

GORING HEATH NEWSLETTER

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

March 2018

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Parish 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

March 2018

3 Litter Blitz

15 Whitchurch and Goring Heath History Society- WVH
"Reading in Georgian times" 8 pm

25 Whitchurch and Goring Heath Twinning Association ORS
"Tea Café" opportunity to meet other "twinners", 3—5 pm

20 - Whitchurch Hill WI AGM, 10 am GHPH

April 2018

7 Goring Heath and Whitchurch Spring Show 2.30—4 GHPH

17 Whitchurch Hill WI "Microwave Magic" GHPH

19 Whitchurch and Goring Heath History Society WVH
"Goring and Streatley 's Hall of Fame" 8 pm

Bowls Club Every Friday from April 13th at 6 pm and Almshouses
Every Monday at 2 pm

May 2018

16 Whitchurch Hill WI Business and Resolutions

26 Whitchurch Hill Village Fete, 2 pm Whitchurch Hill Rec. ground

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: goringheathnews-letter@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

I am pleased to be able to report that we have reduced the parish council's share of your Council Tax bill for the coming financial year, which will go some little way to assuaging the increases expected from the County Council and Police Service. In the coming year, we are planning to continue to modestly support the Community Interest Company that provides our local bus service, and I am pleased to learn that usage of the service is gradually increasing. We also anticipate having to do some work on the trees that we are responsible for that fringe Crays Pond, particularly where they overhang the road. We are also taking steps to address the concern over traffic speed at Crays Pond, by funding a traffic survey.

In the coming year, there are many opportunities for residents to contribute to the life and vitality of our parish, whether it is taking part in the Litter Blitz, helping or joining in at the fete or taking part in the Garden Shows at the parish hall, or even being a volunteer bus driver for the 142. There are opportunities of all sorts of everyone. Why not give something a go?

Peter Dragonetti

New Parish Councillors

I am pleased to say that the Parish Council is now again up to full strength as we have two new councillors who have been co-opted to fill the vacancies that arose after Kate Giles and David Wilson. stood down.

Our new councillors are Hilary Dewey who lives at Ladygrove, and Chris Jessop who lives at Cold Harbour. They have both lived in the parish for some time, but being a parish councillor means that one learns a lot about the geography and history of the parish in quite a short time, while also unravelling the different functions of the parish, district and county councils. I very much welcome Hilary and Chris to the parish council, and look forward to working with them in the future.

In addition to the parish council meetings, there is also an opportunity to meet your councillors at the Fete, where by recent tradition the parish council runs the BBQ.

Peter Dragonetti

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/S3773/FUL Field to the north of the B4526 Outside Cray's Pond To the west of Eastfield Lane. Temporary permission for a vegetable packing shed and two additional polytunnels . The packing shed will be a distribution hub for picking and packing orders, an area for dry storage of winter vegetables, and a small office space for receiving orders, website management and printing labels.	No Objections	Planning Permission
P17/S4003/HH Oakdene Gashes Lane Whitchurch Hill RG8 7PY Double Storey Rear extension and amendment	No strong views	
P17/S4457/HH Old Well Cottage Goring Heath Road Whitchurch Hill RG8 7PQ Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of a two storey side extension in its place. Some internal reconfiguration.	No strong views	
P18/SO221/HH 3 Bec Tithe RG8 7NP To Knock down wall from back door to garage and rebuild like for like.	No objection	
P17/S4365/HH Conway Crays Pond RG8 7QG Workshop/Hobby room Extension to existing garage.	No strong view	Planning Permission

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.

Litter Blitz—Saturday March 3rd, 10 am—lunchtime

We have seen David Attenborough on Blue Planet showing us how plastic is littering the seas, but the plastic waste, cans, and bottles littering our countryside is just as bad. The winter has revealed the extent of litter along our road sides, jettisoned by the ignorant and vulgar from passing vehicles. Litter is created by a small minority of people, and while most of us find litter offensive, some good people are prepared to take action against this blight.

The Parish Council organises a community action day in the early spring before the undergrowth grows up and while the litter is visible and can be easily picked up.

