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As you may already be aware, there were problems with the printer last month, resulting in the May edition being printed and distributed a week later than planned.

Our apologies for any inconvenience this may have caused. I understand that a shiny new printer has now been installed and normal service should be resumed this month!

Sarah

You can read the Tower online at www.kingsclere-pc.org.uk/tower.html

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<u>To all "Tower" Contributors</u> COPY for July 2014 issue

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STOP MEANS STOP!

Hampshire County Council are running a campaign to make people aware that we must all observe the crossing patrol attendants at school crossings. Too many incidents are being recorded across the county of motorists ignoring the need to stop when our lollypop men and ladies walk into the road to see the children safely across, and some have even been injured. We would just like to remind people that aside from the obvious danger, there is also a £1,000 fine and 3 penalty points on your licence for those that do not stop. For more information visit www.hants.gov.uk/roadsafety.

CENTENARY POPPY CAMPAIGN

As part of the Royal British Legions plans to commemorate the Centenary of the First World War, they have teamed up with B&Q to encourage the nation to plant its own poppies, to produce a sea of poppies all over the UK in time for 4th August, the 100th anniversary of the date Britain entered the war. Lots of people across Hampshire are getting involved, including Schools and Community Groups as well as individuals. Poppy seeds are now on sale at B&Q stores nationwide for £2 a pack, with £1 from every packet sold going to support the British Legions valuable work. Kingsclere Parish Council are looking at public areas where we may be able to do this but there is nothing to stop you creating your own "sea of Poppies" in your gardens to join in the commemorations and help boost Royal British Legion funds at the same time, but please act soon, time is running out for them to be in bloom for 4th August.

VOLUNTEERING

It has been written that ..."Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in"... Your Parish Council is always looking for more volunteers to join those who are already doing so much to support a wide range of village activities. Please consider giving a little of your time and watch The Tower and notice boards for requests or call 01635 298376 for more information.

KINGSCLERE ANNUAL REPORT

Thank you to all those groups and organisations who have given us information for the Annual Parish Report. We have had record numbers this year so thank you. The reports will be out with you soon.

GREEN WHEELY BINS & GLASS RECYCLING – Collection days for June are 11th and 25th

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS – the next Ordinary Meeting will be held on Monday 30th June 2014 at 7:30pm in the Village Club. We welcome the attendance of all parishioners at our meetings and anyone who wishes to raise any matters of concern will be given the opportunity to do so.

The Village Club needs You!!!

Since 1994 a team of volunteers has worked hard to make the Village Club a place to be proud of and which is a valued asset to Kingsclere. We now need more volunteers to continue the good work.

We need Trustees to oversee the running of the club and ensure it complies with the charity regulations;

We need help with our website and social media keeping the club in public view and selling its Events;

We need help with overseeing our maintenance programme, keeping our 250 year old building in good shape;

We need help with grounds maintenance; We could use some clerical help;

We need a new chairman to lead the trustees

If you want to 'put something back' why not join Us?

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The PTA at Ashford Hill Primary School

would like to invite the residents of Kingsclere to the school's annual

SUMMER FETE & Children's Fun Day

Bouncy Castles, Giant Slide, Go-Karts, Traditional Fete Stalls, BBQ, Bar, and much more....

Sunday 6th July 12-3pm On the school grounds

Bring your Children and Grand-Children for an afternoon of fun!

Please save the date for this vital fundraiser More details to follow next month

Donations for the raffle and silent auction would be gratefully received. Please contact Gemma Hughes gem-1978@hotmail.com / 07557 948133 http://www.ashfordhillprimary.co.uk/pta.asp

ST MICHAEL'S HOSPICE

COFFEE MORNING

SATURDAY 7th JUNE At Kingsclere Village Club, 10am onwards

Bring a friend along for a coffee and cake! Lots of great stalls including:-

TOMBOLA EGG STALL JEWELLERY

CAKE STALL
LADIES ACCESSORIES
CANDLES

FRESH VEGETABLES
TINNED FOOD

PHOENIX CARDS

Donations of tombola prizes, non perishable foods, cakes very gratefully received.

