

# The Kingsclere Tower



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We're happy to tell you that the white pages of The Kingsclere Tower are now available on line. If you'd prefer to read on line, or want to double check any information, just go to [www.kingsclere-pc.org.uk/tower.html](http://www.kingsclere-pc.org.uk/tower.html).

I am struck this month particularly by how much this village takes care of itself and others. There are always charity events, fund raising efforts and other community services which only happen because so many people give their time so generously. Whether it's supporting the hospice, working with scouts or young athletes, raising funds for the school, providing entertainment or cultural events – to name only a few things that have popped up this month – evidence of people giving is everywhere here. Other work goes on more quietly, such as providing transport to hospital and doctor appointments. On behalf of us all, thank you all.

**Editors Nicki and Sarah**

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**NOT LATER THAN 12th October.**

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The Borough Council recently published their consultation on the Pre-Submission Local Plan 2011 – 2029 and we trust many Kingsclere residents took the trouble to visit the exhibition explaining in more detail what the Plan involves. Over 13,000 new homes are to be built in the Borough over the next 16 years, 50 of these will be in Kingsclere. Where these new homes will be built will be decided by the community through the Neighbourhood Planning process, which is why we need your involvement over the next few months. We will shortly be issuing a questionnaire to every household within the Parish Boundary. Please take the trouble to complete and return this important document, which will also be available on line.

Information on Neighbourhood Planning is now available via the Parish Council web site at [www.kingsclere-pc.org.uk](http://www.kingsclere-pc.org.uk) plus we have our own Facebook and Twitter accounts at [facebook.com/KingsclereParishCouncil](https://facebook.com/KingsclereParishCouncil) & [twitter.com/KingsclerePC](https://twitter.com/KingsclerePC). All views are welcome, either electronically or by more traditional methods!

If you are interested in the future development of our village and could give some time over the next 6 months, why not join our Neighbourhood Planning Group? If interested please contact Cllr. Sue Adams 299242 [sueadams@madasafish.com](mailto:sueadams@madasafish.com) or the Parish Clerk, Sheila Thompson, at the Parish Council office.

**VILLAGE DIRECTORY**

We will be updating the Village Directory and would ask all groups, organisations and businesses in Kingsclere who are registered in that publication to please go online and check that none of your details have changed. If any details have changed, particularly contacts for your Group or Organisation, please let the Clerk know in order that your entry may be corrected. If you are not currently advertised in the Village Directory and would like to be, again please contact the Clerk at [clerk@kingsclere-pc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@kingsclere-pc.org.uk) or 298634. To check your entry please go online at [www.kingsclere-pc.org.uk](http://www.kingsclere-pc.org.uk) and follow the links for Village Directory.

**VILLAGE DIARY**

Just a reminder that you can now ask for your event to be entered into the Village Diary, or check that any plans you may have do not clash with another event in the village, by emailing details to [kingsclerepc-diary@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:kingsclerepc-diary@yahoo.co.uk) To check events in the diary go online at [www.kingsclere-pc.org.uk](http://www.kingsclere-pc.org.uk) and follow the links for the Village Diary.

### **NEW SHOPABOUT BUS SERVICE TO TADLEY**

The new service will be launched by The Mayor on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 10.00 in Monk Sherborne.

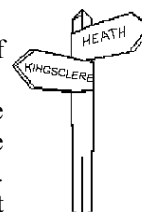
The service will run on Wednesday and Friday each week, will start in Ashford Hill Road at 10.16, travel through George Street, call at Rose Hodson Court for passengers and then take everyone to Sainsbury's at Tadley to arrive at 10.50. We are also investigating the possibility of the Bus calling in at Fielden Court to pick up passengers directly from there. There will be a 2 hour turn around and shoppers can re-board the bus at Sainsbury's at 12.40 for the return journey home. This service will be free to all those with a Concessionary Bus Pass and the fare for all other people wishing to use this service will be £5.00 return. We are hoping that many people will find this new service invaluable so that it may continue to run for a very long time. Please see posters for more details.

**GREEN WHEELY BINS & GLASS RECYCLING** – Collection days for October are 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.

**NEXT PARISH COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING** – the next Ordinary Meeting will be on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2013. 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.

### **Parish Paths**

Thank you to Jason and Richard who helped clear footpath 58 off the Aldermaston Road and also 70 by the allotments, on Sunday 1st Sept. Some of you may get your Tower in time to read that the next work day will be on a Saturday, 28th Sept. 2.30 at the Village Club. The following month we will meet as usual on a Sunday Oct. 27th 9.45am. The clocks will have gone back that night, so don't forget and be too early!



You will find our future work days in the Village Diary.