If you were stirred by what you watched on Blue Planet 2, you can put your concern into action by taking part in the Goring Heath 2018 Litter Blitz which being held as part of the Great British Spring Clean on Saturday March 3rd

There are three assembly points, the Parish Hall car park, Crays Pond cross roads by the new bus shelter and by the Old Post Office Goring Heath. We meet at 10 and are usually finished by lunchtime. Litter bags are provided, but please wear gloves. A parish Councillor will be on hand to assist at all locations.

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



Work in the woods

Coppice and Greenwood Craft Apprenticeship

The Small Woods Association working in partnership with Hardwick Estate and local coppice and Green wood businesses are pleased to provide an exciting woodland and green wood craft training opportunity.

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- Green wood crafts
- Health and Safety

The apprentice will be provided with a small training bursary, professional insurance, tool and additional training budgets. The ability to travel independently within the area will be desirable.

A two-day training and recruitment event will take place on 24-25 March 2018

at Hardwick Estate, Oxon.

Cost £80. Subsidised places are available.

For further information and to enrol on the training event (**booking essential**) closing date March 19th 2018.

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



Whitchurch & Goring Heath History Society

Our meeting on March 15th will be of special interest to those who have read the Diaries of Caroline Lybbe Powys, who lived at Hardwick at the end of the eighteenth century and kept a fascinating diary for over fifty years. Margaret Simon, an experienced local history tutor, will speak about Reading in Georgian and Regency times, giving a picture of the local town that Caroline knew, and where she went to the races.

On April 19th we hear from Janet Hurst of Goring and Streatley's Hall of Fame – all the illustrious erstwhile residents of the two villages.

Both meetings are at Whitchurch Village Hall at 8pm, and everyone is welcome. Non-members pay £3, to include coffee and biscuits.

Vicky Jordan

Whitchurch & Goring Heath Twinning Association

Our visit this year is fixed for 4th to 7th May, and our hosts are encouraging us to come with as many people as possible. We will have a luxury coach leaving Whitchurch at around 9am on the Friday, and we return about 10pm on Monday 7th.

It's our 40th year of twinning, so apart from staying in a delightful town on the banks of the Seine, we will be entertained at the Town Hall and have a special dinner together in the village hall. Our Sunday visit will also be a special one. We will go to Giverny, to see Monet's garden, his house, and of course the waterlilies – if they aren't then flowering, the wisteria on the Japanese bridge will be.

The more people we have the cheaper it will be, but it won't be more than £200, and children travel free. So, come and celebrate with us.

We will be holding a "Tea Café" at the Old Rectory Stables in Whitchurch from 3pm to 5pm on Sunday 25th March where we will offer free tea and cake, a chance to meet some twinnings, as well as information on the trip. In the meantime, you can express interest on vickyjordan5@hotmail.com or ring 0118 984 3260.



*Goring Heath Parish Church
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Goring Heath and Whitchurch

Spring Show

Saturday 7 April 2017

2.30 pm to 4.00 pm

Goring Heath Parish Hall

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arrangements, handicrafts, artwork, baking and
photos.**

**Or come along to view the entries & enjoy homemade
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Liz Gibson on 0118 9842012

Sue Sexon on 0118 9844236



WHITCHURCH HILL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



Our speaker in February, by a happy coincidence, is Catherine Sampson and her subject is “ROYAL WEDDINGS” , little did we know, when booking speakers more than 12 months ahead, that we would be celebrating not one but two Royal weddings in 2018.

This is but the first of a wide-ranging series of talks we have planned for the coming year, subjects such as “Microwave Magic” in April, “Easier Gardening” in June, followed by history, travel, and wildlife at our monthly meetings during the rest of the year. Other events, usually on the first Tuesday of the month will be walks followed by a pub lunch, or craft demonstrations and workshops. In early March we shall be visiting the Sue Ryder Hospice in Nettlebed, where our party will split into small groups to see the hospice and some of the work it does, and also with an opportunity to look around the garden.

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 to come and find out what we do – not just jam and cake making, although that happens too.

