

Summer's Here (apparently)!

Community events have been noticeably quieter over the last few weeks after the wonderful, but very hectic, Diamond Jubilee Celebrations. And the weather certainly hasn't helped matters! As always, many of the regular activities at the Coronation Hall take a break in July and August and will re-start in September. If you're looking to keep the children or grandchildren entertained over the Summer then Sunflowers at Grafton is running its TreeHouse Holiday Club every day throughout the school holidays.

Whether you're attending or just watching from the comfort of your armchair - do enjoy the Olympics. Even if the jet stream doesn't move and summer never arrives, hopefully there will be plenty to cheer about at London 2012!

Summer of Fun Day

**In aid of Hounds for Heroes
Saturday 4 August 2012 10am to 6pm
at Wilton Water**

Attractions include:

- ◆ Agility, Rally O and Heel Work to Music displays
- ◆ Gun Dog Scurries
- ◆ Falconry displays
- ◆ Vintage vehicles
- ◆ Static sled dog display
- ◆ Swindon Reptile Rescue Centre
- ◆ Bar and barbecue
- ◆ Fantastic raffle

See www.astutecanineservices.com

for more information.

You can email news@graftonparish.com

with any contributions or comments for the Community News

Hellos & Farewells for the Savernake Team

Michael Thomas McHugh and his family moved into The Vicarage in Great Bedwyn on Monday 25 June. He was licenced as Rector of the Savernake Team at St Mary's Church, Great Bedwyn, on 5 July.

On this beautiful summer's evening about 150 people attended the service, representing all the parishes and many walks of life. Church participants included the members of the Deanery Chapter, the Archdeacon, the Rural Dean and Lay Pastoral Assistants.

The Bishop of Salisbury started the proceedings and this was followed by some uplifting hymns and a welcome by a variety of representatives from the Church and the community. The evening finished with the commissioning of Michael and a blessing.

If you would like to meet our new Rector, please come along to his first service at St Nicholas' Church on 22 July at 11am.

A Farewell Service for The Reverend Mary Edwards will take place on Sunday 29 July at 11am at St Mary's Church, Collingbourne Kingston. Mary is retiring as our Rural Dean and Team Rector in August. All are welcome to the service and to stay for a drink afterwards.

Community access to Sunflowers at Grafton grounds and gardens

Following the flood incident you may have read about in last month's Community News, we have had another very unpleasant mess to deal with in our gardens this week.

A further plea, particularly to the parents of parish children, please to reinforce our community access policy with your children.

The equipment and toys in our gardens are for pre-school children – this means that we would not expect to see children older than 5 years using the Sunflowers at Grafton gardens and we would always expect these children to be accompanied by an adult.

We feel that it would be such a shame if the irresponsible actions of a few people mean that we are unable to continue, but after this latest incident we will have to review our community access policy.

Crofton Beam Engines Latest News

The Crofton 4th Annual Produce and Flower show is being held from 25 to 27 August.

The show is open to anyone and includes classes for vegetables, fruits, flowers, baking, preserves, bread making and photography.

If you would like an Entry form and Schedule or more details about the show, please visit the website:

www.croftonbeamengines.org or phone Kerry on **07530 290700**.

The Beam Engines are next in steam on 21 and 22 July.

**Summer Holiday Club
at The TreeHouse****Calling all parents, aunts,
uncles and grandparents ...**

Are you feeling slightly faint at the thought of entertaining the children over the holidays?

Morning and afternoon sessions are available at The TreeHouse - our great summer holiday club. We're open throughout the 6 weeks of the school holiday and The TreeHouse will run alongside our nursery provision which means that we can provide childcare for babies through to children aged 11 years.

Archery Fencing Streetdance Pony Morning

Art Masterclasses Scooter Skills Bushcraft

Bike Maintenance Remote Control Cars Orienteering

and much more ...

Bookings are being taken now - email admin@sunflowers-grafton.co.uk or call on **01672 810478** for a copy of the timetable or to reserve a place.

If you're not familiar with Sunflowers take a look at our website to find out more www.sunflowers-grafton.co.uk, and if you'd like to pop in to meet us and take a look around you are more than welcome - just call to arrange a date and time.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Parish Council Update

Grafton Parish Council met on 5 July 2012 and the full minutes of the meeting can be viewed on-line at www.graftonparish.com or on the local noticeboards. The next meeting is set for Thursday 6 September 2012 at 7.15pm at the Coronation Hall.

