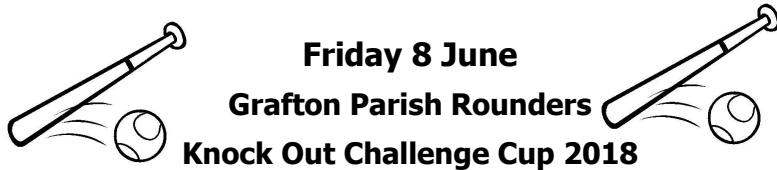


The Community News team has broken with tradition this month and included extra pages with the reports from Parish organisations which were presented at the Parish Council AGM on 14 May. This seems to be an ideal opportunity to share this information with those who were unable to come to the Hall. We hope you will agree that, collectively, these positive reports are an amazing representation of all that goes on in our Parish. We hope that you will agree that these positive reports give some idea of all that goes on in the Parish.

Plans are progressing for the Grafton Parish Rounders Match on 8 June, see below, with everyone looking forward to another afternoon of annual competition and fun. On 9 June the second Picture Palace showing comes to the Coronation Hall with full details described in the flyer inside this issue - another treat just on your doorstep!

On page 2 you will see more plans for Remembrance Day with details on how you can contribute to the atmosphere and success of the event.



Don't forget to sign up for your village team, it's only a few days to go before this popular community event will be here. And if you don't fancy playing come along anyway – shout from the sides and enjoy meeting friends and demolishing some BBQ food and lush chocolate brownies!

The Rounders Knock Out starts at 6pm with rounders for the little ones and from 6.30pm the rounders for bigger siblings and adults starts.

There will be 6 village teams, three knock out rounds and a grand final! Lots of opportunity to get the competitive juices running!

Don't worry if you fancy joining in on the evening we'll find a way for you to play. The rules are not too challenging!

While not playing there's plenty going on, film night for little ones in the hall, table tennis, face painting, as well as burgers and beers!

Come and cheer on your team, and take the chance to catch up with your neighbours.

If you would like to play, or volunteer to help cook/serve the food and drinks let Annie know on **07802 923 344** or email youthactivities@graftonparish.com



Make a Modroc Masterpiece!

Friday 22 June 6.30pm - Coronation Hall.

What is it you may ask! Modroc is plaster bandage used for modelling, casting and crafting. Firstly you'll make a structure, from tinfoil for example, and then add Modroc – be prepared to get messy whilst creating your masterpiece!!

There is no charge for this activity and nibbles and drinks are provided.

PS Make sure you have signed up for your village Rounders Team – see you on the pitch on **8 June**, it will be great fun

If you are interested in knowing more or have questions, email youthactivities@graftonparish.com or text Annie on **07802 923344**.



Grafton Junior Cricket Club Huge thanks.....

are due to Frank Silk, Warren Lee and David Lemon for laying the new Wilton Junior's cricket wicket on the playing field adjacent to Sunflowers. The old wicket needed replacing this year, and the now 30+ regular budding cricketers have a new flat surface to play on.



GRAFTON PICTURE PALACE COMMUNITY CINEMA

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WW1 Remembrance plans are coming together

The Bedwyn Millenium Choir have kindly agreed to join the congregation for the Remembrance Day service and then afterwards in the Coronation Hall. It is hoped that the church service will combine traditional hymns and songs popular at the time of WW1.

Large poppies, sold in aid of the British Legion, have been purchased with the aim of parading these across the Grafton Green to the Coronation Hall as a representation of those who did return from the last two world wars.

Plans are afoot to display, on the Green, a number of military vehicles from the 2 world wars and the search for a bugler or trumpeter continues.

At the Parish Council AGM a vote was carried unanimously on the idea of encouraging as many people of all ages to dress in clothes of the 1918-20's for the event. A simple cap and suit or long coat for the gentlemen and a hat with something belted for the ladies would be brilliant! Here are some ideas but there are lots more on the web. The fashions of this time are not too extreme and therefore should be achievable by most of us?



After the Church service we plan to serve refreshments in the Coronation Hall based on what would be eaten at the time. Photographs and music of the period will provide the background to this part of the Remembrance.

As always we are looking for volunteers to help with the arrangements on the day so do please email news@graftonparish.com if you can spare some time to make this event a memorable success.

