

## Parish Council News

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### **Out and about around Hailey**

#### **Village Hall**

The Parish Council is seeking a local Quantity Surveyor/Architect who is prepared to support the community and offer their services free of charge/at reduced cost to assist in exploring options for upgrading the Sports pavilion and the Village Hall (when the lease expires in a few years' time). Please contact the Parish Clerk if you know anyone who can help.

#### **Website**

The PC has a new website. It is due to go live this month. Please check out [haileywestoxon.org](http://haileywestoxon.org). It is much more user friendly and as well as the usual PC documentation, there is a photo gallery and an events calendar so please let us know about any local events that you would like to appear there. We are also currently looking for any photos from the Hailey Festival, especially your scarecrows.

#### **West Oxfordshire District Council News**

Have you missed a bin collection? WODC says:

We are aware that some rubbish and recycling collections have been missed during the start of our new waste service and apologise to those affected for the inconvenience.

As with any major service change for so many households, there have been some teething problems which unfortunately have resulted in some missed collections. However, we would like to assure residents that we are working closely with the contractor to resolve these issues and they have deployed extra resources to tackle them.

To report a missed waste collection Call: 01993 861025

Email: [enquiries@westoxon.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@westoxon.gov.uk)

We only accept reports of missed bin collections after 4pm on the day of collection and within two working days of being missed. To help our customer services staff deal with a missed bin efficiently please include in your email:

Your full address and postcode

What was not collected; mixed recycling, glass, food waste, chargeable garden waste, small electricals, cooking oil, car oil, household batteries, textile or rubbish  
Whether it is your whole street or just your bin

What day your collection was due

We will get this logged with the contractor and crews will return as soon as possible to collect any bins they have missed. Please leave your bins out until they are emptied. We apologise for any delays and thank you for your patience!

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Monday 20th November 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm Hailey Village Hall

## **Presents, Pamper, Pizza & Prosecco evening.**

Grab the girls and come to an evening of shopping, pampering, pizza and prosecco drinking to help raise funds for

**Hailey C of E. School**

Tickets are £5 and include a glass of bubbles or soft drink on arrival.

We have a number of beauty specialists on hand to offer eye brow shapes, massages and shaping & polishing on fingers & toes.

There will be a variety of stalls both local and national businesses, offering a variety of products ideal for Christmas presents or for a bit of self indulgence to prepare for the party season ahead.

The Cotswold Pizza Company will also be attending offering freshly made pizza to attendees and the wider village.

### **Knit and natter**

**Ann Evans 773744**

Any donations of wool for out knit and natter sessions most welcome. Blankets and children's knitted tops are now on their way to Uganda.

### **Diary Dates**

Nov 2nd	Hailey Singers Witheridge Farm 7.00pm
Nov 3rd	Charity Coffee Morning , Village Hall, 10 -11:30am
Nov 8th	Play Reading Group The Sidings 7.00pm
Nov 12th	Remembrance Sunday. War memorial 9am then see church news
Nov 13th	Parish Council Meeting Village Hall, 7.00pm
Nov 14th	Hailey Singers Witheridge Farm 7.00pm
Nov 14th	Second Tuesday Ladies, Village Hall, 7.30pm
Nov 15th	Village Lunch,, Village Hall 12-2.00pm
Nov 20th	Presents, Pamper, Pizza & Prosecco see ad above
Nov 20th	Hailey Singers Witheridge Farm 7.00pm
Nov 25th	Grand Jumble Sale & Village Fair Village Hall 2.00-4.30pm
Nov 27th	Deck the Halls workshop Village Hall, 7.30pm see ad
Nov 29th	Hailey Singers Witheridge Farm 7.00pm
Dec 4th	Band Concert Village Hall 7.30pm for 8.00 see ad
Dec 17th	Christmas Carol Service St John's Church 6.00pm

## St John's Church

**Parish Office** 01993 779492  
**The Rev Toby Wright** 704441  
**The Rev Ness Whiffen** 07774 524756

### Churchwardens

**Sue Drew** 01993 702624  
**Elpie Lewis** 01993 703070



The work going on to fix the floor of the church is continuing apace, under the watchful eye of the amazing Michael Drew. Those who called in during the Open Church afternoon were amazed at the original construction of the church, visible due to the fact that a metre of cement, clay and rubble had been dug out in readiness for the block and beam floor to go down.

