

Great Horwood & Singleborough Youth Club



EXTRA HELP NEEDED TO ASSIST WITH VILLAGE YOUTH CLUB PLEASE

In Great Horwood we are fortunate enough to have a thriving youth club for young people aged 11 – 16, run from the village hall every Monday night 7pm - 8.30pm (excluding the second Monday in the month when the Parish Council meet). We have approximately 30 members with 15 to 20 appearing on a weekly basis depending on homework commitments.

Run by a dedicated team of 6 leaders/helpers we run a weekly tuck shop and undertake to have an interesting and varied program running throughout the term for young people to enjoy. Club night activities include cooking, table-tennis, snooker, craft and wii games; we also regularly hire a sports cage and sumo wrestling outfits which makes for fun evenings. In the past we have also had pizza/Chinese take away nights, a drum night and slide shows; we also enjoy an annual bonfire party too. This coming term's activities include a *trip out ten pin bowling in Milton Keynes, a bar-b-q / games night, a trip up the St James' bell tower and skateboarding.*

As leaders we all lead busy lives and so are always looking for extra people to help us. The leaders and helpers would really welcome some extra man/woman power please, even if just once a month, to enable this great club to continue. Alternatively you may have a skill that you don't mind sharing with the group as a one off – this past term we had a bell ringing activity evening for example; last term we had a talk by medical detection dogs. If you are interested in helping at our Great Horwood and Singleborough (GHAS) Youth Club then do let me know. Necessary CRB checks would have to be undertaken for anyone volunteering on a regular basis.

If you are able to help, please call me on 01296 715600.

Thanks, Helen Grimditch

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Jacqui Sheldon

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I recently volunteered with 13 other women from the food industry to dig a fish pond the size of an olympic swimming pool which will be stocked with tilapia to provide both food and income for a female farming co-operative in Kenya.

Our goal is to leave behind a legacy for the community and help educate other communities to replicate this model. I'm part of a team that believes this project will help address some of the global issues around food production.

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Jacqui



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St James' Services for May

5th May	11.00am	Holy Communion			
12th May	11.00am	Come and Praise			
14th May	2.15pm	Sunbeams			
19th May	11.00am	Benefice Service	J Margerrison	I Lamberton	J Margerrison
26th May	11.00am	Deanery Service, St Laurence Church, Winslow			
2nd June	11.00am	Holy Communion	N Weir	N Weir	M Gilbey

Benefice Service

On **Sunday 19th May**, our Pentecost Service will take place at St James' starting at the usual time of 11.00am. We welcome those who would normally attend St Laurence Church, Winslow, and St Mary's Church, Addington. Please join us at this special Holy Communion service.

Deanery Service

On **26th May**, our Deanery Service will take place in St Laurence Church, Winslow starting at 11.00am. There will be a bring-and-share lunch after the service and you are invited to bring along a plate of food to contribute to the shared buffet lunch, which will be held in The St Laurence Room. There will be no other services in the Deanery on this day. Please join us as we meet with friends from other parishes. If you would like a lift into Winslow, please contact Sue Brazier on 714712.

Church Key – David Moore – tel 713281

The Village Fete

A meeting was held last month to start co-ordinating the fete this year which will be held on Saturday 6th July on The Green. There will be the usual stalls and side shows and hopefully a few attractions too. If you would like to get involved in any way, please contact any of the following – David and Sue Brazier, Roy Hemphill, Valerie Porritt, Jackie Goss, Angela Mayne and Andrew Grimditch. All help and support gratefully received before and on the day. We will need help with collecting bottles for the bottle stall, filling jars for the jarbola, making cakes, contributing to the plant stall etc etc. Look out for another article in next month's FOCUS for more details.

David Brazier - 714712

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Thank you to Jeannie Marshall for your kind donation to FOCUS.

Dean White



Faster Internet Possibility

High quality fast internet access is essential for many aspects of modern life but in Great Horwood and Singleborough we suffer from frustratingly slow internet speeds.

Bucks County Council has some funding to improve broadband across Buckinghamshire, which will be used to roll out superfast connectivity later this year, with expected completion in 2015.

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Registering only takes a few minutes and doesn't commit you to anything at all. The more people who register, the greater the chance that Great Horwood will receive the funding to make this happen.

