

Kingswood Grapevine

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Dates For Your Diary

Sat	7 th	July	"A Taste of Europe!"	St Mary's Room	
Mon	9 th	"	Parish Council	Village Hall	7.15pm
Tues	10 th	"	W.I – Scavenger Hunt		
Fri	13 th	"	Summer Garden Party	The Old Rectory	7.30pm
Sat	14 th	"	Ceilidh at the Hall	Village Hall	
Thurs	19 th	"	Mobile Police Station	Chipping	10.30am-11.30am
Sat	21 st	"	NCSF Cream Tea	5 The Chipping	11.00am-2.00pm
Sat	21 st	"	Cricket Club Annual Meat Roast	Trench Farm	
Sun	29 th	"	Mobile Police Station	Chipping	10.30am-11.30am

SEPTEMBER ISSUE DEADLINE:

FRIDAY AUGUST 24th

Fri	10 th	August	Mobile Police Station	Chipping	10.30am-11.30am
Tues	14 th	"	W.I. Garden Party		
Mon	20 th	"	Mobile Police Station	Chipping	10.30am-11.30am
Sat	1 st	Sept	Showday & Classic Car Show	Playing Field	
Sat	8 th	"	"Ride and Stride"		
Thurs	27 th	"	Historical Society Talk	Village Hall	7.30pm
Sat	29 th	"	Auction of Promises	St Mary's Room	7.30pm
Fri	12 th	Oct	R.N.L.I. Quiz Night	Village Hall	7.30pm
Thurs	1 st	Nov	Historical Society A.G.M & talk	Village Hall	7.30pm
Fri	9 th	"	Curry at the Hall	Village Hall	

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## NCSF Cream Tea Crazy

Isobel and the girls will be hosting a 'Cream Tea Crazy' for the Nicola Corry Support Foundation at Millie's Cottage, 5 The Chipping, Kingswood on **Saturday, 21st July**. Open from 11am to 2pm. Please come along and support this Charity which helps families cope with cancer.

## KINGSWOOD NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

**Summer Garden Party** – Don't miss the Kingswood Neighbourhood Watch garden party at The Old Rectory on **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July** starting at 7.30pm. We also celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Kingswood Neighbourhood Watch this year. All Kingswood residents and friends are welcome, so come along and enjoy an evening of good company in lovely surroundings. Tickets at £6 per head includes 3 drinks plus food, and are available from all members of the Watch contact team as listed on your new yellow contact cards or from either Norman Ward (843290) or Rod Alexander (843398). The Police Information Point is available in the Post Office should you wish to report any problem to be followed up.

## KINGSWOOD ABBEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Kingswood Abbey WI members took part in a card making hands-on session at their June meeting, they also enjoyed a flower arranging demonstration by their President. Hopefully, members will now feel more confident to take part in some of the Show day competitions. The next meeting on **Tuesday, 10th July** will be a village Scavenger hunt followed by an American Supper at the Village Hall. The August meeting will be a Garden Party at Waterfall, Nind Lane on the afternoon of **Tuesday, 14th August**. The WI members would like to thank Paul and Joanna Rumney for opening their garden for the village Jubilee tea party also thanks to everyone who made cakes. Thanks too to the Phoenix Players for providing the music; also to all who made donations to the Jubilee memorial fund.

## KINGSWOOD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Kingswood Congregational Chapel – Being Light, Bringing Hope, Building Community.  
A big thank you to everyone who visited the Flower Festival as part of the fantastic Jubilee celebrations. It was a great day. On the **1st July at 6.00pm** is our Churches Together Outdoor (weather permitting) Service on the Abbey Green. The service will be for Water Aid, the speaker will be Nigel Quarrell from Christian Aid. If it rains the service will be in the Chapel. An Olympic themed Fun Day will be held on the **18th August** at the Village Hall for all the family. This is still in the planning stage so please look out for the posters which will have all the details. Please contact our Secretary, Jennie, if you would like to know more, on 842803.

## KINGSWOOD VILLAGE HALL

Don't forget our fundraising Barn Dance on **14<sup>th</sup> July**. Tickets at £10 (including Ploughmans Supper) available from committee members.

We're also planning a Curry Evening with food by Madhu's Rasoi on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November**.

## KINGSWOOD VILLAGE CRICKET CLUB

Kingswood Village Cricket Club is holding its Annual Meat Roast on **21st July**. This year we are once again guests of Rob and Faye Austen at Trench Farm. We have locally reared Pork and Lamb on the menu along with Rod's famous bar all in a beautiful setting. Tickets at £10 adults / £5 for Under 16s are available from Angus McCubbin 844274 and Rod Alexander 843398. The weather must improve sometime so why not come along and enjoy a summer's evening with the Cricket Club.

## Kingswood Parish Council 2012

The following have been elected to serve as Parish Councillors in the May election. Chairman David Rockey, Vice chairman Paul Hemming, Jean Simmons, Sue Evans, Toby Phillips, Norval Hawksworth and Ken Wood.

