

# THE HORSE'S MOUTH



News and Events in the Parish of Horsley

**June 2014**

**Friends of Horsley School**

## **SCHOOL SUMMER FETE**

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**Friday 20th June**

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our new staff were trying their utmost to make sure everyone had good service. It was very touching and symbolic that the church bells rang out the old Bell, and welcomed in the new Hog, and the choir sang for us. The band were great in the evening. There was such a good vibe in the pub and we have had many positive comments, the most touching one that people are meeting lots of friends and neighbours that they have not seen properly for ages, and it feels great that we have been able to provide that for them.

We'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has supported us so far, the opening day was a huge success, everyone nearly drank the bar dry, we hadn't anticipated running out of 3 barrels of beer on our first day! Fortunately the breweries were able to replace them by opening time next day. We also thank everyone for their patience when the bar was so busy, and all

On the Sunday we served a delicious roast lunch and I was encouraged that a lady didn't realise we had only been open two days. Now we are ready to serve our normal week day menu and are hoping that more people will be able to enjoy the garden in the sunshine!  
Caroline & Greg Saturley.

## Nupend Farm - Application now in - Act Now!

The planning application for this **HAS** being submitted, and anyone concerned should write letters to councillors, MPs and ministers **NOW**.

Horsley community conducted meetings in every hamlet and circulated a questionnaire to determine a considered village-wide response. A large turnout attended a consultation event on April 3rd and the overwhelming response showed a strong objection: (a) to the proposal altogether, (b) to the scale of development, for the following reasons:

- It is **OUTSIDE THE VILLAGE SETTLEMENT**, crossing a red line drawn to protect our landscape. Once this precedent is set, huge areas of protected land are at risk.
- It is in an **AREA of OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY** - another red line.
- **HERITAGE**: it surrounds Grade II listed buildings and will be inappropriate.
- **INCREASE IN TRAFFIC**. The road from Horsley to Nailsworth is already collapsing because of the weather and volume of traffic going to and from the refuse centre.
- **POLLUTION**. Both **ENVIRONMENTAL** pollution and **LIGHT POLLUTION**. The development is on a hill, in an **AONB**, and will affect the landscape for miles around.
- **SATELLITE VILLAGE**. This will increase the housing density in Nupend by 130%. This could create a satellite village which will attract commuters that drive in and out of the area rather than integrate and support the local economy.
- In SDC's emerging local plan, there is no allocation of any housing to Horsley, because it has poor transport infrastructure; is not close to any urban areas for employment purposes; nor on a main line train or bus route.
- **PLANNING** has already been granted in Horsley for 15 other new houses – all **WITHIN** the settlement boundary.



# News from Horsley School

Owls Class at Horsley School (years 5 & 6 children) all took part in a pizza 'cookathon'. The children were set a homework task to design pizzas - choosing the ingredients, working out the recipe and costings.

They all worked really hard making the dough, from flour kindly donated by Shipton Mill nr Tetbury, and preparing the toppings for 110 pizzas – enough for lunch for the whole school. The pizzas were cooked in stove top pizza ovens loaned by local inventor Dan Chadwick. The event was organised and supervised by parent Anna Herbert who was ably assisted by a group of volunteer parents.



**'Jack-in-the-Green' Jed followed by May Queen Phoebe and her attendants Bella and Elinor.**

We welcomed in summer on May 1<sup>st</sup> with our traditional May Day celebration. Our Jack in the Green was eldest boy, Jed Knight who, covered in a cage of beech leaves and looking very green, led children, staff, parents and local villagers down to Washpool, where we were treated to poetry, song and music. This year's May Queen was eldest girl Phoebe Hawkins, who made a beautiful entrance with her two princesses, accompanied by Rhianna playing the flute. Flower

garlands of decorated willow were held by year 4 children to form an arched tunnel for all to pass through as we arrived at Horsley Mill. The children treated us to some country dancing and Ruskin Mill kindly provided excellent refreshments.

