

# GORING HEATH NEWSLETTER

News, Information and Comment for Goring Heath,
Whitchurch Hill and Crays Pond

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# January 2018 Goring Heath NEWS Forthcoming Events

GHPH = Goring Heath Parish Hall

WVH = Whitchurch Village Hall

WL = Woodcote Library (CC = Community Centre)

SJC = Saint John's Church, Whitchurch Hill

ORS = Old Rectory Stables

**Bowls Club** Open roll-ups every Monday at 2 pm Almshouses

#### May 2018

- 4—7 Whitchurch and Goring Heath Twinning Association Visit to La Bouille
- 12 Family Fun day at Wyfold Court, Stoke Row/Peppard Rd 12—3
- 16 Whitchurch Hill WI Business and Resolutions
- 17 Whitchurch and Goring Heath History Society 8 pm GHPH "The man who created Whitchurch Village" by Peter Hawley
- 26 Whitchurch Hill Village Fete, 2 pm Whitchurch Hill Rec. ground

#### **June 201**

- 19 Whitchurch Hill WI "Easier Gardening" talk, 10.15 GHPH
- 21 Whitchurch and Goring Heath History Society outing Chalgrove medieval wall paintings and Manor

#### July 2018

17 Whitchurch Hill WI "Life and Times of canal people"

### Publicise your event and increase attendance by giving us the dates. IT IS FREE

We welcome event dates from all local charities and groups for listing in this feature. Please send the details to the Editor at:

goringheathnewsletter@gmail.com Please allow sufficient time in advance for the publication of the appropriate newsletter. Contribution deadlines and publication dates are on the inside back cover.

#### **Chairman's Comments**

The parish council's year starts in April, and we had a good attendance at the Annual Parish Meeting on 12 April.

Of the three big issues that concerned us last April, we had the prospect of two of them being finally settled, and indeed one has come to a successful conclusion, in that the project to restore and enhance the War Memorial is now complete.

The second issue of concern was the bus service, which a year ago was still being run by Thames Travel with substantial financial support from us, but we had the exciting prospect of a new service provided by Going Forward. I am pleased to say that this service is running successfully, and has slowly built up an increased patronage. Although on occasion, the bus is full, too often passenger numbers fall short of what is needed. The finances of this service depend to a large extent on the use of bus passes, and while the bus company gets a reasonable pay out from Oxfordshire County Council for journeys that originate in our parish, the pay out for the return journey from Reading is not enough for the length of journey. I would urge all bus pass users to take advantage of the donation box on the bus and make a voluntary contribution.

The third issue last year appears to have made no progress whatsoever. I refer of course to the White Lion. We are assured by our District Councillor that the case is still live, and that action will be taken.

Peter Dragonetti Chairman

#### **Planning Decisions**

The following planning applications have been considered. Where a decision is not given, it means the Parish Council has not yet received written confirmation from S.O.D.C.



Premises and application details	Parish Council	S.O.D.C.
P17/S4003/HH Oakdene Gashes Lane Whitchurch Hill RG8 7PY	No Strong Views	Planning Permission
Double Storey Rear extension and amendment		
P17/S4457/HH Old Well Cottage Goring Heath Road Whitchurch Hill RG8 7PQ Demolition of existing conservatory and erec- tion of a two storey side extension in its place. Some internal reconfiguration.	No Strong Views	Planning Permission
P18/SO221/HH 3 Bec Tithe RG8 7NP to knock down wall from back door to garage and rebuild like for like.	No Objection	Planning Permission
P18/S1042/HH Copse House Goring Heath RG8 7SA Proposed 2 storey and single side extension.	No Strong Views	
P18/SO420/O Small Oaks Goring Heath RG8 7RH Outline application for demolition of garages and studio and erection of single dwelling and car port.	Objection	

#### **Planning**

We would also like to point out that No Strong Views is one of only three choices that SODC gives the parish council. It should not be read as illustrating tacit approval of an application. More often than not this choice is supplemented with specific comments from the parish council highlighting areas of concern.