Some people have already come forward and so you will be joining an enthusiastic band!

New Parish Councillor

At the Parish Council meeting on 14 May Mr Mike Hatherell of East Grafton was introduced by David Lemon as a prospective councillor. Mike explained his interests in the Parish and in the community.

Following a question and answer session there was a unanimous vote to welcome him as a member of the Council. This brings the Parish Council to its' full complement of 9 members and enables the work load to be shared on a manageable level.



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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
Gardening	Sue Upham	01672 810526
Grafton Garage	Tony Gilbert	07845 006890
Homeopathy	Emma H-Byass	07540 773531
Logs/tree surgeon	Jeremy Hawkins	07980 536156
Painting & Decorating	Neil Anderson	01264 731362

Local commercial listing Continued

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Pest Control	Julie Wilson	01672 811479
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Storage/lock up	David Lemon	01672 870266
Sunflowers at Grafton	Julie McLernon	01672 810478
Swan Inn	Bill Clemence	01672 870274
For help and information		
Link Scheme	0771 7006787	
Police emergency	999 or 112 - information 101	
Member of Parliament	Claire Perry	01380 729358
County Councillor	Stuart Wheeler	01672 810285

Links for local information

Charity working for community development www.communityfirst.org.uk
Pewsey Area Board www.pewsey.ourcommunitymatters.org.uk
Access Community notice boards and much more on www.wiltshire.gov.uk
Grafton Parish www.graftonparish.com
Tree wardens for Wiltshire www.wiltshiretreewardens.co.uk



Parish Council Annual Parish meeting 14 May 2018

Chairman David Lemon welcomed everyone to this annual opportunity for all residents to find out what is happening in the small, but vibrant, community that is Grafton Parish. It is a tribute to all those who are involved in local endeavours that so much is happening in our small parish and, as always, anyone who feels able to contribute a small effort towards events and activities will be welcomed with open arms!

All community events involve a small commitment from lots of people - the more the easier! **news@graftonparish.com** will forward all volunteer offers to the appropriate body. The Parish website has been relaunched and now includes all information required under the new "transparency code" and additional "planning meetings" have been introduced when required.

This year included a successful "snow clearance", a fabulous "community rounders challenge" which is shortly to be repeated, the introduction of the "Picture Palace", continued visits from Father Christmas, an ever growing Youth Activities enterprise and speed watch to remind drivers that we are mindful of safety.

The Chairman then introduced representatives to report on the past year and future plans. The reports follow....



Coronation Hall

I am pleased to confirm that the Hall is in good shape. We had our AGM on 4 May, which was sadly not as well attended as we had hoped. We currently have a management committee of three but are welcoming some more new members. At our AGM we also thanked several local residents for their help in carrying out repairs and maintenance at the Hall. In the future we would like to create an events committee to promote village events.

Financially the Hall is in surplus again this year, and there are not inconsiderable reserves for future maintenance. Our income is made up of regular hirers £8077, and one off hirers £5564 half of which is from childrens' parties. Although, this year we did not receive the income from elections which we did in 2017.

Most of our costs are relatively static, although we have seen an increase in electricity expenditure in spite of agreeing a competitive new contract, this anomaly is largely due to estimated meter readings and we are waiting for a smart meter to be fitted which will give us greater insight into usage. We are also exploring renewable energy possibilities.

We have some issues with regards to working with the all neighbours to minimise the impact of the hall on their Hall. We are looking at ways to work with local residents to deal with these matters.

There is an issue with the Hall audio/visual system, particularly in light of the new Moviola nights, Kevin Burke has arranged for a technician to look at our system with a view to improving and simplifying it. Funds for this will have to come from Hall reserves. There are a number of other minor maintenance issues which are ongoing.

Bill Clemence, Chairman, Coronation Hall Committee



St Nicholas' Church



Crash! Thank goodness no-one's car was parked in the Church parking area when a large ash tree came down a few months back. It landed nicely between the lich-gate and the war memorial, damaging neither - but it was close! (Divine intervention perhaps!) As soon as James Allen of Manor Farm had become aware of the fallen tree he was hard at it with his chainsaw and had the whole thing tidied up in no time. I mention this because I think James's help is typical of the goodwill felt for our Church in the community.

