

NEWSLETTER
WAPPENBURY EATHORPE WESTON
HUNNINGHAM



NOVEMBER 2016
DIARY

Friday 4th November
Saturday 5th November

Tuesday 8th November
Sunday 13th November

Monday 14th November
Sunday 20th November
Saturday 26th November
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Red Lion Bonfire Night 6-9pm
Hill Top Farm Bonfire Night 7.30pm
ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY
Eathorpe Coffee Morning 10.30-12
Remembrance Sunday Services at Weston
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Monday Club Offchurch Village Hall
Leamington Christmas Lights Switch on
ME BEFORE YOU Weston Cinema 8pm
Skittle Evening, Cubbington Village Hall

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WESTON VILLAGE - NEWS

Latest news from Weston Toddler group

We have been enjoying exceptionally good numbers recently with many new babies joining us, making the most of the infant toys and carpet. We continue to benefit from a health visitor once a month who runs a drop in clinic for any parents who have concerns about their children or need their babies weighed. This is an invaluable service for a village of our size which we are keen to maintain. We are also currently trialling a drop in clinic on the first Friday of every month with an NCT breast feeding counsellor. NCT is itself a charity and so we are delighted that they have been willing to offer this service to us. We hope we may be able to continue to offer this to new mums in the future.



As always we are very grateful to our volunteer helpers Hazel and Glynis and our new member, Liz. We are also very grateful to Pete Waters for his recent donation of equipment.

We have a lot going on in the run up to Christmas. The Pilgrim Puppets visit on 9th December and our Christmas party is on 16th December. Paint & Glaze will visit us on 11th November - they make bespoke pottery gifts such as personalised Christmas baubles, and crockery. If you think you might like to buy something a bit different for someone this Christmas then please do drop by - no need to stay for toddler session if you just want to come and have a look at what Paint and Glaze have on offer!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

4th Nov: NCT Breast feeding Counsellor Drop in session 9.30 - 10.30

11th Nov: Health Visitor Drop in Clinic 9.30 - 10.30
and Paint & Glaze visit

2nd Dec: NCT Breast feeding Counsellor Drop in
session 9.30 - 10.30

9th Dec: Health Visitor Drop in Clinic 9.30 - 10.30
and Pilgrim Puppets

16th Dec: Christmas Party!



Mandie Bradshaw

VILLAGE NEWS - EATHORPE

Macmillan Fundraising Afternoon

This event made a grand total of £512.50 and further contributions are in the pipeline. Very many thanks to all who donated and supported so generously, and also to the many helpers on the day, without you all such a fantastic sum could not have been raised.

The sum of £210 was raised by Bloodwise, by the sale of their Christmas cards.
Maggie and Jill.

A very warm welcome to **Jan and John and family** who have recently moved into 4 Park cottages. We hope you will be very happy in Eathorpe, and we look forward to seeing you at our various events.



The next **coffee morning** will be November 8th.

Ian Jamie, John Hammon, Stephen Evans, Denis Macdavid, Norman Pratt and Nick Harrington would like to invite you to take part in a



Skittle Evening

At Cubbington Village Hall
Saturday 26th November
7-10pm

Tickets £14 per person to include fish & chip supper – Bar – Raffle
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VILLAGE NEWS - HUNNINGHAM

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 13th November: Hunningham Church are combining with Offchurch for a Joint Service to be held at St Gregory's Offchurch at 10am. Everyone is welcome.

ADVANCED DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Hunningham Church

Carols by Candlelight will be held on Sunday 11th December at 6pm.

Followed by mince pies and mulled wine. Start Christmas off with tradition!

Carol Singing round Hunningham Village on Tuesday 20th December starting at 6.30pm outside Hunningham Church. All are welcome.

CHRISTMAS DAY Sunday 25th December 10am

join us for a short Family service in Hunningham Church – bring the family and any presents from “Father Christmas”.



HUNNINGHAM VILLAGE PARTY *Saturday 28th January 2017*

Hazel Taylor

Hunningham is holding the annual **Carol Singing** around the village on Tuesday 20th December. We will meet at the church at 6.00pm and eventually finish singing around the fires at the Red Lion. If you would like to join us then just turn up (with a torch or two) and bright clothing. There will be some hi-vis jackets available. If we are fortunate there will be a few “pit stops” en route.