New Councillor

Grafton Parish Council welcomed Crispin Herrod-Taylor on to the team as he was voted in at the Parish Council meeting.

Community Speedwatch

The Parish Council is keen to get the Community Speed Watch Scheme on the A338 at East Grafton up and running again. However the scheme requires volunteers to complete the necessary training and to then carry out the work. If anyone is interested please contact the Parish Council Clerk - clerk@graftonparish.com.

Community Area Grants

Grants are available from Wiltshire Council for local community projects. Up to £5000 is available for larger projects and smaller grants of up to £350 are also available. The application process for both types of grant is very simple and in some cases match funding is not necessary, nor do you have to be an official club or group. Local projects have already benefited at Wilton Cricket Club and Wilton Windmill. See www.wiltshire.gov.uk for more information under the Area Boards section of the website.



Hello, my name is Charlotte.

I have just moved to East Grafton and have started my own small Housekeeping business.

I have experience in housekeeping and childcare and have an up to date CRB check and am paediatric first aid trained. I am very honest and reliable and can help if you need an extra pair of hands.

Please feel free to visit my website or contact me for more information:

www.domestichelp.vpweb.co.uk or
charlottetoombs@hotmail.co.uk
Telephone **01672 811894**

Free to anyone who can collect!

Silver/grey aluminium patio set consisting of a rectangular table with frosted glass top (110cm x 80cm) and four chairs. Some rust on some of the chair joints. Five years old. In East Grafton.

If you are interested, contact (after 26 July) **01672 811335**.



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Our Doctor writes

For those who do not already know Nadine, one of our receptionists, left on maternity leave in April. She has since had a baby girl *Martha May*, mum and baby are doing very well. Kerry Hanks is providing maternity cover and I am sure many of you will have already spoken with her on the phone.

Following completion of their training attachments with us, we will be saying farewell to Dr Alice Parr and Dr Jenny Lazarus during August, who will be moving on to Cirencester and Larkhill respectively to complete their final year GP training. We will be welcoming Dr Hannah Graystone as our new Registrar at the beginning of August who will be here for the next year, and also Dr Julia Hempenstall will be returning from maternity leave in early October. Dr Caroline Ward will also be joining the Practice in April 2013 as a second Registrar.

The Practice, in conjunction with Great Bedwyn Parish Council, has arranged a **FREE** defibrillator training session at the British Legion on **Saturday 29 September from 10am**. Come along and get stuck in!! You will have a good laugh and go away with a skill that might one day save someone's life. Please let Keith know on **01672 870388** if you are interested in attending, or email kmarshall@nhs.net. Residents of Grafton Parish are very welcome to join in.

A significant number of patients signed up to take part in our patient survey last year, thank you all. We will be running a similar survey later in the year and would ideally like to swell the numbers even more. If you would like to take part, and did not sign up last year, please sign up on the link on our website, www.oldschoolsurgery.co.uk, we would be happy to hear your views.

Tim Ballard

Wilton Windmill Opening Times

Don't forget Wilton Windmill is open every Sunday up to the end of September from 2pm to 5pm for guided tours and refreshments. It's a lovely family afternoon out during the summer holidays and children get in free (accompanied by an adult). There is now a seating area in the shepherd's hut to shelter from the summer weather!



For more information see www.wiltonwindmill.co.uk.

Parking in Green Close, East Grafton

It has become noticeable that due to cars being parked in the turning bay in Green Close, other vehicles are having to reverse out of Green Close or use private driveways to turn in.

Please could residents park with consideration for others and use the turning bay for turning, not parking. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated by those who live there.

Election of Wiltshire Police & Crime Commissioner

The new Police and Crime Commissioner will be responsible for overseeing Wiltshire Police on behalf of all residents in the Force's area and will represent people living across Wiltshire and Swindon.

Elections for Police and Crime Commissioners take place on Thursday 15 November 2012 with the commissioner taking office on Thursday 22 November.

The Commissioner will replace Wiltshire Police Authority, the group of 17 councillors and independent members who currently oversee Wiltshire Police.

You can find out more at www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk.

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*I hold regular surgeries around the Constituency
- please call or email to book an appointment*

Events, clubs and other dates for your diary

All events take place in the Coronation Hall unless otherwise specified. St N refers to St Nicholas' church.

