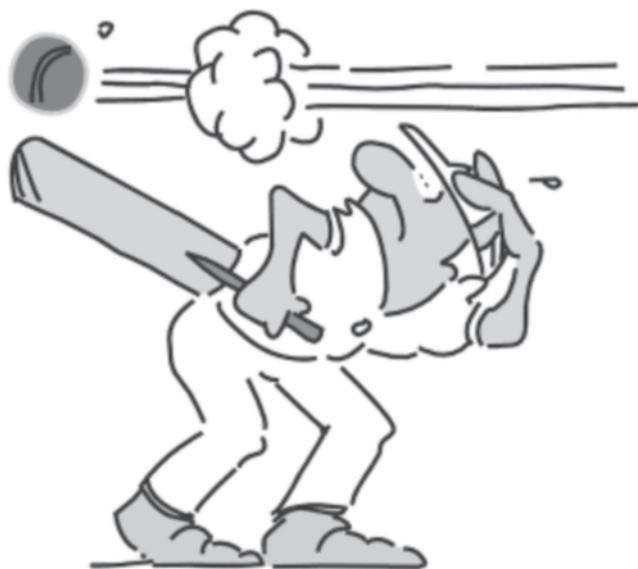


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Small Grants available for local clubs/organisations

As we now use a local printing company, the Tower no longer need to retain funds for repairing or replacing printing equipment. Consequently the Tower has accumulated some excess funds.

We feel that the best use of these funds, collected from local advertisers, is to use the excess to benefit our village community.

We are therefore accepting applications for small grants to Kingsclere clubs and organisations for projects that benefit local residents.

For further information or application form
please contact the editors at kingscleretower@gmail.com

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To all "Tower" Contributors

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Kingsclere Parish Council

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Office:	37 George Street, Kingsclere RG20 5NH
Public Opening:	Mon & Wed 9:30-11:30am



CEMETERY – NO DOGS – A resident has raised concern over the number of dogs being exercised in the Cemetery. The Rules and Regulations for the cemetery, section 12 specify “Dogs are not permitted in the Cemetery (with the exception of Guide Dogs).” This is in line with the Public Space Protection Orders which are available to view online at <https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/pspo>. The Cemetery Rules and Regulations are available to view in the notice board at the Cemetery Lych Gate and also on the Parish Council website www.kingsclere-pc.org.uk/documentation/.

COMMUNITY ORCHARD – The Community Orchard is a public open space and residents are encouraged to please use this space for recreation. The Community Orchard is located at the end of Longcroft Road between the A339 and the Allotment Gardens. Please access the area from either FP70 which runs between the Play Area and the Allotments or via the end of Longcroft Road. The Allotment Gardens are only open to plot holders so please do not use the Allotments to access the Orchard. The Parish Council is looking to enhance the area further with some wildlife hedging and picnic benches so would really like to see the open space utilised by residents.

ALLOTMENTS – The Allotment Gardens are only open to plot holders, please do not use the allotments to exercise your dog or access the Community Orchard – see above for details on accessing the orchard.

HCC SERVING HAMPSHIRE –

BALANCING THE BUDGET CONSULTATION 5 JUNE TO 17 JULY 2019

– Hampshire County Council’s consultation, Balancing the Budget launches Wednesday 5 June 2019 to understand the views of residents and stakeholders across Hampshire on options to help the Authority deliver a balanced budget up to 2021/22.

By planning ahead and through careful use of reserves, the County Council has successfully found ways to deliver services differently and more efficiently, securing savings of £480 million over the past 11 years. However, due to growing demand for council services, further reductions in Government funding, rising

costs and inflation, the County Council faces a further estimated budget shortfall of £80 million by April 2021. This means more decisions will need to be made about what the County Council can and cannot provide in future.

Opportunities for reducing costs are getting harder to find which is why it is important that the County Council hears the views of residents and stakeholders, many of whom are likely to be affected by the outcomes. This consultation presents a range of options that could contribute towards balancing the budget.

The Balancing the Budget consultation opens at midday on Wednesday 5 June 2019 and closes at 11:59pm on 17 July 2019. HCC will be publicising the consultation widely through a variety of channels including local media, social media, advertising and direct communications with key stakeholder groups.

