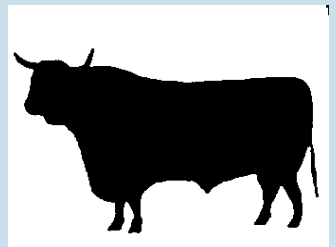


THE HORTON & LITTLE SODBURY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

PUBLISHED FOR THE HORTON AND LITTLE SODBURY VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE



Dates for the diary...

Quiz night – first in the trilogy

January 31 @ 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Join us for the first instalment of our 2014 quiz trilogy. Quizmaster: Ian Brodie. £6 per team of 4. Refreshments and drinks available for purchase.

February 2014

Quiz night: second in the trilogy

February 21 @ 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Join us for the second instalment of our 2014 quiz trilogy. Quizmaster: Paul Denton. £6 per team of 4. Refreshments and drinks available for purchase.

March 2014

Quiz night: third in the trilogy

March 28 @ 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Join us for the third instalment of our 2014 quiz trilogy. Quizmaster: Rex Isaac. £6 per team of 4. Refreshments and drinks available for purchase.

Please check the website for updates between newsletters:-

<http://www.halsvh.org.uk/>

Special points of interest:-

St James the Elder

Safer and Stronger
Community meeting
date

Dates from Chipping
Sodbury Tourist infor-
mation

From the editor:-

Dear readers,

Happy New Year! I hope you had a very merry Christmas.

Please find this month's newsletter. Please can all items for the next newsletter be sent to me by the end of February to be sent out the first week of March 2014.

Wishing everyone health and happiness for 2014.

Happy reading!

Katherine

A POSSIBLE £10,000 AVAILABLE TO THE VILLAGE OF HORTON!!

Do you have thoughts on how this money could be spent to benefit Horton as a village? Do you have the time to put a plan together and apply for a grant?

This grant could cover.....

Facilities for young and old - an updated play area.....

Policing, law and order

Transport and traffic issues

Health services -

Hawkesbury set up a voluntary transport group to get people to medical appointments....

Doynton - modernised their Village Hall including eco friendly efficiency measures

Oldbury - set up a community run shop

What is important to YOUR community?

FUNDS ONLY AVAILABLE FOR A LIMITED TIME - GET YOUR PLAN TOGETHER BEFORE THE END OF FEB!

Help is available from South Glos Council and The West of England Rural Network will provide hands on help and support.

If you think you would be interested and would like more information, please contact Jo Baker, Clerk to Horton Parish Council who will happily point you in the right direction. email Jo Baker at india-jo_@excite.com or speak to any of the Horton Parish Councilors.



Events from St James the Elder:-

All services are held at 11:15am on Sundays

4th, 5th and 6th July 2014
Flower Festival

Flower Festival



Chipping Sodbury flower club will be decorating our church for the festival on the 4th, 5th and 6th July next Year. On Thursday 3rd July in the evening there will be a preview— tickets will be available (drinks and nibbles Horton style). On Sunday 6th we will finish with a service of even-song. Teas will be served at the Church during the festival and lunches in the Village Hall.

Bell Ringing

We have received a letter from Environmental Services informing us that an official complaint has been lodged with regard to the ringing of the bells at Horton Church.

This is just a note to inform the Village that we may be asking for support in the near future if the complaint is upheld. However it is early days yet and we are arranging a meeting with Environmental Services in the new year to discuss the complaint which appears to be in relation to the extent and times at which the bells are rung.

To clarify we ring the bells for a maximum of 30mins before the service on Sunday mornings and on Wednesday evenings between 7.30pm and 9.00pm for practice. Ringing during these times is not continuous and on Wednesdays does not really start until 7.45pm. We do ring at other times during the year for special Church services such as Weddings, Peals and at Christmas, however we do let residents adjacent to the Church know of our intentions in advance.