Happy to collect or arrange for delivery to **Sarah Melling 297823 HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**

Fund Raising for St Michael's Hospice, Basingstoke

From 1st-30th June there will be house-to-house collecting in Kingsclere. Please give generously to this very worthwhile cause. The government give very little help to the



hospice, so they have to rely on fund raising events to keep the hospice open. It costs over £3 million a year to enable the staff to give the help and support to patients and their families.

At the end of June and beginning of July I will be collection the **loose change boxes**. If you would like to help raise funds, please give me a ring and I will let you have a box.

Josie Norton 298059

Coach Outing from Kingsclere

Wednesday 25th June: Coughton Court, Alcester, Warwickshire.



The outing will leave King John Rd at 9:00am, then pick up in the Square and Garrett Close. This is a National Trust property. Coach fare £16.70 per person. NT members free admission, non-members £8.20.

Coughton Court is one of England's finest Tudor houses and has been in the Throckmorton family for over 600 years. The family created, developed and continue to manage the award winning garden. If you wish to come on this outing please ring to book. Money to me please no later than **8th June**.

Josie Norton 298059

New Era Theatre, Wash Common

New Era Players welcome audiences back to the recently extended New Era Theatre for their next production, a comedy drama about 3 restless war veterans.

"Heroes" by Gerald Sibleyras, translated by Tom Stoppard, runs from 12-14 and 17-21 June.

Box Office 07919916009 Tickets £10. www.neweraplayers.org.



Kingsclere Grand Garden Safari Sunday 22nd June 2014

Come on a Grand Garden Safari with us on Sunday 22nd June 2014 as the gardens of Kingsclere open their gates to visitors.

From 2pm – 6pm, enjoy a stroll through some of the loveliest gardens in the village, buy a raffle ticket and be in with the chance of winning a fantastic prize for your garden. Eat delicious homemade cakes and refreshments at a variety of locations around the village whilst listening to some of the village's talented musicians.

£5 per adult, children free.

All proceeds to St Mary's Church Keystone Project.

If you would like to add your garden to the Safari – please get in contact.

Enquiries – contact Eileen Selsey on eileen.selsey@hotmail.co.uk.

Sandham Memorial Chapel:

Reopening for the First World War Centenary

Nestled in Burghclere Village, just two miles South of Newbury, lies a local treasure. The National Trust's Sandham Memorial Chapel is a compelling memorial to the every-day sacrifices of those in the First World War. Walk through the doors and you are greeted with images of kit inspections and the care for wounded soldiers, parts of the war so often forgotten. The Chapel has been closed for restoration works for the past few months and several of its paintings have been on tour to Somerset House, London and are now in Pallant House, Chichester.

We hope that you will come and see the fruits of our labour when Sandham Memorial Chapel will re-open to the public on Tuesday 5th August 2014. We expect to get an increased level of interest this year as it is the first Centenary year. To ensure that you have a very special visitor experience, please note visits will be via bookable tickets on the National Trust Website. The system will open in early June.

We need your help

We want to ensure that this local treasure is shared and can be experienced by as many people as possible. We are looking for new people to join our team of lovely volunteers to achieve this. If you'd like to help care for and share this special local place with others, we'd love to hear from you. Please email Sandham@nationaltrust.org.uk or telephone 01635 278 394 to receive some more information and an application pack.

Nature Notes

A pair of Egyptian geese stood on the bank of the lake at the Golf Club, their goslings (seven we think) lay alongside. A sliced hit caused a ball to veer from its course and land with a plop in front of the geese-there was no movement from them. The golfer walked across, bent down in front of the birds and retrieved his ball from the water-still no movement. The lack of reaction was interesting because despite their ancestry as collector's items,



these are wild geese. They presumably have grown used to human presence and being allowed to go their own way by club members. Egyptian geese are seen quite frequently in this area now and as noted, successfully breeding.

A plant "ambition" was realised in May when we finally viewed herb paris. With directions from an expert as to its location this rather unusual woodland plant could be admired for its quirky form. Our eyes are open now to its discovery elsewhere.