#### **NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION 2018**

I am handing over the "main" distribution of the News Letter to Vicky Jordan but before I do, I want to say a huge Thank You to all our "local" distributors. You do all the hard work of getting the News Letter to everyone and it really is such an important way of keeping us all informed of the local issues and activities in the Parish.

So again, many thanks to everyone who has been doing the job since I started, those who so willingly took over areas when needed and those too who have offered to help in the future.

With many thanks and best wishes to Vicky.

Theresa Elsome.

### Goring Heath Village Hall Hall Manager

Interested in an opportunity to become more involved in your local community and meeting people?

We are looking for a Hall Manager to oversee the smooth running of our picturesque and well-appointed hall: to manage the experience of the hirer from enquiry to function.

This includes handling initial enquiries, meeting potential customers, discussing their requirements, showing the hall, offering advice and the administration of bookings.

A key aspect is conveying feedback from the customers to the committee at quarterly meetings so that issues can be resolved and recommend improvements to ensure the continued success of the hall.

If you are interested or would like to know more please contact Chris Whatmore (Chairman) on tel: 0118 9844022 or email whatmore@talk21.com.

#### GORNG HEATH AND WHTCHURCH SPRING SHOW - APRIL

In spite of one of the wettest and coldest springs on record, the show was very successful, with an increase in both the number of entrants and the number of entries. One must give it to the hardy daffodil and the whole narcissi family for coming up trumps. There was quite a good showing of the smaller spring flowers too. Sincere thanks go to the Judges who willingly give of their time and expertise, and to all the entrants for their many varied efforts in the different classes. Thank you to the committee members who put the show together to ensure its smooth running. Finally, a very big thank-you to Sarah Hanfrey for all the computer work on our behalf!!

#### The prize-winners were:-

The Betty Haytor Memorial Trophy for most points in the Flowers Section –

Peter Dragonetti

Floral Arrangement Trophy –

Maureen Britt

Art Trophy –

Vivien Chambers

Handicraft Trophy -

Frances Strange

Arts and Crafts Trophy -

Vivien Chambers

Egg Cup -

Hilary Dewey

Baking and Preserves Cup -

Peter Dragonetti

Photography Cup -

Vivien Chambers

Douglas Allardyce Memorial Rose Bowl for the most outstanding exhibit in the vegetables, fruit and flowers section – **Betty Butler** for her beautiful pot of orchids

Children's cup -

Bethany Strange

Runners up -

Beth and Tilly Westcar

Whitchurch Hill Trophy for most points overall – **Vivien Chambers** 

#### Goring Heath Spring Show—April 7th





Prize winner Bethany proudly holding the Children's cup





















A selection of some of the entries in the Spring Show. (photos— Freddie Turner)

Betty Butler won the Douglas Allardyce Memorial Rose Bowl for her beautiful prize winning orchid.





Sue Sexon presenting the prizes. Photographs courtesy of Nick Brazil









# Woodcote Pre school and SO Charitable Lottery



Woodcote Pre school is collaborating with SO Charitable Lottery to raise funds for the Pre school. The Charitable Lottery was created in 2018 by South Oxfordshire District Council.to support community projects in the local area. SO Charitable Lottery helps local good causes to raise money in a fun and effective way, enabling people to support the causes they care most about, helping good causes to connect with their supporters.

A ticket for the SO Charitable Lottery costs £1 per week and 60p will go to directly to good causes!

**Woodcote Pre school** provides a service for children from 18 months to 5 years where children spend their time in a caring, happy environment that assists with developing their social skills and basic education in a fun way, working to Early Years Learning Goals.

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For more information and to buy tickets, please go to: www.socharitable.co.uk

Nick Elsome

Thank you for supporting us, and Good Luck!



#### Whitchurch & Goring Heath History Society

Our meeting on May 17th is entitled "The man who created Whitchurch Village" and is a talk by Peter Hawley about the architect Frank Loughborough Pearson. It will be a members only meeting (membership is £12) as timing and venue will be revealed nearer the date.