We have regular business meetings followed by speakers on the third Tuesday of most months except December. Visitors are welcome. Our meetings are held at Goring Heath Parish Hall RG8 7NY at 10.15am, doors open 10am.

For information please contact Patricia Dent –email : pmdent@btinternet.com or telephone 0118 984 1696

Goring Heath Newsletter

To continue regularly receiving your favorite reading material, a new volunteer is needed to be the main distributor of the Goring Heath Newsletters to the individual distributors around the parish.

Please contact Theresa at bnt@waitrose.com or telephone 0118 9842056 to find out how little is involved!

Resident David Robinson shares one of his favourite local walks:

Bus 142 Walking Route from the Pack Saddle, Mapledurham

Taking the bus to the start of a walking route or picking up the bus at the end of your walk provides an opportunity to extend your walking options without a circular route. There are many possibilities using the 142 bus and I describe one here to whet your appetite. The walking time is about 2 hours.

Ask the driver to drop you off by the Pack Saddle pub. There is a pull-in where the bus can safely stop. You could, of course, do this walk in the opposite direction ending up at the pub for lunch and catching the bus home.

Cross the main road with the lane towards Goring Heath ahead of you. Take the foot path that runs parallel and to the left of the lane. Very shortly you come to a foot path in front of you. Turn left and the path takes you through the golf course. When you reach a thatched cottage called The Three Chimneys, take a right turn down a concreted track. The track eventually takes you down a hill towards the river. Shortly after passing some farm buildings you come to a T-junction where you turn left. After a short distance, turn right by a bungalow called New Lodge and continue along the track with magnificent views of Mapledurham House ahead of you. When you reach Mapledurham village, turn right up the lane for a short distance, then turn left by a cottage to take a bridle way signposted to Whitchurch. Continue along the bridle way with lovely views of the river on your left. Pass through the black gates, then past Hardwick House and the horse stables and fields. Along this stretch there are foot paths that can take you towards Goring Heath or Whitchurch Hill. If you continue straight you reach a lane, where you can continue straight to go to Whitchurch-on-Thames or turn right towards Path Hill and Goring Heath.

David Robinson

If this has inspired you to share any local 142 bus and walking routes that you enjoy, please get in touch with the Newsletter.

Letters page:

Dear Sir/Madam,

You asked people to let you know how we use the 142 bus service - we use it to expand our local walks - we frequently dog sit for our daughter and we have taken the bus to just above Mapledurham Gym and walked home to Whitchurch via Mapledurham; also to Woodcote near the Red Lion and walked home through the woods, and another walk from the Oratory Prep school, and home via the Hartslock path.

Using the bus enables us to cut out walking along the main road and to do a decent walk starting at 10 and be home for lunch!

The dog thinks it is great too.

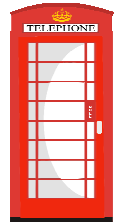
Liz Robinson

If you'd like to have your say about anything regarding local issues, you can get in touch by emailing goringheathnewsletter@gmail.com

Telephone box update: "Take a peep Book swap"

Many thanks to the unknown fairies who clean up and replenish books in the Whitchurch Hill telephone box. It is much appreciated!

Please feel free to swap your bestseller/favourite book—it's open 24/7, 365 days a year



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.

**WHITCHURCH HILL
VILLAGE FETE**

25 Piece Concert Band

Bottle Stall

Stalls & Games

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Punch & Judy

Children's Races

Fairground

Raffle

Putt a Fiver

Ferret Racing

'A Fun Day out for all the Family!'

Saturday MAY 26th

Starting at 2PM

Whitchurch Hill Recreation Ground



HAVE YOU GOT THE BOTTLE?

To all those generous people who donate bottles to The Bottle Stall at the Fête, we shall start the collection approximately two weeks before Fête Day on 26 th of May.

Items For Sale:



Halfords Roof Bars (for vehicles without rain gutters) - includes 2 bars and 2 feet, and **Halfords M41 Fitting Kit** which accompanies it.

