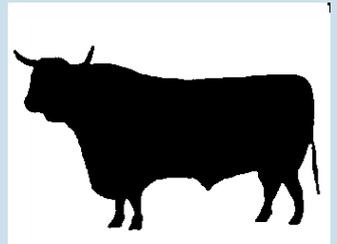


THE HORTON & LITTLE SODBURY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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Dates for the diary...

- Sunday, July 7, 2013 - 15:00** Afternoon teas
- Saturday, July 27, 2013 - 20:00** Buffet supper - Thankful Villages charity event & Little Sodbury's "Thankful Village" celebration
- Sunday, August 11, 2013 - 15:00** Afternoon teas
- Sunday, September 1, 2013 - 15:00** Afternoon teas
- Saturday, September 21, 2013 - 15:00** Pirate day - fun forrr all the family
- Friday, September 27, 2013 - 11:00** Walking Festival—See Carol Brodie or Lynn Edwards FFI
- Saturday, September 28, 2013 - 11:00** Walking Festival—See Carol Brodie or Lynn Edwards FFI
- Sunday, September 29, 2013 - 11:00** Walking Festival—See Carol Brodie or Lynn Edwards FFI
- Friday, October 18, 2013 - 19:30** Quiz night
- Sunday, October 20, 2013 - 11:00** Winter Bull Run
- Saturday, October 26, 2013 - 19:30** Bavarian evening
- Friday, November 8, 2013 - 18:30** Bonfire night and fireworks display
- Saturday, November 16, 2013 - 19:30** Armistice Day remembrance and Blackadder

Please check the website for updates between newsletters:-
<http://www.halsvh.org.uk/>

Special points of interest:-

- Church functions
- Special Announcements
- Horton School news

Events from St James the Elder:-



Friday 5th July at 6:30pm
Music for a Summer Evening at the Church

Tickets £10 to include wine and nibbles available available from Tina Hildick-Smith.

Sunday 6th October—
Harvest Festival

Saturday 12th October—
Harvest Supper

Friday 29th November
Joint Village Hall and St James the Elder Church function-

Richard Williams' band will be playing...more details to follow.....

From the new editor:-

Welcome to the new look newsletter, I hope you enjoy the new articles and any feedback is much appreciated. I want to say thank you to Richard Winsborrow, the previous editor for giving me all the information I needed to complete this edition.

Please keep the special announcements coming in so that I can make sure they go into the announcement section.

Happy reading!
Katherine

Horton Toddler Group 10am-11:30am

Every Wednesday during term time at Horton Village Hall
Come along and join our friendly group of parents and carers for children from bump to age 4.



News from Horton CE VA Primary School

During the last two months life at Horton Primary School has been as usual... in that something unexpected is always happening! We have had a visit from OFSTED, the results of which will be out on Friday 5th July. The whole school community worked together to show the qualities and experiences that the children, who attended the school, benefit from – we hope the inspector could see that and that our results will reflect the tremendous dedication of parents and staff to the children's education.



Although such a visit may have overshadow everything else from this term we haven't let it! The whole school enjoyed a trip to the Badminton Estate where we visited the hounds, horses, servants quarters, farm and woodlands – the highlight for me was the Duchess' Gardens which is just beautiful – your nose is assaulted by the most fabulous scents as you wander around! The children's highlight was Murphy, the gun dog, who showed off his skills much to the amusement of all the children. The demonstration culminated in a race between Murphy and two of the children... needless to say Murphy won! The other, very popular activity, was

the visit to the hounds where the children met some of the new puppies – the puppies were very inquisitive and so were the children, who were desperate to be climbed over and licked by the cute bundles of puppy!



We also have had a Sports Week. Mrs Armstrong arranged a wide variety of activities for the children this week, involving using facilities at Chipping Sodbury Secondary School and Brimsham Green Secondary School. At Chipping Sodbury the children were able to take part in tennis, basketball and Hockey (using the astro-turf); at Brimsham we had our sports day, using the athletics track – a great experience for all the children. We used the Cotswold Way for orienteering; had scooter safety demonstrations; took part in a Pro-kick charity event and had a variety of activities for the children to try out which are not covered in normal PE lessons. At Horton we try to give the children all the benefits of being in a small school (for example, everyone gets turns and opportunities) whilst looking for ways we can give the children a wider world experience – this varied Sports Week illustrates this approach.