Our outing on June 21<sup>st</sup> will be to Chalgrove, to see the medieval wall paintings, with an explanatory talk. We hope also to visit Chalgrove Manor, the restored fourteenth century former hall house.

There will be a further outing in July.

When we reconvene after the summer we will be at Goring Heath Parish Hall on September 20<sup>th</sup> to hear Simon Wenham chart the Rise and Fall of Leisure Boating on the Thames

To join the Society contact Alan Nicholls at alan\_nicholls@hotmail.com, or vicky jordan 0118 984 3260, vickyjordan5@hotmail.com.

#### Whitchurch & Goring Heath Twinning Association

Our visit to La Bouille near Rouen takes place from Friday 4<sup>th</sup> to Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May, and we very much look forward to meeting our friends again to celebrate forty years of twinning. In particular, the Sunday visit to Monet's garden has encouraged some new people to join us, and we look forward to excellent photographs, and perhaps some paintings, as a result.

We'll be at both fetes, so please come and see us if you want to know more.

Vicky Jordan



#### Litter Blitz 2018

With heavy snow forcing the planned Blitz day of 3<sup>rd</sup> March having to be cancelled, the day finally got under way on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March. The parish turned out in greater numbers than ever this year with the total standing at close to 40. Crays Pond, Whitchurch Hill, and Goring Heath being the key target areas.

It's reckoned that over 60 bags of litter were collected from across the parish which have now been taken away by the Council.

Casual littering of the highways and byways has been a constant irritation in the parish for many years. From the evidence of the litter collected, it appears that it is the same persistent offenders that continue to make up the bulk of the problem.

The bulk of the litter consists of drinks can and bottles, and fast food wrapping. Perhaps the Government's current plans based around deposits on bottles has some effect.

Thanks to all who took the effort to support the Blitz; it really is one of the most effective and material ways that we can all help to keep the parish looking at its best.

Nick Henry



#### **Letters Page:**

#### More support needed for the bus

At the parish council meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> April Mike Ward, the head of Going Forward Buses, stated that unless more people use the 142 bus he will have no alternative but to reduce the service or withdraw it altogether. We owe a great deal of gratitude to Mike for providing a service for the best part of the past year and the least we can do in return is to support it to the best of our abilities.

So if we want to be sure of retaining the service it is down to each and every one of us to make a concerted effort to make more use of the bus.

People with concessionary bus passes have little excuse not to use the bus even if only occasionally. It costs you nothing yet every journey that you make provides extra income for the company and therefore helps the cause. Even if you use the bus only to take you and your dog from one end of the village to the other and to walk back again it still counts as a journey. (Please could I remind all concessionary users that there is a collection box on the bus for any voluntary donations that you are able to make. Every little helps!)

Of course it would be great if more paying passengers could also use the bus. Perhaps, for example, for an occasional Saturday shopping trip to Reading but without the hassle of having to drive and park and taking the risk of a possible fine. Remember, you never know when you or one of your loved ones might have no choice but to use the bus. In the meantime spare a little thought for those that already find themselves in this position and for whom the bus provides an essential service without which their independence and quality of life would be severely impacted.

Many villages throughout the country have fought hard and successfully to save their local bus services. They are to be admired greatly and as a hopefully caring community I would love to see us included in their ranks.

**David Pearson** 

#### WHITCHURCH HILL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



Eighteen WI members visited the Sue Ryder Hospice in Nettlebed early in March. This was one of a number of

events we plan for the first Tuesday of most months – a separate meeting from our usual business (on the third Tuesday) which may be a trip to a places of interest, a walk and pub lunch, or sometimes a craft workshop.

With the recent publicity on the possible future of the hospice, we had the opportunity to see some of the services they provide, to look round the fine 100-year- old house, and to ask questions. We were impressed by the work they do, and the welcoming atmosphere.

