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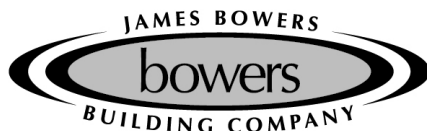
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# THE HORSE'S MOUTH

News and Events in the Parish of Horsley

April 2014



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## HORSLEY CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR APRIL

Thurs 3rd	Gloucestershire Mobile Police Station outside the village shop from 12 noon to 12.30pm
	Hunter Page's Nupend Farm Development Proposals Exhibition in the 3 in 1 from 5.30 to 8.30pm.
Fri 4th	The Great Washpool Duck Race - 2.15pm for refreshments, race starts at 3pm. See page 4.
Thurs 10th	World Dancing in the Village Hall 7 to 9.30pm, £8 per person. For more info call Hazel 834125
Sat 12th	Free coffee & a croissant between 9am & 12 noon in Horsley Community Shop - see article on page 8
	Triple Sec Jazz Septet in the 3 in 1 at 8pm - see page 9 for more details.
Fri 18th	Good Friday Quiet Hour at 2pm in St Martin's
Sun 20th	Easter Day Holy Communion, 11am in St Martin's
Wed 23rd	Opening of Maxine Relton's New Exhibition of paintings and prints 2-6pm - see below for details.
Thurs 24th	World Dancing in the Village Hall 7 to 9.30pm, £8 per person. For more info call Hazel 834125
Sat 26th	Horsley Nearly New Sale in the 3 in 1 from 10.30am to 12pm - see page 4 for details.

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## Gloucestershire Mobile Police Station

This service allows residents to raise local issues whilst providing additional services such as crime reduction advice, Neighbourhood and Rural Watch news as well as a property marking service.

The MPS will be outside the shop from 12 noon until 12.30pm on Thursday 3rd April.

## Invitation to All

There will be light refreshments and a warm welcome for all at the Opening of Maxine Relton's Exhibition of new paintings and prints.

On Wednesday 23rd April, 2 - 6pm at her Studio Gallery at No. 4 The Street. The show will then be open daily 11am to 5pm until the 4th May.

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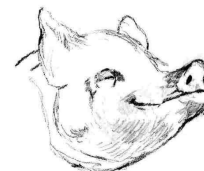
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## The Hog - Horsley

The Best of Local



Greg and Caroline, and children Alex and Charlotte and Aris the dog are pleased to be finally 'in residence' at the Pub. We would like to thank everyone who has offered support and encouragement to welcome us to the village. Everyone we have spoken to has been very excited to know our plans for the Pub and we are often finding ourselves saying, 'I'll look forward to serving you a pint!'

So what's the story so far? We haven't moved far - from Amberley - and many will know us from meeting us at our Café, The Canteen in Nailsworth. We have been looking for another project to run, either a café or a pub, and were approached by the Horsley Committee one busy Saturday at the Canteen, interested in looking at our small kitchen, to compare it to the one at the Pub. They said they would love the Pub to be run in a similar way to the Canteen as they loved the atmosphere and the food, and it sort of snowballed from there... So here we are, some three months later, spending every spare minute planning, recruiting, moving boxes, buying furniture and meeting lots of new people (a far cry from Caroline's old job as a Stroud Midwife!)

We love the space, it has a great feeling, and we have plans to make it a fantastic place to meet, eat and drink. We will serve

good, honest, local food and drink. We are sourcing everything locally as has been our philosophy at the Canteen. We won Young Business of the Year last year and have been nominated for the Bristol Award for 2014, so we must be doing something right.

We have started refitting the cellar and are pleased to announce we now have beer! We have ten pumps installed and are pleased to be a Free House so will stock Stroud, Uley and Cotswold Brewery Beer and Ciders. Our kitchen is the next room to be tackled, then we will start on the dining and bar areas and garden. We can't wait to get cooking, we have lots of great ideas but our tiny kitchen at the Canteen doesn't allow us to extend our repertoire as much as we would like.

When we open, we will also sell coffee and cakes, in addition to the food and alcoholic drink. We would like people to use it as a meeting place during the day, like at the Canteen. We would like the Pub to be used as a 'Hub'. If you would like to book a regular time for meetings, please let us know.

