June 2012

# Double Joy for Great Horwood Football Club!



Great Horwood Football club 1<sup>st</sup> team have achieved their first ever **league and trophy double success**. Having won the North Bucks League Intermediate Division title with an unbeaten run they then put the icing on the cake by winning the Intermediate Division Trophy by beating Bow Brickhill 5-1 in front of a large crowd at Buckingham Athletic's ground on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May.

The photo shows the team celebrating winning the Intermediate Division Trophy

Back row (L to R): Dale Armitage, Ian McStraw, Eddie Archer, Joe Cooper, Kieran McCabe, Jake Hilliard, Andy Brunning, Terry Archer, Adam Dixon, Lee Thompson

Front row (L to R): Damien Rumble, Darren Sirett, Chris McStraw, Terry Cronin (Player manager) and Sam Archer (Captain)

Not present in the photo, but played in the team during the season: Colin Richens, Adam Armitage and Jack Reynolds.

For a full report on their success and that of all the other teams at the club, see page 13.

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Assistant Priest, Rev Geoff Ball geoff@winslowbenefice.org.uk Tel 715131
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St James' Services	for June		Sidesmen	Readers	Intercessor
3rd June	11.00am	Holy Communion	D Brazier	C Martin	M Vincent
10th June	11.00am	Come and Praise	R Hemphill	J Hemphill	J Margerrison
12th June	2.00pm	Sunbeams	-	-	-
17th June	11.00am	Holy Communion	N Weir	J Margerrison	D Brazier
24th June	8.00am	Holy Communion (1662)	-	-	-
24th June	11.00am	Service of the Word	M Gilbey	C Finnemore	Clergy
1st July	11.00am	Holy Communion	J Margerrison	S Martin	M Gilbey

## Change of time for Services at St James'

Please note that the start time of services at St James' Church is now 11.00am. The Big Breakfast which we serve before the Come and Praise Service will now start at 10.30am. All other details concerning services remain the same. All welcome.

Church Key Rota - Noreen Weir - tel 713604

# From Rev Belinda Searle-Barnes, Rector Whatever next!

Summer is a coming in : Loudly sing cuckoo Groweth seed and bloweth mead and Springth the wood anew Sing Cuckoo! Sing Cuckoo!

As I began to think of summer holidays taken as a child, I recalled that my family went on the annual expedition making the LONG journey from Portsmouth to North Cornwall. There were no dual carriageways and it took a very long time (a whole day) towing our 4 berth caravan down narrow roads and lanes. During this time of being cooped up in the car my sister and I developed things to do on the way. One favourite activity was singing songs in rounds and 'Sumer is a cumen in' was one of our favourites! Perhaps you know it? (see above for the modern words)

The sound of the Cuckoo is one of the traditional sounds of the early summer that we all look forward to arriving. However, this bird, often associated with being a thief of glistening objects and destroyer of smaller bird nests, conveys not a particularly attractive way to begin the warmer season! But in spite of its not so attractive nature many of us enjoy hearing its very distinctive call as we welcome summer in.

Like many of you, I often receive literature through the door that offers opportunities to sponsor things. But I have to say I was rather surprised to read recently that we can now sponsor a Cuckoo! A conservation organisation is currently carrying out a project to track the migration habits of cuckoos and there are a number of different varieties. Apparently they are able to fit tracking devices to cuckoos to enable their journey to Africa to be monitored so we can know more about this characterful bird.

As my sister and I used to sing the traditional round of 'Sumer is a cumen in', I'm quite sure we never dreamt of a time when cuckoos would be tracked across the globe monitored by a computer! Anyway we live in a fast changing world where it seems more and more possibilities unfold.....even artificial bees to pollinate the crops!

Gracious God, we give you thanks for the changing seasons, all good gifts around us and the wonderful variety of life form here on earth: help us to be flexible in our thinking that we may discern your will for what is good and true and conserve those things which contribute to the well being of all. Amen.