We have a wide-ranging series of speakers planned for the coming year, subjects such as "Easier Gardening" in June, followed by "The Life and Times of Canal People" in July, and some short talks from several of our own members in August, in September our speaker will ask "What Did You Do in the War, Granny?" these talks will each follow our monthly business meeting.

We strive for a wide variety of subjects in our meetings, and good speakers to cover the varied interests of our members, guests are welcome, please telephone 0118 984 1696 if you would like more information. Visitors are welcome. Our meetings are held at Goring Heath Parish Hall RG8 7NY at 10.15am, doors open at 10am.

For information please contact Patricia Dent – email : <a href="mailto:pmdent@btinternet.com">pmdent@btinternet.com</a> or telephone 0118 984 1696

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#### Having a Party?

Don't forget you can hire cutlery, glasses, plates, catering teapots, good folding chairs and tables from Goring Heath Village Hall at competitive prices and nice and local.

Contact Theresa at Bnt@waitrose.com



We will be running training workshops in:

- Hurdle making
- Coppice products
- Timber felling and cleaving
- Gate Hurdles

We are also offering an apprentice opportunity which is open to anyone interested in starting their own business within the coppice and greenwood craft sector. The weekend will be a good chance to learn more about the scheme and meet the people who will be involved.

Food and refreshment will be provided, and camping is available on site. The training activity has been subsidised by the Ernest Cooke Trust.

Cost £80 Subsidised places are available for participants interested in the apprentice opportunity.

For further information and to enrol on the training event (booking essential) closing date 11th May 2018.

Please email Richard Thomason on richardthomason@smallwoods.org.uk ortelephone 07964 934556/01952 432769

#### Pony rides at Family Fun Day - Wyfold Court

Pony rides will be offered at the Family Fun Day on Saturday 12th May from 12 - 3 pm at the stables at Wyfold Court, off the Stoke Row – Peppard road. The event is organised by Wyfold Group of Riding for the Disabled Association (RDA) to showcase its riders' and carriage drivers' achievements and to give family and friends an opportunity to enjoy a pony ride, a BBQ and some fun games.

#### **Dog Fouling on Footpaths**

This seems to be ever increasing and now a genuine health issue. Notwithstanding that leaving dog mess is an offence, and now seen as socially unacceptable, a number of dog owners on regular walks are leaving the mess on footpaths within the parish.

Bins for the mess are sited in the parish, and all who own a dog I am sure are carrying poo bags.

The mess is generated by a small minority and with many on the same regular walks, it is clearly evident who the offenders are.

Please, all, just pick it up for the sake of others that use the footpaths.

**Nick Henry** 

#### Did You Know?

If you are a Railcard holder you can travel on any journey any day (except the 09.15 and 10.15 to Wallingford or the 13.10 and 15.40 from Wallingford to Goring) and you only pay the single price for a return journey!



#### Tai Chi Classes in Goring Heath Parish hall—Saturdays 10 am

Tai Chi and Qigong are exercise systems which promote healing and vitality; Our classes are informal and friendly. Contact Karen on mobile 07867 954 786 or see website www.bodyandsoultaichi.co.uk for more details.

The Village Fete - Saturday May 26<sup>th</sup>

We have some terrific attractions lined up for your enjoyment – stalls offering a variety of items, BBQ, Tea Tent, Fairground Swingboats and Revolving Cups, Ferret Racing, Punch & Judy, a Concert Band, Children's Races, Kid's Corner, Tombola, a Dog Agility Display, our ever popular Raffle with its superb range of prizes, and more besides.

Most of the activities are continuous through the afternoon, and there'll be a schedule on display giving times for specific events. To help plan your day, here are a few guideline times: Our first Punch and Judy show will be at 2:15, second one at 4:00. The Children's Races will start at about 3:15, the Raffle Draw at 4:30 (sharp!) and the traditional closing event - Egg Throwing - will be just before 5pm.

