

# Chilbolton and Wherwell Community Magazine

Fete fever grips the valley this month and, judging by the relative lack of other activity, everyone must be focussing on this. Time then to dig out those unwanted Christmas presents and deliver them to the front door of your bric-a-brac stall holder. But hang on a minute, there *is* one major event going on next month. For anyone who enjoys choral music – and you can't get much more popular than Vivaldi's Gloria – the Wherwell Singers summer concert on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June is a must attend event. This year, due to the renovation of St Peter & Holy Cross, the concert is in Stockbridge at St Peters Church in the High Street. This is a bigger venue than Wherwell so please make every effort to support the boys and girls on their first foray down river. It's just not the same watching it afterwards on You Tube and Stokes Wine Bar have very kindly offered to do the pre-concert and interval drinks. You can't get more civilised than that. All the best.

*Stephen MacDonald*

Thank you to Victoria Ramsay, Stephen McDonald and Euan Ramsay who produced this month's magazine, to Terry Gilmour for Printing and Alan Crisp and helpers for collation and distribution.



## Church Matters

### The Downs Benefice

The Revd Juliet Montague, BTh (normal day off: Monday)

Curate: The Rev'd Stuart Rason, The Rectory, Chilbolton Tel: 860258

**Benefice Administrators:** Vanessa Denham & Maggie Hobbs



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## Church Flower Rota

### Chilbolton

June : Maggie Duffy, Barbara Ann Thomas

### Wherwell

The flower rota for Wherwell is suspended while the Church roof is undergoing repairs and the building is out of action.

### St Mary the Less: Church Cleaning & Maintenance

First Monday of each month, 10.30 to 12 noon. Gardeners Welcome!



## Church Services June 2011

	St Mary the Less Chilbolton	St Mary's Crawley	St Catherine's Littleton	St Stephen's Sparsholt	St Peter & Holy Cross Wherwell
<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June</b>					
Holy Communion			9.30am		
Westholme			2.30pm		
<b>Thursday 2nd June Ascension Day</b>					
Ascension Day service			7.30am		
<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June The Seventh Sunday after Easter</b>					
Holy Communion	8.00am				
Family Communion			10.00am	10.00 am	
Morning Worship		10.00 am			
Evensong	6.00pm				
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b>					
Holy Communion			9.30 am		
<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June Day of Pentecost</b>					
Holy Communion				8.00 am	
Morning Prayer	10.00 am				
Family Communion Sunday School @ Crawley		10.00 am	10.00am		
Welcome Worship				10.00 am	
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June</b>					
Holy Communion	10.30am		9.30am		
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June</b>					
Flowerdown HC			2.30pm		
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June Trinity Sunday</b>					
Benefice Service for Trinity Sunday at Northwood Park				11.00am	
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b>					
Holy Communion			9.30 am		
Meditation			7.00pm		
<b>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June</b>					
House Communion			10.00am		
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June The First Sunday after Trinity</b>					
Family Service of Thanksgiving in fete marquee	10.00 am				
Family Communion			10.00 am	10.00 am	
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Worship with Sunday School		10.00 am			
Peace & Healing			6.00pm		

### From the Church Records

<b>Chilbolton</b>		
Baptism	29 <sup>th</sup> May	Oscar Dale

## THE RECTORY, CHILBOLTON

Dear Friends

At the risk of seeming to continue to talk about the Royal wedding, when a cynical media all too often wants us to constantly move on to the next story of disaster and gloom, wasn't it a wonderful day for all concerned! The Royal wedding was an occasion that as individuals, a nation and indeed the world we wanted to be witness to and by so doing be part of that story. What is at the heart of that story and why is it so appealing to such a wide variety of people?

Can you, or indeed would you want to imagine a Royal wedding without all the ceremonial pomp, without the military in all their ceremonial uniforms and without a grand and imposing church being used? People from all around the world, spanning the political and celebrity spectrum, with all their transitory powers and fame sat in Westminster Abbey and were reminded of the eternal and universal power of God.

As a nation we came together to celebrate something that brings and binds us together, that gives us hope for the future. A mixture of old and new, good traditions and good aspirations blended together in a positive affirmation of life, hope and love. Love that multi faceted word that encompasses so much of what it means to be fully human and engaged with others. The more funerals that I take, the more I become convinced that what is the hallmarks of a life lived well is the signs of Love given and Love received, both these grow and develop from the constant practice of each of them. I believe that at the heart of the wedding was that image of love given and love received, by William and Catherine and radiating out from them to include us all. So I pray for their marriage, indeed all marriages, to keep giving and receiving love, and thank them for that reminder to us all of the hope and love that is at the heart of what it means to be fully human. Their wedding coming just after Easter highlighted and was a pale reflection of the Easter story, which is the ultimate story of Love given and Love received.

STUART RASON

## Confirmation

If you are interested in, or indeed wonder what is involved in, being Confirmed in the Church of England by the Bishop, may I invite you to come and discuss it with me on the Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2011 at 7.00 pm at The Rectory, Chilbolton or talk to me on 01264 860258

The Benefice will be holding a Confirmation Service in the Autumn.

*Rev'd Stuart Rason*

## Chilbolton Flower Show 27th August 2011

### Photo competition titles



'Love Story' & 'Good enough to eat'.

**Free** schedules will be available shortly  
from committee members.

**Sheila Evans: 860 697**  
Waverley, Station Road  
**Sue Batchelor: 860 307**  
1, Room Cottages,  
Village Street  
**Maggie Duffy: 860 267**  
Charlcott, Branksome Avenue

**Mary Gilbert: 861 142**  
Beech Cottage, Station Road  
**Phillipa Munns 860 625**  
Brinks Cottage,  
Newton Stacey cross-roads  
**Sue Keen 860 571**  
4, Durnford Close

# Chernobyl Children



Last month, Wherwell and Chilbolton hosted a party for a group of children from the Ukraine. Children born 25 years after the Chernobyl nuclear plant exploded, suffer from cancer sometime after the age of four. By bringing these children over here, to clean air and good food, it can kick-start their immune system and give them a couple of extra years of life.

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May was blessed with perfect weather. The children ate a hearty lunch in the Wherwell Playing Fields pavilion and played many games out on the sports field. Each child was presented with a back-pack, hand-made and donated by a supporter, which contained many gifts.

