## COMMUNITY NEWS



It's Jack and the Beanstalk, Local family fun, If you go to Swindon It'll cost you a ton!

Come along and join the fun, Everyone else will have done. Panto's at our Parish Hall Come hiss and boo – Come one and all! The Community News is coming up to its 4th anniversary and we hope that you find it a useful way of keeping in touch with what's going on across Grafton Parish. It is produced by a team of four people and delivered by a team of willing helpers across the Parish.

As always we are keen for feedback to help us shape future editions so please do drop a line to **news@graftonparish.com** if there is something you would like to see included, or if you would like to get involved in the production or distribution. Don't forget you can also follow us on facebook – **www.facebook.com/GraftonParishCommunityNews**.

Jack & the Beanstalk promises to be fun and is taking place instead of the Parish Christmas Party. Coronation Hall is subsidising the tickets and it would be lovely to have a full house. Please apply for tickets as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

## FRIDAY, 22nd NOVEMBER at 7.00pm

(Doors open at 6.**30**pm) Tick**ets** – Chi**ldre**n £5.00 Ad**ults** £7.50

Tickets available from:

THE **SW**AN BOX OFFICE - WILTON
JUNE PE**A**RS**ON** - EAST GRAFTON:
01672 811997 - june.wqlnuttree@btinternet.com
LARA ROSS - WEXCOMBE:
01264 731272 - lqrqonline@hotmqil.com

Ice-cream, sweets, pop-corn and drinks for sale before the performance

## Sunflowers at Grafton

## A visit from Ofsted means GOOD for Sunflowers at Grafton

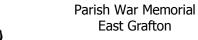
In August, we had a visit from Ofsted, the body responsible for inspecting and regulating services which care for children. We had been anticipating a visit since becoming a charity earlier this year, but it was still something of surprise as no notice is given by the inspectors prior to their arrival. The inspector spent the day observing all aspects of our work before coming to a judgment and we're delighted to inform everyone that we have been rated as GOOD.

We are particularly pleased that our rating is GOOD in each of the 3 key areas; how well we meet the needs of the children, our contribution to children's well-being and the effectiveness of leadership and management. The report contains some super observations and conveys the spirit of Sunflowers well. You can see the full report at www.ofsted.gov.uk/inspection-reports.

Thank you very much to everyone who supported the recent World's Biggest Coffee Morning at the Coronation Hall – it was a very enjoyable get-together and we raised a fantastic £357.90 for Macmillan Cancer Support which is just amazing.

Don't forget that The TreeHouse, our holiday club for 5 to 11 year olds, will be open from Monday 28 October to Tuesday 5 November inclusive. There are super activities on offer every day, including a pony morning, archery and air rifles, science and natural arts. Call **01672 810478** or email **admin@sunflowers-grafton.co.uk**.

## **Grafton Parish Service of Remembrance**





To join with the people of our Nation and the Commonwealth in the traditional Act of Remembrance

To remember with gratitude all those, particularly of this Parish, who gave their lives in the service of their country.

A collection will be taken in aid of the Royal British Legion.

Months of work have resulted in the publication of a book about those whose names appear on the Parish War Memorial.

**See page 3** for details of the book and for the voucher to order a copy, together with information on the War Memorial Renovation project and an opportunity to see and comment on the plans.



## Firework Extravaganza



In aid of St Nicholas' Church

## Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

Manor Farm Wilton

Suggested donation of £10 per family

Trailers collecting from villages in the parish from 4.30pm

(starting at A338 at West Grafton, then Coronation Hall in East Grafton, Bus Shelter in Wexcombe, Noticeboard in Marten)

## Fireworks start at 5pm

Food and drinks available

A fun-filled evening for everyone!



## Stonehenge & Pewsey Vale 15<sup>th</sup> Christmas Fair

Bouverie Hall, Pewsey SN9 5QE Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November 10.00am – 3.00pm

> Entrance £3.00 £1.50 after 1.30pm

Help beat Cancer while buying your Christmas Presents

## Sponsored by: MANNINGFORD CROFT MACLAINE

Cancer Research UK Registered Charity No: 1089464

#### Community Speedwatch—Volunteers Needed!

The parish is authorised to run Speedwatch on the A338 in East Grafton to ensure drivers comply with the 30mph speed limit. To operate Speedwatch you have to be trained on how to use the speed gun which records the speed of the passing cars.