We don't find it easy to make ends meet at St. Nicholas, and so I delivered eighty copies of a letter I had written, asking parishioners if they would consider setting up a standing order to make a contribution to our income. I was delighted with the response, as was our treasurer, and we now find ourselves in a better position to continue paying our share of £10,000, annually, to the diocese. The size of the congregation is indeed small these days on regular Sundays and has continued to shrink in recent years, but the Church was full on Christmas morning and almost full on Easter Sunday and this again demonstrates that there are lots of people in the community who might be too busy on Sundays to find time to come to Church regularly, but who nevertheless continue to give us their support on the more prominent feast days. And I remain very grateful for this support.

Winter warmers is still dishing up scrumptious lunches for those who wish to take advantage of Liz Hosier's expert cooking and generosity, and Liz has also been looking into ways in which we might improve the heating in Church, without incurring too much expense. It might get cold in St Nicholas in the winter months, but may I take this opportunity, once again, to say how pleased we would be to see you in Church, where we will endeavour to extend the warmest welcome.

Martin Butt, Church Warden



Grafton and District Horticultural Society

The gardening club is thriving. We have 46 members and the programme includes evening lectures in the Coronation Hall in March, April, October and November and visits to private gardens in June, July, August and September. The lectures are by well known speakers. In March for instance, our speaker was Jane Moore, head gardener of Bath Priory and also an acclaimed gardening journalist, Chelsea silver medallist and regular contributor to Gardeners' World.

Before our garden visits we always meet for lunch in a pub near the garden which greatly contributes to the friendly and social atmosphere of our club. This social aspect of the club is further enhanced by our Summer Evening Buffet in July and our splendid Christmas Party.

Marijke Craig, Chair



Wilton Windmill

In 2017 some of the weather was very wet during the summer and there were Sundays when our visitor numbers were down. Sue Baxter has done a great job encouraging Members of the Windmill Society to volunteer as Guides and the goodwill they provide towards all our visitors is, I know, fully appreciated.

This year we had a very successful Heritage Day in September. Entry into the Mill is always free on a Heritage Day and we entertained our visitors with a Pimm's Bar, Teas and Cakes and a 4 piece Country Band. The staircase inside the windmill was full all day with inquisitive visitors. At 4pm we had around 200 kids dancing on the grass in front of the band! Approximately 1800 people visited the Windmill that afternoon.

Back in December during a very severe storm one night we lost the Fan Tail from the top of the windmill. It was ripped off and landed in the adjoining field. A specialist repair company rescued it but here we are in middle of May and they still haven't managed to mend it. The tragedy is that, because the Fan Tail wasn't repaired, it meant the sails no longer automatically turned into wind and every time the wind direction was about to alter Charles Baxter would visit the Mill and hand wind the sails. His dedication to the safety of the Mill has been outstanding. However sadly another abrupt change of direction in the middle of the night in late February shattered the top half off one of the sails. To add insult to injury it landed in the middle of Guy Symonds' tennis court.

Peter Lemon, President

21 July is *Wind in the Willows* themed open day at Wilton Windmill. The windmill will be open with children's games and activities, food, bar, tea and cake and much more.

Open from 11.30 until 4pm. Full details in the July Community News.



Bedwyn and Grafton Link Scheme

2017 was another fairly busy year for the Link. There were a total of 463 journeys, of which 328 were health related mostly to and from our local hospitals and doctors' surgeries. Even though most hospital trips were to Savernake and Great Western hospitals, there were a few to foreign climes such as Oxford, Winchester and Andover. Apart from hospitals and doctors, there were trips to dentists and for physiotherapy. The other journeys were for more social reasons such as shopping and visits to day centres. In 2017 total mileage was 6958 and volunteer hours 2817.

The link carried out these trips with our volunteer drivers, we have 27. We have 9 co-ordinators who answer the phone and match a trip with a volunteer driver often after a good number of calls, entreaties and not a few tears!

The Link is a registered charity and relies on donations from the clients and the generous support of the local Parish Councils. With the support of all, the Link just about breaks even, or runs a small deficit, in 2017 outgoings exceeded income by £216.

We hope the service provided will continue for many years and would encourage anyone who has a bit of spare time and would like to support the community, to consider joining.