The party helpers were: Annette Keys, Debbie Salberg, Jill Maynard, Pam Biddlecombe, Pam French and Dennis & Phyllis Harding. Grateful thanks to the Wherwell Playing Fields Association for the use of facilities and the gift of ice lollies.

*Phyllis Harding*



## Wherwell Neighbourhood Watch Report

Residents maybe receiving telephone calls stating that, as their payment record for paying the Council Tax over the past few years has been impeccable, the Government has agreed to make an immediate refund. Could they please provide bank details to enable a BACS transfer to be made. Could we please remind everyone, to be on your guard and not to supply or confirm any personal, banking or card details to anyone who makes contact with you.

Fullerton Road - In the past several traffic incidents have occurred on this road, either reported to the police or not, and now the common car park is shut on the Chilbolton side many people are choosing to park down this road by the common entrance at the Long Bridge and frankly all over the place. Please be extra vigilant when using this road, especially as a pedestrian, due to the increase in traffic.

I have some oil tank security stickers. If anyone would like to discuss this please contact me on 01264 861 101.

*Richard Rowles*

### **A GENTLE REMINDER**

Many thanks to the residents of Wherwell who have already completed the raffle ticket returns for the Prize Draw, to be held at 3pm in front of Wherwell Village Hall, on Saturday 11th June at the end of the Fete.

If you do not wish to participate please could I ask you to return the unused tickets to Susanne Horne at Chestnut Cottage (next door to the Hairdressers) as we try to resell them on the day of the Fete. If you would like to purchase more tickets, please call Claire Henderson 01264 720231.

# CHILBOLTON PARISH COUNCIL

A new Parish Council was formed on the 5<sup>th</sup> of May. It convened for the first time at the Annual General Meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> May and set out the programme for the year ahead. The AGM was followed by the Annual Parish Assembly when representatives of various clubs and associations presented their reports to the Parish Council and the members of the public attending as did local and county councillors.

The current council gave thanks to the retiring chairman, Jeremy Baines and the other councillors who did not seek re-election. It is easier for the new council to make progress when the affairs of the Council were left in such a good and ordered state. We are fortunate that there are four new members to the Parish Council namely Tony Ewer, Will Austin, and Patrick Coates who will bring energy and freshness to our debates. John Irish returned after a short absence. I am conscious that the Council does not have any young members, females or any members with young children so every effort will be made to canvass their views as to what they would like the Parish Council to do for them.

At the AGM the accounts were presented which show that the precept remained at £10,000 but after fixed costs such as insurance, hire of hall, the Clerk's salary and other expenses we only had circa £5,600 available to spend. The annual grant to maintain the Common is £6,265.

I can foresee that the problems of parking on the Common by visitors from far and wide on hot days will continue to cause difficulties. It could well be that we will have to have a further public meeting later this year to discuss more wide ranging ideas which might include restricting the parking along Village Street and on the Common itself. As you will be aware there are no rights to park on the Common something which is not known to outsiders. Any notions which called for radical proposals to control the visitors by cutting down on parking if they had the full support of the Village would then need to be discussed with TVBC and HCC. But this will be the subject of further discussions. There is no easy answer, the Common is owned by the Parish Council and the police will not usually take any action against those people who block access on the Common or to Joys Lane or light fires. The Council does not have the resources to police or take legal action against those who use the Common in contravention of the conditions imposed upon us by Natural England. This is a difficult problem with no easy solution.

The proposals for the play area suffered a setback as one of the main sponsors was unable to provide funding. But we still wish to proceed, after full consultation with local people, with a smaller scheme on the same site in the garden of the Abbots Mitre.

I am pleased to report that the boundary problems which had dogged us for several years at Grindstone Green looks to be at an end. I would like to record the Council's thanks to Gavin Hamilton and Helen Bradley for their advice and help in this matter.

So, with your help, guidance and contributions the Parish Council hopes to continue to improve and enhance this beautiful village in which we live.

*Alan Crisp - Chilbolton Parish Council*



## **Chilbolton Neighbourhood Watch Report**

Last month's report elicited a number of enquiries and signings so that the register now has details of 64 households. It is at the Saturday Village Hall Coffee Mornings that I meet most people. From now on, until the end of the year, Chilbolton Neighbourhood Watch will be there every third Saturday of the month in July, September and November and I hope that there will be the opportunity to meet many more of you.

The co-ordinators of the new Chilbolton Neighbourhood Watch Scheme had their first meeting on 18 April when it was decided not to pursue making the village a "No Cold Calling Zone". This decision was taken as it was thought that encouragement should be given to young people in this economic climate and that enforcement of the ruling would be almost impossible. Instead, door/gate stickers to say that goods and services are not bought at the door and not to cold call are available from your area co-ordinator or from me.

I have been made aware of the resurfacing of an old telephone scam where the caller threatens to cut off your phone unless you pay immediately by debit/credit card. This is just a ruse to get your card numbers which should never ever be given out over the phone and would never be requested by a bona fide company.

*Maria Watson Tel: 860415 [mwatson.cottage@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mwatson.cottage@hotmail.co.uk)*



*Wherwell  
Singers*

**Anthems for the 21<sup>st</sup> century**

**Vivaldi's Gloria**

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2011 at  
7:30pm,**

**St Peter's Church, Stockbridge**

Organist: David Coram

Conductor: Dale Webb

Tickets: £7 (£5 concession)

Available from Dale Webb (01264) 860074 and  
on the door

**Pre-concert dinner and interval  
drinks (which you can pre-order)  
available from Stokes Wine bar**

**The Children's Society  
Literary Lunch - A Date for Your Diary**

The Winchester Deanery Committee is holding a Literary Lunch with Guest Speaker, Philip Ziegler, on Tuesday 9th August at Itchen Abbas & Avington Village Hall. Guests to arrive at 12noon for 12.30pm start.

For tickets at £17.50 per person which includes lunch and a glass of wine please contact: Adele Bantle, 2 Alison Way, Winchester SO22 5BT. Please make cheques payable to 'The Children's Society' and enclose a stamp addressed envelope.