## Sunbeams

Sunbeams will meet on the second Tuesday in the month, being 12th June, at 2pm in the Children's Corner at St James'. During our time together we listen to a story, sing songs and always make something to take home. Refreshments are available. All 0-5 year olds and their parents/carers welcome. For more details please contact Sue Brazier on 714712.



#### GREAT HORWOOD PAST AND PRESENT

An Open Morning in the Village Hall will be held on

Saturday 30th June - 10 am to 12 noon

Prior to this, order forms will be distributed throughout the village with details including price and estimated publication date of our village book.

Monica Jones (Tel: 712850) Liz Nicholls (Tel: 715331)

## Plans for a development behind 'The Paddocks' in The High Street - PUBLIC MEETING

There will be a presentation to the Parish on **Saturday 16th June 10.00am - 12noon** in the Village Hall by developers and representatives of the McAllister family.

They will present their plans for a development of 4 or 5 houses leading off the High Street behind The Paddocks 12, High Street. Subsequent to the meeting it is anticipated that a Planning Application will be submitted to Aylesbury Vale District Council.

If you wish to have your views taken into consideration before the proposed application is submitted come long to the village hall on Saturday 16th June.



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FRIDAY - FISH NIGHT: NORMAL MENU ALSO AVAILABLE

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**Great Horwood Diary of Events 2012** 

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Mon 4 Jun	3.00pm - late	Diamond Jubilee Celebration fun day on the Village Green
Tue 12 Jun	7.30pm	WI Village Hall - Stowe Landscape Gardens with Barry Smith, Head Gardener at Stowe.
Sat 16 Jun	10.00am – 12noon	Presentation in the Village Hall by the developer of plans for 4/5 houses on land behind The Paddocks, 12 The High Street.
Sat 23 Jun	8.00pm – 12.00pm	Midsummer Ball in the Village Hall
Sat 30 Jun	10.00am to 12 noon	Open Morning "Great Horwood Past and Present"-The Village Book.
		In the Village Hall
Sat 7 Jul	1.00pm $-4.00$ pm	Fete on the Village Green
Tue 10 Jul	7.30pm	WI Village Hall - Birds of Prey with Sue Mitchell
Mon 30 Jul	Afternoon	Play Around the Parishes
Mon 6 Aug	6.00pm – 11.00pm	Great Horwood Feast on the Village Green
Tue 7 Aug	6.00pm – 11.00pm	Great Horwood Feast on the Village Green
Tue 14 Aug	Morning	Play Around the Parishes
Thu 30 Aug	Afternoon	Play Around the Parishes
Fri 7 Sep	3.00pm – 4.30pm	WI Village Hall – Afternoon with John Bercow MP – open to all.
Fri 11 Sep	7.30pm	WI Village Hall – History of Mouth and Foot Painting Artists with
		Keith Jansz
Sat 29 Sep	7.00pm – 11.00pm	Mad Hatters Supper in the Village Hall
Fri 12 Oct	7.00pm – 9.00pm	Harvest Supper in St James
Sun 14 Oct	10.00am – 11.30am	Harvest Thanksgiving Service in St James
Sat 20 Oct	10.00am – 1.00pm	Giving day in St James with exhibits, cake stall & refreshments

As at 15.05.12 Please email additions to john@gilbey98.freeserve.co.uk

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# **MONDAY JUNE 4th**

# **Great Horwood Village Diamond Jubilee Celebrations**

**3pm:** The celebrations start! The Lord of The Manor cuts the opening ribbon, the church bells peal out and the Great Horwood Silver Band start the fun! Our wonderful floral arch will help make it a day to remember.

**3pm to 5pm:** Free children's entertainment with races (weather permitting!), circus skills, sumo wrestling, sponge football, face painting and an ice cream van! The cricket club is also organising a bowling competition. There is a prize for the best children's fancy dress outfit on the theme of Kings and Queens so come in best outfits!

**5pm:** Tables will be set up along the high street ready for everyone to bring their own food and drink for the picnic from 5pm to 8pm. The WI are going to make some brilliant cakes for us and there will be a very special village diamond jubilee cake made by June Margerrison! The Great Horwood silver band will be playing for us again too.