Raffle tickets will be on sale from the start, so 'buy early, buy often' to boost your chances of winning! Relax over a tea, or a drink from the bar. Enjoy the Concert Band, and take part in the events. Buy some plants for your garden, fresh produce from the Allotments Stall, learn about the History of the area and our links with overseas at the History and Twinning Stalls, watch the Ferret Racing, and try to win a Coconut at the Shy. And for dogs, there's the Agility Course!

If you are driving to the venue, there's ample parking in the nearby BP Car Park - just follow the 'Car Park' signs - it's only a short walk from there to the Recreation Ground. If you park in the nearby roads, please bear the residents in mind, and above all, please ensure you aren't blocking access for emergency vehicles, buses and the like. As always, please bear SAFETY in mind - guard against the burning sun, don't get de-hydrated, keep an eye on children, and watch out for moving vehicles, be they on road, path or field.

So, a fun day is planned – all we need is good weather, and above all YOU! Please come along, it promises to be an enjoyable day, and we in the Organising Team look forward to welcoming you.

#### Any queries? Mail us at whitchurchhillfete@gmail.com

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## Saturday MAY 26<sup>th</sup>

Starting at 2PM

Whitchurch Hill Recreation Ground

On B471. Ref RG8 7NY. Look for Car Parking Signs.



#### **Book Stall at the Fete**

Amanda Holland will be collecting books for the fete this year. If you have any that you would like to donate, please call on 07814 360566 and she will collect.

#### **Goring Heath Bowls Club (Almshouses)**

In the March *Newsletter* I said we'd start roll-ups "on (just to prove we're not superstitious) Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April". So maybe superstition would have been better – with all that weather we had (cold, rain, snow) and not had (warmth, sun), the green is unlikely to be ready by then, so roll-ups will start a bit later. Keep an eye on the website (see below) for updates.

Our first real match of the season is away at Goring on 28<sup>th</sup> April. This is the first of two legs for the Musketeers' Trophy, in memory of the three founders of our club. The rest of our fixtures for May are: 9th, away at Watlington; 12th, at home to Pangbourne; 23rd, at home to Threntham; and 27th, away at Burghfield. And for June: 2nd, at home to Goring; 6th, at home to Caversham; 13th, away at Henley; and 20th, away at Trentham.

We'd welcome new members and, from this year, membership at Goring Heath gives you automatic membership of our partner club, Goring Bowling Club - two for the price of one. But feel free to come along and have a try before you commit. Our open roll-ups are on Mondays, 2pm at The Almshouses.

If you'd like more information, call our secretary, David Watson, on 0118 984 2174 or our captain, Daphne Walker, on 01491 682154. Our email is goringheathbowls@gmail.com and our website is www.goringheathbowls.weebly.com.



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#### **Feeding birds**

There is some debate as to whether it is actually a good thing to continue to feed birds through the spring and summer, and it has been suggested that feeding should stop from the end of March. If you do wish to continue feeding, only give selected foods at this time of year. Black sunflower seeds, pinhead oatmeal, soaked sultanas, raisins and currants, mild grated cheese, mealworms, waxworms, mixes for insectivorous birds, good seed mixtures without loose peanuts.

Birds time their breeding period to exploit the availability of natural foods: earthworms in the case of blackbirds and song thrushes, and caterpillars in the case of tits and chaffinches. It is now known that if the weather turns cold or wet during spring or summer, severe shortage of insect food can occur, and if the weather is exceptionally dry, earthworms will be unavailable to ground feeding birds because of the hard soil. In order to help with this, buggy nibbles and mealworms can be provided during these times to prevent starvation.

