

# Hailey Herald

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## Parish Council News

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### **Want to make a difference to your village? Come and join us**

The Parish Council is looking for one new member to fill our current vacancy. All our existing Councillors are listed on the parish website with their contact details; they would be delighted to hear from you for an informal chat. You can also look at our past agenda and minutes or sit in on a meeting to get a fuller flavour of our activities.

### **The New Village Hall**

On the 11<sup>th</sup> January the Parish Council agreed the Architect's Brief that the New Village Hall Working Party had created. At the Parish Council meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> Feb the Parish Council agreed that they would now send out the brief for architects to tender for the work.

### **Adopt-a-Tree - 'Plant a Tree for the Jubilee'**

Hailey PC has applied for 30 trees from the Woodland Trust and are giving them away to residents of Hailey Parish. We still have a few trees available. If you would like one for your garden (free of charge) then please email the clerk. The choice is between a wild cherry, silver birch or rowan. They are available from March 2022. First come first served!

### **Allotments**

There are still a few allotments at Hemplands, available to rent (residents of Hailey parish). Please apply to the clerk if you are interested.

### **Joan Smith Educational Charity**

This charity exists to help young people under the age of 25 who live in the Parish (or have a parent who does) with the costs of educational expenses or to assist with entry into a profession, trade or calling. Examples of help previously provided include contributions towards computer equipment, musical instruments, expeditions, music lessons, tools, specialised clothing, etc. Requests for grants are NOT means tested. **Grants will only be awarded with proof of payment.** The next meeting will take place following the Parish Council meeting on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022**. If you would like to find out more, please contact the Parish Clerk or download an application form from the Joan Smith section of [www.haileywestoxon.org](http://www.haileywestoxon.org)

### **Date of Next Parish Council Meeting**

The next Parish Council meeting will be held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm at **14<sup>th</sup> March 2022**. The **Annual Parish meeting** will held on **11<sup>th</sup> April** at 7.30pm (more info next month).

Items for the April Hailey Herald should be emailed to <a href="mailto:thehaileyherald@gmail.com">thehaileyherald@gmail.com</a> by <b>20th March</b> or sent to Hayesfield, Middletown, Hailey (next to school car park).
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## **St John's Church**

**Team Vicar:** The Rev. Ness Brunner Ellis

Tel 07774 524756, [ness@witneyparish.org.uk](mailto:ness@witneyparish.org.uk)

### **Church wardens:**

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### **Regular Services:**

Sundays: 9.15am: Holy Communion

Thursdays 10am Holy Communion

### **Hailey Churchyard. Biodiversity revisited.**

With the cold wind lashing our village it is hard to recall the sunny days of Summer and early Autumn. Last year you might recall we asked the village if they could spare any of their snowdrops and were thrilled to find buckets of these beautiful little plants left for us. An exciting day planning them and now if you get a chance they are coming up along the path.

You might remember the Great Big Green Week where we threw open the church and churchyard to environmental charities and exhibits for the week, and some of my bees too!

This year we are focusing on the churchyard itself and looking after it to encourage and enhance the existing biodiversity and maybe encourage more to come in. The first steps are to identify what is there already. Amazingly, in my research I have discovered the churchyard was surveyed by the Botanical Society of Britain and Ireland in 1992 and again in 2002, (428 species of plants and animals recorded in the churchyard!). Here we are 20 years on looking to do the same. If any of you wish to look it up, follow the links to the National Biodiversity Network Atlas <https://nbnatlas.org> and find Hailey on it. An amazing source of information.

I am proposing to ask for some professional help with this to see if BSBI will do it again. After that we can plan how to look after this precious space in the heart of our village, with a mixture of rewilding, sowing and planting, mowing, and tidying. If you are interested there are some wonderful resources at Caring for God's Acre, the Botanical Companion is a joy to read and might enthuse you?

<https://www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Burial-Ground-Botanical-Companion-2019.pdf>

I would be interested in hearing from anyone who wanted to support this venture in anyway, which could include funding, manpower for projects and work in the churchyard, or botanical expertise and experience they are willing to share. Thank you.

This is our space, let's look after it for ourselves and those who follow.