Dean White

Annual Village Concert: THANK YOU!

On behalf of Giocosso Concert Band, we would like to say a huge **thank you** to everyone who joined us on Saturday 16th March for the annual village concert. A special thank you to our local performers: the Brownies and Rainbows; Charlotte and Theo Nash and to Letty and Mallory for supplying the refreshments.

Money raised from donations amounted to £130, which will be donated to Project Acorn at Great Horwood School and used to improve the facilities for the children. This was a lovely way to celebrate our 10th anniversary and we look forward to another successful evening next year.

Sharon Ord & Max Piggott



St James' Mower Day

Saturday 18th May

11am to 2pm

It's that time of year again when the grass just keeps growing! To help ensure the churchyard looks well kept this year, please come along for an hour and mow the grass or tidy up. We have a mower, strimmer and fuel which will be available on the day, or bring your own. Many hands make light work.

Thank you to everyone who cuts the grass throughout the year.

David Brazier Tel: 07811 197208 or 714712



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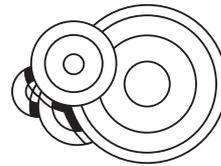
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Edinburgh Marathon for Operation Smile

If anyone still has any money left after sponsoring our local London Marathon runners, Aimee, Dean, Jill & Alex, would you be able to consider supporting me in my charity fundraising efforts? In case you don't know me, I'm the previous editor of FOCUS and, before that, I ran the village Rainbow Unit, and with my husband, Stuart, I've lived in the village for almost 20 years.

On **Sunday 26th May 2013** I will be taking part in the **Edinburgh Marathon** to raise money for Operation Smile, which is an international children's medical charity providing free reconstructive surgery for children and young adults born with facial deformities, predominately cleft lips and cleft palates. Clefts are the 3rd most common birth defect worldwide and it is estimated that a baby is born with a cleft every 3 minutes, affecting their ability to breathe, eat, drink and speak.

Here in the UK, most cleft cases are repaired in the first year of a child's life, but in the developing world, over 75% of cleft cases go untreated. 1 in 10 of these children will die before their first birthday, which is avoidable with an operation that can take just 45 minutes and cost £150. You can find out more at: <http://www.operationssmile.org.uk/>

I've been training hard for many months now, including running half marathons in Marlow, Milton Keynes & Richmond, and my aim is to run every step of the way, which will take around five & a half hours.

I'm hoping to raise £3000, which would change the lives of 20 children. If you would like to make a donation you can visit my fundraising page at: <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/SandraBirrell> or deliver cash or a cheque (made payable to Operation Smile) to 51 Spring Lane.

Thank you in anticipation,

Sandra Birrell



A heartfelt thank you from Elaine Koster

I thought you would like to know that I completed the Marsden March on 17th of March. Hurrah!!! I walked the 14 miles with my friend Caroline in five hours plus half an hour for lunch. The event was wonderfully organised with smiling marshals along the route who encouraged us at every opportunity; the only thing they couldn't organise was the weather and we finished the final mile in torrential rain! To prove something to myself I jogged the last 100 yards which, I think, was against the rules.

Thank you to everyone who has sponsored me for this walk and for helping me to raise over 90% of my target so far. What a privilege to be involved in such a worthwhile event and to be able to bring donations to the cause. It's not too late to donate: here's the link to my JustGiving page: <http://www.justgiving.com/Elaine-Koster>, or contact me directly on 712957 or 07906 243576.



Elaine Koster

Horwode Pece - A Picnic is No Pece of Cake

Well, now it will happen on **June 2nd** (the Queen's coronation, you know). We just couldn't confirm the band for 19th May. Well, if it seems like a decision was needed here, blame democracy. The school holidays have cast the voters to far-flung destinations just when the Horwode Pece Trust is due to replace its village representatives.

Let me elucidate: The Rec was transformed from a sheep field into the current spectacular playground by the efforts and fundraising of a small band of enthusiasts, who discuss and manage the maintenance, even in the face of wanton vandalism. You need no votes to join this management committee. Just come and join in.

Horwode Pece, the land, is owned by a charitable Trust. Two representatives from the Parish Council and two from the village ensure the land serves your interests. These two quadrennial seats are to be contested by three hopefuls. This is a first. However, the constitution of the Trust does not limit itself to only two village representatives. So, should the Trust vote for more discussions or more doers. Should the Pece's 'cake of responsibility' be divided into four slices, five or more? And will this bring about a decision for the annual Picnic on the Pece?