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If you are looking to pass on or acquire any items, big or small, then email a short description to goringheathnewsletter@gmail.com. Items can be free, for sale or wanted.

Calling all Council tax payers:

South Oxfordshire District Council's bank details have been changed, which means changes for some council tax and some business rate payers. The new sort code is 20-01-25, but its bank account number remains the same. The new sort code will affect people who pay their council tax or business rates by bank transfer or standing order but not the majority who pay by direct debit.

The 2017 Whitchurch Art & Craft Exhibition

This popular long-running annual event was staged by The Whitchurch Society in Whitchurch Village Hall over the weekend of 18th & 19th November. There were exactly 200 entries which is the 2nd highest number ever, only beaten by the 218 entries in 2013. It was a very successful and sociable occasion which provided the opportunity for everyone to see and share the results of creative talent in our community. There was a wonderful variety of artwork, craft-work and photographs from young and old, showing a very high standard. This year's theme for the Joyce Voysey Prize was 'Circles' which produced some very varied interpretations. Colourful displays of work by children at the Pre-School, the Primary School and the Oratory Prep School were very eye-catching and showed great promise. Visitors enjoyed refreshments all weekend and meeting up with friends and neighbours before the prize-giving ceremony at 4-30pm on Sunday.

We are very grateful to the three judges who came along to the Hall on Friday evening, after all the exhibits had been displayed, to choose the winning entries in all the categories. The Art judge was Martin Hayward-Harris, the Craft judge was Sonja Allen and the Photography judge was Charlotte Snowden. Congratulations to all the prize winners; a full list of these can be found on the Exhibition page on the Whitchurch village website.

Very many thanks to all the exhibitors and also to everyone who helped with the setting up, dismantling and running of the show, including serving the refreshments and making delicious cakes.

Finally, my special thanks to the planning committee - Sarah Dixon, Wendy Ferguson and Jean-Marc Grosfort – who made it all happen, and to the Whitchurch Society committee who supported us.

Sally Woolhouse (sally@wotarts.co.uk)

New service to support victims of crime



Victims First offers free practical, telephone and face to face support on what to do and how to get help if you've been a victim of crime; including finding local support to help victims cope and recover.

It is funded, delivered and managed by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley and is available across Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire.

The support is available regardless of whether you have reported the crime or not.

Goring Heath Bowls Club (Almshouses)

Before the May *Newsletter* comes out, we will have started the bowling season with our first roll-up on (just to prove we're not superstitious) Friday 13th April. We have a full programme of friendly and league matches, internal competitions, and practice roll-ups through to September.

For the first time this year, we are entering into an alliance with Goring Bowling Club, so that membership of either club effectively gives you membership of both. We'll play in each other's in-house competitions, share in social events, and some of us will play for Goring in their matches.

Whether or not you have played bowls before, come along to one of our roll-ups at 2pm on Mondays or 6pm on Fridays. We have spare bowls you can use and will be happy to instruct you in the basics. Our green is in the beautiful grounds of The Almshouses, and we use their common room for meetings and post-match socialising.

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.

Goring Heath Parish Hall

I wonder how many times a day or maybe a week you drive past Goring Heath Parish Hall, see cars parked and wonder what is going on in the Hall?

And I wonder how many some of you have used or even been in the Hall? If the answer to the second question is never, you are missing a great asset within the Parish.

The hall receives many compliments for just how much hirers enjoy holding parties here “It’s a lovely hall, well maintained, very well cared for and extremely well equipped” so great for parties—children’s or adults.

The hall is a very convenient size, just right for meetings, clubs or a variety of classes, and especially good for social get togethers, even christenings, weddings or wedding receptions as it’s conveniently located just opposite St. John the Baptist Church in Whitchurch Hill.

Recently a great deal has been “going on inside and out”; a completely new window and double glazing in all the windows, the woodwork painted in the main hall areas making it look fresh and feel much warmer. And outside all woodwork has been painted making the hall look very smart, much of that painting done by the Management Committee.

Charges are very reasonable and equipment is included - quite a lot of that equipment is available for private hire

Classes and clubs vary in cost depending on the length of the hire.

