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Horsington Play Area

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www.wincantonwindow.co.uk and click on the 'Villages' link.

Events Diary November 2017

Day/Date	Time	Event	Venue
Wed 1st	10.00am	Adult Tap Dancing	Village Hall
	Lunch	Ladies Pub Lunch	The Fox and Hounds, East Knoyle
	8.30pm	Music Night	Half Moon Inn
Thu 2nd	10.00am	Art	Village Hall
	7.30pm	WI	"
Fri 3rd	10.00am	Art	"
	7.30pm	Film: Churchill	Village Hall Milborne Port
Sat 4th	2.30pm	National Trust Association Talk	Digby Hall, Sherborne
Mon 6th	5.30pm	Pilates	Village Hall
	6.45pm	Pilates	"
Tue 7th	10.30am	Upholstery	"
	8.00pm	Badminton	"
	7.15pm	Charlton Horethorne & District Gardening Club	Village Hall C.H.
Wed 8th	10.00am	Adult Tap Dancing	Village Hall
Thu 9th	10.00am	Art	"
	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting	"
Fri 10th	10.00am	Art	"
Mon 13th	5.30pm	Pilates	"
	6.45pm	Pilates	"
Tue 14th	10.30am	Upholstery	"
	8.00pm	Badminton	"
Wed 15th	10.00am	Adult Tap Dancing	"
Thu 16th	10.00am	Art	"
Fri 17th	10.00am	Art	"
Mon 20th	5.30pm	Pilates	"
	6.45pm	Pilates	"
Tue 21st	10.30am	Upholstery	"
	8.00pm	Badminton	"
Wed 22nd	10.00am	Adult Tap Dancing	"
Thu 23rd	10.00am	Art	"
Fri 24th	10.00am	Art	"
	7.30pm	Wincanton History Society Talk	Wincanton Memorial Hall
Mon 27th	5.30pm	Pilates	Village Hall
	6.45pm	Pilates	"
Tue 28th	10.30am	Upholstery	"
	8.00pm	Badminton	"
Wed 29th	10.00am	Adult Tap Dancing	"
Thu 30th	10.00am	Art	"

Future Events

St John's Church invites you to a Christmas coffee morning in aid of Crisis at Christmas at the Half Moon Inn, Horsington on Tuesday December 5th from 10.30am to 12.30pm. Everyone Welcome.

Replacement of Playground Equipment

by Kevin Wigley

Dear Fellow Villagers

I write on behalf of Parents and Grandparents of Horsington. I don't know if you are aware the large climbing frame in the play area has been removed as it failed the Health and Safety inspection. The swings can be repaired.

About fifteen years ago the villagers raised most of the money to have a play area for the under twelves. The Parish Council took over the maintenance of the area but haven't the money to replace the climbing frame. So we are appealing to the villagers to make a donation to replace the frame no matter how small it all adds up.

We understand the County Council will give a grant but we must be seen to be doing something, applications have to be in by October.

The play area has been well used by local children and children from Templecombe.

If you feel able to support this project please make cheques payable to Horsington Parish Council.

Yours sincerely

K J Wigley

Bombs over Horsington

by Jon McCreery

I doubt if there are many people still living locally who will remember that day in 1941 when the Luftwaffe dropped bombs on this tranquil corner of rural Somerset, at Serts Farm (off Stowell Lane). My Grandmother, Emilia ('Minnie') McCreery, had let Stowell Hill for the duration of the war to the Diggles family and moved down the road to her bungalow on the farm at Serts. She could not have imagined what would befall her on that dramatic day in March, 1941. My Father Richard, who kept a diary for most of his adult life from 1921-1967 recorded it.

19.3.41 A letter from Mother. She had a lot of incendiaries round the farm & bungalow on Sun. night (a big Bristol raid & 3 M.E.'s* about 300F away)! V.unpleasant for her.