**Heath Denness (Tel. 298376)**

#### **How to contact your Councillors**

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## KINGSCLERE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Happy, confident, successful, responsible children with a lifelong love of learning*

If you are a parent of a child who will be starting school next year, we would like to invite you to come and meet the children and teachers of our friendly village school.

Parents of children who will be 4 years old between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014 need to register for a school place between 1st November 2013 and 15th January 2014.

We will be holding an open morning (9.30 - 10.30 am) and an open afternoon (1.30 - 2.30 pm) on Tuesday 8th October 2013. You can attend either session.

If you would like to come and see some of the exciting things we get up to and learn more about the school please contact Janet Doling on 01635-298583 or email [janet.doling@kingsclere.hants.sch.uk](mailto:janet.doling@kingsclere.hants.sch.uk). We look forward to meeting you.

**Steve Wells**  
**Headteacher**



### **Kingsclere MOMS** **(Mothers Offering Mothers Support)**

Free local peer support group for mothers of babies 0-12 months. Come and have a chat with other mums with small babies (Cakes sometimes available too!)  
Breastfeeding counselling also attend every week if you would like to talk to a trained professional about breastfeeding or bottle feeding and weaning.

**2:00 - 3:00pm every Thursday that the baby clinic isn't running at Kingsclere Medical Practice.**

For more details: **Sue Elliott 01635 298047** and find us on Facebook; [www.facebook.com/KingsclereMOMS](http://www.facebook.com/KingsclereMOMS)



### News from FKS

#### **The Parent Teacher Association of Kingsclere Primary School**

Registered charity no. 1099453

We have 2 exciting fundraisers planned so far.

This month, back by popular demand it's Happys Circus - Weds 16 Oct on the Primary School Field at 6pm in the Big Top tent! Gates open at 5pm to give you plenty of time to buy refreshments from the bar and treat yourself to a jacket potato and/or hotdog. 8pm finish, a 30 minute interval at around 6.45pm.

Tickets £7.00 from Kingsclere Primary School Office

**Then don't miss Kingsclere's firework and bonfire display organised by FKS**

**Saturday 9th November at the Fieldgate Centre. Gates open at 5.30pm, with a firework display at 6.30pm (no pets or sparklers) BBQ & refreshments available**

Tickets on sale soon from Swan Street Stores or Kingsclere Primary School. Advance price adults £5/children of school age £3. On the day adults £7/children of school age £4. Preschool age children are free.

We hope you'll come along and join in the fun. All proceeds provide much needed support for the School supplying equipment and extra curricular opportunities for the children.

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

### **Kingsclere Youth Football**



Training has now commenced.

Any boy or girl who is 6 or over can come along to the Holding field on a Saturday morning to learn skills and have fun playing football in small friendly groups.

The cost is just £1.50 a session beginning at 10.00 am and is only payable when you participate. A bargain!

So why not bring your son or daughter along on a Saturday morning.

For more information phone Richard on 01635 298664

or visit the website [www.clubwebsite.co.uk/kingsclereyouthfootballclub/](http://www.clubwebsite.co.uk/kingsclereyouthfootballclub/)

Good luck to all our teams this season. Enjoy and play well.



## **Kingsclere Village Club**

**Sat 19th October 7.30 pm**

### **EDDIE AND THE GOLDTOPS BADAPPLE THEATRE**

A hilarious new comedy set against the backdrop and dynamic music of the swinging sixties.

Written and directed by Kate Bramley with original songs and music by Jez Lowe (Sony award winner BBC Radio Radio Ballads).

Starring Robert Angell from BBC's Waterloo Road, Alden Lee Brooks, and Kaitlin Howard.

A heart-warming tale of a much loved milkman who becomes a chart topping pop star.

Bad apple Theatre specialise inventive new comedy, specifically designed for rural touring with new shows premiering at their "Theatre On Your Doorstep" network in Yorkshire.

TICKETS £12 From The Village Butcher or Bill Cooper (01635 299293)

## **Village Market**

We have two markets before we close for Christmas. The market continues to improve each month as customers find the quality of products sold by the stall holders is consistent. We have a very good mix of stalls: jams, pickles, cakes, bread, wool, silks, household products, eggs, cards, craft items, perfume, body lotions and plants, shrubs etc.

Janet Jones will be at her usual stall selling items on behalf of North Hants Hospice. Refreshments, tea and coffee are available. Entry is free. So come along Saturday the 26th October - have a look, have a chat, you never know what you may find.

**Alan Gore 01635 299 118**

## **Coach Outing from Kingsclere**

After a very enjoyable visit to the **National Trust property of Tyntesfield** last year, we are making a return trip on **Wed. 16<sup>th</sup> October**. N.T. members free admission, non members £11.20. Coach fare £15 per person. Picking up at King John Rd at 8:30am and then in the Square and Garrett Close. If you would like to come, please book early as I have to pay for the coach before we go, could I have your money no later than **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October**.