If fine weather shows better timing, Aunt Sally, bouncy castles, short tennis, circus skills, fun and games will all be there and, with any luck, a band. If you're free, it's free, so pack your picnics and join your neighbours on the Pece, **June 2nd**. It's a definite date.

*Steve Brigden, Chairman, the GH&S Recreation Trust.
chairofthetrust@horwodepece.org.uk*



Lions Club of Winslow

In the middle of March we held our 8th annual Beer Festival and what a success it was ... a total of 19 barrels out of 36 were emptied and all seven boxes of cider 'disappeared'.

The new seating arrangement and the more compact barrel display were all well received. This, together with the final matches of the Six Nations Rugby on the big screen, all added to the atmosphere that resulted in the record amount of over £10,000 being raised by "Drinking for Charity" – our very grateful thanks to all our sponsors as well as you, the public, for supporting the event and making it our best year ever.

The drinking obviously created an appetite, because the following week, we surrendered to an "Eating for Charity" event at The Blue Monsoon restaurant in Winslow, which raised a total of well over £200. Over 30 members and partners managed to complete the "courses" and our thanks to Mo and all his team for providing the key ingredients for this most enjoyable of evenings.

If you are thinking of joining the Lions, why not attend a meeting and find out what we get up to? Our contact number is 08458 337817 for further information about the Club, events, or help for you or your



organisation... so if you feel you would like to put something back into your community and have a laugh at the same time, then come along to the The Bell Hotel, Winslow, at 8.15pm every second Wednesday of the month and see if it suits you.

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More news next month..... !!

Jack Milburn (President, Winslow Lions Club)

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Village Hall

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List of Activities...

Monday:

- Legs bums and tums with Vicki. Good start to your week commences 9am.
- Toddler group meet. The time has changed to 1pm - 3pm. It will fit in better with school times.
- Second Monday evening (13th May) Parish council meet at 7.30pm. Visitors welcome and there is space to have your stay!
- All other Monday evenings is Youth Club 7pm – 8.30pm. Lots of exciting things to do.

Tuesday:

- Second Tues evening is WI. Excellent speakers, friendly members. Come along and give it a try. The annual Dinner with a Dutch theme was most enjoyable. They have a walking group and lots more. Details of speakers on the Village Hall notice board.

Wednesday:

- Post Office available 9am to 11am. Tea and coffee served 20p and have a chat with friends. Free Range eggs £2 dozen. Free Library to browse plus jigsaw swap. Good selection of greeting cards that even can be customised while you wait! And a table of small items for sale.
- In the evening our local band meet to rehearse. You are welcome to pop in and listen. Perhaps you would like to give it a try?

Thursday:

- More keep fit with Vicki 9am.
- The 9th and 23rd are WHIST DRIVE nights. WHY not give it a try? Easy to pick up! Keeps the brain active! Start time 7.30pm. Come early if new and we will give you a run through. £2 which includes coffee & biscuit + prizes.
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WEEKENDS - The Hall can be booked for Parties - Sales - Coffee mornings -Whatever... Contact Jeannie on 713727

Jeannie Marshall

Great Horwood Under 5's Stay and Play: Monday's 1pm-3pm. We are a small friendly group who enjoy a chat whilst the kids play with a variety of toys. We meet **Monday afternoons (except bank holidays) 1pm - 3pm in the Village Hall.** First visit is free, then £1.50 plus 50p for each additional child. Please call Claire (number below) for more info, or just pop along one Monday.

Claire Black: 07971 838527
Claire.Black61@googlemail.com



Great Horwood Silver Band

The Great Horwood Training Band Concert in the Village Hall on Sunday 14th April was very well played and appreciated by the audience. The Concert was conducted by Emma Mainwaring and raised over £120 for the training band. Some players have been with the band quite a time but others only a few weeks and played well, which is very encouraging.

Engagements are coming in well now and it looks like being another busy year for the band.

The next engagement will be a fundraiser for the Buckingham and Winslow Citizens Advice Bureau on Saturday April 27th in St Laurence Church Winslow at 7.30pm.