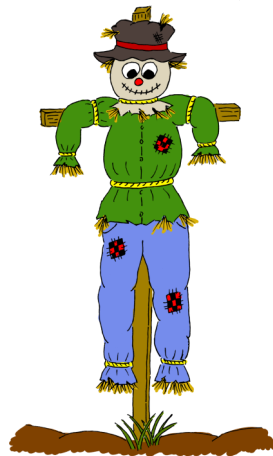
Any Hunningham villagers who are willing to host us for a quick “tyre change” and a “refuelling” during our evening would be willingly welcomed and we will drop by and sing for our treats. Please **give Mark a call on 632197 if you would like further details or would like to contribute.** Proceeds will go towards Hunningham church's building fund and our nominated charity.



VILLAGE NEWS -WESTON

Weston Scarecrow Festival

Weston Events, Bren Boardman, Glynis Hooper, Mandie Bradshaw and Chris Garden would like to thank everyone who took part in the Scarecrow Festival, helped out and attended the evening in the Village Hall, making it a great success and definitely an annual event for the Village!

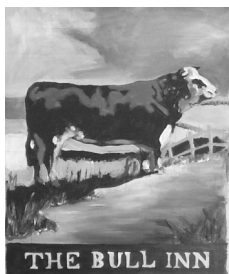


Gold Prize of £50 was awarded to 'the Fencer' by Maddie and Emma Alford
Silver of £25 to Jane Jones and Colin Hancocks for 'Zara Phillips'
Bronze of £10 to the Carringtons for 'Max Hedge-Fund'

Thank you to Andrew McGregor for the difficult task of judging all twenty-six highly original and creative sports-themed Scarecrows.

Also, many thanks to Pete Brookes and the Band 'Simply Grey'; to Nick Harrington, Andy Smith and Pete Waters for providing the pop-up Pub 'the Westoner'; and to the BBQ Sizzlers Richard Hooper, Martin Lithgo and Crew.

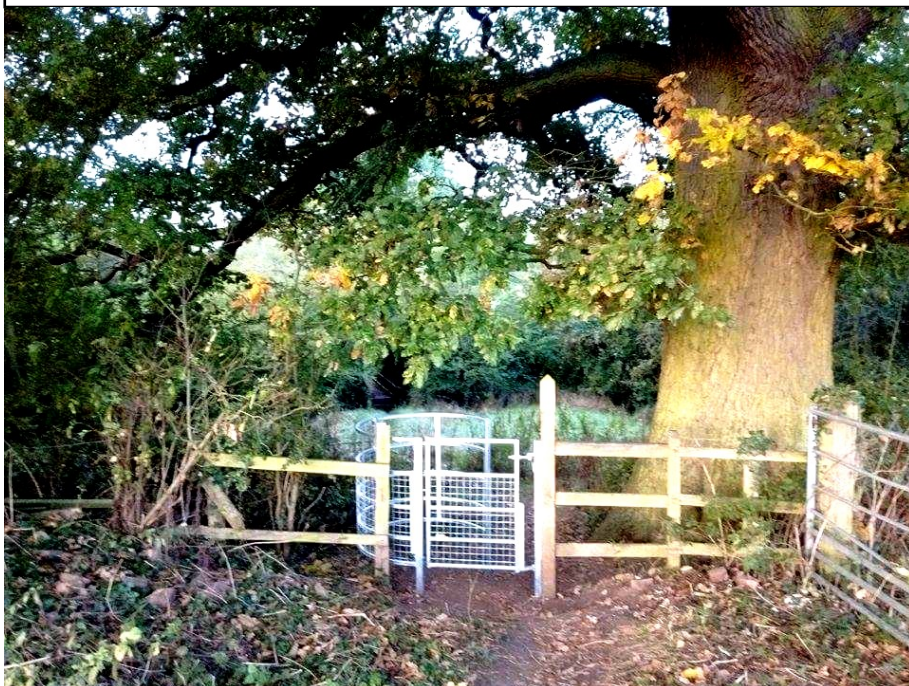
Last and not least, to the Village Hall Committee for providing the venue for another fun event for the Weston community!