We were able to study the foundations and the incredible inverted underground arches supporting the big pillars down the aisles, as well as the underground Cotswold stone walls supporting the outer walls of the entire building.

The block and beam floor is now down and the first fixes are going in, prior to the insulation and the cement screed, which will be completed by the time you read this.

**Our regular Sunday 9.15am** services continue to take place in Hailey School Hall, and we are very grateful to Debbie Davis and the School Governors for allowing this. There is an exception to this.....

**Remembrance Sunday** when we shall have our usual Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial at 9am. We will then cross the road to the garage, and we will hold our service in the showroom there. This may be a "First" for all of us, and we are very grateful to Mr and Mrs Jenkins for allowing us to have this arrangement.

**Other services** will be as follows.....

Thursday 10am services will be held in Middletown Grange activity room  
Evensong at 6pm will be held at the Sidings at Middle Farm c/o the Drews

**Lights of Remembrance** on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October between 5pm - 7.30pm. This will take place in a gazebo in the church yard. Lanterns will be available to put on the graves of loved ones, or to place anywhere, in memory of someone special to you.

There will be dried leaves on which to write the names of people special to us, and we will create a little tree with these. Mulled cider and hot dogs will be served. If you have not been to this before, do come along. It is a very special evening.

**Looking ahead....**

We have our Christingle Service on Sunday December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3.15pm. Venue to be decided, but do put the date in your diary.

The Parish Advent Carol Service will take place on Sunday Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> at Holy Trinity at 6pm.

The Hailey Christmas Carol Service will be on Sunday December 17<sup>th</sup> at 6pm

### **Diary is:**

Friday October 27<sup>th</sup> from 5pm-7.30pm Lights of Remembrance in the Churchyard

Sunday Oct 29<sup>th</sup> 9.15am Service in Hailey School Hall

Thursday Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 10am Service in Middletown Grange Activities Room

Sunday Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 9.15am Service in Hailey School Hall

6pm Evensong at The Sidings, Middle Farm

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**GRAND JUMBLE SALE & CHRISTMAS FAIR**  
**Saturday, 25th November Hailey Village Hall 2-4.30pm**

*Plenty for everyone plus tasty Christmas tea and cakes*

Entrance £1 adults, children free  
All welcome

*Items for the sale can be dropped off at the hall on the morning or contact Ann on 773744 to arrange pick up*

## **Pat Winslow**

is your local BHA accredited celebrant

for non-religious funerals, memorials, weddings and baby namings... ..and anything else you'd like to celebrate!

Phone 07857 273695  
<http://humanist.org.uk/patwinslow/>



## **Hailey Village Hall Committee**

### **Annual Band Concert**

**This is a lovely evening for all the family**

**Monday 4th December 7.30 for 8pm start**  
**Tickets £6.00 to include refreshments Bar applied for.**

Tickets available from:-  
Eady Woods 779749 or 07966670530 Michael Fisher 868462  
Jennie Krumins 772198 Dawn Franklin 776471 or 702407  
or any committee member

### **Second Tuesday Ladies**

**Doris Burton 702433**

Our next meeting is in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 14th November when we shall have a Beetle Drive. All welcome

### **Charity Coffee Morning**

**Friday 3rd November, 10.00- 11.30 village hall.**

Tea, coffee, homemade cake ! Everyone welcome.

This month it is in aid of Help the Heroes  
Last month we raised £72 for Save the Children

### **HAILEY SINGERS**

Singing, jollity, cultural advancement, call it what you will but

**SINGING thrives in HAILEY and ALL are welcome**

October 17th, Nov 2nd, 14th, 29th, Dec 6th, 12th.

Witheridge Farm 7pm

**The village Carol Service will be on Dec 17th in St John's.**

## **Breach Wood Update**

**Sean Morris**

As the winter pruning season approaches, I thought an update might be helpful, to warn Breach Wood users what to expect. Most of the trees are now sufficiently tall to be out of reach for “formative pruning” (persuading them to grow tall and straight). The next stage is to start selective culling, where crowns of adjacent trees are in contact (the jargon is “canopy closure”), and the trees compete directly with each other for space, and light. The oaks have reached this stage, so we plan to remove the smaller ones, leaving space for the rest to flourish. Depending on how long it takes, about three hundred will get the chop this winter. Where we have two large oaks next to one another, one will have to go.....tough choices, as we have been lovingly pruning and nurturing these trees for 15 years.

