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St James' Services for September

6th Sept	11.00am	Holy Communion
13th Sept	11.00am	Come & Praise
20th Sept	11.00am	Holy Communion
27th Sept	8.00am	Holy Communion (1662)
27th Sept	11.00am	Service of the Word
4th Oct	11.00am	Holy Communion

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J Margerrison	C Martin	J Margerrison
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I Lamberton	I Lamberton	Clergy
S Barfoot	C Martin	S Brazier

PIMMS AND HYMNS



Come and join us in St Lawrence Churchyard on **Sunday 6th September at 5pm**. This is an informal service and will be outside weather permitting (or in Church if not). Bring a chair or a rug to sit on. Other drinks will be provided. All welcome! For more details contact Sue Brazier on 714712.

Village Fete

We were thankful that the sun shone on us again at the Village Fete and a fun time was had by all. On behalf of St James' Church I would like to thank everyone who contributed in any way to making the Village Fete a success again this year. Particular thanks to The Fete Committee of Valerie Porritt, Andrew Grimditch, Roy Hemphill and Caroline Gates. Also to The WI, Youth Club, The Scouts, The Silver Band and all the other stall holders who helped on the day.

David Brazier

Thank you ...



To Nora Reeve for decades of loyal service distributing 'FOCUS'. Nora has walked many miles over countless years getting 'FOCUS' to the residents of Great Horwood. Thank you Nora.

June Margerrison and Dean White

Request to ALL RESIDENTS...



On behalf of the Parish Council, **please could residents ensure that all hedges and bushes in gardens that overhang or grow onto a footpath or pavement are kept trimmed back** to allow for pedestrian access.

Many thanks.

Karen Francis, Clerk to Great Horwood Parish Council.

Village Hall



After the last Great Horwood Village Hall Meeting on June 23rd it was recognised that although there are good regular bookings throughout the week, i.e. WI, exercise classes, weekly post office together with a tea shop and many children's parties, **it would be great to have some more weekend bookings**. So don't forget, if you're thinking of having a do, ring 01296 712165, and

HIRE THE HALL!

Jane Holland

An invitation to try Hand Bell Ringing



The U3A Hand Bell Ringers are having an open meeting on **Friday 25th September for anyone to come and try and see the hand bells**. You don't have to have any musical knowledge as we ring numerically so only need to be able to count. The event **starts at 10.30am and will be held in The Chapel, Main Street, Gawcott.**

Please contact Margaret Moore on 01296 713281 for any other information.

Horwode Pece (The Rec)



The sun shone on us back in June for a glorious Picnic on the Pece. We were, once again, entertained magnificently by Giocosco and kept busy with Steve and Janthea's giant games and activities. Thank you to everyone for making the day enjoyable.

We now have a new grass cutting contractor and are pleased to say, the Rec is looking great.

May we remind everyone that kite flying is not permitted at the Rec (not because we are miserics but due to safety reasons with the overhead cables that cross the area!). A kite was found hanging in the hedgerow.

We welcome two new members, Jane Holland and John Gunn to our Committee and thank Karen Wilkinson for joining our Rec-check Rota.

Cathy Holland. Committee member.

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We have now concluded our summer programme and look ahead to the remaining months of 2015 and into 2016 with excitement!

We're finalising plans for our annual Fireworks on 7th November in Winslow and our traditional pre-Christmas event, Carols in the Market Square on Tuesday 22nd December.

The date has also been confirmed for our annual 10km run at Furze Down School; Sunday 28th February 2016. Keep an eye on our Facebook and Twitter accounts for details on how to enter the race and...the colour of the shirt awarded to runners who finish the course!

Thank you to everyone who has attended our events so far this year. Our events would not be possible without your support, and the amounts generated from these functions enabled us to donate to lots of local charities and organisations in Winslow and the surrounding area.

If you are working on a new project for a good cause, and need additional funding for new equipment, then you can contact us on info@winslowlions.org.uk - we may be able to help you! All the money the Lions Club of Winslow raises is redistributed to charities.

Andrew Lowe (Winslow Lions Club)

'Help us to help local charities'

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Appeal for 'Good Neighbours' -



Reignite your community spirit. That's the message to Bucks residents for the launch of the Good Neighbours Project, which kicked off in July.

The campaign, led by Community Impact Bucks, aims to improve community cohesion by reconnecting communities and encouraging more interaction between local people.

Community Impact Bucks is offering free support to any community that wishes to start a 'Good Neighbours' project in their area. IS SOMEONE WILLING TO SET THIS UP IN GREAT HORWOOD and SINGLEBOROUGH?

Schemes are designed around the unique needs of each group but typically comprise a team of volunteers who can run errands and perform basic DIY and gardening tasks for local residents.