VILLAGE NEWS -WESTON

The **Weston Footpaths Group** have been busy again, installing a third kissing gate. On the way from Weston to Wappenbury, this makes the footpath more accessible than the uphill stile there previously. With the beautiful autumn colours and recent dry weather, it makes for a great walk - see the village website for details if you're not sure of the route. Many thanks to the team - Carolyn Davies, Paddy Taylor, Peter Haine, Alan and Ben Keffler.

Sue Keffler



MONDAY CLUB

We had the pleasure of going to Eathorpe Village Hall for our last meeting which made a nice change. The speaker was Oliver Lane who had previously lived in Upton House and he described all the most interesting paintings and porcelain which he illustrated with slides.

Our next meeting on November 14th will be a joint meeting with Offchurch at their Village Hall.

Valerie Evans



Winter Fair

Saturday 19th November 10am – 5pm

Sunday 20th November 10am – 4pm

FREE ADMISSION!

- ❄️ *Bespoke gift and craft retailers*
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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



****Newsletter Editor's BIKE STOLEN** from outside Weston church Sunday 9th October between 6-7pm. While playing the organ for the hymns, someone took my bike, complete with helmet, lights, paniers and fluorescent belt!! Thanks for the lift home and immediate offers of a loan bike from fellow villagers. *Katie Alcock*

This month's Police Newsletter, which arrived before the bicycle theft reported above, did not feature any crimes within our villages, albeit there were quite a number of vehicles crimes reported in neighbouring villages, including this one in Stoneleigh:

"Vehicle Crime: *During the daytime on Saturday 24-SEP-2016 unknown offender(s) broke into six vehicles parked in a field along the B4115 between Stoneleigh and Ashow. Vehicles either had a door forced or a window smashed. Items stolen included bags, handbags, mobile phones, laptops and SatNavs".*

Whilst I don't know the precise details of this multiple theft, it does reinforce Police advice not to leave valuable items in your car. The report does suggest that maybe some of these items may have been visible to whoever perpetrated this crime?

That's it for this month.

Paddy Taylor 632428

FREE SMALL ADS

New service in the Newsletter - place your small ad for items for sale or free-cycling (domestic items only, local residents, no businesses).

FOR SALE

SOFA lovely large 3-seater firm Gable sofa, John Lewis, ochre pattern. Can deliver. Offers invited.



DRUM KIT Good make Peavey, well used. Good for trial / new starter.

Contact Katie Alcock 07745 377643



CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 6th November	11am Wappenbury	3 Parishes Holy Communion Service
Sunday 13th November	10am Offchurch 10.30am Weston	Remembrance Joint Sunday Service with Hunningham Remembrance Sunday Service
Sunday 20th November	6pm Weston	Evensong
Sunday 27th November	11am Hunningham	Come2Worship with Junior Church and the Pilgrim Puppets



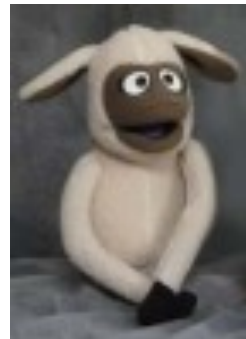
THE PILGRIM PUPPETS

Wednesday 16th November - Tysoe Primary School -
10.00am

Saturday 19th November - St George's Church, Hill-
morton Open Day 2.00pm

Sunday 27th November - Come 2 Worship Hunning-
ham Church 11.00am

Monday 28th November - Ettington Primary School
9.05am



GREEN MATTERS

Currently we are privileged to be having a nightly visit from a severely endangered species. We were alerted to our friendly hedgehog one night by ferocious barking and instead of an intruder we found our dog running round a prickly ball on the path.

Since then we have been feeding him regularly and it is a treat to sit and watch this charming fellow at close quarters - something that used to be commonplace but is now fairly unusual. I mentioned in a previous piece that the UK hedgehog population has declined from around 36 million in 1959 to less than one million today. If trends continue the hedgehog could be extinct in our lifetime. One of the problems with addressing loss of biodiversity is that the time scales seem long to us when faced with day to day problems but in terms of nature things are moving very rapidly. Once lost creatures and their habitat cannot easily be recovered.

