

Kingswood Grapevine

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Dates For Your Diary

Sat	30 th	Aug	Hawkesbury Show		
Sat	6 th	Sept	Kingswood Village Show	Playing Field	12.30-5.00pm
Sat	13 th	"	Historic Churches Sponsored Cycle Ride		
Mon	22 nd	"	Mobile Police Station	Chipping	10.30am-11.30am

OCTOBER ISSUE DEADLINE:

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 19th

Sat	4 th	Oct	K.S.A Beer Festival		
Thur	9 th	"	Smartys Ladies Fashion Show	Village Hall	7.30pm
Fri	17 th	"	Amethyst String Ensemble	St Mary's	
Sat	8 th	Nov	Supper Quiz at St Mary's	St Mary's	7.00pm
Sat	13 th	Dec	The Saint Cecilia Singers	St Mary's	

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## KINGSWOOD VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

Kingswood Show Day **6th September** 12.30-5 pm on the village playing field and in the village hall - Show day is the KVA's most prestigious event. A jam packed event of stalls, produce and handicraft, the annual dog show, arena events and much much more. Special guest appearance of the Cath Kidston 'Antique Rose' Gromit will also be at the event. For more information please go to:- email address [kingswoodvillage@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kingswoodvillage@hotmail.co.uk) or website [www.K-V-A.org](http://www.K-V-A.org)

## Fascinating Rhythm

Come to our Wine Tasting Evening on **Friday 19th September** at 7.30pm at King George V Memorial Hall, Rangeworthy. Tickets £10 per person from Vanessa, tel: 01454 294937 or email: [wallington@btinternet.com](mailto:wallington@btinternet.com)  
Wine, cheese and nibbles included. Raffle with a star prize of a FREE MOT kindly donated by Ron White, The Car Clinic, Kingswood. Proceeds to Fascinating Rhythm.

## Hawkesbury Upton Primary School [www.hawkesburyprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.hawkesburyprimaryschool.co.uk)

Hawkesbury Upton welcomes you to their School Open Day **Saturday 4th October 2014**, 10am 12noon.  
Join us to see learning in action. Meet teachers, parents and students.  
Explore the extensive grounds and sports field. Find out about Breakfast and After School Clubs.  
Take part in fun activities for children of all ages.  
Call 014523862 or email [enquiries@hawkesbury.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@hawkesbury.org.uk) for more information.

## POLICE INFORMATION KINGSWOOD [Benjamin.rollins@gloucestershire.police.uk](mailto:Benjamin.rollins@gloucestershire.police.uk)

Please be aware that the non-emergency telephone number for the police is 101.  
Alternatively you can also e-mail: [101@gloucestershire.police.uk](mailto:101@gloucestershire.police.uk). For all emergencies please contact **999**.  
**Police B&F Fitness and Café Drop-in dates** Kingswood - The below dates are for when a member of the local police team will be present within the café for the general public to speak to for advice.

**Thursday 21st August** 10am. - Stranger Danger Awareness.

**Saturday 30th August** 10am. - Bike Coding Morning.

**Monday 1st September** 11am.

**KINGSWOOD PARKING ISSUES.** - Due to an increase in the parking issues within the Kingswood area there will now be a more positive approach in dealing with any unnecessary obstructions. One of the main public concerns at the moment is that of pavement parking. Parking on the pavement will and does cause an obstruction to pedestrians, parents with small children and persons with mobility issues. This is due to pedestrians having to unnecessarily use the road to go around the obstruction. As a general rule there should be enough passing space for the width of a double baby buggy for pedestrians. There has also been an issue with the general parking around the tennis court area of Old Rectory Road and Wotton Road. This becomes an issue during peak times due to the nearby give-way arrows, the nearby bends and also the junction of Charfield Road. Again this combination also makes the journey for pedestrians a difficult one and visibility due to vehicle obstructions poor.

Whilst I appreciate that we will never successfully solve all parking issues please refer to a current copy of the Highway Code for the most up to date information on the recommended regulations. As a last resort I will be issuing parking notices and if necessary obstruction penalty notices.

