COMMUNITY NEWS

The Community diary is packed as the festive season approaches. This weekend's Remembrance Service takes place at St Nicholas' at 10.45am when children from the Parish will be planting crosses in memory of those who fought for our freedom during the two World Wars and those who have lost their lives in more recent conflicts.

There are shopping opportunities galore at the Coronation Hall. The St Nicholas' Fayre takes place following Stir up Sunday on 25 November, Travelling Souk visits on 27 November, Gastro Nicks' Christmas Fair in support of Wilton Windmill is on 7 December and the Sunflowers at Grafton Christmas Fayre on 9 December.

The complete list of Christmas dates for the Parish, including visits to the Parish by Father Christmas himself, will be in the December Community News which will be distributed over the weekend of 8 and 9 December.



Join Sunflowers at Grafton for our Christmas Fayre

Sunday 9 December, 2pm to 4pm Coronation Hall, East Grafton

An afternoon for the whole family offering Christmas shopping, lots of fun and competitions, including Christmas themed Fancy Dress, for the children and delicious refreshments



A Truly Scrumptious Afternoon Tea

The Coronation Hall was packed as many people enjoyed the Truly Scrumptious Afternoon Tea in aid of Riding for the Disabled. Tea-goers were greeted by a wonderful feast of traditional sandwiches and cakes kindly prepared by June Pearson, Dougie Willcock and a host of fantastic cake bakers. People went home, full to the brim with plans to put supper on hold! Over £700 was raised for Marlborough Riding for the Disabled - thank you to everyone who ate, served and baked cakes!





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Grafton Parish Council new appointment

The Parish Council is pleased to announce that Alison Halfpenny has agreed to take over from Maggie Smith as the Parish Clerk. Alison attended her first meeting last week and has confirmed that she is happy to commence her new role.

At the last meeting Chairman Tom Hatfield expressed his gratitude for all the good work done by Maggie and the councillors presented her with a thank you present.

Jack Frost is now the holder of the Parish Council Chairmanship role for the next 2 meetings.

Remembrance Day Service

November 11 at 10.45

St Nicholas' Church



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NEWS IN BRIEF

Police & Crime Commissioner Elections on Thursday 15 November

The Coronation Hall will be the polling station for the elections held on this date and all other bookings are therefore cancelled.

Fire Safety

Homeowners are being reminded to take extra care with their chimneys. Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service advocates that the cleaning of chimneys and flues eliminates the build-up of soot and clears obstructions. Chimneys for wood burning fires should be swept every three months when in use. If you burn smokeless fuels or bituminous coal, the chimney should be cleaned at least once a year. An annual clean is sufficient for oil and gas fires.

A wide range of fire safety advice can be found on the Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service website - **www.wiltsfire.gov.uk** and at the National Association of Chimney Sweeps - **www.nacs.org.uk**.

Next Pewsey Area Board

The next Pewsey Area Board is on Monday 12 November at Burbage Village Hall starting half an hour earlier than normal at 6.30pm – doors open at 6pm.

Rubbish Collections over Christmas & New Year

Three of the normal rubbish collection dates have been changed from Thursday because of holidays over the festive season. The revised collection dates are:

- * Saturday 29 December Recycling (black boxes and plastic/cardboard wheelies)
- * Saturday 5 January Household rubbish only. Garden waste is cancelled.
- * Friday 11 January Recycling (black boxes and plastic/cardboard wheelies)
- * Normal service resumes on Thursday 17th January.

Rail Services from Bedwyn

Claire Perry is meeting with the Department for Transport on 13 November to try and retain current levels of services from Bedwyn.

The Bedwyn Passenger Group has asked people to email Claire at **claire.perry.mp@parliament.uk** with evidence of how you or your business will be affected by a reduced service. For more information on the changes see **www.bedwyntrains.org.uk**

What to do in Wiltshire

Visit Wiltshire has launched its new website and it's packed with new features to help you find places to visit, places to eat and other attractions around the county based on a variety of needs such as family days out or historic interest — www.visitwiltshire.co.uk.

Come and meet your MP Claire Perry

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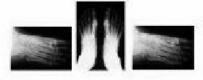
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Stir up Sunday 25 November 11am Coronation Hall

After the success of last year's stir up Sunday service and Christmas pudding making, the Coronation Hall will again host another stir up Sunday service.

There will be a family service during which everyone will be invited to "stir the pudding".

Please bring your own pudding basin and a donation if you would like to take a pudding to steam (and eat) at home.

St. Nicholas' Fayre 25 November 12:30 - 3pm Coronation Hall

Café offering soup & a roll, beef baps, cakes and mince pies.

Lots of lovely craft stalls with Christmas gifts and Christmas puddings!

All welcome. Proceeds to go to St Nicholas' Church, which has been providing services since 1844!

Special Christmas Quiz at the Swan Inn

The Christmas Quiz at the Swan Inn takes places at 8pm on Monday 12 November. The November Quiz is always a special one, as teams are asked to bring unwrapped toys (rather than the usual entry fee). The toys are then given to Wiltshire Social Services for distribution to children who won't receive many presents. Come and pit your wits against other Parishioners!



Annual General Meeting

Thursday 6th December 2012

The Coronation Hall, East Grafton

Doors open to AGM attendees from 5.30pm for the Gastronicks Christmas Fair The AGM business starts at 7.30pm



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 help our preparations by calling Susie Brew on 01264 731404 or emailing secretary@wiltonwindmill.co.uk if you are interested in attending.

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

Remembrance Day Service

NOVEMBER

11

10.45

	12	20.00	Swan Christmas Quiz	The Swan
	12 18	11.00	Holy Communion	St N
I	25	11.00	Stir up Sunday service	
ı	25	12.30	St Nicholas' Fayre	
ı	27	09.00	Travelling Souk Christmas Fair	
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ı	2	11.00	Patronal festival service	St N
ı	6	17.30	Wilton Windmill AGM & Fair	
ı	7	7 09.00 Gastro Nicks & Windmill Christmas Fair		nas Fair

14.00 Sunflowers Christmas Fayre

16	11.00	Carols	St N
23	11.00	Family Nativity	St N

25 11.00 Holy Communion St N

Regular weekly dates for your diary

Please check for full details with the relevant organiser.

TUESDAY

(F) ZVMBA

10.15 to 11.15 Tuesday

St N

TUESDAY and THURSDAY



09.15 to 10.00 Tuesday

Pilates Classes

13.30 to 14.30 Thursday

MONDAY and WEDNESDAY

CIRCUIT & Henrietta MacKinnon

09.30 to 10.30 Monday

09.15 to 10.15 Wednesday





19.30 to 21.00 Tuesday

THURSDAY



Baby and toddler group 10.00 to 11.30 Thursday



KARATE CLASS

16.00 TO 17.00 Friday

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You can email news@graftonparish.com with contributions or comments for the Community

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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			
Link Scheme	01672 870120			
Parish Council	01672 871673			
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

Local commercial fishing					
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Builder	Sam Sanchez	07887 991249			
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Disco and Party	Steve	01672 811109			
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Hat Hire	Victoria Frost	01672 810386			
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