HCC would like to hear from as many residents and stakeholders as possible to help it understand and consider the potential impact of any changes proposed. Feedback will help to inform areas where the County Council could focus on balancing its budget up to 2021/22. It is important residents and stakeholders are clear that no prior decisions have been made regarding the proposals. People can take part in the consultation via the online response form on the webpage: www.hants.gov.uk/balancingthebudget, which will be live from midday on Wednesday 5 June. There will also be a full information pack about the proposals in the consultation on this webpage. Paper copies can be requested by emailing insight@hants.gov.uk or calling 0300 555 1375 and will also be available from local Hampshire libraries.

The views submitted through this consultation will be collated and used to inform discussions at Executive Member, Select Committee, Cabinet and Council budget proposal meetings during 2019. HCC very much hope that you will take the time to respond to this important consultation.

GREEN WHEELY BINS & GLASS RECYCLING – the collections dates are 3rd, 17th and 31st July 2019.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – will be at 7:30pm on Monday 19th August 2019, in the Village Club, (unless otherwise notified). 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 Parish Website www.kingsclere-pc.org.uk



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facebook.com/KingsclereParishCouncil

Kingsclere Community Library



Kingsclere Summer Reading FUN!

All children are welcome to join our Summer Reading FUN programme,
starting from Saturday 13th July.

IT'S FREE!

Sign up, read 6 books, win a medal & a prize!

(Parents: **Summer slide** is the **slide** backwards that many children make in reading and math skills over the summer. Reading in the summer can help to prevent this.)

The third Tuesday of each month is Jigsaw Puzzle Day, come along and join in putting together a puzzle.

The Library has a photocopier available for a small fee.

Opening hours: Tues & Thurs 1 – 5:30; Saturdays 9:30 – 2

Nicki Lee, kingsclerelibrary@gmail.com

Guides - Thank You

I wanted to say thank you to the Guides for the wonderful chalk messages that appeared around the village. I observed lots of people stopping and reading them, then walking away with a smile on their face. I understand that the activity was part of a badge/challenge and I think they were very successful in doing something positive for the community.

Annette Taylor

Kingsclere Village Bunnies Baby and Toddler Group



It's not long now until our trip to 4 Kingdoms Adventure Park for our summer outing this year. Join us on 9th July at 10am, where we have been able to arrange a special price of £7 per person, with under 2s going free. As last year, Bunnies will be buying ice creams for all of the children, so let's hope it is a lovely sunny day!

Whilst we have a small group of committed volunteers running Bunnies, we are always looking for more helpers. If you are interested, please do pop in to find out more. You don't have to have children attending Bunnies to join us – in fact the support of those committee members without children in session is crucial as often the demands of a toddler or pre-schooler can be enough!

Where: The Village Club, George St

When: every Tuesday, 9am-11am

Cost: first visit free. After that, £1 for bumps and unweaned babies. £2 for first child (including snack donated by Swan St Stores) and 50p for additional children.

villagebunniestoddlergroup@gmail.com



Bus of Hope

Lots of fun has been had during the bus' visits this term - crafts, games and getting together over hot chocolate.

There is no visit in July & we'll publicise future dates when we have them.

St Mary's Church

A quarter peal was rung at St Mary's on 6th June to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the D-Day landings and the Battle of Normandy. Remembering especially those of Kingsclere who served their country.



Helen Piper

St Michael's Hospice Coffee Morning



Thank you to everyone who supported the recent coffee morning on 18th May. As always it was a very happy event and enjoyed by all. Many thanks to local businesses and friends for making it possible. We raised a wonderful £504.03 for the hospice.

Note for your diary.....**Saturday, 9th November.**
Please come along and support this very worthwhile cause.

Sarah Melling



Thank you for attending our Summer Fair and Barn Dance, it was a superb day and we hope you all had as much fun as we did!

This month, we are hosting the 3rd annual Kingsfest on Saturday 6th July! Tickets will be available from the school office at a bargain price of £15 per adult and £7.50 per child for camping and the evening. For evening only tickets, £10 per adult and £5 per child.

