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## Plants, Borders and Gardens

A talk by Timothy Walker

This talk covers plants that deserve  
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together and making a garden.

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April**  
**7:30 Village Hall**

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# HAILEY HERALD

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## Parish Council News

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### News on Hailey Road Gas Scheme

Before Christmas, SGN were carrying out gas works on Hailey Road. The remainder of the scheme is currently programmed to re-commence in early June. SGN temporarily reinstated the verges along the road due to poor weather conditions. They are due to re-visit these verges at the end of the month and are keen to complete work on them to an acceptable standard once the gas works have finished.

### Oxfordshire County Council News

In the last two editions of the Hailey Herald, the District and County Council Unitary debate has been reported. OCC's survey has now closed. Their *final proposal called "A New Council for a Better Oxfordshire"* has been published online at [www.betteroxfordshire.org](http://www.betteroxfordshire.org). The proposal has been renamed to reflect significant changes and the fact that it has been developed by a partnership of three Oxfordshire councils - South Oxfordshire District Council, Vale of White Horse District Council and Oxfordshire County Council who have written this proposal jointly.

### West Oxfordshire District Council News

WODC are in the process of publishing their survey (Too Good to Lose survey) on the above issue and state that it 'provides a very clear view of what the residents of West Oxfordshire think of a single Unitary Council' and 'Survey comments were very positive towards the work we do'.

By-election for District councillor for the Hailey, Minster Lovell and Leafeld Ward was held on Thursday 9 March.

Kieran Mullins (Liberal Democrat) has been elected as Councillor.

### Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on **Monday 10th April at 7.30pm** in the Village Hall. This is a public meeting with an opportunity for any comments or questions to be raised about the work of the Parish Council. Everyone is welcome. This is the meeting at which the Parish Council reports on its activities over the past year, and looks forward to the next.

### Date of Next Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April at 7.00pm**. (Please note change of starting time). Any items for the agenda must be received in writing by the Clerk at least seven clear days before a meeting, and a short time is allowed at the start of each meeting for comments from the public.

### Diary Dates

April 6th	12-2 Soup Lunch at Swanhall, Poffley End,
April 7th	Charity Coffee Morning, Village Hall, 10 -11:30am
April 9th	Scarecrow Sign Up, Lamb & Flag 7.00pm
April 10th	Parish Council Meeting Village Hall, <b>7.00pm followed by</b> <b>The Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30pm</b>
April 11th	Hailey Singers Witheridge Farm 7.00pm
April 11th	Second Tuesday Ladies Village Hall 7.30pm
April 12th	Play Reading Group The Sidings 7.00pm
April 19th	Village Lunch, Village Hall, 12.00 - 2.00pm
April 19th	Hailey Singers Witheridge Farm 7.00pm
April 23rd	Open meeting for ideas to re-generate the Village Hall, 2.00-4.00pm
April 24th	Gardening Club Talk "Plants, borders and gardens" Village Hall 7.30pm
May 3rd	Hailey Singers Witheridge Farm 7.00pm
May 6th	Jumble Sale, Village Hall, 2.00-4.30pm
May 11th	Cheese & Wine Tasting for Fix the Floor, Swanhall Farm, 7.00pm
May 17th	Hailey Singers Witheridge Farm 7.00pm
May 27th	Gardening Club Plant Sale, Village Hall
May 31st	Hailey Singers Witheridge Farm 7.00pm

**To Book Hailey Village Hall Please Ring 07873242063**

Or Email [HVHALLOX29@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:HVHALLOX29@HOTMAIL.COM)

## St John's Church

Parish Office 01993 779492  
The Rev Toby Wright 704441

### Churchwarden

Dr Robin Carr 01993 868079



Spring seems to be well underway now, with daffodils flowering all over the village and the churchyard covered in beautiful primroses. It seems that we may have a visiting muntjac who is very keen on devouring the heads of roses placed on graves. Apologies for that. Fortunately it doesn't seem too keen on other flowers.

The Soup Lunches have been/continue to be a great success. Thank you to all who have provided the soup and venues, and to all who have supported the events. They are great village get togethers, and it's not too late to come if you haven't been already – April 6<sup>th</sup> at Swanhall is the last one.

We are planning to decorate the church ready for Easter on Saturday April 15th. Please feel free to come and join us from 10.00am, and bring any flowers and foliage to make the church look bright and cheerful. Children are very welcome to help too.