An extraordinary event occurred while we picnicked on a roadside log on farmland. Suddenly we were aware of a bellowing, mooing, roaring noise behind us. A mob of about fifty heifers led by a feisty Jersey came at a smart trot across to the field edge where the hedge stopped them. The noise was deafening, all seemed to have something to say except us, we were stunned! As we moved off the noise diminished but we were at a loss to know the cause of the commotion

Cuckoos have been heard recently- Summer's here!

Diana Tait & Rod Eldred

KINGSCLERE & HEADLEY WOODLANDS WI

Meetings on 2nd Wednesday of every month at The Village Club @ 1-45pm The speaker for our June meeting (11th) will be someone from Wiltshire Foods

The Competition will be Your Favourite Cup & Saucer

New Members always welcome More detail from Betty Eckton: 01256 850017

Bell Ringing



On Monday 21st April a quarter peal of 1260 Doubles in 4 methods was rung to celebrate Easter and the Queen's 88th birthday.

Newbury Dramatic Society presents

THE LOCAL HEROES OF 1914-18

A story told through letters, songs, poems, wills and memories, of the brave women and children keeping the home fires burning while their men are at the Front.

Devised and directed by Ann Davidson

10th July, 7pm Kingsclere Village Club

Tickets £9.00 (includes refreshments)
Tickets are available from ann.enborne@hotmail.co.uk0163533572
(reservations are advised)

Raising funds for CRUSE

Kingsclere Singers

Encore!

Fun for the entire family

Saturday 19th July, Tadley St Paul's, 7.00 pm. Tickets £7.50. Children FREE Sunday 20th July, Kingsclere, St. Mary's, 6.00 pm. Tickets £7.50. Children FREE

Tickets can be purchased from any choir member or at the Kingsclere Village Butchers

Hear your favourites from: Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, The Lord of the Rings Fiddler on the Roof, Frozen, Ghost and many many more!

www.kingsclere-singers.co.uk

World War 1 Curry Lunch - 12.15pm 29th June.

On Sunday 29 June there will be a talk **"1914 The Summer the Old World Died"** at Portal Hall Burghclere RG20 9HX.

Entrance £27.50 including glass of wine on arrival. The talk will start at **12.30 prompt.**

The speaker will be **Colonel Christopher Newbould CBE** whose talk on Dunkirk in February 2012 was much enjoyed.

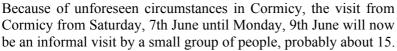
The two course meal, with non curry alternatives, will again be provided by the popular Baughurst Tandoori. After lunch coffee will be served and Christopher will answer questions. (The talk is on behalf of our local Conservative Association.)

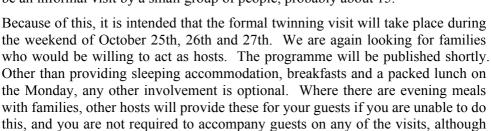
Please reserve your place with Donald Sherlock <u>donald@northoakley.com</u>. Cheques to be made out to NWHCA, and sent to him at Hazeldene Manor, North Oakley, RG26 5TT.

Kingsclere Twinning Association

you may, of course, do so if you wish.

Visit from Cormicy





If you are able to offer accommodation during that time, please would you contact us on the Twinning Association email address: kingscleretwinning@yahoo.co.uk. About half of the members of the Cormicy association are families with children of various ages who would love to make contact with families in Kingsclere.

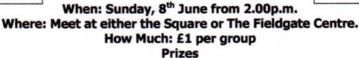
Our smaller number of visitors will still be around the village in June and should be taking part in the Family Village Photo Trail, further details below.

Please look out for details of our very popular Duck Race and our September AGM in next month's edition of *The Tower*.



Family Village Photo Trail

How well do you know Kingsclere? Come and join in a family fun trail quiz around the village. Open to all.



Further details are on posters around Kingsclere. Many thanks to Kingsclere Heritage Association for devising this.



News from St Mary's

Saying goodbye to Rev Trish

Very sadly, we will be saying goodbye to Rev Trish, our Curate, at the end of June. Amazingly, her four years with us is already over and, having cut her ministerial teeth here in the parishes of Kingsclere and Ashford Hill with Headley, we must let her go to take on responsibility of her own in another parish.