**Robin Carr ( [robin.carr39@icloud.com](mailto:robin.carr39@icloud.com) )**

### **HAILEY SINGERS**

And so, as the hope of January gives way to the unpalatable roar of February and the ices of March induce unrestrained caution, I find myself able to reveal planned singing dates for the Spring season.

**March 3rd, March 17th, March 31st.**

Only one of these is St. Patrick's Day and in truth we have given St. David a close shave.

(Were he bearded.) All in St John's for now 7pm prompt.

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The Village Hall Committee is still dealing with the problems created by the replacement of the flat roof. Hopefully we will have a working oven again before too long. This winter is giving us an insight into how our costs are rising without a comforting rise in bookings to fund them. Some of our winter bookings leave us during the summer months and maintenance issues and costs are rising considerably. The possibility of a new village hall with a better layout and lower running costs came one step closer with Parish Council's agreement to go out to tender for its replacement, although if accepted, this will take several years to achieve. In the meantime, we are determined to look forward to Spring, better weather, better prospects for all of us and to celebrate we have several events planned. First will be **a Quiz Night on Saturday 12 March from 7.30pm in the Village Hall**. Maximum 6 people per team. Light refreshments included.

For bingo fans, come to our next **Easter Bingo Night on Saturday 2 April, eyes down at 7.30pm**. Excellent prizes plus tea and cakes available. For further info on both events, ring Dawn on 776471. The Village Hall will also be supporting **the celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee (2-5 June)**. A community event is planned for Saturday 4 June. More details to come.

A date for **the Annual General Meeting** will be announced next month. We are always looking for new people to join the team of Trustees in what will become an increasingly interesting time in the history of the Village Hall. Ring Judith on 899125 for further information on being a Trustee.

The Government has lifted all legal COVID-19 restrictions with effect from Thursday 24 February. We would ask all our users to now adopt a common-sense approach to events in the hall and not attend if they have any doubts about their state of health.

**News from Hailey Gardening Club**

Dawn Franklin

For all the keen gardeners in Hailey we are pleased to let you know that the Hailey Gardening Club is up and running again! The committee is very low on members, so we would love to hear from anyone who might like to join us. This really isn't a big commitment, but would be a great help to us with planning and running our annual events. If you are interested, please contact Dawn Franklin on 01993 776471 for a chat.

We will be coming round to renew your memberships during March and are extending the expiry date to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023, so you get an extra six months free! You'll be pleased to know these still give you discount at both Bampton Garden Plants and Freeland Nurseries. The **annual plant sale is scheduled for Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May**. We would be extremely grateful for any donations, so please put a few extra seeds in when sowing your flowers and vegetables!

**Our scarecrow trail will start from Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May** and run throughout the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. This year's theme is '**A Year from the Queen's Reign**'. We will be asking participants to make a scarecrow depicting a significant event which took place during their chosen year. More details on this to follow, but start by getting your thinking caps on!

For enquiries about the Village Hall email [HaileyVillageHall@gmail.com](mailto:HaileyVillageHall@gmail.com)  
To book online go to [www.haileywestoxon.org/villagehall](http://www.haileywestoxon.org/villagehall) and follow the link



As you will know by now, this year sees Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee with celebrations including a **four day UK bank holiday weekend from Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June**. We have been hard at work organising an exciting programme of events which -so far- includes the following. Please save the dates...

- **From 28 May – Scarecrows** (details TBC very soon)
- **Thu 2 June** – The amazing **Hailey Rounders Match** is back from late afternoon in the recreation ground, to be followed by the **Hailey Beacon Lighting** (one of more than 1,500 across the UK) so get practising your swings and rounding up your teams
- **Fri 3 June – GrooveTown Party in the Lamb & Flag** with DJs playing disco, soul, funk, house, etc. and the amazing “Aliko Edwards Band” PLAYING LIVE (think Earth, Wind & Fire, James Brown, Jacksons, etc covers) all in the pub garden, with marquee and BBQ
- **Sat 4 June – \*TBC\*** A fabulous surprise that is early in planning, pending various permissions – more details to follow in due course!
- **Sun 5 June – The Big Jubilee Lunch** is being held across the nation (more than 1,400 of them currently registered) including ours here in Hailey's recreation ground (or village hall if wet). Just turn up, “bring your own picnic” and join in the fun. This was amazing for the Diamond Jubilee, with fun and games for all ages. We hope to see you all there with family and friends – everyone's invited

Watch out for news in the Hailey Herald, on the Hailey Village page on Facebook, and on our Hailey website.