We have renamed the Pub 'The Hog' to start with a clean sheet, so to speak. We plan to open as soon as possible, but recognise that this may be some weeks ahead yet. We look forward to greeting all our guests as the new Landlord and Landlady.

Rest assured, we will have an opening event to remember!

*Greg, Caroline, Alex & Charlotte*

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## Meanwhile .... Tipputs under threat

The owners of the Tipputs Inn have accepted an offer to sell the pub to Ruskin Mill. The intention of Ruskin Mill is to use the facility to offer a coffee shop and other educational facilities including accommodation. A public meeting was arranged for Thursday 24 March to gauge interest to try and explore other options including keeping the Tipputs as a pub.

Over 70 people attended this meeting in support of this aim. Ruskin Mill have requested feedback from the community on this proposed purchase. We would urge anybody with concerns to make themselves known by raising them on the [savetipputs.com](http://savetipputs.com) website.



## Dear Horsley Pub Supporter

I can now tell you that the pub in Horsley will indeed be opening in the Spring, and without the need for a major investment by the community after all. Greg and Caroline Saturley, who also run the Canteen café in Nailsworth, have moved in with their family, and will be opening the pub within the next month or two.

The working party is delighted with this outcome, as it means the pub will be completed and run by successful local business people – a great result, given that our negotiations with Stag Developments to purchase the property had stalled for the moment. Of course, many of us will feel some regret, after all the work that has been done, and money that has been pledged, that we will not be buying the pub for ourselves. But it will also be a relief for many that we will not have to invest our own money, and more of our time, to ensure that the pub opens.

Also, the work we have done is not wasted, as the community was able to develop a business plan that proved its potential viability, and managed to raise the funds needed to offer to buy the pub at its market value. Should the pub ever be under threat again, we will be ready to show that a 'change of use' to a residential property cannot be justified.

Given the good news about the pub's imminent opening, we propose to release the commitment that has been made by over 120 people who have pledged funds, and wind up our project. We will store the documents and the database of contacts we have developed, in readiness for any similar project needed in the future.

We wish Caroline and Greg every success in their operation of the pub – please join us in supporting them when it opens.

Mark Carden Chairman,  
Horsley Pub Working party

## Return of Triple Sec, plus!

It's three years since the Modern Jazz trio "Triple Sec" from Cheltenham helped to launch the 3 in 1 as a new venue for concerts in Horsley. Now that the venue is an established 3 years old they're looking forward so much to returning that they're bringing along four more musicians! This time the line-up is: trumpet, alto and tenor saxophones, guitar, piano, bass and drums. They'll be playing classic tunes by Wayne Shorter, Herbie Hancock, Freddie Hubbard, Antonio Carlos Jobim and more...

So for a sophisticated and lively night out come and join us at the 3 in 1 on Saturday 12th April! Doors open 7.30pm, music from 8pm.

## Triple Sec Plus

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A belated, but nevertheless warm, welcome to Angela and Michael Gulliver, who moved to Sunnyside at Horsley Bridge last December. They came from Plymouth, with daughter Izzy, a student at Cardiff University, and dog Ralph. Angela has already joined the merry band of volunteers at the Horsley Shop.

We also welcome Polly and Robert Gegg, who have recently moved from Tresham into Yew Tree Cottage, Nupend, with their big brown labradoodle Crosby.

We hope they will all enjoy living in Horsley.



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## News from Horsley School



On the 12th of February our fantastic new Outer Space themed library was officially opened by local children's author and illustrator Hannah Shaw. Throughout the day Hannah ran fun workshops with all the children. Justine Bryan, a parent, created a Lunar landscape cake which went down a treat with the children.

The 7, 8 & 9 year olds went to @ Bristol Science Museum. Marcus, age 9 wrote: *"We saw the Human Hamster Wheel and learned all about light and shadows. We wore funny glasses which split the light into rainbow colours and played with lasers. We went to a forces and motion show where William was lifted sky high by pulleys to show how you can lift heavy objects that you wouldn't normally be able to. We also went to the Ancient Egyptian Art Gallery where we identified which artefact belonged to which Egyptian and went to the Ancient Egyptian Rooms and saw mummies, shapshas, tombs, coffins and canopic jars. All in all great day!"*

The IsingPOP concerts, which were heralded in the March issue, were a total triumph. The whole event was perfectly

summed up by the Vicar, Michael Irving, who wrote: *"I write to congratulate you on a most wonderful and inspiring concert last Thursday. The children were remarkable - so alive and so full of joy and wonder.... Lisa you head up a remarkable school. It was a joy to see so many parents there and that is the sign of the positive partnership between school and homes"*

We celebrated World Book Day when all the children had the opportunity to listen to book readings by school staff and dress-up as their favourite book characters.