Our Year 6 children – Ben, Jamie, Kimberleigh, Lewis, Olivia and Zoe – have begun their leaving preparations with a Leavers Service at Gloucester Cathedral. They are currently spending induction days at their new schools – Chipping Sodbury, Brimsham and KLB – ready to take this next step in their school careers – an exciting time for them all. Over the next few weeks we are welcoming our new Reception children – Amelia, Archie M, Archie N, Bethany, Eden, Finnley, Hans and Sophie – who will be joining us for story time so they can become familiar with the school.

I'd like to finish this news update with a reminder about our invitation to everyone in the Village to a Strawberry Tea on Thursday 4th July at school at 2:00 – 3:30pm. We'll be holding the finals of our talent show that day and, weather permitting, we'll be having a strawberry and cream tea. Why not come along and enjoy the sunshine, delicious food and share the talents of the children of Horton CE VA Primary School? Please contact Lesley Leahey on Lesley.leahey@hortonprimary.org.uk or call 01454318834 to let us know you are coming.

FOR SALE

Anyone interested in a car roof box. Halfords make hardly used size 135 by 80 cms. Please contact Carol or Ian Brodie. Any offer considered.

MISSING

Cat who went missing on Monday 27th May (Bank Holiday Monday). He's grey and white (mainly grey), short haired, and has markings on his face that make it look like he has a moustache! If anyone has any information it would be great if they could let me know – 01454 310 311

WANTED!!!

Baby travel system – Bugaboo Chameleon – either generation 2 or 3!

Please call Caroline 312277 or

caroline@bannistersfamily.co.uk



Special Announcements



Happy 60th Birthday to Brenda Cordy on 31st July

Sadly Jean Arnold of Bix House died on Saturday 15th March 2013. She had spent six weeks in hospital following a fall but was finally allowed home where she slowly and very peacefully slipped away. She felt most fortunate to have lived amongst such a supportive community and where, with the assistance of her wonderful carers, was able to remain despite her increasing frailty.

Little Sodbury's "Thankful Village" celebration

Saturday 27 July 2013

Please come and help us celebrate!

Little Sodbury is one of just 51 "Thankful Villages" in England and Wales (where everyone who went away to the First World War came home safely). We are "Doubly Thankful", as all who went to the Second World War also returned safely. Descendants of some of those brave soldiers still live in the village.

2 Welsh motorcyclists are visiting all 51 Thankful Villages over 9 days, presenting a plaque to each one. They're aiming to raise £51,000 for the Royal British Legion. Please see <http://thankfulvillagesrun.com/> for full details of their itinerary.

The ride will arrive on the evening of Saturday 27 July. Please join us from 6pm at St Adeline's Church, where there will be a short ceremony at about 7pm when the bikers will present the plaque to descendants of the First World War soldiers.

At about 8pm there'll be a buffet supper at Horton & Little Sodbury Village Hall (on Horton Hill) to celebrate this very special event. We hope that as many of you as possible will attend.

Supper will cost £5 (see below for details), There will also be a bar. Tickets **must** be bought in advance. Profits will go to the Royal British Legion.

To book your tickets for the supper, please contact:

Caroline Bannister on boxoffice@halsvh.org.uk

or tel 01454 312277

Or Emma Cordy-Rugman on 01454 322879

HORTON PARISH COUNCIL - CLERK'S REPORT 2012/13

No changes have been made to councillors this year.

Katherine Standerwick stood down as Clerk to the Council and Jo Baker took on the role as from December 2012. Horton parish Council re-affirmed its decision to adopt the Local Code of Conduct and to adopt a Register of Members' Interests so as to comply with statutory requirements.

Village Safety - It was agreed that with regards to the walkway from the Village Hall to the Social Club that whitelines along the ditchside and warning signs advising of "No Pathway" with "SLOW" carriageway marking at each end of the footway would be the best option until such time that more funding is available to put drain pipes along the ditches, cover and pave. SGC have advised that HPC's request has been included in the Miscellaneous Signing and Lining Register for future implementation however a precise timescale for this work to be completed cannot be given.