We are looking for volunteers to help, especially with the Big Lunch. Please email [andy@adbsmith.com](mailto:andy@adbsmith.com) to hear how to get involved in some way – The more the merrier!

### **Bridewell Gardens – 2022 Events**

We provide a mental health recovery service for West Oxfordshire, supporting people who have experienced severe and enduring mental illness. Bridewell is a creative and inspiring walled garden and vineyard where people can find hope in recovery, gardening and working with nature. We look forward to sharing our beautiful gardens with you this year.

We will be holding our **plant sale on Saturday the 30<sup>th</sup> April** where you can browse a wide variety of perennial plants for sale in our stock bed avenue. Plants for sale in the vineyard – the walled garden will not be open during the plant sale.

The entire site will be open to the public during our **Open Days on: Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May, Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June, Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September 11am-4pm.**

Pop-up café in the garden for tea and cake. Plants for sale, juice, home produced jams and chutneys and our organic sparkling wine. Make a day of it, bring a picnic blanket and relax in the vineyard with friends and family. Dogs on leads are very welcome. No booking required. Suggested donation £5 per person.

**Bridewell Gardens, The Walled Garden, Wilcote, Oxfordshire OX7 3DT**

Hailey Village welcomes you back to a

## **HUGE JUMBLE & BRIC A BRAC SALE**

**Hailey Village Hall**

**Saturday, 2nd April 2022**

**From 1.30pm**

**All proceeds to Combat Stress**

Adults £1, children free

Plants, books, toys, nearly new, tombola, cream teas and much more

All welcome

Contact Ann Evans on 773744 for more information

### **INSIDE THE ROYAL MILITARY ACADEMY SANDHURST**

Combat Stress, the UK's leading veterans' mental health charity, offers you the opportunity of a personal visit to 'the home of leadership' on Friday 29 April 2022. Guest speaker General the Lord Dannatt GCB CBE.

For only £40 per ticket: Combat Stress, in partnership with the Sandhurst Trust, offers you unique personal access to the Academy. You will receive a tour of the buildings and grounds led by former senior military officers followed by a formal sit-down lunch with our guest speaker.

#### **About Combat Stress**

Combat Stress is the UK's leading charity for veterans' mental health. We provide life-changing treatment and support for veterans from every service and conflict focusing on those with complex mental health issues.

#### **Itinerary for the day:**

- 9.45am Guests arrive tea, coffee and biscuits provided.
- 10.25am Brief welcome address from Chairman of the South of England Committee of Combat Stress.
- 10.30am Guided tour of the Academy taking in the Prestige Rooms of Old College including the Indian Army Memorial Room and Old College Grand Entrance, the RMAS Museum, The Royal Memorial Chapel and Roman Catholic Chapel finishing at New College.  
There is a formal photography opportunity.
- 12.00pm Pre-lunch drinks in New College
- 12.30pm Lunch with an address by our guest speaker General the Lord Dannatt GCB CBE, and entertainment provided by a military band with various auctions and games.

For more information and to purchase tickets please visit [combatstress.org.uk/sandhurst](http://combatstress.org.uk/sandhurst) or phone 01372 587 184  
[combatstress.org.uk](http://combatstress.org.uk)



## Time to get walking again!

John Harris

At this time of year we start to think about the mud drying up and getting out to walk in the beautiful English Countryside again, but where to find new and interesting walks?

Walking in Oxfordshire <https://www.walkinginengland.co.uk/oxfordshire> has hundreds of walks to download and print, free, it also has books of walks, details of all the walking groups in the county and much more. Whether you want to walk on your own or with a group all the information is there in one place.

John Harris (the custodian of the website) said 'There is so much walking information on the web but it is difficult to find. Walking in Oxfordshire (part of the Walking in England website) has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from home, or away on holiday, you will be able to find a walk suitable for you'.

With walks from half a mile to twelve miles plus long, and a note of suitability for pushchairs and wheelchairs, everyone can find a walk to enjoy.

So home or away, check out the websites and get walking!

[www.walkinginengland.co.uk](http://www.walkinginengland.co.uk)

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## Hailey F.C.