Thank you. BENJAMIN ROLLINS 9105 Police Community Support Officer Stroud LPA. Gloucestershire Constabulary  
Dursley Police Station, Sandpits, Dursley. Glos. GL11 6QE. TEL: 101 Blackberry 07703887575

## Christmas Shoe Boxes

The recent Garden Party hosted by Rachael and Roy Box raised the Magnificent sum of £700 net. The money will be used to fill shoe boxes with Christmas presents for under-privileged children in orphanages abroad. Many thanks to all who supported the event.

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

- Do you want to learn how to play this most stimulating and social of card games? Or, do you already know the basics, but want to improve?
- I will be giving lessons again this autumn, at both levels, in the Wotton area. 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'll be assured of a warm welcome.

## Friends of St. Mary's

**Strawberry Teas Saturday 5th July** - With musical accompaniment kindly provided by Rae Hague, many Kingswodeans and visitors from further afield enjoyed strawberries and cream and home-made cakes, raising £152. Many thanks to the team of volunteers who made this possible.

**Kingswood Village Show 6th September** - Chris Wynn and John Cook will be running a Friends of St. Mary's stall, selling CDs and books, and would be grateful for any donations: [cmwynn@btinternet.com](mailto:cmwynn@btinternet.com) tel. (01453) 844162 or [johnnigelcook@gmail.com](mailto:johnnigelcook@gmail.com)  
Tel: 07702 447 266 or bring on the day.

**Supper Quiz 8th November at 7 pm in St. Mary's** - This year the quiz will be slightly shorter, allowing more time to enjoy the delicious home-cooked supper, and the questions slightly easier. As usual, there will be a licensed bar, prizes for the winning team and a raffle for chances to win various goodies. Teams of four, but we can match individuals to a team. The ticket price is the same as last year - £14 per person, representing excellent value for the food alone. For tickets and details contact John: (01453) 520359.

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## ST MARY'S PARISH CHURCH

**MUSIC AT ST MARY'S** - Following the rapturously received Music at St. Mary's concert in July, which had sold out months in advance, we have two more concerts to complete our programme for 2014:

**Friday 17th October 2014:** Amethyst String Ensemble. The performers are all experienced professional musicians, who have been performing, teaching and freelancing in the South West for many years. They give us the rare chance to hear works for larger chamber groups and their programme will include two such masterpieces: the Mozart Clarinet Quintet and Brahms String Sextet in B flat major Op18.

**Saturday 13th December:** The Saint Cecilia Singers will perform a concert of favourite carols and readings for Christmas. The Saint Cecilia Singers is a chamber choir of enthusiastic and gifted amateur and semi-professional singers. It was founded in 1949, is based in Gloucester and has close links with Gloucester Cathedral. Each year, by long tradition, this choir gives a Christmas concert in the cathedral which is also given in just one other place in Gloucestershire. This year St Mary's is that fortunate location.

Tickets are £10 pp, per concert, £9 each if booking for both concerts. (£5 for children). As usual all seats are numbered. The last concert sold out well in advance, so please get in touch, as soon as possible, to secure the seats of your choice.

David Hatton (01453) 842483; email [dgrhatton@gmail.com](mailto:dgrhatton@gmail.com). All proceeds benefit St. Mary's Restoration Appeal.

### **Historic churches Sponsored Cycle Ride Saturday 13th September**

In last year's event, cyclists from Kingswood raised over £1000, almost half of it going directly to St Mary's. This excellent result put us in the top ten performing parishes in Gloucestershire. We are determined to try and do even better this year. Why not get your cycle out and join us? The idea is to get sponsorship for every church you visit. It's great fun. We usually go in small groups and you can decide just how far you want to go. David Hatton (01453) 842483 has more information and sponsorship forms.

## JOHN MAYO'S EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

If you are at or about to go to university or college, undertaking an apprenticeship or doing any other form of further education or training, you can apply to us for help. Provided you come from Kingswood, John Mayo's Charity may be able to help you with a grant which will help you with essential costs, such as books or equipment. Applications should be made in writing to Dr David Hatton, Nampara, Old Rectory Road, Kingswood, GL12 8RE, **before 10th October**. Just tell us a few details about yourself and the course or training you are undertaking and we will do our best to help you.

If, when you read this, you think that someone in your family, or a neighbour, or a friend would be eligible, then please encourage them to apply.