Do come and have a look around and see what a great venue the village has, and make the most of this great asset.

If you’d like more information, you can contact me on
bnt@waitrose.com

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	9am~1pm	1.30~530pm	Day Rate	6~11.30pm
Private Functions	£25.00	£27.50	£50.00	£75.00
<u>Non-Profit-Making Organisations</u>				
Mon – Thurs	£25.00	£25.00	£45.00	£30.00
Fri – Sun	£30.00	£30.00	£55.00	£40.00
<u>CHARITY FUND-RAISING ORGANISATIONS</u>				
Mon – Thurs	£15.00	£15.00	£25.00	£17.50
Fri – Sun	£15.00	£15.00	£25.00	£35.00
<u>Profit-making Organisations</u>				
Mon– Sun	£45.00	£45.00	£80.00	£100
<u>Registered Local Organisations and Block Bookings</u> <i><u>On Application</u></i>				
Security Deposit	£100	£100	£100	£100

Equipment Hire For Hire Away From The Hall

Tables small	Per Table	£5.00 per day
Large		£10.00per day
Chairs (plastic)	Per Chair	£0.50 per day
Chairs (wooden)	“ “	£1.00 per day
Crockery etc		
Dinner Plates		£25.00 per day
Cups, saucers, plates, cutlery etc		£30.00

Security Deposit

Tennis in Pangbourne

The club has a full programme planned for the coming season. We are a friendly club and you will get a warm welcome. If you fancy giving tennis a go for the first time, for recreational or competitive purposes, our activities cover the whole range and we want to encourage as many people – of all ages, shapes, sizes and fitness levels – to enjoy the wonderful facilities we have at the club by getting out on court.

Membership runs from 1st April. Subscription for adults is just £40 per year. Junior membership is £25 for the first child, (reductions for second and third children). We also offer a family membership for £100, covering up to two adults and three children. Benefits include discounted rates for drill and training sessions, free access to the club courts and a range of team matches and friendlies. Join or renew online at www.pangbournetennis.org or email info@pangbournetennis.org for more information.

Season Opener: Quiz Night

Join us at 7.30on **Friday 23rd March** 2018 at the Club House for a fun quiz night with quiz master Mike Holland. Tickets are £10, to include a ploughman's supper and nibbles. Places are limited, so book now by calling Amanda on 07814360566 or email info@pangbournetennis.org

Club night and adult coaching

Our popular club night starts again on **Tuesday 10th April**, from 6:30pm. In May, the start time will be 7pm and play continues until dusk. Club nights are free for members. We charge £5 for non-members, but come along to your first session for free to see if it's for you.

Adult coaching with Damian Lane runs for 13 weeks from **Tuesday 10th April to Tuesday 3rd July**. Each week the 90 minute session will include technical work on one of the four shots followed by drills and finish with match play. Club night members are welcome to join in with the match play. The fee for the course is £80 for members for 13 weeks or £10 per session paid on the night.

Junior Coaching

Our very popular coaching for juniors starts on **Friday 27th April** for children four years and older.

We also enter teams competitively in the **NDLWA** league.

Pangbourne Tennis Club can be found between the river and the railway on the recreation ground.

Looking forward to seeing you on the courts!



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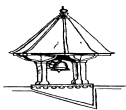
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Goring Heath Parish Hall

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 anyone is interested in starting a class or needs to find some where for a group or club to get together, then contact me-

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The Whitchurch & District Theatre Club takes you to musicals, plays, ballets, operas, classical concerts etc. once a month or more.

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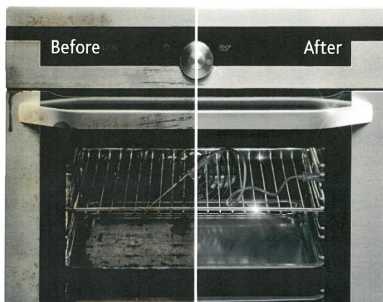
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Please contact Martin Wise by email or phone, contact details on the back cover.

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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.

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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.

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