## Wherwell Church Fete

*The Committee would be extremely grateful for the donation of any of the following objects for stalls. Please see directions for relevant contact / drop-off points. Of course, any voluntary help you would like to offer would be very gratefully received – we are always looking for new people!*

<i>Stall</i>	<i>Items</i>	<i>Contact / drop-off</i>
<i>Pimms Tent</i>	<i>Bottles of Pimms</i>	<i>Anna Lipa, Chute Cottage, The Old Hill OR at the fete – please let me know beforehand on 860879</i>
<i>Teas</i>	<i>Cakes, sandwiches, etc</i>	<i>On the day to village hall please</i>
<i>Plants</i>	<i>Plants, trees &amp; shrubs (all labelled please), gardening implements and books</i>	<i>On the day to stall OR deliver to Diane Newell on 720464 or Jo Baughen on 860319. Will collect if required</i>
<i>Toy Stall</i>	<i>Toys and games</i>	<i>Call Carmen Griffiths on 861321 to arrange drop-off</i>
<i>Book Stall</i>	<i>Books, CDs</i>	<i>Robert Lawrence &amp; Sue Filmer, Flint Cottage, 30 High Street, tel: 07908 735757. Will also pick up.</i>
<i>Bottle Tombola</i>	<i>Bottles (full!)</i>	<i>Deliver to Ken Wilson 860461 or Bill Prince 860441. Will collect if necessary.</i>
<i>Bric-a-Brac</i>	<i>Unwanted treasures</i>	<i>Please deliver in advance to Brenda Headley, Bramshill, Fullerton Road, tel: 860253</i>
<i>Cakes</i>	<i>Cakes</i>	<i>On the day please to stall by lychgate</i>
<i>Chocolate Tombola</i>	<i>Chocolate</i>	<i>Please deliver to box outside 1 Greenwich Cottages, or contact Anne Clare Whiteside on 860530 to arrange collection</i>
<i>Produce</i>	<i>Garden produce and jars</i>	<i>On the day to stall or beforehand to Hilary Jennison on 861250</i>
<i>Gifts</i>	<i>New or nearly new items</i>	<i>Please deliver to Gail Starbuck at Winchester Lodge, tel: 860193</i>

*Don't forget to buy your raffle tickets! There is a selection of wonderful prizes on offer, including a bicycle and a day's fishing.*

# **WHERWELL FETE**

*Saturday 11th June*

*12 noon*

*Raffle draw at 3pm*

*FREE PARKING*

*Children's Art Exhibition at  
the Church,*

*Hot Dogs, Pimms Tent,*

*Strawberries & cream,*

*Picnic Area, Ice Cream, Teas,*

*Tombola,*

*Donkey Derby, Bric-a-Brac,*

*Raffles,*

*Face painting, Cakes, Plants,*

*Produce, Books, Gifts, Games,*

*Bouncy Castle, air Rifles,*

*Brass band and more*

*Lucky programme £1-00*

*In Aid of St Peter & Holy Cross Church,  
Wherwell*

## The 'East Enders' Street Party

In honour of the Royal Wedding a street party was held in the driveway of Wisteria Cottage. Just under 60 friends and neighbours with ages ranging from 5 weeks to 80+ enjoyed an afternoon of celebrations.

Everyone came together supplying tables, chairs and even a pergola for wet weather which happily was not required. At 3.30 people arrived bearing plates of delicious sandwiches, scones and cream, meringues and cakes and in many cases bottles and glasses! It was an occasion to meet new neighbours, chat with old and share in a Royal occasion.

Among the guests were two girls who were part of a group of children from Chernobyl who thoroughly enjoyed being included in a very British celebration. A Royal quiz was held and the winners had a very impressive score of 36 out of a possible 40.

Thank you to everyone who helped make it a very jolly occasion.



# Tools For Self-Reliance



**Tools for Self Reliance** is a small UK based charity working to help relieve poverty in Africa. Our approach to development is to focus on the artisan sector in rural communities. We have a small number of staff and hundreds of volunteers who help to collect and refurbish tools. At Netley Marsh, TFSR have a variety of workshops:

**The main tools workshop** – Here TFSR clean and repair hand tools, ranging from screwdrivers and saws to hand-operated pillar drills and blowlamps. Our few qualified electrical engineering volunteers carry out safety tests and repairs to the electric sewing machines and power tools that we send.

**The machine shop** – Here TFSR have a range of machines, including a grit blaster, several bench grinders, a lathe for more technical jobs and some specialist saw-sharpening machines which are used to speed up refurbishing.

**The special projects room** – for the occasional refurbishment of machinery such as lathes, planers, power pillar drills.

**The sewing machine workshop** -- At least a third of the kits TFSR send are sewing kits, which contain one or more sewing machines; all expertly serviced and ready to be used for many years to come.

**The wood workshop** – primarily for making boxes to house the tool kits and treadle sewing machines, using second-hand timber free from local companies. TFSR need 400 boxes a year to protect the kits in their container voyage from Netley to Africa.

One of my ex-IBM colleagues is a TFSR volunteer. If you have any tools suitable for a new lease of life in Africa, please contact me and I will make arrangements for collection. Thank you.

*Andrew Flanagan (tel: 860560)*



The pre-school children thoroughly enjoyed celebrating the Royal Wedding. They made a castle and crowns and enjoyed some party food. They also drew some fabulous pictures of the princess and the conversations between the children about the whole event were fascinating.

They have also been very busy in the sensory garden planting seeds and vegetables. Many thanks to Stuart Riley, one of the parents, who has worked very hard maintaining the garden for us.

We had a fabulous Summer Garden Party in May which was very well attended and raised some funds for pre-school enabling us to buy some new equipment. Much fun was had by all and there were various opportunities to try new things – for the children there was a ballet session and for the adults a Zumba class. There was also an entertainer for the children, an arts and crafts table and various fete like stalls. Our raffle was a huge success with some very generous donations from local businesses – Danebury Vineyards, Tescos, Hildon Water, Distinctive Impressions, City Insurance, Bendicks, Southampton FC and many more.... so a big thank you to all who donated.

Following the success of last year, we have invited a theatre company, Proteus, back in June when they will perform a show called Sophie and the Snail. Both Clatford and Wherwell Reception classes will be joining us. We have recently bought a Giant African Land Snail and named him Dave after the snail in the show. The children have really enjoyed having Dave and watching him – his tank lives in the book corner and the children enjoy showing him books and watching him eat his cucumber. This has led us to talking about pets, what pets the children have and how we care for them.

We now have over 40 children and are looking forward to a busy Summer term when we will have our usual Sports Day and end the term with a celebration day when we wish our school leavers well.