Owls Class attended a thoughtful afternoon discovering the meaning of Pentecost and the influence of this important Christian festival on their own lives. We would like to thank members of the church for making this possible.

Children from Foxes Class (Rec/Y1) spent a wonderful morning visiting classmate Olivia's family stables. They saw foals, ponies, and even chickens and quails. They each took turns grooming and riding a pony and watched an impressive jumping demonstration by Olivia on her pony 'William'

As part of the Nailsworth Festival Owls Class will be exhibiting their WW1 'Suitcases' at a special event under the theme 'War and Peace' commemorating the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War. The children were asked to imagine finding an old suitcase in the attic containing the remnants of a child's life in the Great War. It gives an insight into how life used to be and how tough it was. The children have made suitcases and filled them with items that represent a child's life in WW1. They were taught to knit for the soldiers, following a pattern. Some of the items included balaclavas, socks, scarves and fingerless gloves. They also drew self-portraits to represent the child who owned the suitcase, studied old style comics and made their own.



# SHOP TALK

## Forthcoming Events

### Cotswold Life

#### Food and Drink Awards 2014:

We have, for the second time in three years, been chosen as finalists in the Best Independent Retailer category. The Awards ceremony is to be held at Cheltenham Racecourse on July 7<sup>th</sup> 2014. Allan and Sue Caudwell will be attending on our behalf. A huge thank you to everyone who nominated us.

## New Products

Summer's here, so call in for ice lollies, locally produced BBQ charcoal, firelighters, cold drinks and a range of Winstone's ice creams.

Hobbs House burger buns or hot dogs rolls, plus Horsley sausages can be ordered, to make your barbecue extra special!

## Stroud Food Bank Collection



**Point** We are now a collection point for the Food Bank. Please see main article by Norman Kay on page 9.

## Volunteer News

Are you new to the village? Volunteering at the Shop, is a great way to get to know your neighbours. Flexible hours and many roles available, not just serving on the till. Call in and speak to Jo, Shop Manager, for more details.

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## Horsley Parish Council

On Tuesday May 27<sup>th</sup> Horsley Parish Council held its Annual General Meeting.

Nick Hackett has now resigned as chairman and we would like to thank him for all his work over the last 7 years representing the village. He worked hard helping establish the Pavilion/ changing rooms and on local planning matters. Thankfully he is continuing the Village email information and Over The Wall.

Min Hogg also recently left us, she joined the parish council after retiring from the school. She was a great help to the village particularly on Footpaths, Ruskin Mill liaison and the village shop. We all wish them well in the future.

We welcome two new councillors who have filled existing spaces on the council - Chris Blackwell and Chris Stevens. This will still mean we are 2 short of our complement of 9 so we welcome more applications to join us in protecting our village.

Allan Caudwell was voted in as Chair and Kate Kay as Vice Chair. We have a lot to do this year particularly on planning and the possible adoption of a Neighbourhood Plan for Horsley.

Allan Caudwell 01453 834548  
Email: a-m-Caudwell@hotmail.co.uk

## Emerald Wind Quintet

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**At the Horsley 3 in 1  
on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June  
at 8.00pm**

*after the school fete*



**Bar & Refreshments**

**Tickets £7.50 from Horsley Shop  
or Bluebird Nailsworth**

# SAINT MARTIN'S



## Vicar's Letter

Life goes very quickly when you are enjoying yourself. Life has gone very quickly in this last year for Sue Sobczak. It hardly seems a few months since she was ordained Deacon last year. Yet it is a year ago and now we are looking forward to her ordination as a priest in our Cathedral on Saturday 5th July and the first celebration of the Eucharist that she will offer in St George's the following morning, Sunday 6th July. This is cause for great joy for the Parishes of Nailsworth, Horsley and Kingscote where Sue will continue to serve out and about in people's homes and in the churches where people gather for weekly worship and the times when we gather for baptisms, weddings and funerals from the wider community.