There will also be the chance to win the “Barrow of Booze” (Over 18’s only)! Music will be provided by Only Band in the Village, The Station, Tamara Johnson, Drumroll and Eleanor Read.

Back by popular demand is our Autumnal Ball on Saturday 28th September at Sandford Springs Golf Course. Tickets are £45 each and include a welcome glass of prosecco, 3 course meal and disco with an addition of a photo booth this year! Tickets will be available from the school office. It’s a superb opportunity to get dressed up in your finest and party the night away with friends – so why not get all your friends to join you and you can have a table!

If you require any further information about any of our events or want to get involved, please contact fkscommunity@yahoo.com.

Harriet Gabbott - Chairman Friends of Kingsclere School

Kingsclere Primary School - Kingsfest



Courtesy Message to our Neighbours

This year's Kingsfest event is on the 6th July, and all money raised will benefit the school and the facilities we can offer our children. We would like to assure our neighbours that all music will cease ahead of our license at 10pm. We are committed to observing that. We have historically been entirely supported by the community - and for that we are extremely grateful. If there are any issues or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me directly on cleonecockburn@hotmail.co.uk

Cleone Barton

Nature Notes

We visited our local lake on 1st June, sigh of relief, terns nesting despite damaged raft. A beautiful morning with calm surface and a haze of damselflies everywhere our eyes settled both on bank and on water. Their presence and the date suggested that we might see our first hobby of the year and sure enough, later, one was seen high up scything its way across the blue sky. Cuckoos were still present 'song' unchanged and with every reason to stay put as one of their favourite hosts are reed warblers which are common. We had a surprise when a mandarin duck suddenly burst out of a bankside bush and flew low across the lake. The duck has none of the finery of the drake but is attractive in a subdued way, greyish mauve body and white spectacle markings around the eyes and smaller. These ducks are one of a number that are tree hole nesting and have claws on the front of their feet to aid perching



Did it snow on June 1st? We witnessed a veritable snowstorm of windblown white fluff eddying as it fell from a sunny blue sky. The breezy day had caused the massive waterside willows to release clouds of seeds born on white, cottony fluff, an astonishing sight.

Woodpigeons are stripping foliage from a nearby ash and a wild plum tree. An adjacent birch has proved a more difficult food source as the branches can scarcely bear their weight, oak and sycamore are unaffected. A beautiful thrush has a new song post in the now bare ash twigs, what a joy to listen to.

Diana Tait and Rod Eldred



Second Saturday of the month at 7.30pm (doors open 7.00pm) at the Village Club, George Street.

Saturday, 13 July, 2019

Rebecca

(1940 – Drama/Mystery/Romance - 130min)

A self-conscious bride is tormented by the memory of her husband's dead first wife. Based on Daphne Du Maurier's classic novel. Two Oscars. Starring Laurence Olivier and Joan Fontaine. Directed by Alfred Hitchcock.

Next month: Saturday, 10 August – ***Les Diaboliques*** (1955)

Kingsclere Film Club welcomes guests at £7.50, subject to space.

New members welcome at any time.

For further information call John Sawyer (Chairman) 297221
or Diana Tait (Membership Sec) 298494

Daisy Whiteland

Sadly Mum passed away on 3rd April after a short illness at Fleetwood Lodge aged 92 where she lived for the last 4 months. Before that she spent 26 happy years at 8 Highams Close and I would personally like to thank everyone who helped her during her latter years. Special thanks to Dr Jacobs and all at Kingsclere Medical Centre, Janet and Keith, Swan Street Stores staff, Mr Butt, Maria Meredith, Edie, Mary Sneyd. Mum really appreciated the help you all gave her and so do I.

