COMMUNITY NEWS

This month we have seen a change in the temperature and it has been quite a shock to the system! Events are gearing up towards the Christmas festivities and no doubt you will all be starting to think about how to celebrate so, if you considering how to prepare your body, there is a new "Gentle Pilates" class for beginners on Friday mornings. The Coronation Hall has a new booking phone number - see page 4.

If you are thinking about a little more involvement in community life then the Parish Council would be a good place to start perhaps? Do please consider whether you could spare a small amount of time to help the team who do their best to address local issues and concerns.

Don't forget "Stir up Sunday" on 23 November in the Coronation Hall. Christmas pudding mixing followed by tea and cakes.



Defibrillator Training

No need to book - Just turn up!

Wednesday 26 November 7.30pm to 9pm

Coronation Hall

Whether you are experienced or have never done resuscitation before, this training is for you. We have defibrillators in all five villages in the parish and this FREE training event will show you how to use them.

The training is courtesy of The Community Heartbeat Trust and will include:

- · What to do in an emergency
- Basic resuscitation
- How to use a defibrillator and where to find them
- There will be lots of opportunities to ask any questions and to "have a go".

This training could save someone's life!







CHRISTMAS FAIR

Coronation Windmill
Coronation Hall
East Grafton
Saturday
29th November
9.30am – 12.30pm

Local Free Range and Organic Turkeys

High welfare local, whole turkeys, crowns and butterfly joints to order.

Please email or phone for details 01672 810735 07884 453300 pipmanorfarm@btconnect.com

Orders by 8 December for collection in East Grafton on 23 December Manor Farm, East Grafton, SN8 3DB

A tribute to an influential member of Grafton Parish Council

The Parish Council would like to extend their sincere thanks to Susie Brew, who has recently resigned from the PC, for her tireless efforts and contribution to so many aspects of parish life. This has included work on the new Coronation Hall, the defibrillator installations, campaigns for grant funds and the creation of the Pewsey Area Board to name just a few. Thank you Susie, on behalf of the parish, for all your hard work over the last 7 or so years.

Susie is continuing with all her other community involvements and so her enthusiasm and drive are not lost to the parish!

A frenzy of Christmas present making











Creative Christmas Morning

Bring your little ones to make gorgeous presents for family & friends











Festive refreshments too!
Sunday 30 November
10.00am to 2.00pm
Coronation Hall, East Grafton



WINTER WARMER PARISH LUNCH

THE CORONATION HALL



Wednesday 10 December 12.30pm

Tradítional Christmas Lunch

including a glass of wine or beer plus a raffle ticket!

To book, and any questions or dietary requirements call Liz Hosier on 01264 731242

If you would like a lift to the hall phone: Ronnie Pearson 01672 811997 or Jenny Hatfield 01264 731415



Your community needs you!

Please consider joining your parish council.

There are 2 vacancies and the work covers many aspects of rural life.

Parish Council

No experience is necessary because the team is friendly and will guide you along the way if you are new to community involvement.

This is an ideal way to find out more about what affects our lives in the parish and how to make a difference where possible.

Email **clerk@graftonparish.com** for more information or pop along to the next meeting on 8 January to see what goes on.



Annual General Meeting

Friday 28th November 2014

The Coronation Hall, East Grafton

Doors open to AGM attendees from 6.30pm for a cheese and wine supper The AGM business starts at 7pm

Friends, Members & Patrons of the Society are invited to attend.

If you are not a Member, and would like to get involved, then you are very welcome to come along to hear about what has happened during the past year and our plans for the future.

Please confirm your place and help our catering preparations by calling Susie Brew on **07802 444022** or email **secretary@wiltonwindmill.co.uk**

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Dr Tim Ballard writes

With the clocks just having gone back we move into winter and as the nights draw there will be the same question in your houses as there is in mine. "When do you think we should switch the heating on?" As a consequence of climate change we have had an unseasonably warm September and October but most of us will be feeling more chilled during November. In my role at the Royal College of GPs half way through October I met with a group who are passionate about trying to decrease the avoidable deaths and illness caused by carbon monoxide poisoning.