Finally, don't forget our Summer BBQ and Disco on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July from 7.30 til midnight in Chilbolton Village Hall. For further details and tickets, please contact either Clare Gibson on 01264 860204 or Chilbolton Pre-School directly (details below). All proceeds will be put towards the continuation of Dancing Clare and Merry Go Round, activities which the children love and gain great benefit from.

If you would like your child, aged 2-5, to have the opportunity to attend this unique and beautifully situated learning environment, then please do contact us for more information or to arrange a visit.

Call 07732 095814 or 07919 130777 or email [willrj@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:willrj@hotmail.co.uk)  
Website - [www.chilboltonpreschool.com](http://www.chilboltonpreschool.com)

**CHILBOLTON CHURCH FETE**

**&**

**VILLAGE BBQ**

**SATURDAY 25th JUNE**

**12.30 – 3.30 PM**

**AT**

**DOWN END**

**Drove Road**

**Beer & Pimms  
Tent**

**Huge BBQ  
of Local Produce**

**Stalls, raffles &  
live music**

**FUN  
DOG SHOW**

**Games &  
entertainment  
for all the family**



**Come and join in all the fun  
Free Parking available**

## FIELD MARSHALS WANTED!

Lots of strong helpers required to put up tents, gazebos and marquees, move tables and chairs to the site of this year's Chilbolton Fete and to clear them away afterwards. Would all volunteers please contact Jolyon Pope on 860852 if they can assist on the following dates:



### Programme

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June from 6pm – 9pm, putting up marquees and moving tables, adjourning to the pub when it is done.

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June morning, helping stall holders, adjourn to beer tent.

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June from 4pm, clearing site, adjourning to pub upon completion.

This year the Fete is at Down End on Saturday, 25 June 2011 from 12.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m., at Down End at the bottom of Drove Road

IF YOU HAVE A GAZEBO THAT THE FETE COULD USE, PLEASE  
CALL JOLYON POPE

## **Plants Plants Plants**

**for Chilbolton Church Fete on 25<sup>th</sup> June**



Could you spare us some rooted cuttings, surplus or self-sown plants for the stall?

Contact Sue on 860307 for more information.



## CHILBOLTON VILLAGE FETE

### BROWNIES' TOY STALL

Toys! Toys! Wonderful toys!

Old or new, big or small, have you any unwanted toys we can sell?

To arrange delivery or pickup please call  
Sheila & Steven Cooper on 860087

Thank you!

## Chilbolton Church Fete and Village BBQ Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2010



Let's make this the **BEST** Grand Draw **EVER!!!!**

We would be most grateful for donations of some special prizes for this year's Grand Draw

Please call Jenny Hamilton (01264 860058) or email [familyhamilton@googlemail.com](mailto:familyhamilton@googlemail.com) to arrange collection if you would like to donate a prize or if you are happy to sell some tickets for the draw in advance.

## The Royal Wedding



Prince William  
&  
Kate Middleton

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2011

Westminster Abbey

On the day of the Royal Wedding, there were two street parties in Wherwell.

Residents of  
**Chant Close**  
and guests enjoy  
savouries and a full  
cream tea in the  
garden of **Phyllis and  
Dennis Harding**



Residents of  
**Beech Grove**  
and guests enjoy a  
BBQ and 'disco'  
organised by

**Cliff & Angela  
Shaun & Sandy  
Trevor & Sue**

*Andrew Flanagan*

# Wherwell Church Restoration Project

## ARE YOU A BELLRINGER IN THE MAKING?



You are probably aware of the major restoration of St. Peter and Holy Cross Church in Wherwell; with Phase 1 (the replacement of the Nave roof and the re-shingling of the tower and spire) having commenced in March. But did you know that as part of the overall restoration programme, we are going to get the peal of five bells (four of which date from 1707) ringing again?

Initially, principally because of cost, we are going to put in some equipment called an Ellacombe chiming frame to enable the bells to be chimed by one person. This apparatus will be installed towards the end of this year and we hope to have the bells ringing out again before Christmas.

In the future, we hope to get back to “full circle” ringing of the bells, while still retaining the chiming equipment. Much of the funding for this work should be from various grant-making bodies although we are still looking to raise funds from within the community. Moving to full circle ringing will depend on the community’s wish to have the bells fully reinstated and also being able to train up and maintain a ringing team.

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – LEARN HOW TO RING THE BELLS!**

We are now looking to enrol a few more people from the local area to join a small group who have already indicated an interest in learning to chime. The group will be trained to use the Ellacombe chiming equipment and taught a number of methods, tunes and chords that can then be rung (chimed) on the five bells. Learning to use the apparatus is simple and not overly strenuous and learning the method ringing in this form is also relatively simple.

Edmund Wratten, our Tower Correspondent, is an experienced bell ringer and has offered to help train up the team. Within the Downs Benefice, Tim Speakman of St. Catherine's Church Littleton, who manages their chiming apparatus, has also offered to help.

Once competent, the team working in pairs would run a rota system that would probably mean only having to chime the bells once every five weeks or so, for up to fifteen minutes ahead of the Sunday service plus ringing at weddings and the occasional practice session.

So if you are interested please get in touch with me. You never know this might be the first step in getting involved with a team of bell ringers who one day will be ringing a full peal of Gransire or Stedman Doubles on the Wherwell bells! What's that you ask? Well ring me and find out!

Finally to give you a feel for how the apparatus is used and how the bells sound have a look at

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CSiURbUWKPI> [Ellacombe Chime apparatus at St Mary's Kennington, Kent] and

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KSOrZVPv4Uk&feature=related> [Hunton, Kent, bells chimed on the Ellacombe]

**David Etchells (Restoration Project Team member – 01264 860575 or [david.etchells@gmail.com](mailto:david.etchells@gmail.com) )**



## **The sky at night**

Is there anyone out there with a good knowledge of the night sky who would like to meet on the sports field one moonless night? I have a powerful laser pointer which could be used to identify the stars and planets. Coffee and drinks would be available at the Old Cottage afterwards. Please call Alan Crisp 860641.