Thankyou all

Edwina Lawson

KINGSLERE TWINNING ASSOCIATION



- **Tickets available** for the popular **Call My Bluff Wine Tasting Evening** at the Village Club on **Saturday 6th July** at 7.30 pm.
 - Prizes for the winning palates, and a raffle of a Magnum of a bottle of Champagne.
 - Two course supper provided, and cash bar available.
 - Tickets priced at £12 for members, £15 for non members . Please contact kingscleretwinning@yahoo.co.uk for tickets or further information
- Following a very successful trip of our members to Cormicy in early May, we look forward to welcoming new and old friends in Kingsclere next year. This is likely to be in May 2020. We always welcome new members – why not consider joining now to get involved with this friendly exchange? Family membership is £5 per year, and includes admission prices to most of our events and a free monthly French conversation class (all abilities, from beginner to conversational level), as well as the opportunity to visit Cormicy.
- Next **French Conversation** will be on **Wednesday 10 July**. Please contact kingscleretwinning@yahoo.co.uk for further information.
- **Save the date** for the Bedbug Drive on **Saturday 19 October 2019**; all ages welcome!

Bedwetting Solutions UK

Helping children aged 6 and over restore their confidence in as little as 6-8 weeks, the summer holidays are a perfect time to get started.

Contact us for confidential advice today.

support@bedwet.co.uk

0118 981 3521

METHODIST NOTES

Service Details for Kingsclere Methodist Church

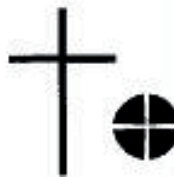
7th July Joint Service At Overton

14th July Maggy Wallace Morning Worship

21st July Revd. Rachel Borgars Holy Communion

28th July Revd. Canon Jill Bentall Morning Worship

Services begin at 10am. All are welcome to attend.



CAMARADERIE IN AUGUST

will be on

Wednesday 7th August in the Methodist Schoolroom at 2.30pm

Please come along dressed for an Indoor Garden Party!

Maybe you could wear a summer hat!

There will be entertainment followed by Afternoon Tea.

£2.00 to include a free raffle

ALL WELCOME

Kingsclere Gardening Association

July looks like being a month with no activities for us. At the moment the proposed visit to Flytrap the Carnivorous plants nursery at Upham near Winchester appears to be unlikely to go ahead as we have few members putting their names down to go. A decision will be made on June 15th after the open day in the Village Club.



Our next planned event will be the **flower show at Fieldgate on Sunday August 18th.**

Our autumn/winter season meetings start on second Thursday in September.

John Eckton 01256 850017

Reflections



A man awakes to the sound of a whole building shaking, and as he opens his eyes, a deep terror dawns upon him – what he sees petrifies him. He’s a man trapped in a system which leaves no room for failure, a system which relies on oppression, manipulation, and even brutality to keep order, and to survive you need to make sure that you’re the one who’s meting it out. What he sees that night is his own failure and all seems lost. When his masters finds out, he’s done for and he can’t let that happen. So he opts for the end considered honourable by many in his society and draws his sword. But as he prepares to plunge in the blade, he stops as he hears a shout: “Don’t harm yourself, we are all here”.

You might be forgiven for thinking this man lives in modern-day North Korea, a regime which quite regularly executes its own people for slight misdemeanours, but actually it’s Philippi, a city in the Roman Empire in the first century. The man is a jailor who wakes to find the doors of all the cells open and fears the worst. But those fears are never realised because of that voice.

Dropping his sword and rushing to the inner cell, to the prisoners who he had only just put there hours before, he knows that having come to the brink, things can never be the same again. “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?”, he says, kneeling before the prisoners whose singing and praying had captivated all the other prisoners, and quite possibly had sent him off to sleep. Paul and Silas, prisoners put there because of their beliefs, religious prisoners if you like, respond, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved.”

Moments later, from that point of hopelessness, this man takes the plunge (having avoided the knife’s plunge), is baptised and is filled with a deep joy. Hopelessness is a terrible and debilitating thing, much more prevalent today than God would ever wish. This God knows the hopeless depths we experience but longs to bring a hope that lasts, through our trusting in Him