**8pm:** Dancing on the Green! Live music including a fantastic local band AND a local singer and there will be food you can buy from a pig roast and from our local fish and chip van. You can bring your own drink or buy it from The Crown or The Swan if you want.

10.30pm: Lighting the beacon accompanied by our very own opera singer! Dancing and celebrations then until 1am!

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# Please Sponsor Me in Memory of Kath Bennett

Many of you will remember my wife Kath Bennett who sadly passed away at the end of 2010 after a long but inspiring battle with cancer.

In her memory I have entered a Triathlon at the end of July raising money for cancer research. Please sponsor me at:http://www.runningsponsorme.org/inmemorykathbennett

Many thanks, Steve Bennett



## CHURCH AND VILLAGE FETE -7th July on the Village Green 1pm to 4 pm

We have been working very hard to plan this year's fete and are still hoping to hear your ideas and offers of help.

## We need your ASSISTANCE PLEASE for the following stalls:

**JARBOLA:** Please take your jars filled with what you think others would like to Valerie, 1A, Willow Road or place in box in Church.

<u>PLANT and PRODUCE STALL</u>: Please leave at Angela's Chapel House, Nash Road or Monica's 14, Little Horwood Road.

<u>CAKE STALL:</u> Cakes for the stall should be taken to Sue at 17, The Close.

During the week before the fete we will be visiting each household to collect bottles for the bottle stall and to sell raffle tickets.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ON THE DAY.

Monica Gilbey. Tel: 711915

### Village Bulk Refuse Collection Service

The Village Refuse Freighter will be visiting Great Horwood on **Monday 18th June** between 7.30am and 11.00am and will be parked at the car park in Willow Road. The service is for household waste only and cannot accept:

Electrical items

Clinical waste

Car parts

Hazardous waste

Commercial or business waste

Building rubble

Paints, liquids or garden chemicals

If AVDC make any changes to this date or time, the details will be posted on the Latest News page of the Parish Council website: http://www.bucksinfo.net/greathorwoodpc/latest-news/

Karen Francis





**Great Horwood Historic Town Assessment Report** (Draft) The Buckinghamshire Historic Towns Project is part of a national

programme funded by English Heritage and undertaken by Bucks County Archaeological Service. The project aims to understand the history of a number of market towns and villages within the county: their origin, the landscape, the buildings, their inhabitants, the work they did, where and how they lived, and how these places all evolved and changed over time. As well understanding the past, these reports will also help in shaping future development plans.

Great Horwood was one of the villages surveyed and a draft report has been written which you can view online. The report explains the origins of the village which dates back to at least the late Anglo-Saxon period. It includes many maps and some recent photographs of the main buildings of interest together with an explanation of their historical significance.

The report notes that the Domesday Book of 1086 records that the population was 8 villagers, 10 smallholders and 2 slaves, and that farming was the main occupation. The area expanded slowly until the Black Death of 1348/9 that wiped out three-quarters of the population. The village recovered, and by 1800 there were some 540 inhabitants, about half the population of today. It also explains the impact of both the great fire of 1781 (see also Feb 2012 edition of Focus) and the creation of Little Horwood airfield in 1942.

The report is long - some 80 pages — but well worth taking a look at if you are interested in the history of the village. You can skim through it quickly and focus (no pun intended!) on particular items. It can be found using the following link:

http://www.buckscc.gov.uk/assets/content/bcc/docs/archaeology/Great\_Horwood\_report.pdf

Dean White





## SkyRide Local – Everyone's invited

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Ride routes take in a wide range of areas including the Phoenix Trail, Bucks Railway Centre, Quainton Hill, Aylesbury, Wendover Woods, Winslow and Buckingham.

For full details visit the website: www.goskyride.com/Aylesbury You can easily register online to reserve your place on a ride.