The Clerk is Mary Leonard and can be contacted at New Rose Cottage Hillesley GL12 7RQ or by Email [kingswood.parish@btconnect.com](mailto:kingswood.parish@btconnect.com) Phone 01453 844659

Paul Hemming was re-elected as the Ward Councillor for Stroud District Council.

The parish Council meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month in the Village Hall, Wickwar Road. Members of the public are welcome to attend. There is provision within the meeting for the public to ask questions or to give information to the councillors. The Council also meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month if required. This meeting is only scheduled if there is a planning application or other urgent business to discuss. The agenda advising of a meeting and giving details of business to discuss will be displayed on the notice board and on the website on the Wednesday before the meeting. The next meeting will be on **Monday July 9<sup>th</sup> 2012**.

**Flying Fox** - The Councillors are delighted to advise you that the Flying Fox is now installed, up and working. Have fun.

**Hedges** - Please check that boundary hedges are not causing an obstruction to either the highway or footpaths.

**Contacting the Parish Council** - A question was raised at the Annual Parish Meeting in connection with the current arrangements for contacting the council which are phone, letter or email. The following suggestion has been put forward, of either a parish council office or regular surgery with the Clerk and a Councillor.

The Councillors would like to ask for your views on this as follows:-

1. Are the present contact arrangements adequate?
2. Would you like there to be a parish Council office within the village?
3. Do you think holding a regular monthly surgery with the Clerk and a Councillor is useful. If so what would you consider to be the best time for this to be held?

Please respond to the above by contacting the clerk by email or letter.

## KINGSWOOD VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

**Showday 2012 – Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September** at the Village Hall Playing Field. We look forward to seeing everyone at this year's Showday where you can expect a variety of stalls, exciting demonstrations in the main arena, brilliant food and a bar, the dog show, Produce and Handicraft and of course, the Classic Car Show! There is something for everyone so whether you want to get involved or just come along and enjoy the day - we look forward to seeing you on September 1<sup>st</sup>. We will be dropping leaflets through letterboxes over the next few weeks with details of how you can join in but please visit our website ([www.k-v-a.org](http://www.k-v-a.org)) in the meantime. If you would like to run a stall on the day, please contact Clare on 842009 or email [kingswoodvillage@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kingswoodvillage@hotmail.co.uk). If you would like to advertise in the programme, please contact Donna on 07985332145 or email the above address. Prices have been frozen from last year and it is a wonderful opportunity to reach a large number of people!

Kingswood Village Association – we are always looking for new members to join the committee who can help, come up with ideas or new events, or help run events. We meet once a month for a couple of hours, enjoy a glass or two of wine and plan ways of raising funds for the village. If you would like to join in, please contact Donna on 07985332145 or visit the website ([www.k-v-a.org](http://www.k-v-a.org))

## Friends of St. Mary's

**7<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30 pm in St. Mary's Room: "A Taste of Europe – or some of it!"** Tickets £16 each in advance from (01453) 843398 (Rod), 520359 (John), 845204 (Simon) or 843199 (David). Some places still available on going to press.

**8<sup>th</sup> September "Ride and Stride"** – a sponsored tour (on cycle, foot or horseback) of some of the area's loveliest churches, in aid of the Historic Churches Trust. Cycle routes have been planned for families with children as well as more advanced riders, with a lunch stop en route. Details from (01453) 842483 (David) or 845204 (Simon).

And don't forget our **Auction of Promises on 29<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 pm**. Come and bid for goods and services of all kinds, including a 5 star luxury holiday. If you can offer something to be auctioned please contact Simon.

## ST MARY'S PARISH CHURCH

We still have a very warm glow from the two recent and major events that have taken place in St Mary's.

First there was the Service of Celebration and Thanksgiving that launched our village's Jubilee Day on 2 June.

It really was a very uplifting occasion, a truly united effort from right across the community.

The joint choir worked their socks off for weeks beforehand to put on some splendid music that properly reflected the occasion; there was a marvellous contribution by children from our village school and everyone there - the church was packed - seemed to feel a sense not just of celebration but also of commitment as a community. It will surely be an occasion that stays long in the memory for everyone who was there.

The second event, exactly a fortnight later, was our Annual Garden Fete. This should, of course, have taken place in the beautiful garden at Amercombe. However, the weather forecast the day before was so atrocious that the decision was taken to move all the stalls and attractions into St Mary's, save for the children's Treasure Hunt. This seems to have been the correct decision because lots of people crowded in and there was a really happy buzz all afternoon.

Our grateful thanks to all who worked hard to put the event on, or donated produce or prizes or who just came along and joined in on the day. Not having the main event at Amercombe was disappointing, not least because David and Tricia Rockey had done so much to get the garden into top condition in time for the event. It was gratifying, therefore, to hear how many people had looked around the garden and expressed their enjoyment of it during the day.

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