The Trustees will attempt to carry out this work, gradually, over the winter months, but we might call for a WORK DAY in early 2018, if we run out of time. This will involve trimming and sorting the trees that have been felled, leaving neat rows of branches, and even neater piles of timber. All the stands of oak need thinning in this way, and it might take us a couple of winters to work our way through the whole woodland.

The other major tree species in Breach Wood is Ash. Sadly the majority of our ash trees have been infected by the fungus Chalara, otherwise referred to as “Ash Dieback”. The prediction of experts is that nearly all the ash trees we planted in Breach Wood will perish, a process that will take a few years. You may have noticed that many of the ash are already looking sickly. The advice is to leave infected trees standing, until they are finally dead. The few that survive will be those that have natural resistance to the disease, and their offspring will eventually re-populate Breach Wood. Meanwhile, we will have to get used to seeing large sections of Breach Wood populated by dead-looking trees. We will not be cutting out any dead ash this winter, as our hands will be full with the oak-thinning work, but eventually we will remove all the dead ash, and replant with other tree species, to fill the void.

Other winter work will involve clearing Brambles, and Old Man’s Beard, machine-trimming the boundary hedges, restoring the sign, and coppicing one of the Hazel coppices. **We are always looking for volunteers.**

Apart from the setback with the Ash, the woodland has had a good season. The wildflowers are flourishing...sainfoin, bird’s-foot trefoil, fireweed, ragged robin, corn cockle, many types of clover, to mention but a few. Our wild orchid population is now up to 5 individual plants. Insects, too, lots of butterflies (skippers, meadow browns, marbled whites, mainly), bumble bees, honey bees, grasshoppers, beetles, spiders, ants, and a few giant caterpillars of the elephant hawk moth( feeding on the fireweed). All this insect activity is becoming a magnet for birds, and it was good to see the yellow-hammers nesting there again this summer.

Plenty of deer too, and badgers and foxes, and voles aplenty....and the ravens from Wilcote occasionally overhead. And bats...we put up three bat-boxes in Breach Lane a couple of years ago.

Breach Wood is there not just for the trees, although they naturally dominate our attention. The spaces between, and beneath, the trees, and the rides and pathways and hedgerows, all contribute to the enjoyment of sharing Breach Wood with so many other living things, even if many of them go un-noticed. Together, they all modestly contribute to the pleasure of a few minutes spent in our community woodland.

## **Parish Council News continued**

### **Oxfordshire County Council**

With winter approaching, OCC has sent out information for the community. Below is a summary of some of it:

#### **Utility Failure**

What is the Priority Service?

You can’t always predict when an emergency situation may cause disruption to your utility provision. If you register for the free priority service register with your utility supplier, they will do their utmost to prevent your supply from going off. If you are cut off, they will make sure your service returns as a matter of urgency, providing additional support if necessary in the meantime.

Depending on your provider, extra assistance may include:

Hot drinks and food

Charging points

Generators

Temporary heating and cooking appliances

If you are over 65, are disabled or have a child under 5, then you may benefit from joining the utility priority service register.

If you would like to register, contact your provider:

Thames Water (Special Assistance Register) – 0800 009 3652

SGN (Priority Services Register) – 0800 912 1700

SSE (Careline and Priority Services Register) – 0800 622 838

### **Don’t miss out – Working parents of 3 & 4 year olds**

Working parents of 3 & 4 year old children may be entitled to 30 hours free childcare per week. This includes those who are self-employed and some parents on zero hours contracts.

To find out if you are eligible visit <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>.