The bells, the oldest dating back to circa 1420, were re-hung just over three years ago at a considerable cost and it would be a great pity if ringing was curtailed or even stopped. We sincerely hope that it will not come to this and would ask for support from the Village.

Further information can be obtained from the Tower Captain Rex Isaac or Richard Needs (01454 329890)



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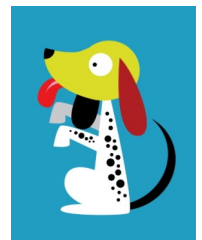
Little Sodbury End
Chipping Sodbury
Sth Glos

07907 746973

Dog Owners

Dear dog owners, whoever it may concern, over the past year I have had to clean up over 68 times (yes its sad I have counted) dog mess packages left in my garden by dogs of inconsiderate dog owners, I am now getting a rather fed up of doing this and have contacted the dog warden to obtain a better understanding of my position. Its lovely to own a dog and its lovely to live in the country, but I really shouldn't have to do this. You know who you are, because your either letting your dog off the lead prior to reaching the fields or just opening the front door and letting them go out on their own and do their business in my garden. Its the start of a New Year so please turnover a new leaf and become a considerate dog owner "PLEASE" More than happy to discuss.....

Mike & Carolyn
Wellstead



Announcements



We welcome to Charlotte and Kieran Sculley to Horton who have recently moved into Gable Barn at Widdenhill Farm.



At the start of every New Year there are two things we all seem to have in common; updating our calendars / diaries and promising ourselves we are going to get fitter. So to help you get started here are some dates for local events in 2014:-

Fri 4 & Sat 5 April - Chipping Sodbury Mop Fair

Mon 21 April - Kingsgate Easter Egg and Easter Bonnet competition

Wed 23 April - Paul Jones & Dave Kelly, Chipping Sodbury Town Hall

Sat 26 April - St George's Day Celebration, Yate Heritage Centre

Thurs 8 - Sun 11 May - Badminton Horse Trials

Wed 28 - Sat 31 May - The Royal Bath & West Show

Sun 1 June - The Big Lunch

Fri 6 - Sun 8 June - Chipping Sodbury Jazz & Blues Festival

Fri 13 - Sun 22 June - Chipping Sodbury Festival

Sat 21 - Sun 22 June - Kingsgate Community Music Festival

Sun 29 June - Classic Car Run

Fri 11 - Sat 12 - South Cotswolds Beer & Music Festival

Sat 2 - Sun 3 Aug - The South Gloucestershire Show, Westerleigh Road

Sun 17 Aug - Sodbury Sportive Cycle Ride

Fri 19 - Sat 20 Sept - Chipping Sodbury Mop Fair

Sat 27 Sept - Chipping Sodbury Food Festival

Sun 9 Nov - Sodbury Slog

Fri 5 Dec - Victorian Day in Chipping Sodbury

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for a no-obligation chat or email
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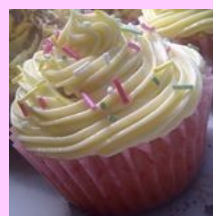
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CHIPPING SODBURY AND COTSWOLD EDGE



Working together to help improve your neighbourhood

- Regular meetings are held for all local residents and organisations to discuss local issues and community projects.
- The meetings are attended by representatives from South Gloucestershire Council, Avon and Somerset Police, Avon Fire & Rescue, Town & Parish Councils and local organisations.
- Everyone is welcome, you can raise any improvements or issues you may have, or simply come along and listen to what is being discussed for your area.
- The more local residents that attend, the better the group can reflect the needs of the local area and help influence decisions.

Next meeting - all welcome

Thursday 23rd January 2014
Old Grammar School Rooms,
Chipping Sodbury
Starting at 7.30pm (7.00pm for Networking)



<https://groups.southglos.gov.uk>

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newsletter items

Contributions to the newsletter are welcome. The Editor reserves the right to edit contributions.

Items for inclusion in the newsletter should be sent to: newsletter@halsvh.org.uk.

Katherine Standerwick

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