On Good Friday there will be some fun Children's Activities starting at 10.00am for an hour. All are welcome, and there may be hot cross buns!  
The parish Easter Vigil will be in Hailey this year starting at 8pm.

On Maundy Thursday there will be a Parish Meal at Holy Trinity from 6pm, prior to a service at 7.30pm. Please sign up in Hailey church if you would like to come to the supper, and ask if you would like a lift.

There will be a full list of Parish Holy Week Services on the noticeboard outside the church.

### **Services in Hailey:**

**Sunday April 2nd** 9.15am Holy Communion, 6pm Evensong  
**Thursday April 6th** 10.am Holy Communion, 12-2 Soup Lunch at Swanhall, Poffley End, 7pm Compline

**Palm Sunday April 9th** 9.15am Holy Communion  
**Maundy Thursday April 13th** 10.am Holy Communion  
**Good Friday April 14th** Children's Activities 10.30am, Meditations 12 noon  
**Saturday April 15th** Church Decorating for Easter from 10.00am 8pm Easter Vigil

**Easter Sunday April 16th** 9.15am Holy Communion  
**Wednesday April 19th** 12-2 Village Lunch in the Village Hall  
**Thursday April 20th** 10.am Holy Communion  
**Sunday April 23rd** 9.15am Holy Communion  
**Thursday April 30th** 10.am Holy Communion

## **News from the Gardening Club**

Judith.knaggs@gmail.com 899125.

What a difference a month has made. Finally it looks green and colourful, bursting with buds and birdsong. Time to really get cracking. Several members of the committee visited Wood Green School Year 20 Gardening Group to see the progress they have made. The students are working towards a 2 year certificate in horticulture and we all came away very impressed with what they manage to achieve in 5 hours per 2 week cycle. The maintenance of everything not sports related is their responsibility. This includes the drive and entrance, all the gardens to the rear – paths, terraces, grass, borders and ponds growing plants and dividing as necessary. They also each have a vegetable raised bed with onions, leeks, garlic and shallots already looking good. They use their own leaf mould and learn all the stages from soil management, seed growing, pricking out, taking cuttings and plant division. They also do all the pruning, cutting back and tidying, as well as creating seasonal containers to put around the school. We all came away even more convinced that our sponsorship money was being put to very good use. The tools donated by our dear departing Vicar were much appreciated. More always welcome.

Your membership cards will be renewed this month. As a gift from the Gardening Club they are valid until September 2018 to celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> Hailey Village show.

**Our April talk – Plants, Borders and Gardens on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm in the Village Hall** will be very timely. Come and be inspired by Timothy Walker talking about plants from around the world and how to use them and then buy your chosen plants from **the Plant Sale on Saturday 27 May**. Easy!

Hope you've noted that this year's scarecrow theme is **OCCUPATIONS**. The club is organising the competition again this year as our contribution to the Hailey Festival.

**Launch date – Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April from 7.00-8.00pm in the Lamb & Flag.**

Our Village Hall is an important resource for the Gardening Club and a recent survey indicated that it might be time for a refurbishment. Having the right facilities to cater for village activities is a vital. The Village Hall committee (HGC is a member) would like to hear your suggestions. **Come along to the Village Hall on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**April from 2-4pm** and give us some ideas about how to regenerate our Village Hall.

### **Witney Festival of Food & Drink**

**St Mary's Church, Witney**

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**The Witney Festival of Food and Drink** is taking place in and around St Mary's Church in Witney on Saturday May 20th, starting at 9.30am. This is the 5th food festival and it promises to be a great event (see website: [witneyfoodfestival.co.uk](http://witneyfoodfestival.co.uk)) with 70 stalls, music, dancing, a Culinary Clerical Cook Off, and 3 centuries of Tractors on display

As ever we are looking for people to help on the day. If you are able to give a few hours of your time, whether as a marshall, entrance person, car park person, porter (early 6.30am and later 5.30pm) etc etc we would love to hear from you. Please email [elpielewis99@aol.com](mailto:elpielewis99@aol.com), giving preferences and times available. Many thanks.