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit” – Bible, Romans 15:13

**Blessings,
Ben.**

**Services in the parishes of
Kingsclere and Ashford Hill with Headley
July 2019**

Sunday 7 th July Trinity 3	8am	Holy Communion – St Paul's, Ashford Hill
	9.15am	Holy Communion with Junior Church – St Mary's, Kingsclere (breakfast 8.45am)
Sunday 14 th July Trinity 4	8am	Holy Communion – St Mary's, Kingsclere
	9.15am	Morning Worship with Junior Church – St Mary's, Kingsclere (breakfast 8.45am)
	11am	Holy Communion – St Peter's, Headley
Sunday 21 st July Trinity 5	8am	Holy Communion – St Peter's, Headley
	9.15am	All-Age Messy Worship – St Mary's, Kingsclere (breakfast 8.45am)
	11am	Holy Communion – St Mary's, Kingsclere
Sunday 28 th July Trinity 6	8am	Holy Communion – St Mary's, Kingsclere
	9.15am	Morning Worship with Junior Church – St Mary's, Kingsclere (breakfast 8.45am)
	11am	Holy Communion – St Paul's, Ashford Hill
Sunday 4 th August Trinity 7	8am	Holy Communion – St Paul's, Ashford Hill
	9.15am	Holy Communion with Junior Church – St Mary's, Kingsclere (breakfast 8.45am)

**ABC, our service for pre-school children and their carers
will take place in St Mary's Church on 15th July at 9.30am**

St. MARY'S CHURCH:

Vicar	Rev Ben Read, The Vicarage, Foxs Lane	01635 298471
Church Wardens:	Andrew Kitch andrewkitch16@gmail.com	01635 299743
	Sarah Mussett sarah.mussett@hotmail.co.uk	01635 291900
Administrator:	Emma Rivers administrator@stmaryskingsclere.co.uk	07790 934972

Rise and Shine **Holiday Club**

St Mary's Church, Kingsclere are excited to be running another Holiday Club for children aged 5-11 this summer. It takes place for the week of 12th-16th August between 10am and 3pm. There will be lots of fun including games, bible stories, craft, prayer and the famous GUNGE TANK! Cost is just £25 per child for the week. For more information call John Price on 01635 297780 or email

holidayclub@stmaryskingsclere.co.uk

Booking forms are available from St Marys Church or by contacting us as above.

Changes to St Mary's Church Interior

Slow but steady progress is being made on getting all the ideas and suggestions built into the next phase of our plan.

The PCC have given their go-ahead to move to the next part of the plan, with all the time and cost implications attributed to producing not only plans but preparing the documentation needed for the numerous authorities and organisations which are consulted before we can start work.

It's vital we have the full involvement of the people of Kingsclere, so we have created an email address for people to send in ideas and suggestions. The email will be available from 1st June 2019 to 31st July 2019. If you haven't access to email please speak to either the church wardens or the church administrator who will help.

The address is project.team@stmaryskingsclere.co.uk

The next drawing/plan being prepared will be on display inside the church by the West door (main entrance) w/c 17th June. Please take the opportunity to have a look. Our recent visit to the architect's office involved a trip to see Holy Trinity Church Bradford on Avon which had recently completed its own reordering project. The use of stone on the floors and modern glass dividers with individual seating had changed this wonderful building from a rather tired, dull and lifeless interior into a modern bright and welcoming space which is now used extensively by the whole community.

I can only hope we can achieve such wonderful results at the completion of our own project.

The church authorities are visiting St Mary's during July to look directly at our plans and talk to the reordering team. It's great to have grand plans but if they don't satisfy what is acceptable then it will give us the chance to review what we want.

Don't forget to come and look at the plans, or see them at the church fete on 26th August and talk to one of the project team who will be there to (hopefully) answer your questions.

Thank you for the positive comments I regularly receive about what we are doing.

Andrew Kitch

Lighting up St. Mary's



15th July Remembering Roy on his birthday. Always in our thoughts and forever in our hearts. Wendy, Nicholas, Matthew, Victoria, Gosia, Anna and Lara.

15th July Treasured memories of Dear Roy on his birthday. Norma, Julie and Neil.

25th July 28.2.1932 - 27.7.2013. Rev. David John Carter. Six years now since you left us but never far from our hearts and thoughts. A Loving Husband, Dad, Granddad and Father-in-law who will always be loved and missed so much. Pauline, Nick, Helen, Kev, Jo, Mark Sam, Tom, Abbie and Elliot.