July will be a busy month for the band, they will be playing for the Great Horwood Church Fete on Saturday 6th July and for a Residential Care Home in Wing on Sunday 7th July. On Saturday 13th they will be playing for the Church Fete in Aston Clinton and on Saturday 27th July they will return again to Aston Abbots for their Church fete.

100 Club Winners for March were

- Emma Mainwaring £12
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Beryl Lack

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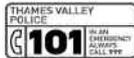
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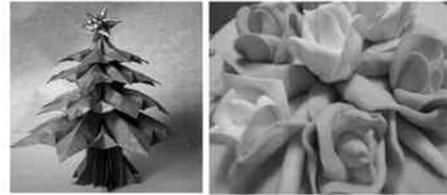
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W.I News

We set ourselves a challenge this year for our Annual Fund Raising Dinner by giving it a Dutch theme. Holland is not renowned for its cuisine but we came up trumps with a delicious menu. Spring Vegetable Soup with meatballs, (rose veal is usually used but we opted for turkey) Rolled Pork Loin, with boerenjongens and roasted beets, served with mashed potatoes. This is a traditional dish often eaten at Christmas or Easter throughout the Netherlands, followed by a scrumptious choice of desserts including Dutch Apple Pie, of course.

It was a relaxed, happy, fun evening amongst good friends. Our special thanks to all who helped make the event such a success, cooking, setting up, serving, raffle prizes and of course the stacks of washing up!

As we go to press we still have three exciting April WI events to attend. On 17th is the Annual Meeting of the Buckinghamshire Federation of WI's, on the 19th is our chance to discover all about Quilting and on the 29th we are off to Tiggywinkles the famous hedgehog hospital.

After the success of our workshop last year we have great delight in organising another:

Paper folding/origami and Sugar Paste Workshop - Saturday 11th May

A number of our members saw a fantastic exhibition of art work by the COBB group at Stowe Landscaped Gardens, which included amazing paper folding of books and magazines to form delightful centre pieces of "trees". So we approached them and they have agreed to pass on their expertise. Many of us have expressed the desire to make flowers from sugar paste but lacked the skill so we have approached Great Horwood's very own expert June Margerrison and she has agreed to pass on her expertise too!

The Workshop will start at 10am with coffee; the origami will keep us concentrating until 1pm when we break for a lunch of soup/rolls/cake. At 2pm we will spend the next two hours absorbed in the art of sugar paste flowers. Lunch and materials are all provided, £20 members and £25 non-members. If you are interested in this opportunity to learn two new skills, please contact us.

Our WI walks continue every two weeks, and now alternate between morning and afternoons. We are also organising an evening walk on Tuesday 4th June and will meet at 6pm on the green. Plans are yet to be finalised but our aim is to follow a route around the Brickhills and then have supper in a country pub. If you would like to join us please contact Karen Wilkinson for more details.

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday 14th May** when Joanna Shanlock will be talking to us about Colour and Style. She will take us through the colour analysis of clothing so it will give us the opportunity to find out where we have been going wrong all these years and discover what really suits us.

Looking ahead to June:

- Rabble around the Brickhills – Tuesday 4th
- WI meeting - A Passion for Pearls – Tuesday 11th

If you would like to know more about your local WI please phone for a chat. We will also gladly collect and take you to one of our monthly meetings, which are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm in the village hall.

Val Smith 01296 711551
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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. If you wish to have your say, the next meeting is at Henry's, High Street, Winslow at **10:00 - 12:00** on the **30th of May**. The contact is PCSO Wendy Taylor.

Wendy, in her newsletter goes on to send the following message:-

Hello everyone,

This month's dissertation - enjoy!

I would like to highlight that we are still finding lots of people are still leaving their vehicles insecure with items of value in it. Sadly, their property is then stolen from the vehicle. Please, please be security minded about this. No longer can you say 'it will never happen to me' because it easily can. Obviously your insurance company will not treat you very favourably either. Please contact me if you need crime prevention advice.

Take care,

Wendy.

I say good advice.

Wendy goes on to speak about the Thames Valley Police Spring Campaign:

We have commenced our 'Spring into action, Secure Your Home' initiative. The main message here is to cut back shrubs and hedges to aid visibility, secure access to the back garden, to consider time switches for radios and lights, check any burglar alarms that you have, lock gardening tools away, secure sheds and garages and join a Neighbourhood Watch scheme. All sound advice but do we all do it?