We did always know that she could only stay for a maximum of four years – I distinctly remember making that clear before she arrived – wishful thinking has made us want to forget it. Trish has been a great asset to the benefice in too many ways to list. Many people, young and old have appreciated her caring and sometimes exuberant presence and ministry in all kinds of circumstances.

We will be saying goodbye to her formally on Sunday 29th June when there is a service in each of the 3 church buildings of the benefice (see service list) and the evening service at Ashford Hill will be followed by drinks and nibbles and a presentation.

St Mary's Guild

Our Coffee Morning for Naomi House Children's Hospice on Saturday 10th May raised the grand sum of £266.00. It was very well-supported by our members and The Village. Thank you to everyone who donated and came along on the morning. A special thank you to all our committee members who worked tirelessly in preparation and on the morning.

Our next meeting will be at The Vicarage on Wednesday 25th May. Rev. Lucy and David have kindly invited us to their garden for the afternoon. 2.15 pm start, as usual. There will be a raffle and a bring-and-buy stall. We are confident that the weather will be fine for us, but if it should rain, then the meeting will be in the Kingsmill Room.

On Thursday 24th, we shall travel to Hungerford for an afternoon trip on The Rose canal barge. There are still places left on the mini-bus, so if any members would like to join us, please call for further details. Cost will be £20.00.

Reflections



Where has the time gone?

Four years ago, my family and I moved into the vicarage at Ashford Hill as I took up the post of Curate for the benefice. I remember quite vividly sitting nervously at my computer writing my first magazine letter. Sadly, today this magazine letter will be my last one.

Where has the time gone?

My curacy amongst you is now complete and I've to fly the nest to be a grown up vicar...somewhere.

These four years have been wonderful, and the parishes have not just been my place of ministry, but our home... we have made friendships that I know will last forever.

But a curacy is not a permanent post, it's a training post and I thank you all for your support in my training, especially of course Lucy. I have had the best teacher I could ask for and the best friend.

When I started on this journey four years seemed a long time and in some respects it is, it's time enough to really settle into a place and to be able to call it home and that's what is tough – all settled and then time to go.

However, I enjoy change and I am excited, though a bit worried, to see what God has in store for us next.

I'm dreading the goodbyes this month, but I also want to say farewell and thank you to as many of you as possible. So please come to one of my last services on 29th of June, not just to say farewell but to praise God who has richly blessed my ministry amongst you and to celebrate a great four years.

With every blessing

Rev Trish

Services in the parishes of Kingsclere and Ashford Hill with Headley June 2014

Sunda	y 1st June ((Easter 7)

8am Holy Communion Ashford Hil

10.30am Parish Communion with Junior Church Kingsclere

Sunday 8th June (Pentecost)

8amHoly CommunionKingsclere10.30amHoly CommunionHeadley10.30amSecond Sunday ServiceKingsclere

Sunday 15th June (Trinity Sunday)

8amHoly CommunionHeadley10.30amParish CommunionKingsclere

Sunday 22nd June (Trinity 1 / Proper 7)

8amHoly CommunionKingsclere10.30amAll-Age Worship - Celebration and blessing of our pets Ashford Hill

Sunday 29th June (St Peter & Paul)

8amHoly CommunionAshford Hill10.30amParish CommunionKingsclere5pmEvening WorshipAshford Hill

Sunday 6th July (Trinity 3 / Proper 9)

8am Holy Communion Ashford Hill

10.30am Parish Communion with Junior Church & Baptism Kingsclere

ABC Services this month will take place on Monday 16th June and 30th June 9.30 am – St Mary's

Methodist Notes

All Sunday services at 9:30am.

Preachers for June:

1st Local arrangement 8th Mr Malcolm Spencer

14th Saturday service at 4:30pm Rev Peter Catford

22nd Rev John Beadle Holy Communion

29th Local arrangement

Rev Peter Catford:

Peter did a lot for us when he was our Minister. Although he was a busy man, when I told him Joyce Doig was in hospital he went to visit her the very next day. We are fortunate to have him to take the Saturday service and everyone will be welcomed. Hope to see you there on 14th June.