Carbon monoxide is produced when there is inefficient combustion of any sort of fuel. In the home this is of course usually coal and gas but can be caused by wood burning as well. Using bottled gas is a particular danger when done in confined spaces. The confined spaces aren't just the narrow boats that we see on the K & A either. All our homes count as confined spaces. Most of the problems associated with carbon monoxide are due to poorly fitted or maintained appliances but sometimes it can be caused by the exhaust from a boiler being near an open window and the fumes being blown back into the house. The problem that we have as human beings is that our haemoglobin that we rely on to carry oxygen around our bodies binds very tightly to carbon monoxide. Given that you can't smell or taste carbon monoxide either you can see why there might be a problem.

Around 40 people a year die from carbon monoxide poisoning. It even happens in Bedwyn and the surrounding areas. Early signs can be feeling dreadful after being in the house for many hours at a time, especially overnight. Typically people report headaches and general difficulty in performing simple tasks.

As with most things, prevention is better than cure. Make sure you use reputable trades people. Service appliances regularly. Finally get a carbon monoxide monitor as well as the smoke alarm you probably already have. If you are worried about carbon monoxide poisoning and you genuinely can't afford a monitor let me know and we will buy you one from our patient community fund.

Remembrance Day at St Nicholas' church

The sun shone on the War Memorial as wreaths were laid and the last post was played during the well attended service held on 9 November.



Clear out your cupboards!

Bag2School collection Friday 21 November 2014

A blue Bag2School bag is delivered with your Community News so why not take the opportunity for an autumn clear out and help us raise funds? Fill the bag with good quality used clothes, bags, shoes, belts and more (see side of bag for full details) and drop it off at Sunflowers by 9am on Friday 21 November. Spread the word to family and friends – you can also use black bags if you have lots to clear out.



Save the dates

Burns Night will be celebrated in true Scottish style once again at the McCoronation Hall on Saturday 24 January 2015. Tartan swags, candlelit atmosphere, whiskey galore, the traditional address to the haggis, a delicious three course supper and reeling to set your hearts racing! More information in next month's issue.

Savernake Forest visits to find out more see wildaboutplants.org.uk Learn about lichens: Tuesday 18 November 11am-2.30pm Winter Woodland Walks: Tuesday 20 January 10am-12.30pm

News in Brief

Register for the General Election

The General Election will be held on 7 May 2015 and it is therefore important electors ensure they are correctly registered before December this year. Canvassers are needed to visit properties where there are no returned forms regarding electoral registration. Canvassers will be required to call at nonresponding properties to encourage completion of the household enquiry reminder forms. The canvassing period is a rolling part-time period commencing from mid-late November 2014 and possibly continuing through to end of February 2014. The hours of work are flexible and this is a paid role. If you are interested please contact elections@wiltshire.gov.uk.

North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Beauty

If you would be interested in applying for Chairmanship of this organisation and have a passion for beautiful landscapes and understanding of conservation issues then you should contact juliebaldwin@northwessexdowns.org.uk to find out more. Closing date 12 December.

A reader writes

"I would very much like to thank all the team for keeping us informed with our local neighbourhood news"

Computer and digital skills for beginners

A great opportunity for beginners to gain computer confidence and knowhow. Contact 01225 713183 or learninginwiltshire.org.uk for more details.

Connect2 Wiltshire Pewsey-Devizes bus services

The new consultation is now underway! Closing date 10 December. This impacts the services to our parish so please have a look and get your views heard. Full information including the proposal and surveys at

pewseycap.org.uk/pewsey-devizes-bus-consultation-have-your-say

Speedwatch cameras

You should see these in our parish in the new year. If you can spend a couple of hours now and then to help please contact clerk@graftonparish.com for more information

M&M Productions presents

DICK WHITTINGTON at the Coronation Hall

FRIDAY 21 NOVEMBER

Doors open at 6.30pm

Performance at 7pm

Children £5 Adults £7.50

Tickets from the Swan in Wilton or June Pearson 01672 811997



Crofton Winter Work Open Days



Come and see behind the scenes at the Historic Crofton Pumping Station this winter, when our teams of dedicated volunteers cosset and maintain the two historic beam engines.

The Pumping Station will be open free of charge on the following Saturdays from 10.30am to 3.30pm: 13 December, 7 February 2015, 7 March 2015

This winter we are giving visitors a rare chance to see maintenance works in progress, when we dismantle parts of the engines normally hidden from view. It's cold inside the Pumping Station during the winter as the boiler is not in steam but tea, coffee and biscuits will be available for a small charge.