Sue has served us wonderfully in this last year as a deacon. She has proved herself a great listener who has been caught up in the joys, sorrows and perplexities of people's lives and she has grown in confidence both as a pastor and leader of worship. She is one to whom people find it easy to talk whether at church, in their homes or out and about in the parishes. We are immeasurably blessed by her presence among us.

All of us who are ordained remain deacons ie those who are called to serve others, to be of service and help to others. Now Sue with others in the Diocese will be ordained priest in the Cathedral in Gloucester after this first year of ordained ministry. However, the priest is a sign, a focus, a representative person, one who is the holder and passer-on of the great tradition of the Christian Faith through the ages, and supremely entrusted with the preaching of God's Word and the celebrating the sacraments and especially in the Eucharist where the priest breaks open the Word of God in the preaching and breaks the Bread of Life in the offering of the Eucharist. The priest is with us to encourage and feed us on our pilgrimage and journey of life whether we are within the community of faith or not. The priest is a "go-between" person who makes links with others, a sort of bridge to help people find God.

I know that in Sue Sobczak we have the makings of a very fine priest who with the committed laity and other clergy of this benefice will continue to serve and inspire us on our way. She will be a great colleague for our new incumbent when he arrives in September.

I do hope that many will want to be present in the Cathedral for the ordination service on 5th July at 3 pm. A coach is going from the benefice – do contact Clare Jayes – Churchwarden of St George's for a seat. For those unfamiliar with such occasions I do urge you to come to be caught up in a most powerful and moving occasion. All are most welcome – tickets for the service are not required – all are welcome!

The following morning at 11 o'clock – please note the later time at St George's – Sue will preside at the Eucharist, the Service of Holy Communion for the first time after which there will be a "bring and share" lunch. This is a benefice service, there will be no other services at St Martin's, Horsley or at St John the Baptist, Kingscote. We do hope as many as possible will want to join us as we celebrate having our new priest in our midst.

Finally do please continue to hold Sue and her husband Andre in your prayers as they prepare for this supremely important event in their lives..... and do pray continually for the people of Nailsworth, Kingscote and Horsley and all who, in many and differing ways, seek to serve these communities for the well-being of all who live and work in them.

*With every blessing,*

*Michael Irving*

# CHURCH SERVICES IN JUNE

Sun 1st	11.00am	Family Communion
Sun 8th	11.00am	Family Service and Baptism of Jack Clayton
Sun 15th	No service at Horsley	Alternative Services: Nailsworth 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) 9.30am Family service Kingscote 11.00am Family Communion (CW)
Sun 22nd	6.00pm	Evensong
Sun 29th	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)

## Dumb Bells?

I am planning to get a Simulator in Horsley Tower so that we can ring the bells without them sounding outside the Tower, only inside the ringing chamber.

We can then have practice periods with the School, Stroud Branch and Horsley Ringers without upsetting our very understanding neighbours, and protecting them from discordant learners. Of course, when they are being rung for real they will still peal out loud and clear, as usual!

The plan is to install during the School Summer Holidays. At the same time I have a band of volunteers ready to clean the Bells, frame and repaint the steelwork.

The cost of the Simulator is approximately £600, I have been gifted a laptop to operate it and my ringing friends will install and set up the equipment for free.

I have a Grant from the Stroud Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Bell Ringers Association for £500. Any donations for the balance of £100 would be very welcome, please!

Stan Burrage (Captain of the Bells)

## Grand Village Fete

A meeting will be held in the church on Tuesday 17th June at 8.30pm to continue the planning for this year's Grand Village Fete on Saturday September 13th.

Preparations for the Produce Show and the Livestock Show (see page 9) are already underway. Ideas for refreshments, stalls and entertainments are all being explored, and we are looking forward to another memorable Horsley Extravaganza. All help will be gratefully accepted, before the event or on the big day itself. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Stan Burrage (832952)

# 200 Club

The May draw has been won by Kathy Lee of Nupend who wins £35 with number 25.  
Congratulation to you Kathy.