Training dates are now available on 4, 6 and 13 November at Devizes from 6pm to 8pm. If you are interested, please call **01672 811649** or email **crispin@crookwood.com** for more information.

## **Footsteps**

## Podiatry Services 07881802386

Now based in my own treatment room within Tidworth Leisure Centre appointments not always necessary.



**Katie Bluff** 

BSc(HONS)Pod,SRCh,MCHs

10% Off Voucher

## St Nicholas' Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival Service was well attended and the flowers were superb thanks to the generosity of the Taylors from Marten.

Harvest Supper was a great success. 70 people enjoyed a delicious supper cooked by Liz Hosier and Heather Lemon. The puddings, supplied by many local cooks, were truly scrumptious and the wine was selected and served by Patric Hosier. The auctioneers, using their perfected routine, dispatched a mountain of fruit and veg in record time to some very generous bidders! There was a lively atmosphere in the hall which buzzed with laughter and the community spirit which we continue to enjoy!

The Harvest Festival and Supper raised about £2000 which is a great result and is good progress towards the roof and maintenance costs of nearly £6000 needed to keep the Church running.

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### **Parish Council Clerk required**

Alison Halfpenny has been very diligent, friendly and efficient as Parish Clerk but is now moving away and has to leave her duties behind. We wish her well in her new home and thank her for "keeping us in order" so successfully.

If you, or anyone you know, would be interested taking on the very varied duties of Parish Council Clerk then please email **clerk@graftonparish.com** or drop a note into the Coronation Hall letterbox. This is an interesting and paid post, expenses are covered and training at all levels is available if required.

#### **Next Parish Council Meeting**

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Thursday 7th November at 7.15pm at the Coronation Hall. Everyone welcome!

#### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

### **Defibrillator Training**

For anyone who would like to learn how to use the parish defibrillators or for those who would like a refresher session, the Friends of Savernake Hospital will be holding a FREE Defibrillator Training day in Marlborough Town Hall on Wednesday 23 October. There is no need to book, just drop in any time between 12 noon and 7pm for your 30 minute training session. For more information call **01672 511146**, or email **info@friendsofsavernake.org**.

#### Carer Support

Carer Support Wiltshire is holding some drop-in sessions at Pewsey Library where you can find out about the information, support and advice they can offer to support you in your caring role, including opportunities for a break, complementary therapies, activity groups, carer cafes, days out, training and counselling. The next session is at 10.30am on Thursday 24 October – no need to book, just turn up. More information and additional dates can be found on www.pewsey.ourcommunitymatters.org.uk

## CHRISTMAS GIFT FAIR



## **Thursday** 14 November 9.30am to 5pm



## St Francis School, Pewsey Over 35 quality stalls

Cafe open all day serving breakfast, lunch and light refreshments.

## Entrance £2.50 children free

Raising money for Prospect Hospice and Friend's of St Francis

www.st-francis.wilts.sch.uk

### **Picnics and Fun at Wilton Windmill**

What a fabulous day we had at Wilton Windmill on the 14 September as we once again took part in the national Heritage Open Day weekend. Our thanks go to everyone who contributed to another successful event (we really couldn't do this without you!) and to the local businesses who are always such great supporters, including The Swan and Marr Green Farm Shop. The 2013 season has now finished and the Windmill will once again be open at Easter 2014. In the meantime, we will be holding a Gastronicks Fair at Coronation Hall on Thursday 5 December starting at 1pm – more details to follow soon!

#### **Apology**

Due to a very busy month of news, the "Our Doctor Writes" article could not be included. It can be found at www.oldschoolsurgery.co.uk.

## **Renovation of the Parish War Memorial**

Next year on 4 August, the Nation and the Commonwealth will be commemorating the Centenary of the start of the First World War. In readiness for that commemoration, Grafton Parish is carrying out renovations to the area around our War Memorial. Work, including planting and re-seeding, will start at the end of November in time for next year. Money from a Pewsey Area Board grant, Grafton Parochial Church Council and Grafton Parish Council, together with the proceeds from the of the sale of the "Men of Grafton" book described below, will be used to fund this project.