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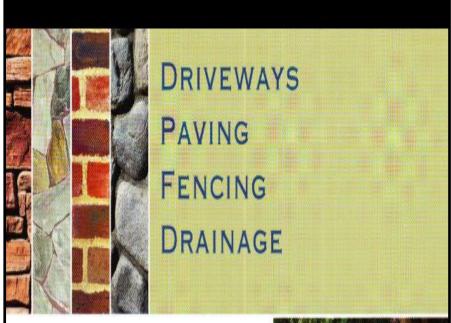
But it isn't all doom and gloom! Research has shown that long term regular exercise can help counteract the effects of ageing and reduce the risk of developing conditions such as high blood pressure and heart disease. Strength training exercises are particularly important to keep our muscles healthy and strong and keep us able to do the things we enjoy for longer.

A circuit of strength training exercises can have many positive effects such as:

- Improving muscle and joint strength and flexibility
- Reducing stress on bones Reducing pain and stiffness
- Improving cardiovascular fitness
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South Oxfordshire District Council's Go Active Gold scheme is introducing a new Senior Strength Training Circuit class for people over 60 in Goring Heath.



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#### **Goring Heath Parish Hall**

The Hall has afternoon spaces available for hire:-On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday there are times between 1.30 and 5.30pm when a class could be held or a club could meet. Tuesday evenings are now also available.

So if you are interested in starting a class or need to find somewhere for a group or club to get together, then contact me-

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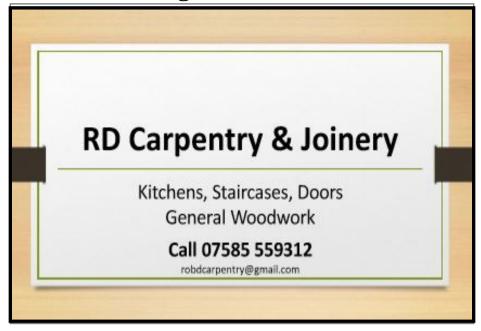
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#### January 2018

#### **Almshouses Sunday Services** March to May

11.00 am Sung Holy Communion: April 1st, May 6th, June 3rd

9 am Holy Communion All other Sundays: 11.00 am Suna Matins

All these services are traditional Book of Common Prayer The Chapel, Alnutt Alms Houses, Goring Heath, RG8 7RS

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#### GORING HEATH NEWSLETTER FACEBOOK PAGE

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Just a reminder to take a look at the Goring Heath Newsletter Facebook page. It will contain some useful information that arrives too late to be included in the printed newsletter, as well as forthcoming events, pictures, comments and suggestions from residents.

If you haven't already done so, please head over to Facebook, search for 'Goring Heath Parish News' and Like us to ensure you are kept up to date with any new information that we put on there.

If you'd like to publish any news or advertise any events on the Facebook page, please contact the editor at: goringheathnewsletter@gmail.com

# THamesMove

Goring Heath

### New way to sell in Goring Heath

Thamesmove is a new local online estate agents serving Goring Heath, Whitchurch Hill and Crays Pond along with the other villages in the RG8 postcode area. It is run by Tom Shaw and his partner who have lived in the local area for the last 18 years.

"Thamesmove is a hybrid estate agent. We keep our fees low by not operating high street premises, however we provide the same local and personal focus that you find with a high street estate agent."



#### HD video is a powerful way to sell your home

HD video holds the attention of buyers and tenants for much longer which allows us to sell all the features of your home together with the lifestyle that comes from living in Goring Heath and being part of the local community.

We attach the video along with floorplans and photos to your premium property listing on Rightmove, Zoopla and Primelocation. Properties with an HD video tour generate more views and have higher levels of enquiries. This ultimately leads to more interest and helps us to secure the highest possible price for your property.

We provide you with a dedicated sales negotiator to chase up buyer leads and a sales progressor to help ensure your property proceeds to completion as smoothly as possible.

TIP. Many local estate agents no longer advertise on Zoopla and PrimeLocation which account for around 30% of all buyer visits.



#### Launch offer

To help us become established within Goring Heath, we are offering to sell your home for 0.5% including a free premium listing and presenter led HD video tour.

What's more, to give you added confidence this offer is without any tie in period so if you are not entirely satisfied with the service you are receiving, you can walk away at any point without incurring any fees.



Please call us now to arrange a free valuation

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