Lyndsay Elliott , Senior Marketing and Tourism Officer, AVDC

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    - Canal towpaths and reservoir footpaths
      - Church yards and cemeteries
        - Allotments
  - Public car parks and pedestrianised areas
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## 17 June: Big Band - Kingsbury

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## 24 June: 50's Rock and Roll - Market Square

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# 1 July: Dance Now! - Kingsbury

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That's the amount of Cushionfall (woodchip) we have had delivered to top-up around the play areas on **Horwode Pece**. It was bucketed, wheel-barrowed and dragged in large builders bags from the emergency vehicle gate by a band of volunteers; some adults, young people and children, plus members of the Great Horwood Scout Troop.

So it's a HUGE thank you to all those who came down and helped, especially when it was raining.

Particular thanks must go to the Landymore Family – Sheila, Paul, George and Tom –, Margaret Michalski, Richard Callum and the Scouts, who started to shift this mountain of woodchip early on Friday night. Scout Leaders Andrew Fuggle and Alan Fletcher soon got the scouts organised; some filled the wheelbarrows (we had three on the go), others large builder bags, another team ferried the barrows leaving the large bags to any adults or scout leaders that would appear to be idly waiting (we were not, just getting our breath back), while the fourth cohort raked the woodchip into place. So thanks to all you scouts; George Samways, Eddie Samways, Morgan Jones, Gareth Jones, Alex McClellan, Sam Bryant, Nathan Rodrigez, Dan Cook, Luke Brazier and Sammy (a friend). A fantastic effort!

On Saturday work continued in the rain. Fewer helpers this time! Thanks go to Jeannie Marshall – she was there at 8.30 am -, Adrian Buck + Alex and Briony, John Gilbey, David Mayne and Henry Fuggle, plus returning scout leader Andrew Fuggle; but still the pile seamed endless, although getting a little smaller.

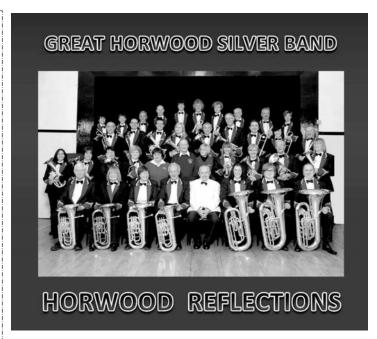
One week later, on the 5th May, off we go again. More helpers; Margaret Michalski, Adrian Buck+ Alex and Briony, David Bolton, Cathy Holland, Jeannie Marshall, Mike Hobday, Martin Deli and Son, Oscar Fuggle with friend Oliver, Liz and myself. Then at last the job was finished.

Additionally, I must thank the Buck family; Adrian is a member of the management committee but worked tirelessly over both weekends, above and beyond the call of duty, and must have felt he shifted half the pile himself! And Debbie for doing the tea run and keeping us all topped up, plus Alex and Briony for their help excavating tunnels into the woodpile.

Finally, thanks to all other helpers, in case I have missed anyone.

John Nicholls.

Chairman of the Recreation Management Committee and John Gilbey, Chairman of the Parish Council



### Great Horwood Silver Band

The band's new CD is now available at a cost of £10. The CD is a limited licensed edition and the cover is shown above. It is called Horwood Reflections and includes as the title track; Horwood Reflections. We hope this inspires images of village life and the close bond of our family-based band with our home village of Great Horwood. The piece was especially commissioned by the band. It was written by one of the Brass Band world's leading modern composers, Alan Fernie. His compositions and arrangements are now part of band repertoires all over the World.

The work was jointly funded by the band and Southern Arts. The composer's working title was Serenade. After a competition in the band this was changed, with the composer's agreement to Horwood Reflections. The World Premiere was performed by the band on 17th May 1997 in the Radcliffe Centre of Buckingham University.

The music has been especially chosen by the Musical Director Roy Lack, for its variety and as a true representation of the works we play both during our busy summer season and at our concerts and other engagements throughout the year. Roy joined the band in 1992. He has been involved in banding from a very young age, having success in the contesting world both as a player and Musical Director. Most of Roy's time with the band has been as MD but he has now decided to return to playing Euphonium. This CD, we hope you will agree, is a tribute to his hard work and that of the band, over that period.