Mike Fleckney



Wiltshire Police

Community Police Team

The police priorities currently include thefts from vehicles at beauty spots – including Downs Lane, Manton; Roundway Hill, Devizes, East & West Kennett; Widdington Hill, Upavon; Wootton Rivers, Pewsey; Avebury, Silbury Hill; Alton Barnes and Grand Avenue Savernake. Please ensure all valuables are completely out of sight if you leave your car at any of these popular local places for walking etc.

Scrap metal thefts from driveways across the area continue to be an issue – so again please ensure all valuable items are concealed.

There has been an increase in burglaries from properties (including sheds etc.) in Marlborough recently and residents are asked to be vigilant.

Local residents are also asked to be wary of telephone and other selling scams and information is available from Wiltshire Council Trading Standards on what to look out for.

Dial 101 to report a crime, or 999 in an emergency. The police can be followed on Facebook and Twitter – Wiltshire Police and there is a messaging alert system. Sign up at: www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk



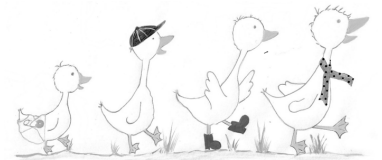
Home security is important - Advice from Wiltshire Police



Security lighting that is movement sensitive can be a good deterrent and may alert you to intruders. If you have valuable items of machinery or other equipment, then consider using Smartwater to protect them. Smartwater is an invisible substance that can be painted on to items. The traceable liquid comes off when touched thereby leaving a trail that the Police can use to link the theft to the individual. It also enables the Police to reunite the property to the person. Putting up notices that say you are using Smartwater also acts as a deterrent. For more information call **0333 320 7797** or go to www.smartwater.com.

Going out for a walk? Remember to leave valuables at home and NOT in the car when out at local beauty spots or walking the dogs. Valuables are NOT secure in the glove compartment or boot – thieves will often watch parked cars and so if you have been seen putting things away, your car will get broken into! This includes satnavs, tablets and phones – take them with you and don't leave them unattended.

Avoid answering the door to cold callers and never let strangers into your home no matter how charming they are. Equally distressing are telephone calls from IT companies or banks, usually saying your laptop is at risk or your bank card has been compromised. Never give bank or card details and especially pin numbers over the telephone during one of these calls. This kind of offence can be reported to Action Fraud. You can report and get advice about fraud or internet crime by calling **0300 123 2040** (textphone **0300 123 2050**) or go to their website www.actionfraud.police.uk



GRAFTON GOSLINGS

Sunflowers at Grafton & Grafton Goslings

Sunflowers celebrated our sixth birthday in October 2017 and continue to operate at close to capacity. Despite rising costs (including the impact of the national minimum wage, increased pension contributions and a very expensive old building to maintain) we remain in a positive financial position.

The regulatory framework around the provision of childcare is formidable but Sunflowers has established a wonderful reputation locally and continues to seek ways to develop our reputation further.

Use of our wonderful outdoor space all year round to encourage and inspire play and learning is fundamental and last summer we refurbished a vintage caravan to provide an exciting role play space.

We have extended our before and after school clubs to include St Katharine's Primary School after we took delivery of a new 12-seater minibus from the Department of Transport Community Minibus Fund in summer 2016.

We continue to develop collaborations which will benefit our children and over the past year we have developed relationships with The Angling Trust which will enable us to add fishing as one of our holiday club adventures for primary school children; Wiltshire Wildlife Trust which provides great activities to connect with nature; and most recently ARK (Action for River Kennet). We are also very proud to be associated with Kids Tusk Force UK, a local charity engaging children in conservation, through which we have adopted an orphaned elephant named Roi.

The quality and stability of our team underpins the quality of the childcare we provide. Our core team experienced low turnover during the year and their professional development remained a high priority.

We had an Ofsted inspection in October 2017 and maintained our GOOD rating. Since our last inspection in 2013 the framework has become much tougher so maintaining a robust Good rating in each of the 4 key areas is good news. Overall we were pleased with the tone of the report which contains some lovely observations.

We aim to be an integral part of our local community and our programme of events is developed with community involvement in mind. In addition to our own fundraising to invest in equipment and resources, we also raised just over £750.00 for other causes including Macmillan Cancer Support's World's Biggest Coffee Morning, Comic Relief, Sands and Wiltshire Air Ambulance. This year Sunflowers' team members have supported our local baby and toddler group and organised the Great British Spring Clean litter pick.