To book, please ring **Josie Norton 298059**



## Kingsclere Library

Summer Reading Challenge –The Creepy House: Well done to all those who completed the challenge of reading 6 books over the summer holidays!

**Have you tried our Magazines?** Did you know that you can now borrow Free for a week a selection of popular magazines such as Top Gear, Countryfile, and other magazines that cover a variety of topics such as crafts, family history and homes. These have been so popular that the number of magazines that you can take out at any one time has been increased to 5! Do come in and browse our selection.

### WiFi:

Need a connection to use your laptop? Want to work on your device at the library? There is free wifi now available in the library during normal opening hours. The password is displayed within the library and is changed weekly, just ask.

### Author of the Month:

The author for October is Alexander McCall Smith who is one of the world's most prolific and most popular authors. His career has been a varied one: for many years he was a professor of Medical Law and worked in universities in the United Kingdom and abroad. Then, after the publication of his highly successful No 1 Ladies' Detective Agency series, which has sold over twenty million copies, he devoted his time to the writing of fiction and has seen his various series of books translated into over forty languages and become bestsellers through the world. The latest in this series "The Minor Adjustment Beauty Salon" is due to be published later this month. His other series include the Scotland Street novels, first published as a serial novel in The Scotsman, the Sunday Philosophy Club series starring Isabel Dalhousie, the von Igelfeld series, and the new Corduroy Mansions novels. He has also written several children's novels.

Kingsclere Library is situated within the Village Club on George Street, Kingsclere and is open:

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>1-5.30pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>1-5.30pm</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10.30 –3pm</b>

**Rowena Hensman**  
**Kingsclere Library Assistant 0845 6035631**





## ST MICHAEL'S HOSPICE

**COFFEE MORNING  
SATURDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER  
VILLAGE CLUB  
FROM 10AM ONWARDS**

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

**TOMBOLA  
FRESH VEGETABLES  
BRIC-A-BRAC  
PHOENIX CARDS**

**CAKE STALL  
EGG STALL  
TINNED FOOD  
CANDLES**

Donations of tombola prizes, non perishable foods, cakes very gratefully received. I am happy to collect or arrange delivery to my home.

**Sarah Melling 297823**

**HOPE TO SEE YOU**

## **St. Michael's Hospice Fund Raising**

**Brew 'N' Bake 2013  
In aid of St Michael's Hospice  
23rd November  
7.30 – 11pm**

### **Pudding and Alcohol...What more do you need in an evening?**

The pudding-tastic, brew-acious event of the year will take place on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November to raise money for St Michaels Hospice.

But Brew does not equal Tea!! And Bake is Puds!!

Enter your specialities to compete for the prestigious trophies. You don't have to enter, just buy a ticket for £5 each in advance and be a judge yourself on the night. Tickets will go fast so reserve your tickets and register your FREE entry by the 10th November in order to make it onto the Menu!

Email [BrewNBake@live.co.uk](mailto:BrewNBake@live.co.uk) or call Sue Elliott on 01635 298047 to reserve your tickets. You can also find us on Facebook Brew 'n' Bake 2013. Local Brew Bar – Music – Raffle.

***Take the night off, get a baby sitter and come and have fun!***

### **Getting Married? Or know someone who is?**

Beautiful new designer wedding dresses (ex-samples) have been donated to St. Michael's Hospice to be sold at huge discounts. Originally worth up to £2,500, these dresses are now £50 - £500, in sizes 8 – 20.



### **St. Michael's Hospice Bridal Wear**

7 Onslow Close, Basingstoke (above furniture store)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SMHBW>

For an appointment to view contact 01256 471191

### **Anthony Nolan Charity Fund Raising**



A huge, huge thank you to all our friends and family who helped us raise a whopping **£4,052.00** for our charity Anthony Nolan for the 2 events we did in May and July in memory of John Taylor.

In May, we and a small team of friends managed to climb to the top of Ben Nevis and would like to thank all of you who sponsored us. We also raised a lot of money at our party night which was held at Sandford Springs GC in July. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year Sandford have hosted this party for us and this year over 240 friends and family came along and danced the night away to 2 local bands organised by Rob Hudgell. A big thank you to the band members for giving up their evening to entertain us for free! Also a big thank you for giving up their time to 2 local up and coming DJ's - Jimmy and Dickie! Watch out Tony Blackman these two are serious competition.