The 9, 10 & 11 year olds went on a fantastic trip to the Science Museum in London. Nell, aged 10, wrote: *"We had a great time looking round at all the amazing space items which included a few of the spacecraft that had actually been to the moon and back! We were allowed to feel what it was like wearing space gloves. A man told us what it was like in space and it turned out to be quite unpleasant. After watching an absolutely amazing 3D film about the International Space Station we went to 'The Launch Pad' (interactive children's gallery), and we had a great time. Finally, we had a tour round London to see the sights and gawp at Buckingham Palace. We all had a great time and want to go again."*

## SHOP TALK Free Coffee and a Croissant!



Thanks to our customers we sell around £1600 per week and are very grateful to you for this. However we need to take around £2000 to remain on a firm footing. That is only an extra 8 households spending £50 per week.

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between 9.00am and 12.00 noon, and we will give you a free coffee and a croissant (while stocks last) just to sit with us and tell us what will encourage you to use your Shop more. We will welcome existing customers and those of you who don't shop at all (or rarely) with us yet.

If you can't make it on the above dates please fill in our questionnaire at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/RSRPHKG>

For your diary we are closed on Easter Saturday 19th April and Monday 21st April, as well as on Saturday 26th for an annual stock take.

Remember it's your shop so help us make it better.

# Nupend Farm

## Village views presented as owners prepare plans

A team from Horsley Parish Council met with Hunter Page last week to present the views of the Horsley community following the village-wide consultation about Nupend Farm and housing development in the parish.

The feedback from the community was clear. Most Horsley parishioners felt that building should not happen outside the settlement boundary. Parishioners were also concerned about the scale of any development, with the majority wanting no more than five houses built on any one plot and a limit of fifteen new houses being built over the next five years – that's just three a year, on average.

Specific additional concerns about the Nupend site were also voiced. It is a long way from the village centre

and would create additional traffic on the already busy B4058. It would urbanise an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty with an adverse impact visually and on wildlife habitats. The modern urban architecture of the proposed housing estate would also denigrate the Grade II buildings on the site and in neighbouring properties.

As the Horse's Mouth went to press, the developers were preparing an exhibition of their proposals for Nupend Farm in St Martin's 3-in-1. We will report next month on the outcome from that meeting

If you want to be kept informed about the Nupend Farm development, send an email (with your name and post code) to: [horsley.neighbour@btopenworld.com](mailto:horsley.neighbour@btopenworld.com)

## Do You Like To Sing?

I am trying to set up a choir in Horsley for people of all abilities purely for the joy of singing. I need 25 committed people of all ages and both genders to get things going. Rehearsals will be on Thursday evenings in the 3in1 from 8.00 to 9.30pm, including a vocal warm-up so even if you have never sung before but have always wanted to try, this is the opportunity for you!

Cost £5/per session. Musical repertoire will be whatever we fancy and we will be guided throughout by professional singing and vocal coach Jenna Monroe.

I hope to hear from all those interested by the middle of April and then if the numbers add up we can get cracking after Easter!

Please contact Rachael on 01453 833683, or 07779 267240 or email [rachael@rachaelaustin.co.uk](mailto:rachael@rachaelaustin.co.uk)

# SAINT MARTIN'S



## Vicar's letter

The Christian Faith stands or falls on the Resurrection! Without the raising of Jesus from the dead there is no Gospel, no Good News. As St. Paul says when some in Corinth were denying the Resurrection, "If there is no resurrection, then Christ was not raised: and if Christ was not raised, then our Gospel is null and void and so is your faith . . . . But the truth is Christ was raised to life – the first fruits of the harvest of the dead!"

Indeed, the Resurrection is the true starting place for the study of the making and meaning of the New Testament. We can be tempted to believe that although the Resurrection may be the climax of the Gospel, there is yet a Gospel which stands on its own feet and may be understood and appreciated before we pass on to the Resurrection. The first disciples did not find it so. For them the Gospel without the Resurrection was not merely a Gospel without its final chapter, it was not a gospel at all. Jesus, it is true, taught and did great things: but he did not allow the disciples to rest in these things. He led them on to paradox, perplexity and darkness – and there he left them. There too they would have remained, had he not been raised from death.