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Dates for your diary

All events take place in the Coronation Hall unless otherwise specified (contact details on page 4). St N refers to St Nicholas' Church.

NOVEMBER

I	16	11.00	Holy Communion	St N
ı	21	09.00	Bag2School closing time	Sunflowers
	21	18.30	Dick Whittington	
	23	16.00	Stir up Sunday service	
I	26	19.30	Defibrillator training	
I	28	18.30	Windmill AGM	
ı	29	09.30	80 Windmill Christmas Fair	
	30	10.00	Creative Christmas morn	ing
	30	10.30	Sudan service	Burbage church

DECEMBER

07	11.00	Holy Communion	SIN
10	12.30	Winter Warmer Christmas lunch	
14	16.15	Carol Service	St A
21	15.30	Crib Service	St /

11.00 Christmas Day Service

Mobile library dates at the Coronation Hall 19 November 3,17 December 11.30 to 12.00

Regular weekly dates for your diary

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

MONDAY

CIRCUIT & Henrietta MacKinnon **FITNESS**

09.15 to 10.15 Monday

St N



11.00 to 12.30 Monday



19.00 to 20.30 Alternate Mondays

TUESDAY



09.15 to 10.30 Tuesday

Marlborough Multiples

15.00 to 16.30 Alternate Tuesdays



19.30 to 21.00 Tuesday

WEDNESDAY

CIRCUIT & FITNESS

Henrietta MacKinnon

09.15 to 10.15 Wednesday



THURSDAY



Baby and toddler group 10.00 to 11.30 Thursday



19.30 to 21.00 Thursday

FRIDAY



09.30 to 10.30 Friday

10.45 to 11.45 Friday Beginners and gentle work

RATE CLASS Children only 16.30 to 17.00

Useful contacts Societies/Clubs/Organisations: 1 line free entry

Bingo	hall@graftonparish.com		
Church flowers/clean	01672 810072 Patricia Knowles		
Circuit/fitness Training	01672 810266 Hen Mackinnon		
Community News	news@graftonparish.com		
Coronation Hall	07479 281809 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	0771 7006787		
Marlborough Multiples	07967 835831 Amber		
Member of Parliament	01380 729358 Claire Perry		
Parish Council	clerk@graftonparish.com 01672 811335		
PCC Secretary	01672 870266 Millie Lemon		
Pilates	07796 225942 Tracey Rich		
Police emergency	999 or 112		
Police non emergency	101 Jonathan Mills		
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	01672 484464 Joanna Bury		

Local commercial listing					
B&B West Grafton	Angie Orssich	01672 810339			
Baby sitting/odd jobs	Tom Nield	01672 870196			
Beauty & wellbeing	Amanda Toon	01672 811677			
Builder	Sam Sanchez	07887 991249			
Business Solutions	Natalie Bullock	07711 373688			
Cake making	www.faysfairycakes.co.uk				
Car washing	wiltonwashers@gmail.com				
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			
Gardening	Sue Upham	01672 810526			
Grafton Garage	Tony Gilbert	07845 006890			
Hair and Beauty	Katherine Le Bon	07770 945307			
Hat Hire	Victoria Frost	01672 810386			
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	www.SCSigns.co.u	ık			
Swan Inn	Bill Clemence	01672 870274			
Usborne Books	Trish Highnett	07775 941646			
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email **news@graftonparish.com** with contributions for the Community News.

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A few helpful links to find more information

Area Board information: wiltshire.gov.uk/communityandliving/areaboards

All the latest news releases: wiltshire.gov.uk/latestnews

<u>Community virtual noticeboards</u>: wiltshire.gov.uk/ourcommunitymattersblogsites

Recycle for Wiltshire: recycleforwiltshire.com

Roadworks: wiltshire.gov.uk/roadshighwayspavements/roadworks

Tree wardens for Wiltshire: wiltshiretreewardens.co.uk

What's on in Wiltshire: wiltshire.gov.uk/leisureandrecreation/whatson.htm

Information for rural communities in Wiltshire:

wiltshire.gov.uk/council/parishnewsletterhome

Have your say about any local topic or consultation:

wiltshire.gov.uk/council/haveyoursay

Communities Parish and local council information:

cpalc.org.uk/becoming-a-parish-councillor

Planning applications:

Wiltshire.gov.uk/planninganddevelopment/planningapplicationsearchonline

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