## TUBBS TURF

A huge thank you to all who supported, sponsored, played in and helped out at Tubbs Turf Finals Day last month. The day was a great success, with good weather, great tennis and the usual fun - plus a little music this year for the first time. Thanks to the generosity of local businesses, our proceeds were up on previous years, and funds are going towards the revamp of the gardens as well as the usual maintenance of the facility.

For those of you with green fingers and a little time, our next Gardening Day is on **Saturday 6th September** from 10am til 1pm, with coffee and cakes to help the hard work. All welcome, bring your own tools!

### **LADIES LOVE A BARGAIN? Put Thursday 9th October in your diary!**

The summer has been glorious but with cooler weather in the air, and autumn just around the corner, who doesn't need something to look forward to? A new wardrobe beckons...but hold fire before splashing out in the The Mall because we have the answer. Big name fashion, well-known labels and High Street favourites at 50-75% off, to be exact!

On **Thursday 9th October**, Smartys Ladies Fashion comes to Kingswood Village Hall and we would be delighted if you could join us in the hunt for a must-have bargain. You will find up-to-date clothes from Boden, FatFace, Per Una, White Stuff, Next, M&S, Monsoon, Zara and more, sizes 8-22, all at knock-down prices.

To help you decide, there will be a short fashion show, accompanied by drinks and nibbles, after which you will have the opportunity to try on (and buy!) as many of the clothes as you wish. Fun, friends and fashion - what's not to like?

Tickets cost £5 and include a welcome drink. The show starts at 7.30pm and we expect the event to be popular so please tell your friends and get your tickets early to avoid disappointment.

Tickets go on sale soon but reserve yours by emailing [kitmorgan@f2s.com](mailto:kitmorgan@f2s.com) or by calling 07870 355236.

See you there!

### **Kingswood Congregational Church – Sec. Jennie Amesbury 01453 842803 email [jennieamesbury@btinternet.com](mailto:jennieamesbury@btinternet.com)**

We would like to say thank you to all the children who came to the Mega Makers Holiday Club, it was great to see you and it was because of you it was such a success and such fun.

You are as always warmly invited to any of our services held at 10.30am (including Sunday School) and at 6.00pm. Zion Club will be starting back on the 12th September and United is carrying on throughout the school holidays on Monday evenings.

We have put a light in the chapel as a reminder as we remember in our prayers all those who are suffering terrible circumstances and who have been displaced from their homes in war torn countries not least in Syria, Iraq, Libya, Gaza/Israel and further afield in Ukraine. As a church we pray throughout the week for protection for the people of these countries and for those people who are working towards peaceful solutions and for the aid workers working with refugees.

If you would like to know more about us please contact our secretary.

## Kingswood Parish Council

**Village Design Statement** - This is finally ready for consultation and will be available to view for 6 weeks from Tuesday 26th August until Monday 6th October. It can be viewed on line at [knp.btck.co.uk](http://knp.btck.co.uk). There will also be a permanent stand in the B&F coffee shop with hard copies of the document to read. Furthermore it will be available to view at the Village Show and members of the working party will be on hand to discuss the information. Please take the time to view this important consultation. More information will be sent to every house explaining the importance of the Village Design Statement.

**CCTV at the Playing field and Village Hall** - The parish council is pleased to announce that this project is finally going ahead and will start on w/c 8th September.

**Community Speed Watch** - This is still going very well and we are pleased to confirm that the parish council has now purchased its own equipment which will help in this important project. If anyone would like to volunteer to be part of the speed watch team please contact the Clerk.

**30MPH signs.** We have some 30mph signs that are designed to stick on the big green recycle bin. This will send a message of the speed limits on the roads through the village. Please contact the Clerk if you would like a sticker.

[Kingswood.parish@btconnect.com](mailto:Kingswood.parish@btconnect.com) or tel 01453 844659



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## **Star Inn – Wotton-under-Edge**

Friday September 12<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm until Late. Stand-up comedy 6.30-9.00pm. Followed by Live Music from 'Short Elbow' 9.00-11.00pm.  
Saturday September 13<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm 'Aranka's Cackle' followed by 9.00pm-11.00pm 'Funk Bonus'.  
10 Real ales and Ciders throughout.

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