## JUNE DIARY DATES



4 Jun	Coffee morning	WVH	10.30am
4 Jun	Chilbolton FC End of season party	Abbots Mitre	6.30pm
5 Jun	Wherwell Home Guard Club 65 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary		1pm
5 Jun	Longstock Water Garden		2-5pm
6 Jun	Red Garter Club	CVH	7.30pm
7 Jun	Confirmation talk	Chil Rectory	7pm
11 Jun	Wherwell Fete	Church St	12.00 noon
12 Jun	Simply Sunday family bike ride	CVH	3pm
13 Jun	Afternoon Tea	White Lion	3pm
14 Jun	Chilbolton PC	CVH	7.30pm
17 Jun	Wherwell History Group: David Lee	WVH	8pm
18 Jun	Coffee Morning	CVH	10.30-12.00
18 Jun	Wherwell Singers Summer Concert	St Peter's Church, Stockbridge	7.30pm
19 Jun	Longstock Water Garden		2-5pm
20 Jun	Midday Mums and Lunch	Dancing Ledge, Wherwell	10.30am
21 Jun	Chilbolton WI 'A Cockney Childhood'	CVH	7.30pm
24 Jun	Glow-worm hunt	West Down Car Park	9pm
25 Jun	Chilbolton Fete	Down End	12.30-3.30
30 Jun	Magazine collation	CVH	6.30pm
<b>JULY DIARY DATES</b>			
2 Jul	Coffee morning	WVH	10.30am
5 Jul	Chilbolton PC	CVH	7.30pm
12 Jul	Wherwell Parish Council	WVH	7pm
23 Jul	Chilbolton Pre-school BBQ & Disco	CVH	7.30pm

## WHAT'S ON IN THE AREA

### Theatres:

02/06/11: **Mark Thomas: Extreme Rambling (Walking the Wall)**. At The Lights, Andover at 8pm. Tickets £15, Students £10. Tel (01264) 368368 [www.thelights.org.uk](http://www.thelights.org.uk).

04/06/11 and 05/06/11: **Benji The Fish**. By Joe Sleight. A new children's musical at Plaza Theatre, Romsey at 3pm. Tickets £6. Tel (01794) 512987 [www.plazatheatre.co.uk](http://www.plazatheatre.co.uk)

06/06/11 to 11/06/11: **The Lady in the Van**. By Alan Bennett. Presented by Hull Truck Theatre Company at Theatre Royal, Winchester at 8pm & matinee (Thurs) 1.30pm & (Sat) 2.30pm. Tickets £20 (Mon-Wed), £22 (Thu to Sat eve) & £15 (matinees), concessions £18, £20, £13 respectively. Tel (01962) 840440 [www.theatre-royal-winchester.co.uk](http://www.theatre-royal-winchester.co.uk)

13/06/11 to 18/06/11: **Around The World in 80 Days** adapted from Jules Verne's novel. Performances at 7.30pm (Mon-Fri), 2.30pm & 7.30pm (Sat) at Salisbury Playhouse. Tickets £14-£20. Tel (01722) 320333 [www.salisburyplayhouse.com](http://www.salisburyplayhouse.com)

14/06/11 to 17/06/11: **Bloodshot**. By Douglas Post and performed by The Nuffield Theatre Company at Theatre Royal, Winchester at 8pm. Tickets £17.50, concessions £15.50.

### Music:

11/06/11: **Pluck-Musical Arson**. At The Lights, Andover at 7.45pm. Tickets £11-£12, concessions £10. Tel (01264) 368368 [www.thelights.org.uk](http://www.thelights.org.uk).

18/06/11: **West Devon Chorale**: Performing at Romsey Abbey at 7.30pm. Tel (01794) 512987. [www.romseynet.org.uk/musicromsey.htm](http://www.romseynet.org.uk/musicromsey.htm)

### Other events:

10/06/11: **Girls' Night Out**. Dancing to local band Broadband at Hillier Gardens near Romsey. Gates open 7pm for picnics. Tickets £7.50. Tel (01794) 369318 [www.hilliergardens.org.uk](http://www.hilliergardens.org.uk)

13/06/11 and 24/06/11: **Summer with Roses Photography Trail**. 7am to 3pm including brunch. At Mottisfont Abbey, near Romsey. Booking essential - Tickets £75. Tel (01794) 344020. [www.nationaltrust.org.uk/events](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/events)

### Country Markets:

Country Markets are held weekly in Andover and Stockbridge selling homemade and local produce. The Stockbridge market is held in the Town Hall every Thursday, 10.00am - 12.00 noon. The Andover market is held outside the Guildhall every Friday, 7.30am - 1pm

### Farmers' Market Dates:

05 Jun 2011 - Romsey  
19 Jun 2011 - Andover

12 Jun 2011 - Winchester  
26 Jun 2011 - Winchester

## W.I Report May 2011



As the Royal Wedding preparations were in their final stages in London, nineteen members of Chilbolton WI got together to celebrate with a party tea. With a variety of teas on offer, plus all manner of sweet and savoury delectables, decorated with patriotic symbols (each member having brought along a plate of fare), we were royally treated. It was a pleasure to be able to sit and chat. As a result, a number of members were able to arrange to get together the next morning to watch 'The Wedding' in company, rather than sitting watching alone while their husbands/partners were 'busy in the garden'! Grateful thanks to Sylvia Baker for her hospitality and to the members of the committee for their work behind the scenes.

As well as a celebration, this was a fund-raising activity for the two charities we are supporting, and the money raised by members' generosity will go to pay the postage for jumpers for Zimbabwean orphans, and to buy items to make up 'Welcome boxes' for people arriving at the Crisis Centre.

*Sue Batchelor (President)*

### MIDDAY MUMS



This month we have been invited to Joyce and Mike Payne's house on Monday June 20<sup>th</sup>, for the coffee morning from 10.30-12noon, followed by the bring and share lunch from 12.30. The address is Dancing Ledge in Wherwell which is a white house on the Fullerton Road. Joyce has a pool so bring your swimming things for a dip!

Hoping for a lovely day and look forward to seeing you, with or without your children. *Susan Ansell 860775*



Jane's Kitchen

**Recipe for afternoon tea scones** (with thanks to Sue Williams)

8oz or 225g flour (strong plain flour is best)

2 tsp baking powder

2oz or 50g margarine or butter

1oz or 25g caster sugar

1 egg beaten and made up to  $\frac{1}{4}$  pint or 150ml with milk

*Pre-heat oven to 220 C, grease a baking sheet.*

**Method**

Rub butter into the flour and baking powder. Add sugar. Then add egg and milk and mix to make a soft dough.