Mid-week Communion: Thursday 12th June at 10am

Junior Church meet on 2nd and 4th weeks in each month at 9:30am...

Coffee Mornings: every Thursday from 10:30am until midday.

Margaret Ingram

A Thank you to **Howe and Son** Funeral Directors for their kind donation of Co-operative vouchers to Kingsclere Methodist Church.

They were used to purchase both Hot Cross Buns for the Ecumenical Good Friday Walk of Witness Service and provisions for our Easter Sunday Breakfast.

This enabled the entire donations from the Easter Breakfast to be sent to the charity 'Mercy Ships'.

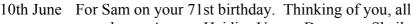
Louise Porton - KMC Treasurer

Dear Editor,

On May 1, I fell down and was in A&E in Basingstoke hospital. About lunchtime I was beginning to feel hungry when a lady in the next cubicle very kindly offered to get me a sandwich. Although I did now know either her name or address I learnt she lived in Kingsclere, and had known Gordon. May I say a big thank you to her for her kindness to me, which prevented me going hungry, and she would not even take money for it.

Margaret Ingram

Lighting up St. Mary's



our love Anna, Heidi, Uwe, Duncan, Sheila,

Willshaw, Jacob, Lyle and Seth.

14th June In loving memory of Maureen on her birthday. Always in our

thoughts, from all her family.

15th June Father's Day is here again as often our thoughts turn to you.

You were our guide, our strength, our confidant, and our friend, the values and advice you gave us guide and help us to this day. So Thank you dad for always being there and showing how much you loved and cared. All our love always Tiggy and Jim.

15th June Mick, a very special friend and very much missed. Happy

Fathers Day. Love Carla.

15th June Mick Hopkins love and miss you more with every day that

passes. Sleep with no pain. Jac xx

To book please contact Andy and Sarah Bates, Brook House, Popes Hill, Kingsclere RG20 5SJ. 01635 299710. www.clerewoodlands.org.uk.

Hand deliveries please use the black post box next to the front door. £12 per evening, discounts available for block bookings and business sponsorship. Cheques payable to St Mary's Kingsclere PCC, gift aid welcome.

Deadline for June Tower is June 10th.

St. Mary's Church	(see also back cover)
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Vicar:Rev. Lucy Thirtle lucythirtle@btinternet.com\$\bullet\$299489Curate:Rev. Trish Bancroft trishbancroft@aol.com\$\bullet\$269180ChruchwardenJanet Sturgess\$\bullet\$298079ChurchwardenEileen Selsey\$\bullet\$42962

Methodist Church (see also Back Cover)

StewardChristine Westcombe\$\frac{2}{2}98518\$SecretaryJeanette Billington\$\frac{2}{2}97585\$Hire of HallJeanette Billington\$\frac{2}{2}97585\$

Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Church (see also back cover)

TIMES OF MASSES Swan St., Kingsclere

Sunday 11.15am. Confessions after Mass on request.

For details of Masses at St. Michael's, Tadley, contact Fr Patrick Tansey

From the Registers of St Mary's

Baptism We welcome you into the Lord's family

4 May Finlay Baronius

Funeral I am the resurrection and the life says the Lord

30 April Joyce Lunnon (Burial of Ashes)

MESSY CHURCH

10th June 3:20pm-5:15pm Kingsclere Primary School

Following the success of our first Messy Church in March, we are delighted to say that we are running another Messy Church on Tuesday, 10th June at 3:20pm-5:15pm at Kingsclere Primary School.

The theme will be story of the Good Samaritan and there will be lots of craft tables linked to the theme of the story, a chance to understand the story in more detail along with some worship and then finishing off with a homemade, hot cooked meal.

Everyone is welcome to attend - pre-school children, school aged children - both primary and secondary (not just Kingsclere school), parents, grandparents...we would be delighted to see you all.

If you would be interested in coming along to help and volunteer or just simply want to know more then please contact Sarah Mussett - sarah.mussett@hotmail.co.uk or call 01635 291900.