To join those already benefiting apply by the beginning of December for a January start. The Family Information Service has information about childcare providers in your area. Visit [fisd.oxfordshire.gov.uk](http://fisd.oxfordshire.gov.uk)

### **Date of Next Parish Council Meetings**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

### **Church News continued**

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> 10am Service in Middletown Grange Activities Room

Sunday Nov 12<sup>th</sup> 9am Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial

9.15am Service in Garage Showroom

Wednesday Nov 15<sup>th</sup> 12 noon Village Lunch in the Village Hall

Thursday Nov 16<sup>th</sup> 10am Service venue tbc

Sunday Nov 19<sup>th</sup> 9.15am Service venue tbc

Thursday Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> 10am Service venue tbc

Sunday Nov 26<sup>th</sup> 9.15am Service venue tbc

Thursday Nov 29<sup>th</sup> 10am Service venue tbc



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Tel 01993 702849

**Food served:**

Wednesday - Friday 6.00pm - 9.00pm

Saturday 10.00pm - 9.00pm

Sunday Roast 12.00pm - 5.00pm

**MAIN MENU + SPECIALS**

SATURDAY BREAKFAST 10am - 2pm

FISH & CHIPS TAKEAWAY £4.95

**Pub open:**

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday:

5.00pm - Late

Friday 3.00pm - Late

Saturday 10.00am - Late

Sunday 12.00pm - Late

**OUTSIDE BARS UNDERTAKEN**

Available for Private Parties,  
Meetings, Wakes etc.

Book now for Christmas Parties



**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November**

**7:30 Village Hall**

**Workshop to create Christmas  
wreaths, swags and other decorations**

**Members £3, Visitors £4**

Includes free glass mulled wine + mince pie

Prebook with Ann (700162)

Bring scissors/secateurs, evergreen greenery,  
Christmas accessories etc.

Oasis available to buy on the night

## News from the Gardening Club

[Judith.knaggs@gmail.com](mailto:Judith.knaggs@gmail.com) 899125

By the time our speaker, Roger Umpleby, had finished telling us about all the insect infestations, diseases and viruses it is possible to suffer from in a normal season, I felt like giving up and moving to Antarctica! Fortunately he then had some very useful tips on how to encourage the friendly bugs and insects (of which there are many) to control all of the above without drenching the whole garden in chemicals. However you might just have to live with holes in your hostas. At the Annual General Meeting which preceded the talk, the committee presented a full report of the year's activities and the accounts to date. The Chair, Ann Gibson, informed the meeting that our main events were still well attended and that the Club's finances were extremely healthy. The committee will be organising a celebratory event next year to mark 70 years of the Gardening Club. The committee was re-elected and the recommended donations approved.

Christmas is our next landmark and preparations will start at the end of November with "Deck the Halls" – our Christmas decorations evening – on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November from 7.30pm in the Village Hall. We will have a variety of oasis bases to buy on the night, including rings for door wreaths and flat bases for arrangements. As usual, please bring with you greenery (to share if you have plenty), accessories, ribbons and trimmings, wire, clippers and any other tools necessary. As usual there will be warm mince pies and mulled wine to either inspire or impede the creative spirit (depending on...) along with practical, hands-on assistance if you're a novice and want to have a go. Ring Ann on 700162 to reserve. Members £3, visitors £4. And finally, the mystery of the sempervivums remains!

## Hailey F. C.

## Martin Friend

Both teams have now earned their first points of the season. The first team beat Minster Lovell 2-0 away for a much needed three points, but since that fixture Minster Lovell got their revenge, winning 4-0 after an abysmal performance by Hailey. Also in the league they have lost to Charlbury Town by a disappointing 5-1. Hailey beat Carterton Town A in the first round of the Fred Ford Memorial Cup by 3-1.

The reserves also got their first three points by beating top of the table Middle Barton and also gained a point by drawing with Witney Wanderers. In between these games they lost to Aston Reserves 3-1

Thank you to everyone that came to support us at the Macmillan coffee event. We raised an amazing £618.85.

Marie, Claire, Shara, Amanda and Sally

## Play Reading Group

## David Burton

At our meeting in October we read "This Happy Breed" by Noel Coward. This was due to be performed in 1939 but was postponed until 1942 due to the outbreak of war. It covers the lives of a working class family from 1919 to 1939 and is unusual for Coward in not dealing with upper class society

Our next meeting is on November 8th at The Sidings, Middletown, Hailey at 7.00pm. Enquiries to Alan Bailey on 704271

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

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