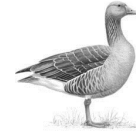
If you couldn't attend the party in July – there is always next year, and if you would like to make a donation to this very important charity, please visit our page @ <http://www.justgiving.com/taylorsbennevis>

Thank you, Mandy, Molly and Ellie

### **Chiropodist - Number Change:**

**As noted in September issue, Mrs C. Tipple has recently moved house and has a new telephone number 01635-226838. This Information will be updated in future yellow pages adverts.**

## Nature Notes



Two ducks which swam into our view puzzled us. They were a rather drab brown colour with little to distinguish them other than their bright yellow beaks. Later, we saw they had orange legs and that should have rung bells but didn't. We consulted our bird books and were rather shamefaced to discover that they were in fact mallard drakes in eclipse (moult). At this stage the beautiful green of the head and chestnut colour of breast had gone leaving the male actually duller than the duck.

Greylag geese are usually gregarious and are found in their own company or that of Canada geese, the one we saw was in neither. It sat alone, precariously balanced on a branch thrusting out of the Kennet's current which was surprising as its feet were designed for paddling and not for gripping but seemed to be coping well.

Walking beside the Kennet recently we noticed a small area of bankside vegetation partly worn away due to what looked like a burrow. A closer inspection revealed a wasp's nest built into the bank with some occupants sunning themselves on it. Even though our approach was very quiet and unobtrusive the calm wasps went into pre-attack mode and we withdrew. Was it vibration from our approach or some super sixth sense that triggered this response?

A shallow, shady new Forest stream gave us good views of a grass snake swimming strongly and hunting for aquatic life. Totally submerged at times the head emerged at intervals while the sinuous body created ripples.

**Diana Tait & Rod Eldred**

For all constituents in NW Hampshire  
**How to contact your Member of Parliament**  
**SIR GEORGE YOUNG**  
 Tel: 01264 401401 Fax: 01264 391155  
 E-mail: [sirgeorge@sirgeorgeyoung.org.uk](mailto:sirgeorge@sirgeorgeyoung.org.uk).  
 Web: [www.sirgeorgeyoung.org.uk](http://www.sirgeorgeyoung.org.uk)

## Church Pages

### A Famous Villager!

Almost alongside our Catholic chapel of Saints Peter and Paul in Swan Street, on the wall of a house is a Millennium Plaque noting that the site once belonged to Archbishop William Warham. Another is to be found not far from Saint Mary's Church. However, I doubt that many residents are aware of this piece of history.

William Warham was Archbishop of Canterbury during Henry VIII's reign. Born around 1456, he became Bishop of London in 1501, and shortly afterwards was appointed to Canterbury, in which post he died in 1532.

Noted as a man of learning, he enjoyed Henry's complete confidence for many years, often being employed on State business. With Thomas More, he supported the work of the great Dutch scholar Erasmus in promoting the new learning of the Renaissance in England. Although theologically conservative and opposed to Protestantism, he showed little urgency in reforming the abuses in English Catholicism.

At first he opposed the king's attempt to divorce Queen Katherine of Aragon to marry Anne Boleyn. Having a great devotion to the Canterbury martyr Archbishop Thomas Becket, some expected him to follow the road of martyrdom over the matter. However, in May 1532 he submitted to Henry's demands. Historians still wonder why, because his opposition would have made things very difficult for the king. His health was bad, and he died in August 1532.

So, as you walk around Kingsclere, remember one of the important churchmen of the English Reformation, who had a residence here!

**Father Patrick Tansey**

#### **Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Church**

(see also Back Cover)

**TIMES OF MASSES Swan St., Kingsclere**

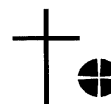
Sunday 11.15 am.

Confessions after Mass on request.

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

## METHODIST NOTES

All Sunday services at 9.30am



### Preachers for October:

- 6<sup>th</sup> Mr Richard Godfrey  
 13<sup>th</sup> Rev John Beadle (Holy Communion)  
 19<sup>th</sup> Saturday 4.30pm. Rev Elaine Rawlings  
 27<sup>th</sup> Rev Maree Farrimond (HC)

Mid-Week Communion Thursday 17th at 10am: Rev John Beadle  
 Junior Church meet on the second and fourth Sundays in each month. at 9.30am  
 All children welcome.

Coffee Morning is every Thursday from 10.30-12 noon. Everyone from babies to the elderly are welcome. Come and make friends over tea, coffee or a fruit drink with homemade cake. There is no set charge but donations in the pot are welcome.

### THANKS TO THE KNITTERS

Now that Vic in Basingstoke is 75 he has decided to send no more lorries out to Romania and Moldova.

The last one will go out in October and will include some dried foods from various Harvest Festivals. They will still be fund raising in Basingstoke to send money to these five groups. May I take this opportunity of thanking most profusely all those lovely people who have used their time, skills and who have donated the wool to knit so beautifully (commented on) those garments and squares for the blankets during the past twelve years. How I would love to have seen the expression on the faces of the children received them.