We look forward to seeing you there!!

Village Market

On the 26th April we were honoured with Lady Carnarvon who met the stall holders before cutting the ribbon to open the market on its 20th anniversary. She then cut an anniversary cake before receiving a thank you bouquet from Miss Millie Gore.

Over 250 people attended, including head teacher Mr Steven Wells with students from Kingsclere Primary School. Our thanks to Denise Allen for making the bouquets, Ali Broomhead for the cake, and the members of the craft club for the bunting. Also a big thank you to Gareth Martin who took pictures on our behalf.

The next market is on Saturday 28th June at 10am-12md with new stalls. Many thanks to all stall holders and the people of Kingsclere for making it a success. See you all on the 31st.

Alan Gore: 01635 299 118

St Mary's Church Fete

Bank Holiday Monday 25th August 12 Noon until 4pm

So the Summer may still seem a long way off at the moment, but soon our thoughts will turn to outdoor activities for one and all. So put a date in your diary, invite your family or friends for the weekend or simply come along yourself and enjoy a traditional village fete.

Some healthy competition between the ages on the Coconut Shy, and the chance to show off your treasured pooch in the Dog Show. With homemade delights to eat on the day or take home - come and try our delicious Barbecue and Cream Teas. Bric-a-brac, DVDs, Books and CDs all at bargain prices and Crafts to keep the 'craftiest' children entertained.

Don't forget to take the opportunity to book yourself and your friends a Bell Tower Tour of our iconic 12th Century Church that we probably take for granted living here. Come along and meet old friends and make some new ones along the way – idling away a Summers Bank Holiday Monday with all the fun of the fete.

For more information - look out for posters and flyers around the village in August.

HOW CAN I HELP?

- Can you spare and hour or two on the day to help run a stall, set up or pack away? If you can please contact Rev Lucy Thirtle on 01635 299489 or lucythirtle@btinternet.com
- Your community can benefit from your unwanted Accessories, Toys, Books, Bric-a-brac and DVDs. If you have anything saleable you can donate then please bring along to the Kingsmill Room on Saturday August 16th or if this date is not suitable we can liaise with you over dropping off. Please email lucythirtle@btinternet.com.
- **Join in the fun!** Enter your dog in the **Dog Show** or other competitions registrations until 1:15pm on the day. For various competitions keep your eyes open for our flyers and posters nearer the time for all the entry details.
- For all general enquiries call: Amanda Hatcher on 07500 080 803

FIND US, 'LIKE' US AND 'SHARE' OUR FACEBOOK PAGE
WITH YOUR FRIENDS NOW:
www.facebook.com/KingsclereChurchFete



Saturday, 7 June 2014 at 7.30pm in the Village Club, George Street

The Lives of Others

(2006) 15 137 mins

In 1984 East Berlin, an agent of the secret police, conducting surveillance on a writer and his lover, finds himself becoming increasingly absorbed by their lives.

2007 Oscars – Won the Best Foreign Language Film of the Year

Next month: Sat, 5 July - Les Miserables (2012 - 3 Oscars)

Kingsclere Film Club shows a range of films on the first Saturday of the month. Membership gives access to all films at £4.16 per film shown on the big screen with improved acoustics. Guests are always welcome at £7.50, subject to space.

For further information about the Club or use of our equipment (including our screen), please contact John Sawyer (Chairman) 297221 or Diana Tait (Membership Sec) 298494

Projected World War 1 exhibition

Thank you to those people who have been in contact with me offering items for a possible exhibition. However, at the moment, it will be a very tiny one and we need a lot more potential exhibits to make the possibility a reality. We are not planning to hold the exhibition until 2015 at the earliest, so there is still plenty of time.

We are especially interested in information relating to the village and immediate surrounding areas, whether this be in the form of photographs, drawings or writings, such as diaries or postcards; memories from grandparents etc; artefacts of war or of agriculture such as would have been found in Kingsclere.