# Horsley Village Agent

This month's news looks specifically at questions we've been asked in our capacity as village agents, in particular: dealing with what community equipment is available and how to return it, reducing water bills, and keys to public toilets.

In Gloucestershire we may access a wide range of equipment free of charge that can help in the home. This can range from equipment for daily living, such as shower chairs, raised toilet seats, hoists, hospital beds and commodes, as well as grab rails, stair rails, and door thresholds. In addition, equipment for people with sensory impairments, such as flashing doorbells, low vision optical aids, text phones, and assistive listening devices such as amplifiers to help hear TV better can also be provided. If you need any such equipment, please contact me (see number below). Furthermore, you may be eligible for 'Telecare Equipment', this encompasses clever devices such as: fall alarms, gas escape alarms, health state monitoring devices and wandering detectors. To access any of these, please call the Adult Help desk or speak to your health professional such as the District Nurse, Occupational Therapist, Physiotherapist or myself. When equipment is no longer needed, please ring the G.I.S number given at the end of this article, as it may be useful to others.

There is a huge difference in the amount of water different households use. If you are an older couple or single person, do ask your water supplier about getting a water meter fitted. This is free of charge in the majority of

cases and very straightforward. If you are in receipt of certain benefits, such as pension credit or have a health condition requiring increased use of water, paying more than £335 a year, you might be eligible to join the Water-Sure scheme, so your bill is capped.

If you have a condition that means you need to use a toilet frequently, providing you have some written evidence, you can apply for a key costing £2 from Stroud District Council. This will open any public lavatory throughout the country.

Fair Shares are launching a programme of dementia friendly walks in Stratford Park in Stroud, starting on the 29th May and running for 12 weeks through June and July until mid-August on a weekly basis. Also, there are a wealth of free educational sessions on the subject of memory loss and dementia, some for a newly diagnosed person and others for carers and family, organised by Managing Memory2gether.

## Stroud Day

Stroud Congregational Church Meeting Room, 1 Bedford Street, Stroud. GL5 1AY

Understanding Dementia	Thur 3rd July
Brain & Behaviour	Thur 10th July
Positive Communication	Thur 17th July
Living Well with Dementia Part 1	Thur 24th July
Living Well with Dementia Part 2	Thur 31st July

## Stroud Evening

Weavers Croft, Field Road, Stroud. GL5 2HZ	
Understanding Dementia	Thur 12th June
Brain and Behaviour	Thur 19th June
Positive Communication	Thur 26th June

Adult Help Desk	01452 426868
G.I.S. Equipment collection	01452 874980
Severn Trent Water:	0845 750 0500
Managing Memory	0800 694 8800
Fair Shares, Emma Ordinez	01453 706555

Should you wish to contact me about this or any other issue please telephone me, Sue Colquhoun, on 07810 630145.

## Tipputs Inn .... still open

The Save Tipputs group would like to remind everyone that the pub is still trading and we would very much like your support as we examine options into the purchase of the pub. We look forward to seeing you there!



## Horsley Shop Food Bank

We now have a food bank collection point in the village, at the Community Shop. Recently Christchurch in Nailsworth announced that it has set up a 'food bank cupboard' because of increasing local demand for such assistance by people living locally.

It was surprising to learn that at least half of families and individuals who have insufficient to buy enough food for the week are actually in a job. Minimum wages, part-time work, and zero hours contracts mean not enough money for food. We think that it is morally unacceptable in our society for this to happen.

So, starting now you will find a receptacle in the shop in which you can deposit food donations. We shall deliver the contents regularly to the main Stroud depot for distribution. Thank you in advance for your contributions.