Martin Friend

The first team played Stonesfield two weeks running, one game in the Fred Ford Memorial Cup quarter final, winning on a penalty shoot and extra time. At the end of 90 minutes the score was 1-1. The following week Hailey won again, not requiring extra time and penalties, scoring the winning goal (1-0) three minutes from time.

In the Top-of-the-Table clash with Hanborough, Hailey won 3-0, going top to virtually seal the Premier Division title. Hailey has a cushion of three points and five games in hand over their rivals. In the Oxfordshire Charity Cup Hailey reached the final after beating Oxfordshire Senior League team Charlton Utd from Charlton on Otmoor 2-0.

The reserves have played two games, losing to Chadlington 2-0 and drawing 1-1 with Bampton Utd.

The third team have also played two games, winning 2-0 against Bampton Utd Reserves. They lost their second game of the season against now title favourites Faringdon A 3-0 after conceding home advantage due to the Oxfordshire Charity Cup taking precedence.

# Quiz Night



**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Hailey Village Hall**  
**Maximum 6 per team**

**£2.50 per person**  
**(includes filled roll, crisps, tea & coffee)**

**Bring your own drinks!**

**Doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start**

Registered Charity Number: 278256

# Easter Bingo!

Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April  
Hailey Village Hall



Doors Open 7:00pm  
Eyes Down 7:30pm

Tea, coffee & homemade cake

Plenty of great prizes to be won!

Contact: Dawn Franklin 776471

## The Lamb and Flag - 01993 700694

**Matt Cantwell**

Just a little reminder to everyone that 27<sup>th</sup> March is Mothering Sunday. Why not treat that most important person to a two or three course meal at the Lamb and Flag; serving between 12.00 and 4.00pm. Booking would be advisable.

Also, with the promised removal of Covid restrictions, come and celebrate a bit of normality and try one of our reasonably priced home cooked meals.

We serve between 6.00 and 9.00 pm from Wednesday to Saturday; it would be great to see you. Please look at our website for all menus or pop into the pub to have a look.

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07792262124**

## Dawn's Shop

Hailey Village Hall  
Tuesday & Thursday 12-4pm



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Phone: 07799553275 or 01993776471

Email: [dandgfranklin@gmail.com](mailto:dandgfranklin@gmail.com)

More information also on my Facebook page – Dawn's Shop

## Coffee Morning

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March  
Hailey Village Hall



10 – 11:30am



This month we are raising funds for Help for Heroes.

Come and join us for a coffee and slice of homemade cake.

Last month we raised £49.00 for Hailey Village Hall.

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# Lamb and Flag

## Opening Times

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 3:00pm – 10:00pm

Wednesday: 3:00pm – 10:00pm

Thursday: 3:00pm – 10:00pm

Friday: 3:00pm – 11:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am – 11:00pm

Sunday: 12:00pm – 9:00pm

## Food Times

Wednesday: 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Thursday: 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Friday: 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am – 2pm (Breakfast)

6:00pm – 9:00pm

Sunday: 12:00pm – 4:00pm (Roast)

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## Diary Dates

3<sup>rd</sup> March **Hailey Singers** - 7.00pm - St John's

4<sup>th</sup> March **Coffee Morning** - 10:00am - Village Hall

12<sup>th</sup> March **Quiz Night** - 7.30pm - Village Hall

14<sup>th</sup> March **Parish Council meeting** - 7.30pm - Village Hall

16<sup>th</sup> March **Village Lunch** - 12.00 - Village Hall

17<sup>th</sup> March **Hailey Singers** - 7.00pm - St John's

31<sup>st</sup> March **Hailey Singers** - 7.00pm - St John's

2<sup>nd</sup> April **Jumble and Bric-a-Brac Sale** - 1.30pm - Village Hall

2<sup>nd</sup> April **Easter Bingo** - 7.30pm - Village Hall

11<sup>th</sup> April **Parish Council meeting** - 7.00pm - Village Hall

11<sup>th</sup> April **Annual Parish meeting** - 7.30pm - Village Hall

29<sup>th</sup> April **Combat Stress Visit to Sandhurst Academy** – see page 5

30<sup>th</sup> April **Bridewell Gardens Plant Sale** - Wilcote