The CD includes featured soloists Tony Hart on Solo Cornet with the ever popular summer and concert favourite, Sugar Blues. Vicki Cook on Flugel Horn plays the classic Misty, and fellow Flugel horn player Thomas Stoneman plays the beautifully haunting Ashokan Farewell.

The CD was engineered by Paul Lack who also designed the artwork and reproduced by Infinitely Ltd of Winslow. The printing was carried out by Harlequin Press of Little Horwood – who also print this FOCUS magazine.

If you would like to order a CD please contact any band member, or ring Beryl on 01908 510809. It will also be on sale at all engagements and rehearsals

The band will be playing on Monday 4th June in Great Horwood for the Jubilee Celebrations and on Saturday June 17th at Thornton College Fete.

You can read more about the band and to listen to an example of the CD on www.freewebs.com/greathorwood

Beryl Lack



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## Neighbourhood Watch

Have your say meetings are your opportunity to speak with your neighbourhood officers to discuss any local issues of concern you may have. The next meeting is at Henry's, High Street, Winslow at 10:00am - 12:00 on Tuesday the 5th of June. The contact is PCSO Wendy Taylor.

Below are extracts from 'Your Neighbourhood Updates' as of the 14th of May 2012:-

Crime priorities.

'Over recent months there has been an increase in burglary and vehicle crimes across the South of Buckingham area. There has also been an increase in the number of break-ins to business premises and sheds across the neighbourhood. We are taking part in a crime operation specifically aimed at tackling these issues across our areas. We will target key offenders and patrol areas subject to crime'

Countryside crime.

'This is a concern in the neighbourhood and is something that we are monitoring closely. We have received reports about theft of saddlery also generators, diesel fuel, horseboxes and trailers, large plant and machinery. This is a national problem not confined only to the Thames Valley Police but is something that we are specifically focussed on'.

So, security mark items and keep the locks on, especially your sheds. If in any doubt ring the number below.

# 101

Use it to report a crime, contact a police officer - all police officers have mobile phones so you can leave a message for them to respond to when next on duty - or contact your local police station. 999 can also be used and will connect you to the emergency services, namely fire ambulance and the police. If you have information about crime but do not want to speak to the police, you can call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

For any Neighbourhood Watch matters contact me on 713716 or call at 3 Greenway. More in July.

Regards, Ted Hadlow



## W.I News

At our regular monthly meeting in May, we welcomed a number of visitors who joined us to see Sandra Webb cooking up some exotic vegetables. We all watched as she demonstrated how she cooks Yam, Sweet Potato, Green

Banana, Eddoes, Plantain, Okra and Cho-Cho. These are all staple foods in the Caribbean and are now quite commonplace in our markets & supermarkets. Most were boiled or fried and she urged us to use them as an alternative to potatoes or rice. We had the chance to sample all her cooking and were surprised that many had the flavour or texture of potato. In the future as we cast our eyes over the vegetables in the shops we may be a little more adventurous. Sandra does cookery demonstrations to raise money for the XP (Xeroderma Pigmentosum) Support Group www.xpsupportgroup.org.uk which she and her husband founded 15 years ago, after their son was diagnosed with the condition. It provides support and counselling to sufferers and their families, gives them contact with others in the same situation, raises funds for research and helps families' obtain UV protective equipment.

In April we took in a little culture and attended the ballet at Milton Keynes theatre and saw the Northern Ballet perform Beauty and the Beast. It was a wonderful evening full of graceful, fluid dance, beautiful costumes and music. On the 30th we did a sponsored walk for the Associated Country Women of the World www.acww.org.uk a charity supported by the NFWI. It was a lovely

sunny day to set off from the Thornborough Bridge car park across the fields, admiring the wild flowers and keeping ahead of the inquisitive cows. Unfortunately we had to change route as flood waters spilt across our path and finally retrace our steps as it became completely impassable but we did raise £46 of much needed funds.