## 'On the Seam'

On the 5th of July at 8pm an all female aerial collective, will be taking over Horsley 3 in 1 to present an evening of aerial poetry and grace. 'On the Seam' is dedicated to exploring the boundaries between art forms such as dance, performance, theatre, circus and music, resulting in extraordinary and unusual performances. There will be moments of visual poetry, high level circus technique, physical theatre and live music.

There will be tapas and drinks available before and after the show. Please contact Alice on [aliceaerial@gmail.com](mailto:aliceaerial@gmail.com) or 07552688546 for tickets or buy them from Star Anise Cafe in Stroud, The Hog in Horsley and The Canteen in Nailsworth

Tickets £5/£6 in advance and £8 on the door (there will be limited tickets so please book in advance)

## Calling all livestock keepers!

At the Horsley Village Fete on September 13th once again there will be a display of some of the livestock to be found in the village. Last year we started with a small exhibition and it was a great success. So, we want to do it again, on a slightly larger scale.



So far we have been promised some sheep, pigs and goats. We should like to have more of these animals, and any others that you may be

willing for us to admire. And there will be a fancy rosette for the best of the animals on display.

Will you help us make the show even more of a success in the livestock section than it was last year? If you would like to discuss it, please telephone Norman Kay on 833458 now. I'm sitting by the 'phone waiting for your call!!

## P.C. TECHNIQUES



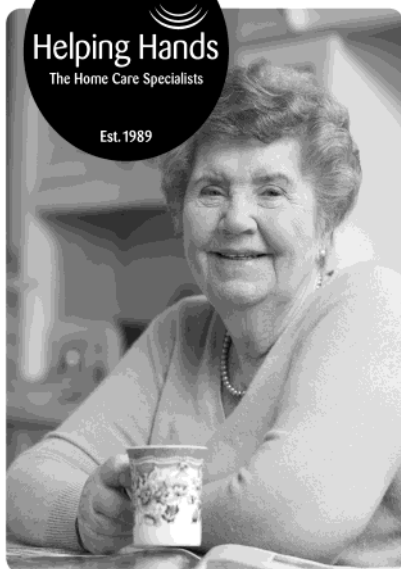
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# HORSLEY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## FOR JUNE

Thurs 5th	Choir rehearsal in the 3 in 1 from 8 to 9.30pm £5 pp or £32 for 8 sessions. For more info contact rachael@rachaelaustin.co.uk or call 07779267240
	World Dancing in the Village Hall 7 to 9.30pm, £8 per person. For more info call Hazel 834125
Thurs 12th	Choir rehearsal see above - Thursday 5th for info.
Sat 14th & Sun 15th	Kinomichi Workshop with Takeharu Noro in the 3 in 1. 3 to 6pm on Sat (£20) & 10am to 4pm on Sun (£32) Sat & Sun £46. Special guest Odyle Noro Tavel. For more details call Viviana Rossi on 07970648126 or email: info@rossicaffell.com
Tues 17th	Fete Meeting in the 3 in 1 at 8.30pm - see page 7.
Thurs 19th	Choir rehearsal see above - Thursday 5th for info.
	World Dancing in the Village Hall 7 to 9.30pm, £8 per person. For more info call Hazel 834125
Fri 20th	<p>Friend's of Horsley School Summer Fete in the Village Hall and on the playing field from 5pm. See front cover for more details.</p> <p><i>Followed by ....</i></p> <p>Emerald Wind Quintet in the 3 in 1, 8.00pm, £7.50. See page 5 for more details.</p>
Thurs 26th	All Or Muffin WI Group in the 3 in 1, 7.30pm. Open to ladies of all ages, £4 per session. For more information email: allormuffin@hotmail.co.uk
Sat 5th July	'On the Seam' aerial art form show in the Horsley 3 in 1 at 8pm - see page 9 for more details.



# ruskinmill

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Please note the Gallery will be closed from Tuesday 17 June for  
installation of the Ruskin Mill College Student End of Year exhibition,  
reopening to the public from Saturday 13 July

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