Other ways in which we can give back to our community involve sharing resources. For example, our considerate community access policy means that Sunflowers at Grafton welcomes members of our community to use the Sunflowers at Grafton gardens and playground when the building is closed and many local families take advantage of this. In addition, we continue to make our minibuses available to local groups needing affordable group transport. Grafton Youth Activities is just one of the groups benefitting from this, and Burbage Cricket Club are using the bus for the away fixtures this season.

Grafton Goslings baby and toddler group which meets on Thursdays (10-11:30am) during term time continues to thrive. This is primarily due to the fact that those who come each week are a friendly and sociable group who welcome new people warmly, but it is also because the Coronation Hall is such a great space!

Sue England, Business Manager



Wilton Cricket Club

15 fixtures this season all played away from home with 13 of the fixtures being regular Sunday friendlies.

We played one 20/20 competition hosted by Aldbourne at Marlborough College and one six-a-side tournament at Chute.

We are always keen to welcome more players at any standard! The net sessions will be held on Friday evenings from 6pm

For more details contact Ben Fleckney **07545 619431**



Children's cricket

During May and June juniors enjoy coaching and matches at the playing field in Grafton.

For details contact Piers De Winton **07807 999176**

Grafton Parish

COMMUNITY NEWS

and **www.graftonparish.com**



Your Parish council supports these two main community information sources. Together with the parish Facebook group it is hoped that you are kept informed about activities and changes which may affect you in your day to day life in this stunning part of Wiltshire.

You are probably well aware of the many requests for volunteers to help to make things happen! Generally time is rewarded with much fun and entertainment and it is true that the more people who come forward the easier each job becomes. Certainly there would be little to enjoy without volunteers stepping forward.

So "thank you" to all those who help to regularly distribute this monthly news and to all those who so willingly give up a few hours now and then to make a difference.

Do please email **news@graftonparish.com** or pop a note into the **Coronation Hall letterbox** if you can help and we will pass your details on.



Pewsey Community Area Partnership

PCAP continues to work with the Parishes across the Pewsey Community Area and our work includes:

Everleigh Household Recycling Centre – potential contamination issues means that some services are not available and so less material is recycled and fewer people are using the site which could lead to permanent closure. We have a meeting with Cllr Bridget Wayman, Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport & Waste at Wiltshire Council, to try and sort things out.

Buses - Pewsey Vale Connect2 services have been reduced significantly. We continue to work with the Public Transport Unit at Wiltshire Council and hope that the new Pewsey Rail User Group will highlight the need for joined up public transport where buses actually meet trains.

Trains - Pewsey User Group being set up with the help of the TransWilts Community Rail Partnership.

Youth Groups - in Bedwyn and Grafton are going strongly thanks to the dedication of those who run them. Pewsey Youth Group is currently being reviewed.

Volunteer Credits – Are still running and young people can use Time Credits to pay for Youth Group activities.

Pewsey Vale Health & Wellbeing Group – had its first meeting in April – it is responsible for administering grant funding from Wiltshire Council.

Memory Café – Third Monday every month at Pewsey Fire Station from 2pm to 3.30pm, for people with memory problems or anyone feeling isolated and their carers. There are different speakers and activities each month - a visit to Casterley Barn is planned for June.



Pewsey Vale Tourism Partnership (PVTP)

PVTP covers the Pewsey Community Area and focuses on promoting the Vale of Pewsey. It has approximately 60 members, and a very active website www.visitpewseyvale.co.uk

We held a networking event at the Pewsey Heritage Centre for our members in February.

Historic Map Project – a series of information boards, with locally provided content sited across the Pewsey Vale. The first one is already up at Wilton Windmill. The electronic version will be on our website later this year.

Walking Leaflets – currently underway a series of 20 leaflets for walks in the area.

Special offers leaflet – leaflets have been distributed locally and regionally, on our website and Facebook page.

Tourist Information Kiosks – working with the Parish Councils, converting phone boxes into Tourist Information Kiosks at Pewsey, Bottlesford and Upavon. Bedwyn, Burbage and Woodborough in the pipeline. Also at Pewsey Train Station, Cossor's Shop.

Filming project – creating a marketing film for the Pewsey Vale. Available in 2019.