Service Manager at Community Impact Bucks, Ian Hopper, says there is a growing need for support of this kind:

'As public sector funding continues to reduce services, local communities are facing increasing pressure to do more for themselves, but this can only happen when relationships between residents are strong. People are increasingly living parallel lives - The Good Neighbours Project is all about reversing that trend and helping communities set-up their own self-sustaining support system'

A similar initiative was launched recently in Thame and has already made a visible impact not only on beneficiaries' lives but on the well-being of the volunteers themselves. Lizzie Spokes is Good Neighbours Coordinator at Thame Town Council:

'Some people just want someone to talk to and can really benefit from someone popping in and listening to them for a few minutes, while they do an odd job. It's been really rewarding for volunteers to see what a difference such a simple act can make'

For more information call 0300 1111 250 or email info@communityimpactbucks.org

W.I News



In August we enjoyed the annual garden meeting, hosted by Sally in her beautiful garden. Boules, quoits and garden darts were played before the delicious buffet super supplied by the members.

On 8th September at 7.30pm in the Village hall, we will welcome Ann Leaver, who will be talking on **2000 years of Milton Keynes**.

Visitors are welcome - please contact Karen on 01296 712933 for more information.

Ann Biggins

Message from PCSO Wendy Taylor



Two new members of the Winslow and District Neighbourhood team

PC Mary Winks takes over from Martin Siderman as Neighbourhood Supervisor and PC Simon Taylor takes over from PC Graham Labrum as Neighbourhood Officer.



'Not With My Name' campaign to combat identity crime affecting one in four adults

Thames Valley Police is launching an awareness campaign encouraging people to protect their personal information. The 'Not With My Name' campaign, produced in partnership with the City of London Police (National Policing Lead for Fraud), is targeting identity crime in our communities.

According to crime prevention service Cifas, there were 1,482 cases of identity fraud reported in Buckinghamshire, 945 reported in Oxfordshire and 2,141 reported in Berkshire in 2014.

Identity fraud can lead to inconvenience and distress with victims spending on average of 200 hours of their personal or businesses time to resolve.

Victims often find money has been removed from their bank or their account has been taken over, a fraudulent passport or driving licence has been created in their name, or loans, mortgages and mobile phone contracts have been set-up using their identity.

The proceeds of identity crime are often used to fund further criminal activity.

To combat this rising threat the 'Not With My Name' campaign will highlight advice to help people protect their personal information. This will include pointers on creating safe passwords, protecting internet devices, dealing with unsolicited phone calls and emails, and safely storing and disposing of mail.

These messages will be shared across Thames Valley Police Facebook and Twitter accounts.

For more identity fraud prevention advice visit www.thamesvalley.police.uk

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NEWS FROM OUR AMAZING VILLAGE YOUTH CLUB (GHAS Youth Club)



Here we are helping at the Village Fete
Yes, we really did have 5 stalls!!!

We shared our takings equally between St James Church and the Youth Club.



And here we are enjoying the Skate Park at the end of July.



What's coming next?

- **On 14th November we will be holding "An Afternoon at the Ritz"** (In the Village Hall)
Come and be entertained by GHAS musicians, singers and dancers and sample delicious sandwiches, cakes and tea. We will be sharing our takings between GHAS and the National Autistic Society.
- **In December we will be at the PTA School Christmas Bazaar** selling Village Calendars and crafts and sharing our takings between the PTA and GHAS.

- **In February we will be holding a Rock Concert with local rock star Ben Collard** and sharing our takings between GHAS and a Children's Charity.

So if you are 10 - 16 years old why not come along to the Village Hall to sign up and join our Youth Club when it starts again on September 21st 7pm to 8.30pm.

Monica Gilbey (tel: 711915)

Great Horwood Silver Band



The band played at the Great Horwood Church fete on 4th July; it was a very enjoyable afternoon and the weather was good. On the 12th July they played at Carey Lodge Care Home in Wing where residents and staff joined in with singing and dancing. On 25th July they received their usual warm welcome at Aston Abbots Fete which was on the Village Green. The fete committee arranged a lovely tea for the band in the gardens of two of their residents which was much appreciated.

The band were delighted to play for the Wedding of Tanya Taylor and Terence Cronin in St James' Church Great Horwood on Saturday August 1st. They also played outside the Church during the taking of photographs.

On Saturday 15th August the band returned again to the Aston Clinton Show and Fete and on **Bank Holiday Monday 31st** they will play at the Winslow Show.

On **Saturday 5th September** they will play for the last Night of the Proms at Leckhampstead which will be on the Village Green or if the weather is wet in the Church. The evening begins at 5pm and people bring a picnic to enjoy while the band is playing.