Roll out dough on floured board to a thickness of about  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch or 2 cm. Use a 2 inch or 4.5cm cutter and place scones on greased tray.

Dust each one with flour.

Bake near the top of the oven for 12-15 minutes.

**Delicious eaten as fresh as possible with butter, jam and clotted cream!**

**Afternoon Tea at The White Lion, Wherwell**



**Monday 13 June 3pm**

**£2.00 tea and cake**

**Just come along - no booking required.**

**ALL welcome (regardless of age  
or which Hampshire village you live in!)**



## WHERWELL PARISH COUNCIL

The last meeting was in April which dealt solely with tying up loose ends of business at the end of the financial year. The AGM and Annual Parish Assembly was held on 17<sup>th</sup> May, but as this was after the deadline for this month's magazine, the report will be in the July issue.

Since the last full PC meeting in March a lot of work has been going on. Cllrs. had to complete the paperwork for the PC elections, but with no other candidates the members of the PC remains unchanged.

Concerns were again raised at the March meeting regarding the danger of speeding vehicles going through the village. Several complaints have also been made regarding the problems of vehicles parking on the junction of Church Street and Winchester Street and also in close proximity to the junction of Mill Lane, Fullerton Road and High Street. Other problems causing concern are the number of HGVs coming through the village and the increase in parking in the vicinity of the Long Bridge especially over the Bank Holidays. County Cllr. Andrew Gibson, District Councillor Jim Neal, HCC Highways Department, TVBC traffic Management and PC Richard Jewell our beat policeman have all been informed of these concerns. Whilst attending the opening of the new IT department at the school I took the opportunity to talk to Caroline Nokes, our MP, about the problems and to ask for her support to instigate 20 mph speed limits in all villages that do not have adequate pavements. As she had recently been campaigning in the area she was well aware of the dangers from speeding traffic within Wherwell and Chilbolton. On occasions many drivers are guilty of driving a little over the speed limit. However, if the limit is lowered to 20 mph then, hopefully, most cars would then be going slower than 30 mph. Statistically there is a significantly better chance of a pedestrian surviving a collision with a vehicle travelling below 30mph than above it.

Risk assessments have to be done for just about every aspect of our lives but as far as road safety is concerned, until there is a serious accident, there is no consideration for preventative measures being introduced to prevent an accident occurring.

An argument against lowering the speed limit is the difficulty of policing it. As the 30mph limit is so rarely policed in our village this does not seem a relevant argument. Having been on the back burner for a few months, it seems that, with a contribution from parish councils, the police should soon have more hand held speeding guns and will be using them more regularly. However, if a vehicle is doing less than 30 mph, in the centre of the village, although this is, without doubt dangerous, could any action be taken if the speed limit is not being exceeded? Realistically it is going to be tough to get the speed limit lowered but we must do everything possible to make villages safer for pedestrians. If you agree please email your concerns to: [andrew.Gibson@hants.gov.uk](mailto:andrew.Gibson@hants.gov.uk) , [cllrjneal@testvalley.gov.uk](mailto:cllrjneal@testvalley.gov.uk) , [caroline.nokes.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:caroline.nokes.mp@parliament.uk) and [MPatel@testvalley.gov.uk](mailto:MPatel@testvalley.gov.uk) - (TVBC transportation engineer) and copy me at the address below. Please urge all your friends and neighbours to email/write as well. If you require postal addresses please contact me or Liz, the parish clerk. Tel: 860385.

Continuing the theme of road safety the provision of the footway around the corner of the White Lion is delayed awaiting the legalities involved in the transfer of land from the brewery to HCC. Testway should be praised for their very prompt agreement and offer of funding for this project. We also hope that the installation of a 40 mph speed limit will commence shortly along part of the Longparish Road.

Cllr. Andrew Gibson and Cllr. Jim Neal were also contacted about the ongoing road works on the Winchester Road leading in and out of Andover. On occasions there have been long tailbacks particularly going into town. It was suggested that signs warning of possible delays should have been installed.

Formatting of the 'Exploring Wherwell' footpath leaflet and the map boards has taken a lot of time. We are now awaiting the final proofs and hope that these projects will be finished very soon.

**Next PC meeting commencing at 7.00pm in the Colonel Jenkins' Hall on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July. Jane Andrews. Tel: 860635 email: [flyjohnandrews@aol.com](mailto:flyjohnandrews@aol.com)**



## Wherwell Cricket Club (Adult Section)

KJM Sponsored Wherwell started the 2011 season in some style. Following a prolonged dry spell it was no surprise that the first competitive match of the season was threatened by heavy rain, however some determined work on the pitch ensured a game could start as scheduled.

In true tradition Wherwell lost the toss and were asked to bat on a damp pitch. Alex Gladwyn started well by creating pressure on the field by running quick singles. Unfortunately Wherwell lost 3 quick wickets which in previous years would have triggered a collapse, however the last 2 seasons have seen a greater depth in the batting, new players have joined the club and one of those, Stuart Taylor, took the challenge to the bowlers in tandem with David Langford. The fact that these 2 had never batted together didn't seem to cause any problems as both went about their jobs with maximum effect. Langford looked as though he's never been away. Taylor (31) hit some glorious boundaries before a drinks break brought his downfall. Another new signing came to crease as Christian Nicel looked to prove his spot with some big hitting, he quickly raced into the 20's before being bowled for 26. The tail wagged and allowed Langford to reach his 50, but was out 2 balls later for 51, this ensured Wherwell reached 207-9.

Crown Taveners knew chasing 200+ on this damp strip would be hard but they never even got close. Wherwell's bowling was disciplined from the start. Taylor hit the spot straight away and never allowed a batsman a easy shot. This only got worse for Taveners as Wherwell turned to Adi Holdway and Matt Guilfoyle who tightened the screw and took wickets as regular intervals. A stunning catch at slip by Ryan Young set the standard for the fielding. Once again though Adi Holdway proved the star of the show, taking 6 wickets for only 13 runs from his 10 overs.

Crown Taveners were bowled out for 74 within 35 overs meaning Wherwell XI got off to the perfect start for their inaugural season in the 1st division."

If you'd like to join the squad we are always looking for people to join the club. If you think you're past it then draw inspiration from Adi Holdway (taking 6 wickets for only 13 runs off 10 overs) at the age of 67ish!