Bookings 01672 810406 or hall@graftonparish.com
Please leave landline contact numbers wherever possible

JULY

15	11.00	Matins / Chris Stock	St N
16	19.00	Horticultural Society	
22	11.00	Family Service / Michael McHugh	St N
23	19.00	Bingo	

AUGUST

05	11.00	Matins / Chris Stock	St N
26	09.30	Holy Communion / Michael McHugh	St N

Mobile library 18 July, 1 and 15 August
Marten 11.30 Coronation Hall 13.00

Regular weekly dates for your diary

Please note that most classes do not run during school holidays - **in particular in July and August**. Please check with the relevant organiser.

TUESDAY



10.15 to 11.15 Tuesday

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09.15 to 10.00 Tuesday

13.30 to 14.30 Thursday

Pilates Classes

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY

CIRCUIT & FITNESS 09.30 to 10.30 Monday

TRAINING 09.30 to 10.30 Wednesday

Henrietta MacKinnon 13.00 to 14.00 Friday

TUESDAY

YOGA



19.30 to 21.00 Tuesday

THURSDAY



Baby and toddler group
10.00 to 11.30 Thursday

WEDNESDAY



Junipers

Creative and Sensory Play
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11 months to preschool

11.15 to 12.00 Wednesday



C.A.P. Dance & Fitness

Refer to advertisement for class details please.

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Useful contacts

Societies/Clubs/Organisations: 1 line free entry
Email news@graftonparish.com to be listed below.

Bingo	hall@graftonparish.com
Church flowers/clean	01672 810743 Sally Butt
Circuit/fitness Training	01672 810266 Hen Mackinnon
Community News	news@graftonparish.com
Coronation Hall	01672 810406 hall@graftonparish.com
Cricket Club	pack.andy@googlemail.com
Dance and Fitness	07746 479345 Charlotte Price
Grafton Goslings	graftongoslings@yahoo.co.uk
Horticultural Society	01672 810364 Marijke Craig
Juniper's Sensory Play	01672 890829 Jean Turvey
Link Scheme	01672 870911 Mike Fleckney
Parish Council	clerk@graftonparish.com
PCC Secretary	01672 870266 Millie Lemon
Pilates	07788 970976 Beth Knight
Police emergency	999 or 112
Police non emergency	101
Sunflowers at Grafton	01672 810478 Lyndsey Turner
Windmill Society	secretary@wiltonwindmill.co.uk
Yoga	01672 841553 Lizzy Hawnt
Zumba	07747 617199 Lau Vergara

Local commercial listing

B&B West Grafton	Angie Orssich	01672 810339
Baby sitting/odd jobs	Tom Nield	01672 870196
Baby sitting	Florence Butt	01672 810743
Beauty & wellbeing	Amanda Toon	01672 811677
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Disco and Karaoke	Pete Vallis	01672 811326
Disco and Party	Steve	01672 811109
Dog training/walking	Carrie Holborow	07546 941709
Double glazing repairs	David Willcocks	01672 811979
Furniture	Holgate & Pack	01672 870887
Grafton Garage	Tony Gilbert	07845 006890
Hair and Beauty	Katherine Le Bon	07770 945307
Hat Hire	Victoria Frost	01672 810386
Holiday Cottages (local)	Mary Rhodes	01672 870659
House Sitting	Maxine Wallis	07879 993150
Kindling	Jo Harman	01672 810673
Logs/tree surgeon	Jeremy Hawkins	07980 536156
Odd jobs/gardening	Dan Oakey	07810 381783
Painting & Decorating	Neil Anderson	01264 731362
Pest Control	Julie Wilson	01672 811479
Swan Inn	Bill Clemence	01672 870274
Usborne Books	Trish Highnett	07775 941646



Part time mini-bus drivers required

From September 2012 Sunflowers at Grafton will be offering Breakfast and After School Clubs to children at our local primary schools and require drivers for our minibus service to and from those schools

Hours will be Monday to Friday, 3 hours per day, during term time only

Applicants will need to have a D, D1 or D1(101) category on their current driving licence

Please contact **01672 810478** or **admin@sunflowers-grafton.co.uk** for further details and an application form

Sunflowers at Grafton is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children - references, enhanced CRB checks and evidence of the right to work in the UK are essential

The closing date for applications is Friday 3 August 2012

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