How will our knitters spend their spare time now? The Christmas shoe boxes with Jane Freeman organising their collection is one charity worth supporting with knitted gloves, hats and scarves

**Margaret Ingram 299152**

#### Methodist Chapel

(see also Back Cover)

**Steward** Keith Williams

**☎ 299822**

**Secretary** Jeanette Billington

**☎ 297585**

**Hire of Hall** Philippa Clements

**☎ 298897**

**Services in the parishes of  
Kingsclere and Ashford Hill with Headley  
October 2013**

Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> October Trinity 19/Proper 22	<b>8am</b>	Holy Communion – St Paul’s, Ashford Hill
	<b>10.30am</b>	Parish Communion with Junior Church St Mary’s, Kingsclere
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> October Trinity 20/Proper 23	<b>8am</b>	Holy Communion - St Mary's, Kingsclere
	<b>10.30am</b>	Holy Communion - St Peter's, Headley
	<b>10.30am</b>	Second Sunday Service with Baptism St Mary’s, Kingsclere
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> October Trinity 21/Proper 24	<b>8am</b>	Holy Communion - St Peter's, Headley
	<b>10.30am</b>	Parish Communion - St Mary's, Kingsclere
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> October Last Sunday of Trinity/Proper 25	<b>8am</b>	Holy Communion - St Mary's, Kingsclere
	<b>10.30am</b>	All-Age Service with Communion St Paul’s, Ashford Hill
	<b>4pm</b>	Reflective Evening Worship St Mary’s, Kingsclere
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November All Saints/4 <sup>th</sup> before Advent	<b>8am</b>	Holy Communion – St Paul’s. Ashford Hill
	<b>10.30am</b>	Parish Communion with Junior Church St Mary’s, Kingsclere

**ABC Service  
Monday 21st October – 9.30 am – St Mary’s**

<b>St. Mary’s Church</b>		(see also Back Cover)
<b>Vicar</b>	Rev Lucy Thirtle, <a href="mailto:lucythirtle@btinternet.com">lucythirtle@btinternet.com</a>	<b>☎ 299489</b>
<b>Curate</b>	Trish Bancroft, <a href="mailto:trishbancroft@aol.com">trishbancroft@aol.com</a>	<b>☎ 269180</b>
<b>Churchwarden</b>	Janet Sturgess	<b>☎ 298079</b>
<b>Churchwarden</b>	Eileen Selsey	<b>☎ 42962</b>

## St Mary's Church Fete ....

Rev Lucy and Sarah Mussett, on behalf of St Mary's PCC and Fete Committee would like to thank all the following for their hard work and generosity in support of this year's successful Fete ....



- All those who donated items or made cakes
- All who helped to set up, run stalls and attractions, and then clear away
- All involved in the wonderful Ukulele band
- Clare Balding for opening the fete
- All who supported with sponsorship or in kind including:  
Paul Harrap; Swan Street Stores; Hugo Fox; Rich's Food ; Steve Voke; SCATS; Lord and Lady Webber.
- All who donated raffle prizes including:  
Laurabella; The Swan Pub, The Crown Pub; and several generous but anonymous individuals

The Fete raised over £6000 towards the running costs of the church in the parish, enabling us to support the mission of the Church in Kingsclere.

## "Frontline"

Let us be a Disciple Making Church!

The Benefice of Kingsclere and Ashford Hill with Headley are running a course for those who wish to find the confidence to be Christians in their places of work or places of leisure.

This is a 6-week course to help us build confidence in living our faith, whether you are a new Christian or have been a Christian for years. I hope it will encourage us all to show others the God we worship on a Sunday to those we meet in our everyday lives.

Please join us at Hill House, Headley. **On Monday 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, Nov and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> Dec 7pm - 9pm**

**We will be serving coffee and puddings**

**For more information, contact Rev Trish 01635 269180 or trishban-croft@aol.com**

### From the Registers of St Mary's

<b>Wedding</b>	<i>Those whom God has joined together</i>
17 Aug	Henrietta Legge and Matthew Robinson
<b>Funerals</b>	<i>I am the resurrection and the life says the Lord</i>
30 Aug	Andrew Weedy aged 33
6 Sept	Janette Robinson aged 60

## The Friends of St Mary's



All friends, and those wishing to sign up to membership on the night, are warmly invited to the **Special Friends' Preview of the Art Exhibition**, at **7.00p.m. on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October**, in the Kingsmill Room. As ever, there will be a wide variety of work by local artists on show, and available to buy, with something to suit most pockets. Over many years, this biennial Exhibition has deservedly gained an excellent reputation, and we hope that as many Friends as possible will be able to join us, over a glass of wine and nibbles, for what promises again to be a most enjoyable evening.

Full details of our Quiz Night on 31<sup>st</sup> January and other forthcoming events will be given in future editions of The Tower.