Susie Brew, PVTP Co-ordinator



Report from our County Councillor

Our three priorities continue to be: to protect the vulnerable - elderly, children and disabled people who require our care, to boost the economy – ensuring that we have good value jobs and a skilled workforce, and to support communities to be as self-reliant as possible.

Of course, Wiltshire Council has been working very hard and very closely with the government and Salisbury City Council since the March 4th incident. This is taking quite a lot of capacity out of the council, therefore if you are experiencing difficulties with responses please bear with us. I hope you will understand the work we are doing for the recovery of Salisbury.

Other Wiltshire Council highlights include:

- ⇒ Around 5,000 local people attend Area Board meetings and events in Wiltshire every year and over £1.25 million was devolved to the Area Boards last year for local projects.
- ⇒ 2016/17 saw 3.6 million visits to our leisure centres across the county and 160,000 attendances at sport and physical activity programmes.
- ⇒ Wiltshire's Libraries had more than 1.6 million visits since April, an increase of 3.3% on last year.
- ⇒ We increasingly use digital media channels to communicate. In particular we use social media to highlight the work of the council and now have more than 18,000 followers on Twitter.
- ⇒ Broadband - The Wiltshire Online programme was designed to provide a fibre broadband service to those premises that commercial providers considered to be financially non-viable. The approach is designed to deliver fibre broadband to the greatest number of premises for the budget available.
- ⇒ Adult Social Care area is one of the larger consumers of the Council's budget and this is due to the increasing numbers of persons aged 65 and over living in our communities.
- ⇒ Primary School phonics has made significant improvements and are now in line with the National results at 81%. The method for assessing students at GCSE has changed from a A*-Cs percentage to an Attainment 8 score and we continue to be above the national average.

See www.graftonparish.com for the full Wiltshire Council report.

Cllr Stuart Wheeler, Burbage and The Bedwyns



The Sun is Shining

At last some beautiful, warm sunny days to lift everyone's spirits and to make vitamin D which is essential for healthy bones and teeth. But too much sun can be harmful and with temperatures starting to soar, Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group issued some advice about staying safe in the sun. A moderate amount of sun exposure is necessary to provide vitamin D and most people in the UK can make enough from being in the sun for 10 to 15 minutes a day from March to October with their forearms, hands or lower legs uncovered and without sunscreen. Exposing yourself for longer is unlikely to be of benefit, unless you have darker skin, and puts you at risk of sunburn.

While the acute effects of sun burn are short lived, in the longer term, it can increase your risk of developing skin cancer. To help safeguard your skin cover up with loose clothing, a wide brimmed hat and sunglasses. Use sunscreen with an SPF of 30 or higher. You need to apply around 35 ml (6 to 8 teaspoons) to achieve the stated SPF and reapply every 2 hours and after swimming. The sun is strongest between 11am to 3pm so try to avoid direct exposure during this time. Sun beds are not recommended.

Heatstroke is a condition caused by your body overheating, usually as a result of prolonged exposure to the sun or physical exertion in high temperatures. If body temperature rises to 40 degrees centigrade or higher it cannot function at a cellular level. Your body will attempt to cool itself by starting to sweat excessively, generate a feeling of intense thirst, increase your pulse and breathing rate. You may begin to experience muscle cramps, a headache, dizziness, confusion and nausea.

If you do start to burn or experience symptoms of heatstroke you need to get out of the sun, cool down by having a cold shower/bath, drink plenty of water and apply soothing after sun or calamine lotion to moisturise sunburnt skin.

Sunburn in childhood increases the risk of squamous cell and basal cell cancers in later life. These occur in sun exposed areas. Fortunately, they are slow growing and slow to spread. Malignant melanoma risk increases regardless of whether sunburn occurs in childhood or adulthood. If you have a mole which has changed in size, shape or colour or has become itchy get it checked as melanomas spread early. Your GP will be happy to check any changing mole, new skin growth or lump.

I wrote this article sitting in a shady spot in my garden wearing my sun glasses and hat, having got my daily allocation of vitamin D while taking my dog for a walk this morning. Now I think it is time for a glass of wine, I mean water! Stay safe in the sun and be well.



