

Kingswood Grapevine

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Dates For Your Diary

Tues	4 th	July	Neighbourhood Watch A.G.M	St. Mary's Room	7.30pm
Sat	15 th	"	Jellybean Sale	Village Hall	10.00am-11.30am
Sat	15 th	"	Tubbs Turf Family Fun Day and Finals		12.00 noon
Sat	15 th	"	Village Hall – new lighting and sound system		7.30pm-11.00pm
Sun	16 th	"	Strawberry Teas	St. Mary's Room	3.00pm- 5.00pm
Fri	21 st	"	Comedy Night	Village Hall	
Sat	29 th	"	Cricket Club Hog Roast		
Sat	26 th	Aug	Hawkesbury Show		

SEPTEMBER ISSUE DEADLINE:

FRIDAY AUGUST 18th

Sat 2nd Sept Showday

Sat 16th " Village Ball

Sat 14th Oct Beer Festival

Park Mill Farm

Village Hall

KINGSWOOD VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

Comedy Night **July 21st** @ Kingswood Village Hall. After the huge success in February 2017, we are back with more top rated comedy acts! Cerys hosting again, plus, among others, two Edinburgh Fringe acts. Tickets: Dave Werrett, 07970100304. Do not forget: Kingswood Village Showday **Sept 2nd**. There are still some stalls available @ £20 please contact Jim 07527813404. The Produce & Handicraft schedules will be coming through every door during July and can also be sourced at the Spar shop. More information: Angela Stephens 07896032202

If you would like to attend a KVA meeting, the next two are **17th July & 14th August** - contact Jim 07527813404.

KINGSWOOD VILLAGE BALL COMMITTEE: the Annual Ball will be held at Parkmill Farm, **September 16th**, £50 pp; £200 deposit will secure you a table of 10. All profits will be donated to the Nicola Corrie Foundation. For tickets and further details, contact Dave Werrett 07979100304.

KINGSWOOD VILLAGE CRICKET CLUB HOG ROAST

Come and join the cricket club for its annual Hog Roast, not forgetting beer, cider and wine. **Saturday 29th July** from 7.30pm until 11.00pm at the Village Hall and Playing Field. Tickets £10, Juniors £5 available from any club member. If in doubt, Rod 843398, rodplume@gmail.com, will have plenty.

Jubilee Club

40 years and still going strong! The Club held its Anniversary Lunch at the Masonic Hall in Wotton on Wednesday 10th May, when we were joined by three former members including our past President, Lil Mabon, who cut the cake. We did file a report and photograph to the Gazette, but so far they have ignored us. The celebration was followed two weeks later by our AGM, when instead of "all change"; it was "as you were". This was closely followed on Sunday 28th by Town Hall Teas, when we raised over £200 (gross). We are still looking for new members, with plenty to look forward to. There is our Cream Tea on the **2nd August**; two or three choral groups, as well as a talk on Panama with slides, and many of our old favourites. And, of course, there is our Christmas Lunch on **13th December** at a venue yet to be decided.

Hawkesbury Horticultural Society.

Our organisation is entirely made up of volunteers who put on our annual show every August in Hawkesbury Upton. This year marks our 132nd Show on **Saturday 26th August** at the Village Hall and Rec, High Street, Hawkesbury Upton GL9 1AU. Showground gates open at 12.30pm. Pay on the gate or buy advance tickets at Hawkesbury Stores or Hawkesbury Upton Post Office. Adults £5, Senior Citizens £3, Children £2, Family ticket £12 (2 adults + up to 4 children)

TUBBS TURF email: membership@tubbsturf.co.uk

Tubbs Turf Family Fun & Finals Day – 15th July from 12noon

Bring family and friends and come and enjoy a lovely fun filled afternoon and garden party at Tubbs Turf. There will be the finals of the highly contested tennis tournament, a table tennis knock out competition, shoot the hoop basketball contest, netball match, junior fun tennis, and also... the speed gun challenge – who has the fastest serve? Kingswood School will also be performing their country dancing display. So come and play, watch, relax and enjoy, all in the beautiful gardens of Tubbs Turf. Oh, and do not forget the rather delicious refreshments too - BBQ, local beer, Pimms & Prosecco, homemade cakes and drinks, plus the raffle with some great prizes kindly donated by local businesses. So lots going on. Look out for the free programme through your door for further details. Fun for all the family and only a walk away. **Saturday 9th July** 12noon – 6pm. For further details about Tubbs Turf visit our website www.tubbsturf.co.uk and to receive our newsletter.

St Mary's fete

We would like to extend our very warm thanks to everyone who made this event such a success. Whether you supplied goods to sell; helped shift furniture and set up (and take down!) tents; ran a stall or a game; served teas; laboured over the BBQ or poured pints at the bar - we really appreciated your help. The fete raised £3475 which is one of our best results ever - thanks to all those who helped and all those who came. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did! Queen Victoria was certainly amused...

JELLYBEAN GOOD AS NEW SALE IS COMING TO KINGSWOOD!!!!!!

Jellybean is a nearly new sale of good quality children's clothes (0-11years), toys, books, DVD's, maternity wear, pushchairs, bedding, equipment etc. The sale is on **Saturday 15th July** 10am-11.30am at Kingswood Village Hall, come along and grab a bargain!! If you would like to sell, please visit www.jellybeangoodasnew.co.uk for more information and to register. We look forward to seeing you there!

KINGSWOOD VILLAGE HALL

Free, Local, Live Music 7.30pm - 11pm on **Saturday 15th July** to show the brilliant new lighting and sound systems now available at the Village Hall.