**Peter Turner**  
**Chairman**

## St. Mary's Guild

The October meeting of St. Mary's Guild will be on Wednesday 23rd October in the Kingsmill Room of St. Mary's Church.

This month, Emma Rivers will be joining us and her theme is **'Weddings'**. Emma helps organise Marriage preparation courses, is a qualified nail technician and does bridal make-up.

In addition to recounting some of her experiences, one lucky member of the audience will have a manicure. Come along and see if it will be your lucky day.

The meeting commences at 2.15 pm and, as always, we will finish with a cup of tea and slice of cake.

Everyone will be made very welcome.

**Pam Kitch, Chairman 01635 299743**

### St Mary's 200 Club

September 2013 Ticket nos 21 Laurie Harris

Congratulations Laurie

Entries drawn first Friday of each month - The Swan Hotel, Swan St



## Lighting up St Mary's

### August

**30<sup>th</sup>** In loving memory of Andrew Weedy who left us so suddenly and unexpectedly on the 12th August. Life will not be the same without you. We will try to smile and carry on because that is what you would want.  
From his friends and family.



### October

**10<sup>th</sup>** For Sheila Swaine. Memories of birthdays gone and happy times we spent, makes missing you a little easier to bear. Always with us and forever loved, but particularly on your birthday mum. love  
Tiggy and Jim.

**21<sup>st</sup>** Remembering Neil's birthday. Love always Elaine, Christopher, Helen, Chris, Thomas and Suzanna.

For all bookings, messages, cheques and enquiries please contact Sarah and Andy Bates, Brook House, Popes Hill, Kingsclere RG20 5SJ. 01635 299710. Forhand deliveries please use the black post box next to the front door. Deadline for November Tower is 10th October. £12 per evening, sliding scale for 5 or more bookings. Cheques payable to St Mary's Kingsclere PCC, gift aid welcome. Also at [www.clerewoodlands.org.uk](http://www.clerewoodlands.org.uk)

## KINGSCLERE & HEADLEY WOODLANDS WI



Our meetings are at The Village Club, Kingsclere  
on the second Wednesday of each month  
starting at 1-45pm

### Next meeting October 9th

Our Speaker/Demonstrator will be Mrs Denise Allen  
showing us "The Art of Flower Arranging"  
You are of course welcome to come to one of our meetings as a visitor  
More detail from Betty Eckton [01256 850017](tel:01256850017)

## Kingsclere Twinning Association



### Duck Race

We would like to thank everyone who sponsored a duck. The weather was perfect for the event and there was just enough water in the stream to move the ducks with a little help from our duck "wranglers"! The money raised by the event will go towards our fund for entertaining visitors from Cormicy when they come to Kingsclere next July. Special thanks are due to Andy and Sarah Bates who did the lion share of organising and running the event. The race seemed to be much enjoyed and we intend to hold it annually.

### Pen Pals

A reminder that the association is setting up a pen-pal programme for young people under 18 who would like to correspond with someone of a similar age in Cormicy. It is not essential to write in French. We have members who can help with any translation. If you are interested, please contact us on

**kingscleretwinning@yahoo.co.uk or telephone Sue Watson on 01635 298940.**

### Future Events

We intend to hold a social event during the autumn period. Please look out for posters and details on the website and Facebook.

**Lesley Farey**

## Kingsclere Players



### MEMORIES OF SUMMER WINE -

As the wonderful summer sun disappears over the horizon we face a long cold winter. We will all need something to brighten those winter nights, something to look forward to, something to cheer us all up.

Kingsclere Players are providing just what the doctor ordered; at the end of November we will be performing "**Last Of The Summer Wine**" at the **Fieldgate centre**. This will bring back memories of the TV classic, featuring the beloved Foggy, Clegg, Nora Batty and of course Compo.

The performances will be on **November 28th, 29th and 30th**

– put it in your diary. Ticket details will be published closer to the time.

If you want to find out more about the Kingsclere Players drop us an e-mail at [kingsclere.players@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:kingsclere.players@yahoo.co.uk)

## 1<sup>st</sup> Kingsclere Guides



We have planned a full programme for the term including our trip to The Big Gig at Wembley, a night time cook out, campfire with the Brownies, visit to a craft centre, learning all about massage, taking part in the Division swimming gala, Halloween disco & Xmas meal. Plus our patrols are working on Animal Antics or Make some Noise Go for It's and will complete the Railway Children project.

We are making a big effort to boost our funds to help pay for future residential events. Our Family Car Treasure Hunt will be held on **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October commencing 2.30pm from the Scout Hut.** If you fancy an afternoon answering questions around our beautiful countryside please come along. We've also booked a **Dragonfly Fashion Show for Friday November 29th** where you will be able to buy high street clothing at up to 50% less than shop prices. Details to follow – so watch this space!