During June we have our bi-weekly walks which are getting us out and about. At our regular meeting on 12th we have the Head Gardener from Stowe (Landscape Gardens), Barry Smith who will be telling us all about this very influential landscape garden cared for by the National Trust. We also have another chance to visit the Medical Detection Dogs and of course we are baking cakes for the jubilee celebrations.

Looking ahead to **July**, our speaker at our monthly meeting will be **Sue Mitchell**, who is bringing a variety of "Birds of Prey" for us to experience at close quarters. We will have a stall at the village fete so we are collecting goodies to wrap. If you have small items cluttering your cupboards give them to a WI member and I am sure we will put them to good use. Some of us are also having a go at Croquet, a nice gentile pursuit on a summers evening!

A programme of our monthly meetings is displayed in the village hall, so why not pop along to one, you would be very welcome. If you would like to know more about your local WI or are interested in any of our forthcoming events please call us.

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#### **Great Horwood CE Combined School**



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Collections are still underway, and every donation helps the school to make a little bit of money for charity! Following on

from the successful fundraising project for the climbing wall, we are raising money to support children living in a very different community; our school council is currently investigating possible projects. Any contributions from the community of Great Horwood would be gratefully received!

Paul Adams: Headteacher

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# SUPER HORNOGO

## Great Horwood Football Club

Continued from front page....

Great Horwood Football Club 1st Team has enjoyed their most successful season since they were formed in 1966. Not only have this current crop of players enjoyed cup success they have

also won the North Bucks Intermediate Division for the first time in the club's history. The League was secured with 2 games to spare and Cup Double was sealed with a 5-1 defeat of Bow Brickhill at Buckingham Athletic's ground which saw a large crowd from the village join in with the celebrations.

Great Horwood's league record is another remarkable achievement having played 23 games this season winning 19, drawing 4 and incredibly avoiding defeat. Horwood's attack has scored 86 goals whilst in the process the rock solid defence have only conceded 24 in league competition and also enjoyed decent Cup runs in the Berks and Bucks Junior Cup and the Buckingham Charity Cup.

In the 39 matches played to date they have scored an incredible 142 goals with Adam Dixon 33 goals, Darren Sirett 30 goals and Andy Brunning 26 goals the leading scorers. The team have also kept 11 clean sheets with keeper Ian McStraw and the defensive unit proving Championship winning teams win on the back of a strong defence.

Great Horwood will now be entering uncharted territory competing in the North Bucks Premier Division next season, another first for the club. Manager Terry Cronin says 'We have a great squad of players, which has a mixture youth and experience. I feel we will push on next season and I hope we can bring some more success to this club'.

Long-time supporter Alan Sirett has been quoted saying 'For me this is one of the best teams we have ever had at this fine club. The football these boys play is exciting and a joy to watch'.

The Reserve team finished their season at the end of March and although it finished with 3 defeats the results prior to that had the team looking forward to a more successful season in the future. After sitting at the bottom of the table for most if the season a late run of results which included an unbeaten run of 6 matches including 4 wins saw them moving in the right direction. The team will finish in the bottom half but much more is expected next season if the same group of players can be kept together. Skipper Simon Ridgway was an ever-present player in the 27 matches they played with Nick Hore (12) and Dale Armitage (8) leading the goal scoring charts.

The under 15's equalled their best ever season points tally finishing fourth after a drop in form after Christmas, Sam Charlton

scoring his first goals for the team with Dan Bennett, Alex Kelsey and Jack Taylor also contributing to the goal tally and Daniel Cook growing into being a strong defender. The under 14's won their division comfortably with some excellent football played throughout the season and just the one loss and one draw.

The under 12's played some really tough close games and finished strongly to end up 3rd in the division – just missing out on promotion. Strong results including a great goal from Gus Nash in a 6-3 win over Silverstone from the edge of the box with a looping shot over the keeper. The under 11's have struggled with numbers but have finished positively to look forward to next year. The under 10's look for consistency to match their ability as some excellent results have been followed by less successful games. Edward Chadwick, Theo Terkelsen, Ciaran Waggott, Billy Crabtree, Henry Fuggle, Reuben Hemphill and Kieran Paterson all playing a great season.