Make time to take a close look at the Village Hall, which many now believe has become the best facility locally for all sorts of different events. The Hall already caters for Playgroup, Lace Making, Toddlers, Women's Institute, Karate, Zumba, Brownies, Jubilee Club, Slimming World, Yoga and Parish Council meetings. There are regular bookings for the Blood Transfusion service, for use as a polling station. It accommodates annual events like Heaven of the South Cycling, rated amongst the best of its kind in the country. Bristol Churches hold an annual get-together. The National Trust have recently used the Hall for a regional conference and fully appreciated the facilities. Youth and adult sports organisations use our changing rooms and shower facilities on a regular basis. We now have a stage and sound system rated to professional theatre standards and we have bookings and further interest from many local amateur dramatics groups. The Hall is fully licensed for music and there is a well-stocked bar and a dance floor in the main hall that was recently refurbished. The Hall is often booked for special events such as christenings, birthday parties and wedding receptions. It could be hired for yours. We have a web page, www.k-v-h.org, Facebook page and our booking officer, Isobel Kelly, can be contacted on 07810567294 or 01453844283.

Please consider Kingswood Village Hall for your special occasion, you will not be disappointed.

Bar Steward still Required at Kingswood Village Hall

We offer an attractive remuneration package. Contact David Scott 01453 845354 for details.

Friends of St Mary's

We look forward to seeing you at our delicious Strawberry Teas on **Sunday 16th July** in St Mary's Room, between 3pm and 5 pm, we do hope you will be able to make it and please put the event in your diary. The event will include live music, teas, coffees, strawberries and cream, homemade cakes and scones.

We are collecting books and DVD's for our stall on **Showday on 2nd September**, please note we are only able to take good quality recent fiction, paperback or hardback format, or popular films and TV DVDs and leave them inside the rear of the church. Please contact us by emailing: friends@stmaryskingswood.org.uk or phoning Chris 844162, Pat 845076, Stella 842497, or John 07761 672926. See our Facebook page: Friends of St Mary's Kingswood

Kingswood Congregational Church – Secretary Jennie Amesbury 01453842803 jennieamesbury@btinternet.com

We are on Facebook. Website www.kingswoodcongregational.org

Several Churches Together events happening in July, firstly on the 2nd Open Air Service for Water Aid at 6pm on the Abbey Green. On the 21st - Midsummer Social at 12 Chestnut Park 7.30-9.30pm Tickets £5 from Annett 07795273395 or Val Abbott 01453 842059. Junior Heroes Holiday Club will be held from the 25th – 28th July in the Village Hall. For more details check out the Summer Leaflet or contact us by any of the ways above. Our services will continue to run throughout the summer at 10.30am and 6.00pm. United will be closed throughout August.

Kingswood Parish Council Email clerk@kingswoodparishcouncil.gov.uk www.kingswoodparishcouncil.gov.uk

Penwood Lodge Consultation. - The parish council have been advised that a planning application has been received by Stroud District Council to build a new nursing home at Penwood Lodge. The parish council will be holding a pre-consultation meeting on **Monday 17th July** at the village hall at 8.15 pm. The parish council wish to find out what the people of Kingswood think of this application. Full detail on the application should be available on the Stroud District Council website www.stroud.gov.uk in due course. Please also check the parish council website page www.kingswoodparishcouncil.gov.uk and Facebook page for further details.

Wild about Kingswood – Richard from Stroud Valleys Project is at the Chestnut Park site every Monday from 11.00am. Please go along, say hello, and if you have time please join in and learn how to manage the land. Volunteers are urgently required please contact the clerk to find out more!

Pond Dipping: Date: **Saturday 22nd July**, (10am – 2pm). What pond life and mini-beasts live in the main breeding pond at Kingswood's own wildlife oasis? As last year, Denise Gibbons and Barbara Wood, both experts in pond wildlife, will lead this third pond survey. Throughout the session, people will be able to have a look at what pond life is living in the pond through netting in to wet survey trays. As in the second survey last year, we hope to record all the pond life species found, adding to the previous data recorded by Stroud Valleys Project in 2013 & 2016.

Bat Walk: Date **Thursday 24th August** 8pm – 9.30pm: About the Bat Walk: Come along and enjoy an early evening stroll around Wild About Kingswood's own Open & green Spaces with Stroud Valleys Project's own bat expert, Ms Nadine Symkat-Kloss, a locally based ecologist and former colleague of Stroud Valleys Project.

The Bat Conservation Trust organise this event nationally and is linked to International Bat Week, an annual celebration of bats with events for the public taking place across the country.

The aim of these events is to encourage people to see and hear bats in their natural environment organised by local bat groups, wildlife trusts and other organisations. For more details on this event and to book places contact Stroud Valleys Project on 01453 753358 or visit the website: www.stroudvalleysproject.org

Dogs – Please can all dog owners please ensure that they are picking up after their dogs. If you see anyone not picking up, inform the parish clerk. The parish clerk will then take the matter up and the person reporting can remain anonymous.

Communication - Please visit the KPC web site on www.kingswoodparishcouncil.gov.uk and follow and like the parish council on Facebook. The Clerk Mary Leonard, New Rose Cottage Chapel Lane, Hillesley GL12 7RQ, Tel 01453 844659.

Beer Festival

Save the date in your diary for the annual Kingswood Beer Festival.... with added cider, Prosecco, wine and a hog roast! on **Saturday 14th October 2017** at Kingswood Village Hall. Further details will be in the next edition.

All profits to Kingswood Primary School

The Village Diary can be viewed on the *Grapevine* website. For an entry please email *Grapevine* or telephone Gill on 842734.