Guides are girls aged 10 to 14 and Senior Section members are age 14+. If interested in joining please give me a call.

Sue Adams [sueadams@madasafish.com](mailto:sueadams@madasafish.com) 01635 299242

## **KINGSLERE RAINBOWS NEED YOU!**

A new leader will take over 1<sup>st</sup> Kingsclere Rainbows from January next year as our current leaders are taking a very well earned rest from Girl Guiding, after 7 years of running the unit.

We are therefore looking for an Assistant Leader and Unit Helper to help run Rainbows as without extra help the unit will have to close. We currently have 24 very active and keen 5 – 7 year olds attending on a weekly basis and 14 girls on the waiting list to join, but please don't let that discourage you! They are so looking forward to continuing in Rainbows so we are desperately seeking new leaders so as not to disappoint them.

If you are over 18 and would like to get involved in a very rewarding and enjoyable voluntary job helping girls in our village, then please contact me to discuss further. To find out more about what Girlguiding has to offer girls and adult leaders please have a look at the Girlguiding web site [www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk)

We really need your help. I look forward to hearing from you.

**Kaye Broom – District Commissioner**  
**Girlguiding Clere District**  
**Kayeb50@gmail.com**  
**Tele 01635 299875**

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***'Funerals of Excellence'***

Lorraine Titcombe and Peter Murray, formerly of Howe & Son (part of the Southern Co-operative) are pleased to announce the opening of L Titcombe & P J Murray Independent Funeral Directors. Peter and Lorraine have been serving the community for over three years at Howe & Son, and will continue to do so at their new funeral home in Winklebury. L TITCOMBE & P J MURRAY

**Join a Fire Walk to support Prior's Court Foundation**

*Prior's Court Foundation is dedicated to bringing the highest level of expertise to support and improve life chances for people with autism and is located in Hermitage.*

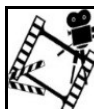
**Event:** Fire Walk for Prior's Court  
**Date & Time:** Friday 4 October 6:30pm  
**Venue:** Sandford Springs Golf Club

**Information:** Join up to 70 other walkers for this high adrenaline challenge and raise money for Prior's Court. All money raised will go towards trips and activities out in the community to support the students' developing social skills and learning to make choices about their leisure activities. Minimum age is 16.

All we ask is a £25 registration fee and a minimum sponsorship of £125. Bring along friends and family to support you, there will be food and drinks as well as entertainment and a raffle

**To register and to receive your fundraising pack,**  
 email [fundraising@priorscourt.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@priorscourt.org.uk) or ring Libby on 01635 245918.

**Together we can build a future for people with autism**

 <b>Kingsclere Film Club</b>	Saturday, 5 October 2013 Start of the new season AGM followed by Quartet (2012)
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The AGM is your opportunity to select films for the 2013-14 season. New members always welcome.

### **Quartet**

Maggie Smith is supreme in a star studded cast.

At a home for retired musicians, the annual concert to celebrate Verdi's birthday is disrupted by the arrival of Jean, an eternal diva and the former wife of one of the residents.

Kingsclere Film Club shows films on the first Saturday of each month at 7.30pm on the big screen at the Village Club.

Guests: £7.50 (subscription averages at £4.16 per view)

November Meeting November 2nd

More information: John Sawyer (Chairman) 297221  
or Diana Tait (Membership Sec.) 298494

### **Contrasts**

#### **A Musical Evening at St. Paul's Church Ashford Hill**

Saturday October 12th - 7.00pm. £10 includes a glass of wine.

Under 16 free. Tickets at the door

A Potpourri of music for all tastes played on the Ashford Hill Organ,  
2 Violins and Piano.

Featuring composers such as:

Elgar	Bach	Goodwin
Mahler	Albinoni	Karl-Elert

With Simon and Shawn Baggs

Martin and Hedley Thorne

Martin Thorne played the organ in this parish for some 40 years. His nephews, Simon and Shawn Baggs, now return to St Paul's having performed there for the first time as teenage violinists in 1990 before the church was reordered.

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KiU\\_GsWBEH0](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KiU_GsWBEH0)

Simon has led the Chameleon Arts String Orchestra for 10 years and has guest-led the Royal Philharmonic Concert Orchestra. He has toured in over 50 countries and appeared on 70 film tracks.

*Dear Editor***Andrew Paul Weedy****6/2/80    12/8/13**

Over the last couple of weeks dozens of people have said to us 'I don't know what to say to you.' Now we don't know how to answer. But somehow we must find the right words to express our thanks and gratitude to the people of the village and beyond that have overwhelmed us with messages of support, love and kindness at this very sad time. We can not mention everyone by name, there are far too many, but we must say an extra special thanks to Terina from Ash Brook Funerals and to Reverend Lucy whose services, help and support were far beyond the call of duty. Also to Sarah and Alistair who were in shock and grieved as much as we did, but still managed to help us so much. To say thank you is really not enough but what else is there. It proves what a caring village we live in.