The plan for this work will be displayed, for all residents to view, inside St Nicholas' Church from 12 October until 26 October. A short form will be available alongside this plan for you to enter your comments, with a box for you to post your comments by the closing date of 26 October.



"Men of Grafton" - Their Names Liveth for Ever More



This interesting 70 page book, the result of eight months research by Major-General Mike Walsh and Robin Dudney, will be available this month. All proceeds will go towards the Renovation of the Parish War Memorial.

The book is illustrated with pictures and maps and bound in a cover designed by June Pearson. It tells the story of the men of the Parish who in two World Wars went off to fight for King and Country and never returned.

To reserve your copy or to have the opportunity to see the book please complete your details overleaf and post your cut out coupon in the Coronation Hall letterbox. Your book(s) will be delivered and your pledge will be collected.

## 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

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ı	12		War Memorial plans a	vailable	St N
ı	13	18.00	Evensong	9	St N
•	16 20	19.30	Horticultural Society		
ı	20	11.00	Holy Communion	9	it N
	21	19.00	Bingo		
	26 27		Closing date for War I	Memorial comm	ents
•	27	11.00	Sudan Sunday	Shalbourne Ch	urch
	28	19.00	Bingo		

#### **NOVEMBER**

02 I <sub>03</sub> 17.00

11.00

04	19.00	Bingo	
07	19.15	Parish Council meeting	
10	10 45	Service of Remembrance	St M

Firework Extravaganza

Holy Communion

11 19.00 Bingo 11.00 Holy Communion 17 St N

18 19.00 Bingo

22 18.30 Jack and the Beanstalk 24 11.00 Stir Up Sunday

## **Mobile library**

22 October 5,19 November at the Coronation Hall 11.30

## Regular weekly dates for your diary

Please check for full details with the relevant organiser. Contact details are on page 4.

#### **MONDAY**

I CIRCUIT & FITNESS

Henrietta MacKinnor

Wilton

St N

#### **TUESDAY**



09.30 to 10.30 Tuesday

Marlborough 15.00 to 16.30 **Multiples** Alternate Tuesdays

## YOGA



19.30 to 21.00 Tuesday

#### **WEDNESDAY**

CIRCUIT & Henrietta MacKinnon

09.15 to 10.15 Wednesday



### **THURSDAY**



Baby and toddler group 10.00 to 11.30 Thursday

## **FRIDAY**

**PILATES** 

09.30 TO 10.25

KARATE CLASS Children only 16.00 to 17.00

#### Advertising:

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## **Useful contacts**

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

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Church flowers/clean	01672 810072 Patricia Knowles		
Circuit/fitness Training	01672 810266 Hen Mackinnon		
Community News	news@graftonparish.com		
Coronation Hall	01672 810406 hall@graftonparish.com		
County Councillor	01672 810285 Stuart Wheeler		
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		
Karate	07775 510143 Darren Pettifer		
Link Scheme	01672 870120		
Marlborough Multiples	07967 835831 Amber		
Member of Parliament	01380 729358 Claire Perry		
Parish Council	01672 810406 Alison Halfpenny		
PCC Secretary	01672 870266 Millie Lemon		
Pilates	0779 4412685 Vicki Diwell		
Police emergency	999 or 112		
Police non emergency	101 ext 745818 M Camilleri		
Sunflowers at Grafton	01672 810478 Lyndsey Turner		
Wiltshire Good Neighbours	07557 110418 Mary Soellner		
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	
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Builder	Sam Sanchez	07887 991249	
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Disco and Party	Steve	01672 811109	
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Gardening	Sue Upham	01672 810526	
Grafton Garage	Tony Gilbert	07845 006890	
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Hat Hire	Victoria Frost	01672 810386	
Holiday Cottages (local)	Mary Rhodes	01672 870659	
Kindling	Jo Harman	01672 810673	
Logs/tree surgeon	Jeremy Hawkins	07980 536156	
Odd jobs/gardening	Dan Oakey	07783 644405	
Painting & Decorating	Neil Anderson	01264 731362	
Pest Control	Julie Wilson	01672 811479	
Printing clothing/signs	GraphicSignsandDesign@gmail.com		
Swan Inn	Bill Clemence	01672 870274	
Usborne Books	Trish Highnett	07775 941646	

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