## Wherwell Cricket Club (Junior Section)

If you have kids that would like cricket coaching and can't make our Monday night training due to other commitments, then let me know on 01264 861101 or richard@rowles.co.uk if there is demand I'd be happy to consider setting up another session. Boys and Girls are welcome age 7 onwards.

Richard Rowles



### Chilbolton FC – Monthly Update April/May 2011



Well the football season is now formally over and the results are in; unfortunately we have had to settle for second place in the league as results did not go our way.

Chute Reserves won their last three games of the season, the final one a walkover after the opposition failed to field a team, which was a frustrating way to lose top spot. Congratulations must go to Chute on a good final few games and we will look forward to playing them again next season.

Despite coming second we have won promotion to division 2 for next season and are already looking forward to the challenge that comes with it. We will be looking to raise our game, improve both our skills and fitness for next season to make sure we can compete and continue to progress.

With the season over we now look forward to the end of season party that will be held on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June at the Abbots Mitre in Chilbolton. Starting at 6:30pm with food, drink and the usual end of season awards ceremony, it promises to be an enjoyable evening. We will be joined by some of our sponsors, the players and as many wives, girlfriends and partners as are able to make it.

If anyone is interested in joining the team or is interested in getting involved in the club come along and join us for a drink.

Ahead of the event I would like to thank all the staff at the Abbots Mitre for hosting us we are looking forward to it!!!

Keep in touch with the team at [www.chilboltonfc.co.uk](http://www.chilboltonfc.co.uk) and keep an eye out for next month's update on the awards ceremony results and looking forward to the start of pre-season.

*Sam Horne, Manager 07969 055300*



## GARDENS OPEN FOR CHARITY IN THE AREA JUNE 2011

### **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June**

Longstock Park Water Garden is open in aid of Brendoncare Foundation from 2pm to 5pm. Admission £5, children £1. Teas are available at Longstock Park Nursery. [www.longstockpark.co.uk](http://www.longstockpark.co.uk)

### **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> and Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June**

Longparish Gardens open for The National Gardens Scheme from 2pm to 6pm. Combined admission £6, children free. Home-made teas at Longmead House. [www.ngs.org.uk](http://www.ngs.org.uk)

### **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> and Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June**

The Old Rectory, Houghton. Garden open for The National Gardens Scheme from 2pm to 5pm. Admission £3, children free. Home-made teas in aid of the church at Houghton. [www.ngs.org.uk](http://www.ngs.org.uk)

### **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June and Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June**

Gardens open for The National Gardens Scheme [www.ngs.org.uk](http://www.ngs.org.uk):  
Crawley Gardens from 2pm to 6pm. Combined admission £6, children free.

Home-made teas in the Village Hall in aid of Crawley Village Hall Trust.

Stockbridge Gardens from 2pm to 5.30pm. Combined admission £5, children

free (share to St Peter's Church). Home-made teas.

Terstan, Longstock, Stockbridge from 2pm to 6pm. Admission £3, children

free. Home-made teas.

### **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June**

See Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June. Also:

Longstock Park Water Garden is open in aid of National Gardens Scheme from 2pm to 5pm. Admission £5, children £1. Teas are available at Longstock Park Nursery. [www.longstockpark.co.uk](http://www.longstockpark.co.uk)



## Charity Cycling in Chilbolton

I would welcome hearing about any Chilbolton based cycling stories to support the growing interest in the village for increased exercise and healthy living.

Following a fast Charity fundraising ride from John O'Groats to Lands End (1,000 miles plus) over Easter, in aid of Andover Young Carer's, my son and I (plus 16 others) will be cycling to raise money for Cancer Research UK (CRUK) by riding from Switzerland to Sicily in June. The Italian ride is over 950 mile through some of the most beautiful countryside in Europe so it should be a brilliant experience. We will be meeting the Head of CRUK, Professor Peter Johnson, in Lugano where he will start the ride during a brief gap in his lecture at a conference in Lugano, Switzerland. The details of the trip are as follows:

### **Italy Top to Toe**

Inspired Living, a branch of CRUK, following the success of the Winchester to Gibraltar fundraising event last year, has focussed its fundraising efforts on Italy for 2011. The Gibraltar event and the Cycle4Life mass ride in September, 2010, together raised £89,000 for CRUK. This was a really awesome success especially as it was the first event organised by the Inspired Living Committee. The Inspired Living committee was a really focussed group of very professional people who effectively achieved the impossible.

In 2011 Inspired Living has the Italian Top to Toe event between the 15<sup>th</sup> June and 26<sup>th</sup> June and this will link into the mass event with the Tour of the Meon Valley on 4<sup>th</sup> September starting and finishing at St Swithun's School Winchester. All the Italian team will ride the Tour of the Meon valley supported by their families.

The Italian event will be started in Lugano, Switzerland by the eminent Professor Peter Johnson from Cancer Research UK who will be lecturing in Lugano.

The first phase will have Andrew Gibson, Thomas Gibson and James Wadley cycling the first few days from Switzerland to Bologna where they will be joined by the other 15 members of the team, namely: Jac Samuel, Ted Williams, Neil Flesher, Rob Baseley, Steve Young, Adrian Dymonds, Sophia Smith, Joe Allnutt, Paul Howells, Dr. Guy Poppy, Dr. Tim Frank, Joel Frank, Ben Lin, Phil Kilby and Scott Dryburgh.



*Charity Cycling in Chilbolton (continued from page 31)*

The route to be followed and the distances are outlined below.

**Italy Top to Toe** (overnight stops in brackets)

Day -1	15th June 2011	Chiasso to Piacenza	140km (Piacenza)
Day 0	16th June 2011	Piacenza to Modena	120km (Modena)
Day 1	17th June 2011	Bologna Airport to Forli	80km (Forli)
Day 2	18th June 2011	Forli to Senigallia	130km (Senigallia)
Day 3	19th June 2011	Senigallia to Tortoreto	134km (Tortoreto)
Day 4	20th June 2011	Tortoreto to Termoli	150km (Termoli)
Day 5	21st June 2011	Termoli to Candela	123km (Candela)
Day 6	22nd June 2011	Candela to Sala Consilina	127km (Sala Consilina)
Day 7	23rd June 2011	Sala Consilina to Fuscaldo	137km (Fuscaldo)
Day 8	24th June 2011	Fuscaldo to Rosarno	137km (Rosarno)
Day 9	25th June 2011	Rosarno to Taormina	110km (Taormina)
<i>Including Ferry trip so this day will be well regimented with an early start.</i>			
Day 10	26th June 2011	Taormina to Catania	Fly home 50km

SanDisk has been very supportive of the CRUK cancer charity and made donations for the trip as have Stannah Italia, who are providing a support vehicle and we are again grateful for their support.