The Great Horwood U10 Girls have continued to improve during their first season together and have won the last 2 League matches with a 3-0 win over Preston Gawcott and a 7-0 win against Water Eaton. All the girls have played their part in the recent matches and are making great progress individually and as a team. With only 1 league fixture left to play the girls will be entering a number of summer tournaments and are looking forward to doing well in these. So well done to Amber, Chloe, Evie, Georgie, Katie L, Katie T, Lara, Millie, Rihanne and Sara.

The under 9's 8's and 7's have all played some great games with all three teams looking to be stronger next year. The under 7's having lost only game this year with great performances from Oscar Hemphill, Luc Rocquelin, George Landymore and Ollie Howarth.

The veterans enjoyed their first season with the return of several familiar faces to the club – all of whom seem keen to continue for next seasons fixtures – special mention to Eddie Collins for playing several games and having to play 90 minutes on more than one occasion, being 14 years older than the next 'youngster'.

The Football Club enjoyed the joint fund raising Race Night event with the Cricket Club raising one of the highest amounts of money for both clubs.

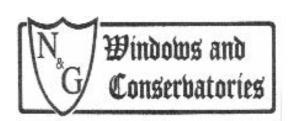
#### Dates for the Diary:

Annual General Meeting to be held Wednesday 6th June. Juniors Presentation 16th June at the football pitch.

All details on the club website:http://www.greathorwoodfc.co.uk

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# CHAIRMAN'S MONTHLY REPORT LAST MEETING - MONDAY 14TH MAY 2012

Annual Parish Meeting

The first part of the meeting was the Annual Parish Council Meeting at which Councillors are appointed to the various offices of the Council and as representatives on other bodies for the following year.

I am delighted to say that I was re-elected to be the Chairman of the Council for another year and also to welcome John Scholtens in the role of Vice Chairman. I took the opportunity to thank Russell Margerrison for his support as Vice Chairman in the last year and also to all those Councillors who have represented the Parish on various bodies both within and outside the village.

The details of all the appointments to outside bodies are listed in the minutes of the meeting which are published on our website.

#### Great Horwood C of E Combined School

Paul Adams, the headmaster of the school, gave us an update on developments and said that his aim is to get the school an "Outstanding" classification from Ofsted. He reported that the school has grown from an expected pupil role of 90 to 115 and that from September there will be 4 separate Key Stage 2 classes and 2 additional teachers are being recruited. The 70 children currently in years 3 to 6 have all been provided with netbook portable computers which they can take and use at home and post their homework via the internet. Paul also stressed the great support given to the school by the PTA and how useful are the funds that it raises enabling extra facilities to be provided in the school.

#### Diamond Jubilee

Ann Elliott came to the meeting to update the Councillors on the plans for the Village Celebration on 4th June and the Council approved a donation of £500 to assist with the costs of providing commemorative coins for all the children in the parish and of paying for a photographer to make an official pictorial record of the day.

## Planning Matters

A public consultation on the plans for a development on the land at the rear of The Paddocks, 12 High Street will take place on the morning of **Saturday 16th June** in the Village hall. The information so far received is that the proposed development will consist of 4 or 5 houses with access to the site from the High Street

AVDC have not yet determined plans for an additional dwelling to be built in the grounds of 2 School End to which we have submitted a document giving detailed reasons for our objection.

The appeal by the owners against AVDC's demolition notice on Hedgerows, Nash Road has not yet been concluded but in the meantime the owners have submitted a retrospective Planning Application for the building as built.

#### Focus

Focus has been posted to 21 businesses on the fringes of the Parish for the last 2 months. The May delivery asked each of the businesses to confirm that they would like to continue to receive the magazine. So far only 2 positive responses have been received.

#### Neighbourhood Plan

The Terms of Reference for the Neighbourhood Planning Team were approved at the meeting and are published on the website.