Due to the increasing amount of dog fouling around the school, a dog bin has been requested from SGC.

John Loye has taken on temporary responsibility of clearing and maintaining the pound until a permanent replacement can be found.

Bus shelter - it has been hard to find a builder to take this on however, details of a contractor from Pilning and Severn Beach Council have been sent to Horton PC in the hope of fixing the roof.

There have been 8 Planning Applications for associated works throughout the year

Broadband UK - the contract has been awarded to BT for improving speed and coverage within South Glos jointly with Wiltshire. Regular updates to be found on SGC website.

Part-night street lighting will be implemented between midnight and 5am in order to reduce carbon emissions and conserve energy.

£50 donations have been made to Victim Support, St Peters Hospice, Green Community Travel and Children's Playlink.



RIDE + STRIDE
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RIDE AND STRIDE on SEPTEMBER 14th
A DAY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR OUR CHURCH

Ride and Stride, run by the Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust and supported by the National Churches Trust, is a great way to support this church and churches across the county when they most need help. It's an annual sponsored walk, bike or horse ride which happens on the second Saturday of September. That makes September 14th a date for the diary in 2013.

Walkers and riders turn out to follow their chosen route between churches which open for the day. Many of the churches serve refreshments as well as checking you in and providing a friendly welcome. Whether you go on your own or with friends and family, you'll be joining thousands of people countrywide raising money for an important cause. 2012 was one of the best years so far for Ride and Stride in Gloucestershire. 117 churches took part raising almost £47,000. Why not join in this year and help us make it to £50,000?

What's in it for you, this church and the county's churches?

- a perfect motivation to get out, explore part of the county and enjoy yourself
- the satisfaction of raising money and taking part in a nationwide initiative
- 50% of the money you raise (before Gift Aid) goes to the church of your choice
- the chance to see inside some historic gems which are not always open for visits
- the chance for the church you nominate to apply for a grant

Even if you are unable to ride or stride, you can ask people to sponsor you to man your church or to carry out specific tasks while you are there.

Further information, together with a sponsorship form, is available from your Local Organiser on the contact details below.

For information about the Trust's work and how to support it please look at the website:
www.ghct.org.uk

The Local Organiser for your church is JACQUE ISRAEL
 Contact details 318079




16th, 17th & 18th AUGUST
2013
HORTON BEER FESTIVAL

It is that time of year again, time to come and visit the quiet country village of Horton.

There is plenty of activities to join in with for all ages, we will have 6 different types of real ale all priced at £2 a pint!!! Many different types of cider and the normal drinks all at very low price!

A BETTER PLACE FOR ALL THE FAMILY

FRIDAY NIGHT
 SKITTLES AND OPEN MIC NIGHT

SATURDAY DAY
 BOUNCY CASTLE, CAKE SALES, TOMBOLA, RAFFLE, FACE PAINTS AND BBQ

SATURDAY EVENING
 A LIVE BAND

SUNDAY
 BOULES AND BBQ

SUNDAY EVENING
 QUIZ NIGHT TEAMS OF 4- £5.00 A TEAM

HORTON SOCIAL CLUB
 Horton Road
 Horton
 Bristol
 BS37 6QH



THE LADYSWOOD CHALLENGE 2013
100 Bird Sporting Clay Competition
Top 10 Scores Invited Back to Shoot-Off on the Open Day
£85 Including Clays & Cartridges, Re-Entry £75
From Wednesday to Saturday until 1st September 2013

Strictly By Appointment ONLY

HIGH GUN PRIZE: 1 peg on a 200 Bird Driven Pheasant Day, Gloucestershire
RUNNER UP: 1 peg on a Morning's Driven Duck Shooting, Gloucestershire
THIRD PRIZE: 1 gun on a Walked up End of Season Cock Day, Gloucestershire
LADIES PRIZE: 1,000 Clay or Game Cartridges
 Prizes to be presented on the Open Day 27th September 2013

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newsletter items

Contributions to the newsletter are welcome. The Editor reserves the right to edit contributions. As before items for inclusion in the newsletter should be sent to: newsletter@halsvh.org.uk.

Katherine Standerwick

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