To book please contact Andy and Sarah Bates, Brook House, Popes Hill, Kingsclere RG20 5SJ. 01635 299710. Online www.clerewoodlands.org.uk £12 per evening, block booking discounts. Cheques payable to St Mary's Kingsclere PCC, gift aid welcome.

Deadline for August Tower is July 10th.

Your Kingsclere Tower needs you Volunteers to help insert flyers



We need a couple of extra people to join our team of volunteers who insert flyers into the finished magazines prior to distribution.

It's once a month, (for 11 months, Feb-Dec), always on a Friday at the end of the month, starting at 8.30am until about 10.00am, in the Kingsmill room.

It's a good social event - and doesn't require any specific skill!

METHODIST CHURCH:

Chief Steward	Wendy Morgan	297538
Secretary & Hire of Hall	Jeanette Billington	297585

ROMAN CATHOLIC:

Rev Patrick Tansey	0118 981 4572
tadley@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk	

KINGSLERE & HEADLEY WOODLANDS

W.I.Kingsclere Village Club, 35 George Street, Kingsclere

Monthly Meeting: Wednesday 10 July;
1.30 arrival time for visitors & members

Speaker / Presenter: **David Stocks**

Subject of Talk: **“Beatrix Potter - Dispelling the Myths”**

David Stocks will be travelling quite some distance on Wednesday 10th this month to share with us much biographical detail on one of Britain’s most famous authors of books for children. David is a long-term member of the team that operates within Hill Top, Beatrix Potter’s 17th century farmhouse (a veritable time-capsule of her life). The house & gardens are maintained by The National Trust.

Ms Potter is known to have been considerably more than just a gifted storyteller & illustrator, and who better to expand on that than David Stocks who created the handbook to train and guide staff working on the premises?

VISITORS are always welcome at just £2.00 per person, which includes tea & good company! We do hope that after one or two visits you may wish to join our W.I. as a member.

MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE: Letter-clue for the monthly Competition is “E” (for “Echo”)

Nova Saunderson - 299570

Sandham Memorial Chapel

Chapel services 3 Jul 10.20-10.50am, Free

Short monthly services led by Rev. David Bartholomew and linking to themes of Stanley Spencer, the chapel and its paintings.



Sandham Observed

Sat 6 Jul 10am-1pm, £40, booking essential on 0344 249 1895

Discover more about working in watercolour and other media; using the chapel and its garden as inspiration

Chapel talks 8 Jul 11am-1pm, £8, booking essential on 0344 249 1895 Learn more about Sir Stanley Spencer and how his dream of a “Holy Box” came to fruition.

Shared themes – inspired by Spencer Wed 31 Jul – Sat 4 Aug

Artist Robert Senior presents an exhibition of work with themes linking to those of Stanley Spencer



The Fieldgate Centre is run by the Kingsclere Community Association. This summer we are adding to the Playday run last year with six play sessions. We have also organised the Monthly Meet Up. The association is run by volunteers (not the council!) so your help is always welcome.

A Summer of Fun at The Fieldgate

Play sessions every Wednesday during the school summer holiday.

For ages 2 to 14 years with parents and carers.

10.00 to 14.00 hours

- 24th July – includes soft play and puppetry session run by Proteus Theatre
- 31st July – includes soft play
- 7th August – Playday 2019 – The free national day for play.
- 14th August – includes soft play
- 21st August – includes soft play
- 28th August – includes soft play and drama games run by Proteus Theatre

More details on our website and social media.

MONTHLY MEET UP @ THE FIELDGATE

2.30 – 4.30pm TUESDAY 23rd JULY

Don't stay at home - come along for tea, coffee and cakes.

All welcome

If you need transport, please contact The Fieldgate Centre
on 01635 298497 during office hours.

Make friends – Social activities – Refreshments - Volunteer

Run by Kingsclere Community Association for the community

So much more is happening that we would like to share with you, so please visit our website or call us.

website: www.thefieldgatecentre.co.uk tel: 01635 298497

email: fieldgatecentre@btconnect.com

The facilities at the Fieldgate Centre can be hired for events and activities.