Thank you, Andrew's Family

Pauline and family would like to thank you all for your kindness following the death of David. This includes the support, kindness, cards and love shown at this sad time. A special thank you must especially go to all those who attended David's funeral from both far and near and the reception afterwards. We would all, like to extend this thanks to both Lucy and Trish, who have been wonderful and ensured that the funeral was a celebration and we know that David would have been extremely moved.

We are still waiting to hear how much money was collected for Cancer Research UK and will let you know at a later date.

Thank you all again

Pauline Carter and family

**WOLVERTON WASTE TRANSFER SCHEME (Ref: BDB/75928).**

Stacey's proposed a major redesign of the controversial access to the A339 on 6 September and Hampshire CC have called for comments by 23 September – just over a fortnight, for a change which has been in preparation for 6 months! Unless that date is changed, it will have passed by the time you read this. The revised access would still be a major new obstacle on the already dangerous and overcrowded A339. The whole opportunistic scheme, set on the edge of a designated 'Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty', distant from towns and industrial areas, provides no economic or social benefit for the community. We recommend that readers should urge their Councillors to vote **NO**

David & Karen Tolson



## KINGSCLERE HERITAGE ASSOCIATION

Our 2013/4 Programme commences on **THURSDAY 24th OCTOBER** with our Annual General Meeting. This will be followed immediately with a presentation by Peter Woodman entitled " His Other Claim to Fame (Duke of Wellington- Estate Manager) ". The first Duke of Wellington was not only Soldier, Politician and National Hero but a famous landowner. His vast holdings included that between the Hampshire border and the A30 and between Kingsclere and Hook.

**All our meetings are at the Village Club, George Street and commence at 7.45pm.** Non-members are always welcome.

Do remember that if you need any historical information on the Village and area our Archivists will be pleased to assist.

**Michael Leah    Chairman   tel 297403**

## ROYAL BRITISH LEGION



This year seems to have gone so fast that already we are approaching Remembrance Time.

Remembrance Sunday will be on Sunday 10th November where we shall again be holding the parade followed by a church service to remember all those who have lost their lives in wars past and present. We meet at the Old Council Offices at 10.30am for the parade to leave at 10.50am, then at the Cenotaph for two minutes silence and laying of wreaths, followed by a service in St. Mary's.

If you require wreaths to lay at the Cenotaph, please contact Bob or Maureen on 01635 299003 to order.

We hope that you will again support us in the way that you always do as our servicemen and women who have died must never be forgotten.

If you have not laid a wreath before and would like to do so in memory of someone you particularly knew, we can arrange for you to do so.

On a Branch note, we now meet quarterly at the Fieldgate Centre, our next meeting being at 8pm on Monday 7th October.

We are always looking for new members so if you would like to know more about becoming a member please contact us on the above number or come along to the meeting, you would be very welcome.

**Maureen Martin (Secretary)**

## October at The Fieldgate



### Our Current Programme of Public Classes is:

Monday	Zumba	9.30-10.30am
	The Lynden School of Dance	4.30-7.30pm
Tuesday	Weightwatchers	6.00-8.00pm
Wednesday	Booiakia	10.00-11.00am
	Tea dance	1.30-4.00pm
	The Lynden School of Dance	4.30-6.00pm
	Slimming World	6.30-9.00pm
Thursday	Rosemary Conley	10.00-11.15am
	Fieldgate Woods	2.00-4.00pm
	Feel the Beat	5.30-6.30pm
		6.30-7.30pm

The Play Bus comes to the car park on the first Wednesday afternoon each month for children of up to 5 years and their parents/carers.

The football and rugby season is now underway. Matches are held every Saturday and Sunday. Practice nights are Tuesday for football and Wednesday for Rugby.

All our sports teams, including the ladies' football team and darts teams, are happy to welcome new members. Contact the centre or individual clubs for details.

#### Advance Notice

We have a band booked for the 14<sup>th</sup> December in the hall. Details and prices of tickets will be available next month.

A children's Christmas party is planned for Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December.

## The Garden Club



Our first evening meeting of the autumn will be on **Thursday October 10th** at the **Village Club**.

Doors open **7.30pm**. No charge for members, visitors £2.00

Our speaker for the evening is Mr Malcolm Brownsword from Didcot, a member of The Hardy Orchard Society.

His talk is '**Growing Hardy Orchids in Your Garden**'. Do come along to hear the talk.

We will be meeting again on November 14th, also in the Village Club when the talk will be on garden perennials.

**John Eckton 01256 850017**



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