## The Hailey Festival - June 2017



Six years and still going strong! This year's Festival will take place from Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June to Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June. And of course, the **scarecrows** feature prominently. The theme for 2017 will be **OCCUPATIONS** so time to get thinking. **Save the launch date – Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April from 7.00-8.00pm in the pub.** Come and

register your scarecrow to take part in the competition. Suggestions are available for the first-timers or come up with your own idea to win our unique scarecrow trophy (currently held by the Ford family). If you can't make the 9<sup>th</sup>, register with Ann on 700162. Once again, the scarecrow competition is sponsored and organised by the Hailey Gardening Club as part of their contribution to the Festival. As usual the festival will start with the **Rounders match on Friday 9 June**. The big event will be **the Village Fete on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June on the Recreation Ground**. There will be all the usual attractions and stalls and the main arena will stage performances from several local groups. We are fortunate to have Radio Cherwell with us again to control the excitement and Hailey School will be using the fete as their main fundraising opportunity so everyone is welcome. A pub fun day on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June will round off the events with a festival finale and presentation of the scarecrow trophy in the evening. Plans for events are still being made so if you or your organisation are interested in finding out more, have ideas, or would like to get involved, please join us at our upcoming meeting to be held on Wednesday 5 April at 7:30pm at the Lamb & Flag, or email Andy Smith at **The Hailey Festival - June 2017**

### HAILEY VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Are you someone wanting to help the village

If so we are looking for a Secretary and Treasurer for the Village Hall Management Committee.

These two positions will need filling at our next AGM meeting. To be held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2017 in the Village Hall at 7-30pm

For more information please contact Eady Woods on 01993 779749 or e-mail [eadywoods@btinternet.com](mailto:eadywoods@btinternet.com).

### Second Tuesday Ladies

Doris Burton 702433

We will meet in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 11th April. Please bring along a hat to decorate for Easter

## St John,s Church Fix the Floor Plus Michael Drew 702624

As reported in February, we are on course to start Fixing the Floor + in the Autumn, hopefully with your continued support for some of our fund raising and fun, events over the Summer.:

**On May 11<sup>th</sup>** -Wine and Cheese tasting at Swanhall Farm  
see below for details

**June 9<sup>th</sup>** Annual Rounders and Barbecue on the Playing Field,  
start thinking about teams

**July 14<sup>th</sup>** " All on a Summer's Day"- Flower arranging Demonstration  
in Church, + lunch in a Garden. Details later

**September 10<sup>th</sup>** Lunch to Celebrate, and Draw the Golden Tile.

But before then:  
Please join us for a

### BIG BAND CONCERT

**by the Wood Green School Big Band**

**Sunday April 30<sup>th</sup> 12.30 to 2-30pm. In Church**

**Tickets £8-00, to include the first glass of wine, from**

**Monica 772969 Pauline 778576 Michael 702624**

**Bring a Picnic, to eat in church if wet**

### CHEESE AND WINE TASTING EVENING

**THURSDAY 11th MAY 7PM**

**at SWAN HALL FARM, BARN, POFFLEY END**

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We hope you can join us for what promises to be an interesting,  
informative and fun evening!!

**FOR TICKETS PLEASE CONTACT DAWN OR  
KARL FRANKLIN ON 01993 776471**

### Charity Coffee Morning

Friday 7th April, 10.00- 11.30 village hall.

Tea, coffee, homemade cake and hotcross buns for Easter!

Bric a brac stall and raffle. Everyone welcome.

This month it will be in aid of Chrissies owls rescue centre, Stonesfield.

Last month we raised £61.30 for the Make a Mothers Day appeal.

### Play Reading Group

**David Burton**

At our meeting on March 8th we read a play called "Barefoot in the Park" written in 1965 by Neil Simon. A comedy, it had some amusing dialogue and some complicated stage directions. An enjoyable evening..

Our next meeting will be on April 12th, 7.00pm at The Sidings. Any enquiries to Alan Bailey on 704271

### HAILEY SINGERS

The Hailey singers are in good voice and continue their saunter through musical merriment!

Future dates

March 29 April 11,19, May 3,17,31.

Witheridge at 7pm

Taranta jolly old ra!

Jeremyw [Lewis@aol.com](mailto:Lewis@aol.com) 01993 703070

Coming soon...

### **JUMBLE SALE**

**Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> May Hailey Village Hall 2-4.30pm**

***Raising funds for Talking Books for the Blind***

*Items welcome*

Contact Ann Evans on 773744 or Monica Hester on 772969

### **Wool wanted**

Knit and natter now takes place at the monthly coffee morning held on the first Friday of each month in the Village Hall. Still lots of squares to sew up. Everyone welcome. If you would like to join in and win a nice box of chocolates please bring a childhood photo along.

Thank you. Ann Evans

### To advertise or send an article

**Copy for the May issue is required by 20th April**

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