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Regards, Ted Hadlow

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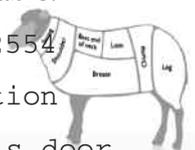
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Winslow's Neighbourhood Plan Have your say!!!

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They are seeking to obtain the views of residents of the surrounding villages as to what improvements and additions to the facilities that you would like to see on offer in Winslow.

Karen Francis, our Clerk has agreed to co-ordinate your responses to feedback to Winslow, so **if you have any thoughts on what you would like to see made available in Winslow over the next 20 years please drop a note into 2 Spring Close or email her clerk@greathorwoodpc.org.uk.**

Please let her have your thoughts and comments before the end of May.

John Gilbey
Chairman Great Horwood Parish Council



GREAT HORWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

Useful Contact Details

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Parish Council

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CHAIRMAN'S MONTHLY REPORT

LAST MEETING – MONDAY 8TH APRIL 2013

Village Refuse Freighter

I did not get any response to my questions in last month's FOCUS and so it was agreed at our meeting that Karen would get details of the usage of the freighter from AVDC and if the number of users is still very small we will seek to cancel the contract.

Movable Vehicle Activated Signs

We have so far not received any further updates on this project although we have paid for our contribution towards the costs and I am currently pursuing the matter with Bucks County Council representatives to try to get a timetable for the installation.

Footpaths Report

Robert Deuchar presented the following report for this month:

"The fifth and final metal gate has been installed on footpath 8/1. This makes a triangular route without stiles, north of Peartree House in Singleborough, along the Parish's only bridleway and then right along Singleborough Lane back to the starting point, a total distance of approximately 900 yards."

Annual Parish Meeting

I have invited representatives from a total of 16 village organisations to take part as well as those from a small number of outside bodies. As I write this I have had acceptance from 10 of the village organisations. I will be reminding those that I have not heard from in the next few days and would hope to get close to 100% acceptance by the time of the meeting on 30th April.

Winslow Town Neighbourhood Plan

Like Great Horwood, Winslow Town Council is in the process of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan. **We have been asked by the Town Council to publicise this project and to invite any comments and/or suggestions from residents of Great Horwood** to issues that they would like to see considered for inclusion in the plan. **See separate notice on opposite page.**

Planters at the entrances to the village

At our meeting we agreed on the supplier for 4 planters to be installed at the entrances to the village. The siting of these will be in Winslow Road, Nash Road, Little Horwood Road and in Singleborough.

East-West Rail

As I am sure you all know, East-West Rail refers to the plan to re-open the railway line which used to run through Winslow. It now seems certain that this project will progress and the current plan is that trains will be running by December 2017. The line will connect Oxford to Bedford via Winslow with a spur coming later which will connect to Aylesbury. The planned site for the only "new" station on the line is still to be in Winslow at the reserved site on the A413 just opposite the junction with the B4033. This means that the station will be barely 2 miles from the centre of Great Horwood, This is likely to have a significant effect on the area and it is expected that a consultation on the project will take place in the coming months. If you have any issues that you would like to the Parish Council to raise with the planners please let me know.

Great Horwood Neighbourhood Plan

As the next stage in this critical project for the future of our community for the next 20 years there will be a public presentation and consultation on **Saturday 18th May – see notice below.**

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 13th May 2013 at 7.30pm** in the Village Hall.

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

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

VILLAGE HALL

SATURDAY 18 MAY 2013

10am - 12 noon

The Neighbourhood Planning Team has been working very hard in co-operation with AVDC to create the plan for future development in the parish up to 2031.

The team now wishes to present its findings and get the views of all the residents of the parish. So please come along to the village hall on **Saturday 18th May for a presentation and a Questions & Answers session at 10.00am lasting approximately 2 hours.**

A document giving more details of the work done so far will be delivered to your household a week or two before the consultation.

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John Scholtens

Chairman Great Horwood Neighbourhood Planning Team
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Monday	20th	May	Asda Shopping. £3.00
Thursday	23rd	May	Westcroft Bus*
Thursday	30th	May	Local Lunch at The George & Dragon Quainton. 2 courses £12.00 or choose from the menu. Travel £3.00.
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