Hendred
- Thur 15 WI 'A taste of Honey' 7.30pm, Snells Hall
- Wed 28 Coffee Morning, St Augustine's, 10.30am
- Sat 31 'Have your Say', 4.00pm, Snells Hall

### AUGUST

- Thur 5 DGA Lunchtime Meeting
- Sat 14 'Have your Say', 10.00 am, Snells Hall
- Thur 21 WI Birthday Party, 7.30pm, Snells Hall

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<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>Cub Scouts</b> 6.30–8pm, Snells Hall (Robin Gray, 769787)
	<b>Beaver Scouts</b> 5.25–6.25pm, Snells Hall (Pauline Rogers, 832340)
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>Mother &amp; Toddler Group</b> , 10–12am, Snells Hall (Clara Williams, 833204)
	<b>Youth Club</b> , 7–9:30pm, Snells Hall
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>Brownies</b> , 6–7.30pm, Snells Hall (Linda Harris, 833126)
	<b>Bowls</b> 7.45–10pm, Snells Hall (Ken Taylor, 833359)
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