COMMUNITY NEWS

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THE CORONATION HALL

Friday, 25th September £5.00 per child

To include hot dogs, pizza, ice creams and all the squash you can drink!!

Booking essential please Tickets ...01672 811997 or call in at The Swan, Wilton

Mums and Dads welcome too for a beer or glass of wine!

World's Biggest Coffee Morning

Friday 25th September 10am to 12pm Coronation Hall East Grafton

A community event organised by Sunflowers at Grafton



Organised in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support, registered charity in England and Wisles (261017), Scotland (50039907) and the Isle of Man (604). Also operating in Northern Ireland. Evenings are drawing in as the Autumn colours start to appear, Summer holidays are over and the harvest is gathered in. Most of those with fruit trees will have a bumper crop of apples to harvest and the sloes are just about ready for that bottle of sloe gin in preparation for Christmas!

Don't forget the new harvest offering of the quiz in the Coronation Hall on Friday 13 November (not usually a lucky day but this could be an exception!) Call Martin Butt **01672 810743** or Liz Hosier **01264 731242** to book.

A new calendar of Winter Warmer lunches should prove to be entertaining as well as delicious as always.

Youth activities are progressing with much to anticipate so why not come along to see for yourself and to join in with planning sessions which will interest you?

Exciting Programme of Youth Activities







By the time you read this we hope to have agreement to our funding application. It will cover the cost of activities for at least 12 months and includes all the suggestions proposed by young people in Grafton Parish.

Meanwhile a series of activities is planned:

Friday 2 October 6.30pm - Making & decorating cupcakes*
Tuesday 27 October - Ice skating at Swindon Ice Rink
Friday 20 November - Pottery/Craft session

Friday 04 or 11 December - Self defence training.

Make sure you put the dates in your diary and spread the word!

* At the October session we'll also plan a trip to Tidworth Bike Park to establish what's needed to create a bike track – so if cupcakes aren't your thing come along anyway and help plan who, when and how we make the Tidworth trip happen.

More details will follow for ice skating trip and November and December's activities— see Community News and Grafton Parish Community News page on Facebook.

We have several parent volunteers and still need a couple more, come along to a session and find out what's involved, the more volunteers we have the more events we can arrange.

News will be posted on www.graftonparish.com and via our developing network. Please contact news@graftonparish.com or Karen.brown@wiltshire.gov.uk or 07795 665756 if you have questions or want more details.

Planning applications details available on

www.wiltshire.gov.uk/planninganddevelopment/planningapplicationssearchonline.htm

Winter Warmers

Our popular lunch club for members of our parish is back at the Coronation Hall. Join us for some good company and conversation over a lovely lunch on the following Wednesdays at 12.30.

On your own or with a group of friends - everyone welcome.

Please call Liz Hosier to book 01264 731242

14 October menu

Harvest casserole

Apple & Blackberry crumble

11 November Remembrance 9 December Christmas
13 January New Year 10 February Valentines.

9 March Mad March Hares 13 April The Queens Birthday

If you have any raffle prizes to donate they will be most welcome too!

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www.croftonbeamengines.org or Crofton Pumping Station, Marlborough, SN8 3DW.

E-mail: crofton.shop@katrust.org.uk

Wiltshire Police are holding a two week firearms surrender

The surrender started on Saturday 5 September and will finish at 9pm on Sunday 20 September.

The force is appealing for people to surrender unlicensed or unwanted firearms and ammunition. To surrender a firearm, people need to call Wiltshire Police on **101**. An appointment will then be made so that the firearm can be collected from the property. Dedicated units will be on hand during the two week period to collect surrendered firearms and appointments will be made at the earliest opportunity.

News In Brief

Pewsey Area Board Meeting

Monday 14 September 7pm at Woodborough Social Club, Smithy Lane

End of 2015 Wilton Windmill Season

Sunday 27 September is the last day of the 2015 season for Wilton Windmill. The windmill will be open from 2pm to 5pm for guided tours and refreshments as well as flour. Thank you to all the volunteers and helpers who make the open season possible. Wilton Windmill will be at the Hungerford Food Fair in October and the AGM date will be announced shortly. New helpers are always welcome to join in the activities at the windmill on open days, regular opening or milling days - if you are interested then please email

secretary @wilton wind mill.co.uk

Pewsey Vale Tourism Partnership

If you are a local business related to the visitor economy, then you may wish to consider joining the Pewsey Vale Tourism Partnership. Have a look at the website **www.visitpewseyvale.co.uk** or email **info@visitpewseyvale.co.uk** for more information. The Partnership is a local, not for profit organisation

News In Brief

HUNGERFORD FOOD FESTIVAL Sunday 4 October 2015

With over 50 stalls, sizzling street food and the buzz of live cooking demonstrations, this year's Hungerford Food Festival 11am - 3.30pm Sunday 4 October promises to be another inspiring celebration of local and seasonal fayre. www.hungerfordfoodfestival.com or contact 01488 648534 or hungerfordfoodfestival@gmail.com

Super-fast broadband and what it means

Super-fast broadband is a connection with a speed of 30Mbps or above. This means that even at its slowest, super-fast broadband is several times faster than the UK average of around 9Mbps.

A super-fast connection means you can download movies and music within seconds and stream TV without interruption too. As a result, your web surfing experience will be smoother than ever and the way you use online multimedia applications and services will be transformed overnight.