Please get in touch with me if you have any of the above and would be willing to lend them for a short period of time. Thank you

Kingsclere Library

Author of the Month: Mandasue Heller was born in Manchester in 1982. She spent ten years living in the notorious Hulme Cresecents which have since become the background to her crime novels. They are about prostitution and drug-dealing in Manchester council estates. She also sings in cabaret and various bands, ranging from rock to the blues. She is currently writing



her 14th novel

Need help with IT? We can offer one to one sessions with our IT volunteer on a Thursday afternoon from 1pm, just call in to make a booking.

Summer Reading Challenge: "The Mystical Maze" is coming to the library from 12th July to 13th September. Children have to read 6 books during this time collecting stickers along the way to receive a medal & certificate Can you find the hidden character? Go online for games & mysteries which link to the mystical maze!

Volunteers sought from Y9, 10 & 11: We are looking for some young volunteers to join our team to help with this year's Summer Reading Challenge by listening to the children talk about the books they have read. This would give you great experience for you CVs and/ or applications to college. For more information call into the library when open.

Displays: The next display will be "Knitting & Crochet" so get inspired and dig out those needles, find that unfinished item!

The Library is situated in the Village Club on George Street Kingsclere and is open:

1-5.30pm Tuesday Thursday 1-5.30pm Saturday 10.30 - 3pm

Do please use your local library, it is free to join and is part of your village social life

Rowena Hensman **Kingsclere Library Assistant** 0845 6036531

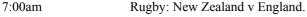
The Garden Club.

Having arranged our evening outing in May this year we have nothing happening until our Spring Show on July 5th which will be at the Fieldgate Centre.



The Kingsclere Rugby Football Club Ltd

Saturday 14th June 2014 A day of sport and live music for Dads, prior to Father's Day



English breakfast available

11:00am Cricket: England v Sri Lanka

17:05pm Rugby: South Africa v Wales

19:30pm ABB Live Band. £7.

20:00pm World Dup Football: Uruguay v Costa Rica

23:00 World Cup Football: England v Italy.

Bacon or sausage rolls.

At the Fieldgate Centre. Bar open all day with a selection of Real Ales.



Don't forget to have your say on the Borough Council's strategic Local Plan for the Borough. The consultation period closes at 4.00pm on 13th June 2014. Copies of the plan will be available from the Council offices in Basingstoke plus it is available on line.

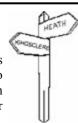
By the next edition of the Tower, we will have engaged consultants to undertake in depth research on possible sites for our 50 homes.

The Neighbourhood Planning group will be at the school fete on 5th July. Do pop in and meet us and see what we've been doing.

Please contact Sue Adams, 01635 299242, sueadams@madasafish.com Or our Parish Clerk, Sheila Thompson, 01635 298634, clerk@kingsclere-pc.org.uk

Kingsclere Parish Paths

On Sunday, April 27th we worked on the bridleway at Frobury Farm. This path has always caused problems because of the flooding. We tried to improve the drainage, and in the wettest area we created a small diversion for walkers not riders! Let us hope it works. This is a really nice, flat circular walk as one can return via Cottesmore.



We are struggling to deal with the growth on all the paths at this time of year, so please inform us of any that are becoming impassable and any help you can give on the last Sunday in the month will be most welcome.

Next work day is **Sunday**, **June 29th**, **9.45am** at the Village Club, George Street.



News from FKS -

Thank you to all who supported the Easter egg hunt in April, we raised over £250.

Tickets for our NEW event, the **Ping Pong ball** are still available from the school office or you can contact amandakeable@hotmail.com

The ball will be on **Saturday 14th June** at Sandford Springs Golf Club. Tickets are £40 which includes a welcome drink on arrival and a delicious 3 course meal. There will also be a silent auction, a fantastic raffle and a disco. The event promises to be a great night and will raise money for outdoor table tennis tables for the school playground. This event is for adults only so come along and join in the fun!

The **School Summer Fair** will be held at School on **Saturday 5th July** from 12-4 pm in the grounds of the Primary School. This year's event will have something for everyone including go - karts, bouncy castle, face painting, traditional stalls, a raffle & lots of fun games to play with fantastic prizes to be won. There'll be dance displays and competitions to enter. Stalls from local companies will provide some great shopping. Plus a licensed bar and food available, so come along, grab a bite to eat and enjoy all the fun of the fair whilst raising vital funds funds for your local school. Money raised will be put into exciting projects including new playground equipment and updating the school library.