There will be a comprehensive PR programme and we hope to get national coverage.

Finally there will be a daily blog during the Italian ride and there will also be a feature menu from each of the regions of Italy where we stop overnight. Please look at the website on [www.inspiredliving.org.uk](http://www.inspiredliving.org.uk) for the daily updates and to make donations through our **Just Giving** page.

Please contact me on [andrew.ga.gibson@btinternet.com](mailto:andrew.ga.gibson@btinternet.com) with any stories.

*Andrew Gibson*



## Chilbolton and Wherwell Wildlife



The hot dry April weather was a problem for gardeners and farmers, but was much appreciated by some of the spring-flying butterflies. West Down's special chalk downland species, the Grizzled Skipper and Brown Argus, were flying in profusion by early May. We also saw the slightly more unusual Dingy Skipper for the first time at West Down, and then to our amazement a real rarity – the Pearl-bordered Fritillary. We're not too sure where this species might have come from (there aren't any colonies nearby), but the caterpillars feed on Dog Violets so West Down may now be to its liking. Meanwhile, and not to be out-done, Harewood Forest was also in the *Lepidoptera* limelight, with reports there of the rare "Duke of Burgundy" fritillary, and a very rare sunshine-loving moth – the "Argent and Sable". Apparently, both the Duke of Burgundy and the Pearl-bordered Fritillary have done exceptionally well everywhere in Southern England this year, so maybe they'll now stick around in our area.

The month of May is a time when many of our migrant birds are arriving in numbers, and sometimes we see unusual birds that are just passing through. Common Sandpiper is one species I see every year along our river as they head for the upland streams of northern England. And most years, river-keepers and fishermen report that they've seen Ospreys – pausing to take a fish whilst on their way, probably to Scotland. But I was surprised to see an Osprey myself this year as it headed overland several miles from the river. It was a beautiful clear morning, and Sheila and I were treated to the amazing sight of three Buzzards, two Red Kites, and the Osprey, all in view at the same time. And all within the parish of Chilbolton! So do keep your eyes open you never know what you might see in the sky.

By the time you read this, we'll be into June. There'll be a lot more butterflies, and the garden birds will all be feeding their young. Do tell me if you see a Spotted Flycatcher; they're increasingly rare but still a few coming to the Test Valley villages. And don't forget our **West Down Glow-worm hunt – 9.00pm, Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June**. Meet at top car-park. We'll need to stay till after dark for this one, so at least till 11.00pm.

*Glynne Evans* ([hantsbto@hotmail.com](mailto:hantsbto@hotmail.com))





## Bee Diary June 2011



One reads constantly in the press about how bees are under pressure, about colony losses, disease, loss of pollination, resulting food shortages, apocalypse tomorrow. The one gleaming light in all this is that the bees don't read the press.

This spring has been the best season for honey bees that I can recall since I started beekeeping again in the early 1990s. We came through winter with all 24 colonies intact. Of these only two were slightly weak, all the others were fighting fit and started to expand with astonishing rapidity, we had some hives with two supers of honey almost full by the middle of April, even before the rape started flowering, which is unheard of. It means that the hives were about one month advanced upon their normal expansion programme. This is all to do with the exceptional spring weather, which suited the bees.

Of course this advanced state means that attempts to swarm have been very common through May and June, so we have been working every weekend to persuade the bees not to swarm. The normal way to prevent swarming is to split colonies into two, but you have to have enough spare hives to do this, and no beekeeper ever has enough spare hives when the bees are swarming.

As well as the bees expanding well, so is Andover Beekeepers Association. From a low point of 18 members 5 years ago, we now have about 95 members. If you were in the middle of Chilbolton village on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May, you may have seen a convocation of white suited beekeepers who came to see our bees and afterwards came in for tea. There was some alarm amongst the habitués of the Abbots Mitre, when one of the wits of our association made out that we were chemical and biological warfare specialists about to descend upon the establishment.

Whilst the hives are full of bees, the temperature inside the hive remains warm, and prevents the honey from setting. Rape combined with tree honey is very prone to set hard in the combs and if allowed to cool it will set very rapidly. We therefore had a race against time in mid May to prevent the bees from swarming and to remove the first honey crop whilst it was still in a liquid state. The warm weather in April and early May had allowed the bees to reduce the water content of the honey to a very low level which results in a thicker and denser honey. There will be some of this excellent 2011 spring vintage Chilbolton Honey on sale at the Fete on 25<sup>th</sup> June.

Throughout June we will be continuing our swarm prevention measures, with 24 hives it takes us about a full day every week to get round the 4 apiaries. June is a tricky time for the bees, the spring flowers are over and the summer flowers are yet to come out. In some years this "June Gap" can cause the bees to go hungry if too much honey has been removed from the hive during the May spring honey harvest.

*Jolyon Pope*



## How has your week been?

Did you actually do the things you wanted to do or did you find that it was more difficult than you could manage? As people age they can find that keeping up with life becomes much more of an effort. They avoid doing the things that they have always enjoyed or stop looking forward to new opportunities and challenges. If this sounds like you, then your local Community Innovations Team can help put you back on the right track.

Hampshire Community Innovations Teams are part of a County wide service unique to Hampshire County Council. The teams combine the skills of social care, health and voluntary sector professionals, working in partnership to promote better health and wellbeing for older people. This service is specifically aimed at people aged 55+ who are at risk of losing their independence but do not yet meet the criteria for support from Hampshire County Council's Adult Services Department.

The Andover Community Innovations Team has a Social Worker, Occupational Therapist and Support Worker who can help you review your situation and offer you information, advice and support that can enable you to maintain your independence and get back out into your local community. We work alongside you until you are ready to take control of the things that matter to you. For more information please contact the Andover Community Innovations Team on 01264 387414, or email: [Jane.french@hants.gov.uk](mailto:Jane.french@hants.gov.uk)