We have been invited to play in the lovely grounds of Courteenhall House Northamptonshire in June 2016, which will be a new venue for the band.

100 Club Winners for June were:

- Colin Nicholls £50
- Keith Mould £10
- Mark Edmans £8

100 Club Winners for July were:

- Jean Edmans £10
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Beryl Lack

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Chairman's Monthly Report

Last Meeting – Monday 13th July 2015

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John Gilbey John Gunn, John Scholtens John Huskinson
(Vice-Chairman), (Chairman)
and front row L-R: Jane Holland Mary Saunders Angela Mayne.

Introduction

This month I have incorporated a photograph of your new parish council. We all work tirelessly on your behalf to make the parish a great place to live. Please do not hesitate to contact any one of us or the Clerk if you wish to raise an issue or make suggestions for improvements in our parish.

Parish Updates

Great Horwood Parish Plan 2016

Work has begun on producing the Great Horwood Parish Plan 2016 that will bring together a community "wish list", the Parish Plan of 2006, the Action Points agreed in 2010 and the aspirations in our recent Neighbourhood Plan. The Parish Plan 2006 has been analysed to see what was required for the Parish Plan 2016. Work is also ongoing with the revision of the Action Plan from 2010, with identification of what actions have been achieved, what is no longer required and what is needed in the future.

Digital Communication

The Parish Council have decided to improve the current website rather than build a new one and that contributors to the site should be asked to provide the information to update their areas. Cllr Gilbey will coordinate suggestions for improvement and chase up contributors.

Grass Cutting on Horwode Pece

Our new contractor has been cutting the grass and I am sure that users will have noted a great improvement. The area is there for your enjoyment and I encourage you to visit the facility, particularly if you have children. For dog owners, please obey the signs at the Horwode Pece. The Recreation Committee are already planning the next improvement to the play area with the intention to install monkey bars and hopefully, a large slide.

Planters

We have noticed that the areas on the approach to some of the planters at the road entrances of Great Horwood and Singleborough are becoming overgrown due to the reduced frequency of wayside grass cutting. Although we welcome nearby volunteers watering the planters and trimming round the stone containers, we are looking at alternative ways of overcoming this issue.

Events on The Green

The Great Horwood Village Fete was extremely well attended this year and thankfully the weather was also kind to us. Thanks to all our residents who moved their vehicles off The Green to facilitate the event.

Parish Council Website,

Meetings and Suggestions

For a more comprehensive report of the latest or indeed previous Parish Council meetings, 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 and lots of information about the parish.

If you have any items that you would like to bring to the Council's attention, please contact the Clerk or any of the Councillors, or otherwise, we are always pleased to welcome residents to our monthly meeting where we include a public participation period where you can raise an item directly. The next meeting of the Council will take place after the summer recess in the **Village Hall at 7.30pm on Monday 14th September.**

John Scholtens - Chairman, Great Horwood Parish Council
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| Tuesday | 8th Sept | - Kingston Centre Retail Park in Milton Keynes, - a great destination for shopping and leisure. The centre offers a whole range of the UK's favourite retail brands including Next, Marks & Spencer, Clarks and lots more. £4.00. |
| Thursday | 10th Sept | - Westcroft Bus * 1¾ hrs shopping at Westcroft Centre. Door to door. |
| Thursday | 10th Sept | - Our AGM – Winslow Centre, Park Rd. 7pm for 7.30pm start. ALL WELCOME. Refreshments, quiz! |
| Sunday | 13th Sept | - Last seaside trip – sunny Eastbourne! £20.00. |
| Tuesday | 15th Sept | - Cotswold Wildlife Park. A really lovely spacious wildlife park, well worth a visit. Travel £8.50. Entrance £15 adults, £10.00 concessionary. |
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| Thursday | 22nd Oct | - Westcroft Bus* |
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| Wed | 28th October | - Glenn Miller Story. Starring Tommy Steele. Stalls Row Q. £32. Book by 7th September |
| Wed | 18th November | - The Shawshank Redemption. |
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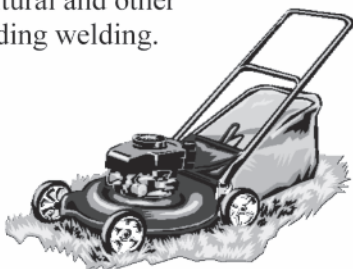
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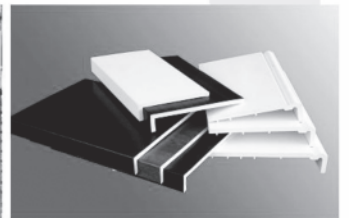
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