A reader asks "How do I open the defibrillator box?" Defibrillators are used under the instruction of emergency response experts after a 999 call. Access codes and instructions are provided over the telephone by the emergency teams who know the location and model of equipment which you may use. The Parish Council checks and maintains everything with the help of precious volunteers to whom we are very grateful. The Marten defibrillator will move to a more accessible location in the near future. More details in the July issue.

News in brief

This Autumn, The Vale Community Campus will open its doors.

The brand-new multi-purpose facility is being built on the old Pewsey Sports Centre site. The new campus will provide the following facilities:

- * A new fitness suite; this will be equipped with state-of-the-art fitness equipment and a fitness studio to accommodate a range of group exercise classes. This space will also be available for hire
- * A brand new 25m, four lane swimming pool; including family friendly and accessible change facilities with Atrium café overlooking the pool
- * A completely refurbished sports hall; this will include cricket practice nets
- * Community, meeting and conference facilities
- * Free car parking for up to 3 hours including accessible spaces and electric car charging for visitors
- * Free wifi
- * Wheeled sports provision

If you are interested in the new facilities and would like to register your interest please don't hesitate in contacting us on **01672 562469**

Is the thought of returning to work giving a headache?

Has technology moved on? If so, the 'Back to Work' course is just the answer! Wessex Community Action is running a course specially written for people who have been away from the industry for a while. Further details available on www.pewsey.ourcommunitymatters.org.uk/news/back-to-work-training-course

Bake to help Wiltshire Air Ambulance save lives

If you like cakes, why not hold a bake sale and raise funds to help Wiltshire Air Ambulance to keep flying and saving lives? Bake Off for Lift Off is once again the charity's theme for National Air Ambulance Week (10-16 September 2018). Individuals, groups, schools, colleges and businesses can all take part. More details on www.pewsey.ourcommunitymatters.org.uk/news/get-your-bake-on-to-help-wiltshire-air-ambulance-save-lives

Inspirational leaders are needed to serve as Enterprise Advisers, working with teachers and students to offer advice, guidance and practical help on the transition from education to employment. Read more on www.pewsey.ourcommunitymatters.org.uk/news/wanted-inspiring-leaders-to-work-with-schools

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* Drop in appointments 9-2 term time excl Wednesday

* Evening and weekends can be arranged

* Home visits available for a fee



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Dates for your diary

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

JUNE

08	18.00	Grafton Parish rounders	<i>Green Grafton</i>
09	10.30	Junior cricket	<i>Grafton playing field</i>
09	19.00	Picture Palace: The Darkest Hour	
10	18.00	Evensong	<i>St N</i>
11	13.00	Parish Council planning (if required)	
17	11.00	Holy Communion	<i>St N</i>
22	18.30	Youth Activities	
23	19.00	For Whom the Bell Tolls	<i>Wilton Windmill</i>
24	14.00	Family Worship and Baptism	<i>St N</i>

JULY

09	19.15	Parish Council meeting - open to all	
21	11.30	Wind in the Willows	<i>Wilton</i>

See www.graftonparish.com for Coronation Hall booking information and details of gazebo hire - dates and information for all Parish council meetings and past community news issues.

MONDAY

YOGA

11:00 to 12:30
01672 841553 Lizzy Hawnt

TUESDAY



ZUMBA

09:30 to 10:30
07710 115324 Joanna Bury

YOGA

19:30 to 21:00
01672 841553 Lizzy Hawnt

WEDNESDAY

CIRCUIT & FITNESS

09:15 to 10:15
01672 810266 Hen Mackinnon

THURSDAY



Baby and toddler group
10:00 to 11:30
graftongoslings@yahoo.co.uk

FRIDAY

Mobile library at the Coronation Hall
6 June, 4 July 11.40am to 12pm



09:30 to 10:30
10:45 to 11:45
Beginners and gentle work
07769 580148 Tracey Rich



07746 479345
Charlotte Price

Monday	17.00 - 18.30	West End (Group Show Dances), Bronze Jazz, Pre-Pointe
Tuesday	16.00 - 18.00 18.00 - 18.30	Grade 1/2 Modern & Tap, Grade 3 Tap
Wednesday	15.30 - 19.00	Baby Ballet, Pre-Primary Ballet, Primary & Grade 1/2 Ballet, Grade 3 Modern
Thursday	16.45 - 18.45	Grade 4/5 Ballet, Grade 4/5 Modern

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