#### Footpaths

Robert Deuchar has reported that:

"We now have a sponsor for an additional metal pedestrian gate on FP3 (Winslow Road, Gt. Horwood, towards Adstock) and sponsors for four additional metal pedestrian gates on FP 8/1 (centre of Singleborough next to Pear Tree Cottage to A421 road opposite Thornton Turn) and the approval in principle of the relevant landowners. The details are still to be finalised but if all goes well these gates should improve access for dog walkers and those who find stiles difficult to climb over."

#### Horwode Pece

The top-up of 90 cubic metres of woodchip has all now been distributed across the play areas and the annual equipment safety check booked.



#### **Bus Shelter**

The new bus shelter has now been installed at the bus stop in Little Horwood Road adjacent to Townsend Cottages.

## Bollards on The Green

The Councillors decided that the most appropriate replacement for the concrete bollards would be wooden posts and we are going to obtain estimates.

#### Water Supply to the allotments.

Anglian Water has quoted almost £5,000 to provide water supplies to the 2 allotment areas in the village and so the Council decided not to proceed with this project.

#### Parish Council Website

For a more comprehensive report of the Parish Council meeting please read the minutes published on the website. (http://www.bucksvoice.net/greathorwoodpc/). This website also has updates of items on its latest news page.

If you have any items that you would like to bring to the Council's attention at any time please contact either the Clerk or any Councillor and we are always pleased to welcome residents to our monthly meeting during which we always have a public participation period.

The next meeting is to be held on **Monday 11th June 2012 at 7.30pm** in the Village Hall.

John Gilbey – Chairman Great Horwood Parish Counciljohn@gilbey98.freeserve.co.uk

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Thursday	14th June	<ul> <li>Westcroft Bus.Morrison's, Boots and more.</li> </ul>
Monday	18th June	<ul> <li>Buckingham Garden Centre. Free teas and coffees on arrival, 10% off lunch. £3.00</li> </ul>
Tuesdaý	19th June	<ul> <li>Visit Claydon House. House, garden, lake, restaurant and tea-room. £10.00 (incl entrance).</li> </ul>
Thursday	21st June	<ul> <li>Visit Anglesey Abbey. House and gardens, and Lode mill. £15.00 includes entrance.</li> </ul>
Tuesday	26th June	- Thame Market £3.50
Thursday	28th June	<ul> <li>Westcroft Bus*</li> </ul>
Tuesday	3rd July	- Buckingham Bus*
Thursday	5th July	<ul> <li>Local Lunch at The Harvester MK. Great food, great prices, Bus: £3.50.</li> </ul>
Thursday	12th July	<ul> <li>Westcroft Bus*</li> </ul>
Monday	16th July	<ul><li>Bicester Garden Centre £4.00</li></ul>
Thursday	19th July	- Visit Buscot Park. See The Faringdon Collection of pictures, ceramics, furniture, and enjoy the lovely
,	,	pleasure gardens, woodlands and water garden. £15.00 travel and entrance, (£7.00 NT members).
Monday	23rd July	- Shopping at Asda MK -very popular! £3.00
Tuesday	24th July	- Thame Market £3.50
Thursday	26th July	<ul> <li>Westcroft Bus*</li> </ul>
Tuesday <sup>*</sup>	31st July	<ul> <li>Cotswolds Wildlife Park –Travel &amp; entrance: Seniors &amp; children £15.00, Adults £19.00.</li> </ul>
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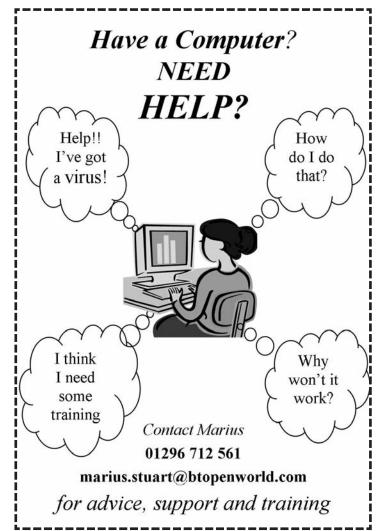


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