Whether you need super-fast broadband largely depends on how you use the Internet. But if you're a heavy downloader, play games online or watch a lot of on-demand television, then a super-broadband connection is essential for your needs. Conversely, if you're the kind of person who only uses the Internet for e-mail or perhaps a bit of shopping and light web browsing, then you're possibly better off sticking with your existing connection.

To establish whether you can access super-fast broadband **www.uswitch.com** has a post code checker which will tell you the average speed available in your area. This is not necessarily the speed available to your residence however! It is always wise to talk to someone from a selected supplier to establish the exact speed available to you before you sign up for their service.

To compare the deals offered by different suppliers of super-fast broadband you could use **www.uswitch.com/broadband/compare/adsl_broadband**. Other sites are available of course but this is just an example to help you to get started if you are unsure of what is involved.

OUR DOCTOR WRITES

The antibiotic over prescribing story has been in the news recently. There is no doubt about the scale of the problem. GPs prescribe most of the antibiotics in the NHS because we see most of the people most of the time. It is estimated that this is 90% of patient contacts (for only 8% of the NHS budget). There are explanations why antibiotics tend to be overprescribed but between us all doctors and patients we need to do better. There is a great deal of job satisfaction for a doctor to prescribe antibiotics when they are necessary, they can rapidly improve the symptoms and shorten the duration of illness for some conditions such as urine infections. They simply don't work at all though for viral infections. If a doctor concludes that antibiotics aren't going to help it isn't because of pressures of cost that they are not prescribed it's that they are more likely to do harm than good in that situation and lead to worsening bacterial resistance in the future.

For those of you between 70 and 80 there is a new round of shingles vaccination call up about to happen soon. Shingles can be really debilitating. If you do receive a request to have the vaccine I would recommend that you take it – even if you have had shingles in the past. The flu vaccination season is almost upon us again and if you are in one of the groups offered the vaccine I would strongly recommend that you have the flu jab. People often mix up flu in their mind with a bad cold. Unlike colds which don't very often kill people, flu can. To help us with our call and recall please help us to help you and make sure that we have your up to date contact information especially in the form of mobile numbers and email if you have them.

We are revitalising our patient group. We need a vibrant core Group and I'm pleased to say that after receiving great help and support from Ernie Tomlin we now have a new Chair of the Group Ken Mortimer. In addition to the core group it's really helpful to have a larger "virtual" online community to act as a sounding board. If you would like to take part in this with no need to come to meetings and a very light impact on your time then you can sign up on our surgery website **www.oldschoolsurgery.co.uk**. On the right hand side of the web page there is a tab marked Have your say. Under this is the Patient Group tab. Click on this and you can sign up. Many thanks in anticipation!!

Dr Tim Ballard

Dates for your diary

All events take place in the Coronation Hall unless otherwise specified (contact details on page 4).

SEPTEMBER

St N refers to St Nicholas' Church.

14	19.15	Parish Council meeting	
20	11.00	Holy Communion	St N
25	10.00	World's Biggest Coffee M	/lorning
25	18.00	Party Time for under 12	S
26/27	10.30	Steam Gala Last day of the season	Crofton
		Last day of the season	Wilton Windmill
27	16.00	Family Worship	St N

OCTOBER

02	18.30	Youth activities cup cakes/bike trai	I
04	11.00	Harvest Festival	St N
11	18.00	Evensong	St N
4.4	10.00	Llamora et Mintana Miana andronale	

14 12.30 Harvest Winter Warmer lunch

 18
 11.00
 Holy Communion
 St N

 25
 16.00
 Family Service
 St N

27 Youth activities skating trip

email news@graftonparish.com with contributions for the Community News. Deadline for the next issue 2 October. Editorial rights reserved.

www.savernaketeam.org.uk for St Nicholas' service details.

MONDAY

CIRCUIT & Henrietta MacKinnon
YOGA

09:15 to 10:15 Monday



11:00 to 12:30 Monday

19:00 to 20:30
Alternate Mondays

TUESDAY

ZVMBA

09:30 to 10:30 Tuesday

Marlborough Multiples 15:00 to 16:30 Alternate Tuesdays



19:30 to 21:00 Tuesday

WEDNESDAY

CIRCUIT & FITNESS



09:15 to 10:15 Wednesday

Mobile library at the Coronation Hall 26 August, 8, 22 September 11.30 to 12.00



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

KARATE CLASS

Children only 16:30 to 17:00

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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		
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Crofton beam engines	www.croftonbeamengines.org		
Dance and Fitness	07746 479345 Charlotte Price		
Grafton Goslings	graftongoslings@yahoo.co.uk		
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Junior cricket club	wiltoncc@yahoo.co.uk		
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Marlborough Multiples	07967 835831 Amber		
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PCC Secretary	01672 870266 Millie Lemon		
Pilates	07796 225942 Tracey Rich		
Police emergency	999 or 112		
Police non emergency	101 Jonathan Mills		
St Nicholas' church	www.savernaketeam.org.uk		
Sunflowers at Grafton	01672 810478 Lyndsey Turner		
Wiltshire Good Neighbours	07557 110418		
Windmill Society	secretary@wiltonwindmill.co.uk		
Yoga	01672 841553 Lizzy Hawnt		
Zumba	01672 484464 Joanna Bury		

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