Sat 14th June - 'Ping Pong' Ball at Sandford Springs
Sat 5th July - School Summer Fair held at School 12-4pm
Tues 22nd July - 'Leavers' disco for all pupils

Rachael Knight FKS - Tel: 268160 e:knightrachael@hotmail.co.uk

The Fieldgate Centre



June at The Fieldgate

Every Monday Youth Hub – 6.00 – 8.00pm Counselling services run by Basingstoke Voluntary Services

First Tuesday and third Tuesday in the month 7.00 – 8.00pm Kingsclere Youth

NB Both the above services are seeking to extend their provision. Please watch out for notices.

5th June 7.00 – 8.00pm Ancient Order of Foresters

From 5th June 7.30 – 8.30pm Additional Booiaka Class with Jayne

Every Thursday 10.00 – 11.15am Julie Upshall Aerobics/Fitness Class. Julie is an experienced fitness trainer. This class was previously a Rosemary Conley class.

8th June Family Village Photo Trail – Begins 2.00pm here or in the square. Organised by The Twinning Association assisted by Kingsclere Heritage Association. Entries to be returned by 4.00pm. results and prize-giving 4.30pm at The Fieldgate.

14th June ABB Band starts 8.30pm £7.00. Tickets available from The Village Butcher, The Fieldgate Centre or Bill Cooper 01635 299293.

This was a very popular event last year!

5th July 2.00pm Kingsclere Gardening Association Summer Show

5th July 6.00 – 8.00pm Youth Football Awards evening.

Advance warning – The popular rugby club "Turn Up and Touch" will be taking place once again this year. Look out for details.

St Mary's 200 Club - Winner May 2014

Mark Ponting

Congratulations, Mark

Entries drawn first Friday of each month (new venue to be announced)





Opal - helping you to get more from life

Opal (Older People's Area Link) is a free information service run by Age Concern Hampshire to help people aged over 50 find activities, clubs and local services throughout Hampshire. Our specially trained and trusted volunteers are available to chat over the phone. If you need a little more help or would prefer to talk to someone face-to-face, we have Opal volunteers in your area who can visit you at home.

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"Thank you very much for visiting. The most important thing you have done is motivate me to do something. I am managing now."

Requesting help from Opal is easy:

- Call Freephone 0800 328 7154 and speak in confidence to one of our friendly team
- · Complete an online contact form at www.ageconcernhampshire.org.uk
- · Email- info@ageconcernhampshire.org.uk

If you would like to refer a third party to Opal you will need to obtain their consent first.

Why not call Opal and find out how we can help?

Kingsclere Village Bunnies Toddler Group

We meet every Tuesday (including school holidays) from 9.15am until 11.15am at The Village Club, George Street, Kingsclere.



Join our friendly group of parents and carers with their babies and toddlers. We are open all year round.

We have a dedicated baby area complete with changing mat, baby toys and bouncy chairs. We have indoor and outdoor play areas for toddlers, weather permitting. Weekly activities include arts & crafts, physical play, story time and singing.

£2.00 per family (healthy snacks for children and tea and coffee for adults)

We also have qualified breast feeding advisors to help and support mums, they're friendly approachable and have oodles of knowledge and experience.

Dear Editors

IRRESPONSIBLE DOG OWNER/S

In the last week or so there have been several deposits of dog mess in Love Lane. **The dog owner/s responsible know who they are.** Please ensure you have doggie bags with you and deal with your dog's fouling and don't leave it for other people to walk in.

Please have a thought for others using not only this part of Kingsclere but other footpaths. It is irresponsible not to pick up the dog mess which your dog has deposited. There are children walking to school in Love Lane who are bound not to notice and walk in the excrement making it unpleasant and dangerous for all concerned.

If you are a dog owner it is your responsibility to clean up after your dog.

I hope this message reaches the person/people it is intended for and that we all see an improvement when walking in Kingsclere.

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