All the New Testament writings were written in the light of the Resurrection, and the conviction that Christ is raised and alive shines through in the letters of Paul, Peter, James and John. As I said at the outset, the Christian Faith stands or falls on the Resurrection.

Yet there is a temptation for us to see the Resurrection as a past event, or as a future event when we will be called to share in the final Resurrection. However, if we see it as something past or future only, we really lose the true impact of Christ's resurrection, for as the New Testament writers show time and time again, the Resurrection of Jesus is something that is to be experienced here and now. It is in our lives now that we should experience the power and freedom that God in Christ has given us in overcoming death and sin.

So that which was dead is made alive and that which was old is made new. Indeed, when we begin to recognise the power of the Resurrection present in the ordinary everyday routine of our everyday lives, then we shall see for ourselves that all that separates, injures and destroys, is being overcome by what unites, heals and re-creates and all because we are empowered by the Risen Christ.

So let us joyfully celebrate this coming Holy Week from Palm Sunday through Maundy Thursday and Good Friday to Easter Day and thereby proclaim the Easter Faith – that Christ is raised and that He lives in us – "Alleluya Christ is risen! He is risen indeed".

With every blessing

*Michael Irving*

## PCC AGM on Palm Sunday

The Church is an essential ingredient in a rural village, and it's Electoral Roll is the collective voice. If you're baptised and you'd like to register for this please contact Sue White on 835693 for a simple form.

The AGM for St Martin's Parish Church, Horsley, is at 12 noon on Sunday 13th April, after the Palm Sunday Family Service. It will be short and sweet, and there will be coffee and biscuits too ... anyone on the Electoral Roll is welcome!

## CHURCH SERVICES IN APRIL

Sun 6th	11.00am	Holy Communion (CW)
Sun 13th	11.00am	Family Service (Palm Sunday)
Fri 18th	2.00pm	Good Friday Quiet Hour
Sun 20th	11.00am	Easter Day Holy Communion
Sun 27th	6.00pm	Evening Prayer
Sun 4th May	11.00am	Holy Communion

## 200 Club

March was a bonus month and the lucky winner of £75 was Martin Dawson of Barton End and the regular prize of £35 was won by Ros Neely with number 15.

## Fancy a Flutter?

Do you read the "200 Club" winners enviously each month? Have you won this windfall yourself? This year's 200 Club ends on 30th April. By then, it will have paid out 12 individual monthly prizes of £35.00, plus 2 bonus prizes each of £75.00. The annual subscription is only £12.00, a mere £1.00 per month per number.

The PCC always needs more income to enable it to maintain its facilities, including the increasingly popular 3 in 1, so please renew if you are an existing member, and do join if you are not already a member. Every additional 200 Club number bought will not only support the 3 in 1, but also means we can actually increase the monthly prize payout - a real win-win result!

Simon Read will be delivering renewal forms to all existing 200 Club members over the next couple of weeks. If you would like to join this year please contact him on 01453 833554 or e-mail [readatdownend@aol.com](mailto:readatdownend@aol.com). Forms will also be available in Church at all the services listed above.

## Do you have a head for figures?

Simon Read, the PCC Honorary Treasurer has given notice that he will retire at the end of 2014. He has done this invaluable job for 10 years and feels it is time to handover to a new pair of hands.

It is not a demanding role - it takes up very little time - it just requires someone who is familiar with simple recording of financial transactions and presentation of Receipts & Payments Accounts. Simon has simplified the systems, and will be around to support the new treasurer until they're confident to carry on.

The PCC has 9 months to find and appoint a suitable candidate, but would prefer to have a new Treasurer in place well before the end of the year.

Simon is happy to meet with anyone that is interested, and to explain what is involved in greater detail. See his contact details in the adjacent column.

## Spring Clean!

There will be a Cleaning Party on Maundy Thursday (17th April) from 2pm to 5pm to make the Church look it's best for Easter. We will be polishing the brasses, and blowing away the cobwebs, and also decorating our Easter Calvary scene with moss and primroses. Do bring your children to join in, and music and cake to share. Let's make our Church gleam for this vital annual festival!