*Messerschmitt fighter's



Richard McCreery and his mother Minnie in the garden at Serts Farm

HORSINGTON VILLAGE SCHOOL

Macmillan Coffee Morning

by Leila Syme

On Friday 29th September, the children of Earth Class held a coffee morning to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. The day before, people were bringing in cakes to sell and our mouths were watering. My eye was caught by one very large rolo cake. It had caramel-filling and mini rolos on the top and chocolate in the middle....

Mmmmmmmmmmmmm I could almost taste it.

On the day, year 5s were serving the children in school in Earth Class and year 6s served the visitors in the hall. Lots of people came and the noise in the hall was deafening. We sold lots of cakes and, in total, we raised just over £400.

THANK YOU, TO EVERYONE, FOR YOUR DONATIONS.



Help Wanted.

Is there a kind person out there who would assist a disabled lady, living in South Cheriton, with internet shopping, dog-walking and a spot of light gardening? If so, please ring **01963 370030**.

“Renegade Monk” wins the gold at The Global Cheese Award in Frome!

Q & A with Marcus Fergusson at Feltham’s Farm

Can you explain how the competition works?

The Global Cheese Awards are made up of dozens of different categories. I entered Renegade Monk in the Artisan Soft Cheese category. Artisan is defined as any cheesemaker producing less than 5 tonnes of cheese per week – in fact, I only produce about 50kg per week so I was definitely one of the smaller contenders.

The judges, who are all professionals from the food industry, assess the cheeses according to their look, texture, taste and so on. When judging, they receive no information about the cheese’s identity – it’s entirely anonymous, making it a level playing field between the biggest and smallest producers. We’re stunned and delighted to get the gold in an international competition (with entries from across Europe, America, Canada and Australia), considering that production only started in January!

Renegade Monk has also been entered into another competition: The Great British Cheese Awards. These awards work by public nomination, rather than the cheesemaker registering to be judged. More than 500 cheeses were nominated across various categories and I was fortunate to be shortlisted for Best Soft Cheese as well as Best Artisan Cheese Producer – meaning I was down to the final 12 in both categories. In the second round of public voting, I was knocked out in the Best Artisan Cheese Producer category but made it into the finals for Best Soft Cheese.

Renegade Monk was thus one of six British soft cheeses judged by food writers, dairy professionals and assorted celebrities in London in mid-September.



The judges included Brian Turner (Saturday Kitchen), Jane Devonshire (MasterChef Champion 2016) and Adam Woodyatt (Ian Beale on EastEnders, and a renowned food blogger). We don't know the results yet but we will find out at a gala ceremony in London in October, where the winners in each of the categories will be announced.

Has winning the gold for the best artisan soft cheese made any change to your business?

It's too soon to be certain but the attitude of customers at markets (where I sell a large percentage of my stock) has definitely changed. People are appreciative of the award, making positive comments and congratulating me for it - they're keener to try the product and to buy it. Local retailers have also been very excited. Most importantly, it has opened doors into the London shops and wholesalers: it is certainly easier to get cheesemongers to show an interest once you tell them the cheese has won a gold medal!

So what are the next steps for your cheese business?

I am now operating at full capacity in the cheese room. As well as regularly selling at farmers' markets and to local shops, restaurants and farm shops, there are now two wholesalers distributing my cheeses – one in the South-West and one in central London clubs and other prestigious venues. With the demand increasing, we are investigating the possibility of building a bigger cheese facility with more maturing rooms, which would allow me to diversify. In the near future, I am hoping to create two new cheeses, a milder, soft white cheese and a hard cheese. I'd also like to experiment with milks other than cow's milk; a local farmer wants me to work with their buffalo milk.

Thank you Marcus, and good luck with the Great British Cheese Award results in October!

<http://www.greatbritishchefs.com/cheese-award>

Since the interview took place, Renegade Monk was awarded runner-up in the Best Soft Cheese category in the Great British Cheese Awards!!