Conservation needs long term commitment. Fortunately there are charities that commit resources to preserving our countryside and habitats for wildlife including the humble hedgehog. Also many farmers and land-owners are doing good work. But it has to be said that even large organisations such as the RSPB and the best efforts of farmers cannot address all the challenges for nature. It needs a joint approach from these agencies together with government action to make a difference.

As for the hedgehog they seem to be victims both of changing agricultural practices, busier roads and also less wildlife-friendly gardens. We can do our bit by ensuring that there are gaps under the fence and leaving a few uncultivated parts of the garden. Also not being too free with pest control as they do like a nice slug or two. So for now we will try to give our little visitor a helping hand and appreciate him and hope the hedgehog decline can be halted. It's not too late but if we lose our hedgehogs they may never return – once they are gone they are gone and we don't want to have to go to a zoo or museum to see one.



*“They took all the trees and put ‘em in a tree museum, and charged the people a dollar and a half just to see ‘em,
Don’t it always seem to go that you don’t know what you’ve got till it’s gone – they paved paradise and put up a parking lot”*

Big Yellow Taxi by Joni Mitchell 1967

Owen Bishop

VILLAGE EVENT - WESTON

Weston Advent Windows 2016

1st - 24th December - a new window unveiled every day.

After the huge success of the Scarecrow Festival, Weston-under-Wetherley residents are invited to take part in creating an 'Advent Window' to celebrate December in the village.

We need at least 23 homes to take part. By mid November each home participating will be given a number and on that date in December will unveil their window for everyone to see. The window should then remain lit each evening until Christmas. If we have more volunteers than 23, we will double up on some dates.

Window 24 will be in St Michael's Church.

There are no prizes, just the fun of taking part and creating your idea.

The window displays can be in the house window or a 'free-standing' window in the front garden. They just need to be easy for people to see from the street or from the top of a short 'well lit' drive.

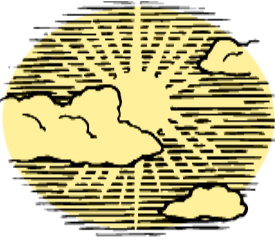
Trail maps with the Advent Calendar dates and corresponding address will be delivered through village doors by 1st December and put on the Weston Facebook Page, where a photo of each window will be shown when it is unveiled.

Text or phone Bren (07769913686), or one of the team if you would like to take part in creating a window. The cut off date for entries is 20th November.

On Friday 23 December, we invite everyone to walk around the village to see the windows and from 6.00pm there will be free mulled wine & mince pies in the village hall followed by Carol Singing at 6.30pm led by a local choir to toast the festive season.

We look forward to seeing you!
Weston Events Team - Bren; Glynis; Mandie; Chris.

WEATHER



The start of **September** brought a South Westerly airstream which brought changeable weather. It then became much more settled and warmer as the month progressed. There was a wet spell on the 8th to the 10th which was accompanied by very warm nights. The middle of the month was exceptionally hot and humid. September ended

unsettled but pleasant with temperatures warmer than usual.

Rainfall for the month was lower than average by about 20%. There were 10 days with measureable rain with the wettest day being the 13th with 13mm. It was the temperatures during September that provided the most interesting figures.

For September this was the second highest maximum average that I have charted and it was equal warmest overnight that I have seen. Overall it was the 2nd warmest September that I have recorded. The warmest day was the 14th and the coolest day occurred several times with 17C. The warmest night was the 6th with 19C and the coolest the 23rd with 8C. Unsurprisingly there were no frosts.

Mark Hancock 01926 632197 / 07801424003

	September 2016	Long term average	Highest recorded	Lowest recorded
Rainfall	49.75mm	58.44mm	127mm (2009)	10.75 mm (2014)
Average max Daily temp	21.666C	19.181C	22.2C (2006)	16.43C (1994)
Average min Daily temp	13.15C	9.88C	13.15C (2006/16)	8.23C (2012)
Monthly Average temp	17.408C	14.531C	17.675C (2006)	12.55C (1993)

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Please contact **Katie Brazier: 07770 965122** or **Abbey Richards 07733 033341**. Come and have a go – we look forward to seeing you!!

Mark Swaby Chairman

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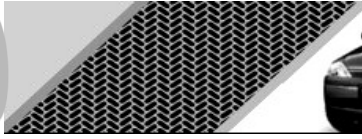
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