

# Kingswood Grapevine

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## Dates For Your Diary

Fri	4 <sup>th</sup>	Nov	R.N.L.I Christmas Coffee Morning	St. Mary's Room	10.00am-12.00pm
Fri	4 <sup>th</sup>	"	First Collection of the NEW Refuse & Recycling Contract	Check New Calendar	
Mon	7 <sup>th</sup>	"	Kingswood Sport and Recreation Fund A.G.M	Village Hall	8.00pm
Tues	8 <sup>th</sup>	"	W.I. A.G.M	Village Hall	7.30pm
Fri	11 <sup>th</sup>	"	Frog Racing	Village Hall	7.00pm
Sat	12 <sup>th</sup>	"	Supper Quiz	St. Mary's Room	7.00pm
Wed	16 <sup>th</sup>	"	Historical Society A.G.M followed by talk	St. Mary's Room	2.00pm
Sat	19 <sup>th</sup>	"	Children in Need Coffee Morning	Dinneywicks	10.00am-12.00pm

**DECEMBER DEADLINE:**

**FRIDAY 25<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec Christmas Wine Festival Village Hall

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### KINGSWOOD VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

The KVA Christmas Wine Festival will be held at 7.30pm, **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** at The Village Hall. A great success in its previous four years, it will offer 20 wines, chosen as "Champions" in a blind tasting of over 500 wines by the buyers at the acclaimed Wine Society, this year's Wine Merchant of the Year. The £13.00 ticket price, to include four glasses of wine and canapés, are available from Rod Alexander (843398), Dave Rothwell (843789) Judi (07769973072) and Dave Werrett (07970100304). The proceeds will go towards the Senior Citizens' lunch on New Year's Eve. Related to this, we will again be lucky to benefit from Waitrose's, Chipping Sodbury, "Green Token" scheme. Please will shoppers at Waitrose donate their green tokens to the bin for 'Kingswood Village Association's Senior Citizens' New Year's Eve lunch.

### Friends of St Mary's

This is a reminder that we still have some tickets left at only £12 per person, including food, for the Supper Quiz, which will take place at 7.00pm on **12<sup>th</sup> November**. This year's revised event features a varied mix of teasing and easy questions, there will be time for socialising and enjoying two courses of delicious home cooked food including a hot main course with vegetarian option followed by a selection of puddings. There will also be a licensed bar and the customary raffle. Teams of four, but we can match you to a team. Please contact us by emailing: [friends@stmaryskingswood.org.uk](mailto:friends@stmaryskingswood.org.uk) (New e-mail address) or phoning Chris 844162, Stella 842497, Rod 843398 or John 07761 672926. See our Facebook page: Friends of St Mary's Kingswood.

### Claire Failes - Open Studio

I am opening up my studio on **Friday to Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> November**, 11am - 4pm everyone welcome, – Signposted from The Black Horse – North Nibley. Everyone Welcome.

### KINGSWOOD ABBEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Kingswood Abbey WI celebrated its 50th birthday on October 11<sup>th</sup> with a peal of 50 bells rung at St Mary's Church during the morning and a party with invited ex-members in the evening. All enjoyed a sixties buffet and entertainment reprising songs and monologues from the entertainments of the previous 50 years. A birthday cake was cut by President, Sheila Kerr and founder member, Rita Pollard. All missed our other founder member, Rosalie Maunders who was in hospital. Rosalie had provided many of the 50 years of photographs and memorabilia decorating the Village Hall. We are delighted that she is now back at home recuperating. We also received birthday greetings from Mark Cummings on his Radio Gloucestershire morning programme. Kingswood Abbey WI hosted a very successful GFWI walk on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October, when 60 WI members from all over the County were guided on a variety of walks within a six-mile area around Kingswood then returned to the Village Hall for lunch. The next WI meeting is the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday **8th November**, 7.30pm at the Village Hall. Speakers, Andrew Sainsbury and Becks Shaw will give us 'A Taste of the Future'

**BRIDGE** • For details, contact Ian Cooke: 01666 890261 [tresham.bridge@gmail.com](mailto:tresham.bridge@gmail.com)

- Want to learn how to play this most stimulating and social card game? Or, already know the basics, but want to improve?
- I will be giving lessons again this autumn, at both levels, in Wotton (Civic Centre). My courses are designed for anybody who wants to have fun, learn an enjoyable hobby and make new friends.
- Come on your own or with a friend, you will be assured of a warm welcome.

### Wotton and District R.N.L.I

Come and join us at our Annual Christmas Coffee Morning on **Friday November 4<sup>th</sup>** at St. Mary's Room between 10am and 12 noon. There will be cards, calendars, diaries, stocking fillers and of course coffee/tea and biscuits.

#### KINGSWOOD SPORTS AND RECREATION FUND.

The AGM will be held in the Village Hall Community Room at 8.00pm, **Monday November 7<sup>th</sup>**. Application forms for the committee can be obtained from the Secretary, Mark Roberts, 3 Russet Ct., GL12 8SG and should be returned to him.