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CHARLTON HORETHORNE & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

At our well attended October meeting we had a most interesting and entertaining talk from Jo Sheldon on the intricacies of setting up a stand at the Chelsea Flower Show, the excitement at ultimately being awarded a Gold Medal as well as outlining simple measures to lower the risk of allergic reactions in our homes and gardens.

Our November meeting takes place on Tuesday 14th, when Sara from Daisy Lee will talk on Festive Decorations and demonstrate how to make a Christmas wreath, which will be auctioned at the end of the meeting. There will also be other floral decoration equipment on sale. Here's a link to the Daisy Lee website: <http://daisyleeltd.co.uk/>

You will realise that we have moved our AGM meeting and dinner, which usually takes place in November, to February, to brighten up the winter months. Details will follow in the December/January Parish Magazine.

Good luck with tidying up the garden and raking up the leaves!

Jane Maxwell, Chairman

From the Rector, Greetings.

By the time you are reading this I will no longer be your Rector. I will have retired with effect from 1st November. We will be moving from the Vicarage on the 7th November.

I am grateful that for the last eleven years I have been able to share in the life of your parish church - and through that, in some small way, to play a part in the life of your parish and community. If I have done any good, I am grateful; if I have done any harm, I am sorry and apologise to any who feel let down or hurt.

I am immensely grateful to that small group of people who works so hard to look after your parish church. They have done amazing things - and raised huge sums of money to maintain and improve the church. I am grateful to you members of our community, who through your generosity have helped them to do this.

In due course a new Rector will be appointed. I hope and pray that you will welcome and support them. I hope and pray that during the vacancy you will support those folk who will be working to keep the life of the church going and growing.

I believe that it is this small band that is a particular portal for the love of God to come into the life of your community. Are they perfect? Of course not. Will they make mistakes? Certainly. Only God is perfect, and only he doesn't make mistakes.

I am grateful that our God is a forgiving God - who welcomes us as we come to him.

I pray that you will know the rich blessing of God, and the living presence of the Lord Jesus by the Holy Spirit — and know his love and his peace and his joy

Peter Hallett – halatvic@gmail.com



ALL SERVICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

St John the Baptist, Horsington

5th Nov	9.15am	Holy Communion with Sunday School
12th Nov	10.50am	Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial
	11.15am	Service of Remembrance in Church
19th Nov	9.15am	Holy Communion
26th Nov	8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)

Churchwardens

Mrs Anne Jones	370626
Mrs Rosemarie Wigley	371478

St Nicholas, Henstridge

5th Nov	11.00am	Morning Worship (All Saints Day)	
	3.00pm	A Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance For Loved Ones Departed	6.30pm Evensong
12th Nov	10.55am	Service of Remembrance	
19th Nov	11.00am	Morning Prayer	6.30pm Evensong
26th Nov	11.00am	Holy Communion	

St Mary The Virgin, Templecombe

5th Nov	11.00am	Morning Praise	
	3.00pm	A Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance for Loved Ones Departed in Henstridge Church	
12th Nov	10.00am	Service of Remembrance	
19th Nov	11.00am	Holy Communion	
26th Nov	9.30am	Holy Communion	



Half Moon Inn Music Night, Horsington at 8.30pm on Wednesday 1st November

Please come and join us, play and sing whilst enjoying a beer. Free, apart from drinks.

Further details from Anna on **370749**

WINCANTON MUSEUM AND HISTORY SOCIETY

Friday November 24th @ 7.30pm—Wincanton Memorial Hall

Talk: **"Power to Piracy" - Kingston Lacey**
by **Judith Teasdale**

The cost is £2 for members and £5 for non-members.

wincantonmuseum.org.uk



*Thursday 2nd November at 7.30 pm
in the Village Hall*

*Scarf Tying Demonstration by Janet McNeill
Drinks and nibbles will be served*

Telephone Mrs Jackie Pyne for further information on **370713**

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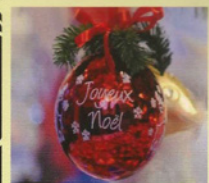
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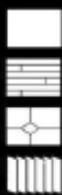


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