#### KINGSWOOD VILLAGE HALL

Frog Racing at the Village Hall **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November** at 7.00pm – all proceeds to go to refurbishing the stage at the hall.

#### HISTORICAL SOCIETY (contact Sheila [sabramley34@gmail.com](mailto:sabramley34@gmail.com) or 843398)

The Annual General Meeting will be held at 2 pm on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November** in St Mary's Room. After this meeting, there will be a talk by John Loosley about "Almshouses in Gloucestershire". Tickets (free to Members and £5 to guests) from Sheila. To ensure sufficient seating and refreshments, please do get in touch for a ticket. At the AGM Sheila will be standing down as Secretary after 21 years. The Society invites all Members and any villager wishing to be involved in the activities, committee - or would like to be Secretary- to get in touch with Sheila. The committee meets three times a year and arranges three talks per year (one of which follows the AGM in November). It is not a heavy commitment and we hope it can continue for many years to come.

#### Kingswood Congregational Church (Chapel) contact Jennie 842803, on our Facebook page or our website [www.kingswoodcongregational.org.uk](http://www.kingswoodcongregational.org.uk) - you can find out a lot more about us including the history of the chapel

Firstly, can we thank you for the support you gave to the Macmillan Coffee Morning where we raised £160 and for everyone who supported our tea in aid of Shelterbox, aid for the victims of the Haiti hurricane disaster, where we raised, with donations, £250. It was lovely to see all of you who came to Messy Church; I think you will agree it was an enjoyable morning. This month **Remembrance Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November** 10.55am at the war memorial followed by a service in the chapel where we will be joined by St Mary's.

On the **19<sup>th</sup> November with the kind support of the Dinneywicks, Churches Together will be holding a Coffee Morning from 10.00-12.00 in support of Children in Need**, please come along you will be very welcome and supporting a worthy cause while drinking coffee and eating cake, what could be better.

On the **12<sup>th</sup> November** – Bacon Butty Morning kindly being hosted by our very own Isobel Kelly, 5 The Chipping. Finally, a warm welcome awaits you at either of our services at 10.30am including Sunday School or at 6.00pm.

#### Kingswood Parish Council Email [kingswood.pariah@btconnect.com](mailto:kingswood.pariah@btconnect.com)

**Planning** - Wickwar Road – An application for 61 houses has now been received and a decision is expected at the end of October. This can be viewed on the Stroud District Council web site [www.stroud.gov.uk](http://www.stroud.gov.uk) Planning Ref 16/0629/ful. .  
The Chestnut Park Development – S.16/1555/discon and S.16/1272/rem This application is going to the Stroud District Council's Development Control Committee for a decision on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2016. More information on this in next month's newsletter.

Charfield Road – Gladman development. The appeal into this application as now been withdrawn.

**Kingswood Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)** - The Public Examination is taking far longer than was anticipated. The NDP Group are still commenting on questions raised by the Examiner. It is hope that there may be a more positive update in the next newsletter.

**Wild about Kingswood** – The following free event has been organised on the land at Chestnut Park Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 10.00am – 2pm Hedge Planting and Restoration workshop. Come along and help to create a wildlife friendly hedgerow. For more details on this event contact Stroud Valleys Project on 01453 753358 or visit their website: [www.stroudvalleysproject.org](http://www.stroudvalleysproject.org)

Richard from Stroud Valleys project is at the Chestnut Park site every Wednesday from 10.30am. Please go along, say hello, and if you have time join in learn how to manage the land.

**Remembrance Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2016** - Please keep the War Memorial and surrounding area free of parked cars so that the laying of the poppy wreaths can take place.

**Fly Tipping** - Please can members of the community refrain from disposing rubbish anywhere within the parish. Please dispose of all rubbish in the proper manner.

**Dog Fouling** - Can all dog owners please pick up after their dogs. There seems to be an issue around Chestnut Park. The Dog Warden and Neighbourhood Warden have been informed. They will be monitoring and will issue a fixed penalty fine for any one observed not picking up. They will also be checking that dog walkers have poo bags with them.  
The Clerk Mary Leonard, New Rose Cottage Chapel Lane, Hillesley GL12 7RQ ,Tele 01453 844659,

#### U3A Information on all U3A events, contact and membership details on [www.U3Asites.org.uk/cam-dursley](http://www.U3Asites.org.uk/cam-dursley)

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November.** Monthly branch meeting at 10.30 a.m. Speaker: Hugh Tipper on the history of Listers.

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December.** Monthly branch meeting at 10.30 a.m. It's Christmas again - join us for mulled wine, mince pies and a fun quiz. Guests are welcome to come along to any of the branch meetings.

#### K.L.B School

Family Quiz Night from 7.15pm, **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November** in the School Canteen. £2.50 each, teams of up to eight people, includes light supper.

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