Kingsclere Royal British Legion



Our 2019 Easter Fete went to plan despite the windy conditions on the day! Our new "Human Fruit Machine" had its first outing and proved to be a success and great fun. With the Easter Egg raffle and funds raised on the day, a total just short of £1000 was raised which the branch intends to donate to the Hampshire RBL Welfare Fund which goes to directly help Serviceman and Women, Veterans and their families in our local area. We cannot do this great work without the support of the community, so thank you all for the continued help in this important work.

By the time you read this you will hopefully have seen the convoy of World War 2 vehicles driving through Kingsclere on Saturday 22nd of June to mark the visit of Eisenhower on route to address the US Airborne Forces who were set to depart from Greenham Airfield in support of D Day operations.

Our village branch continues to grow steadily in numbers and in our planned events and socials, so why not come along to a meeting which we hold every first Tuesday of the month in The Crown, starting at 7pm or join us for Brunch! This is a great way to support our community!

If you have any questions, please contact me on either my RBL email, Kingsclere.Chairman@RBL.Community or via 01635 628004.

Mark Holden
Chairman, Kingsclere Royal British Legion

U3A Overton and District

Reminder - our July monthly meeting is replaced by an outing and this year we are visiting the Postal Museum in London.

There is no meeting in August but we look forward to seeing new and re-joining members at our September meeting on **Wednesday 18th September**, 10.00am at St Mary's Hall Overton, RG25 3HA when our speaker will be **Lydia Beauman on 'Art/Travel'** with an emphasis on the works of Georgia O'Keefe a well known American artist.

Other topics for 2019 are 'Entertainment'- Jim Whelan (Coronation Street actor), 'Panto'- Tony Harris and 'Christmas' - Andy Thomas.

(Website www.overtonu3a.org.uk)

Kingsclere Tennis Club

GET ACTIVE! Play socially, or in Basingstoke league matches.
Adult, Junior and Family memberships available at very reasonable rates.
ALL WELCOME!



Adults interested in playing social tennis sessions this summer contact:
Thursday mornings - Daphne Snook on 07768 664347
Sunday mornings – Nigel Baker on 07785 763967

During Wimbledon fortnight 2019 the club will open its courts to all free
of charge.
Also the club hopes to offer summer **junior coaching sessions** after school.
Further details as advertised or on request.

For **Tennis Club Membership** contact:
Adam Price on 07725 901362 or email: adamprice27st@gmail.com

Basingstoke Male Voice Choir Concert in aid of Alzheimers Society

Most of us have heard about the benefit that music can bring to dementia sufferers and some of you may have seen the recent TV documentary 'Dementia Choir'. As a result BMVC have decided to donate the proceeds from their **Summer Concert** to **Alzheimers Society** in support of dementia sufferers locally.

The concert will take place at the **United Reformed Church, London Street on Friday July 5th at 7:30PM.**

This is a great opportunity to see the Basingstoke Male Voice Choir in action and also to support a great charity locally. The choir will be aided by a guest performance from **Sound Company** – a vocal group from Farnham. The concert will also feature some great new songs which should give a more contemporary feel to the performance

Entrance to the concert is priced at £10 and tickets can be reserved by sending an email to Basingstokemvc@outlook.com or at the door. Please come and help us donate a huge amount to charity.

Kin&scclere Sing&ers

present

Songs from the Shows

Join us for a sensational singing spectacular! Fun for the entire family.

Enjoy songs from West Side Story, Phantom of the Opera, Jersey Boys, We Will Rock You, The Greatest Showman, Sound of Music, Lion King, MoTown and more!

Saturday 20th July, Kingsclere St Mary's, 6pm-8pm

Tickets £7.50, children FREE!

Tickets available on the door or in advance at The Village Butchers

www.kingsclere-singers.co.uk

Follow us on Facebook!



Layout Volunteer Needed

Are you interested in graphic design?

Fancy bringing some extra creativity to the Tower's appearance?

We need an additional Layout team member to format the magazine editorial pages (not the advertisement pages). Computer literate, ideally with some knowledge of a graphics/publishing package such as MS-Publisher, Serif Page Plus or similar.

Our Layout team work alongside the month's editor who supplies the content pre-edited so it is ready to cut and paste.

Each layout person works on 3-4 magazines a year and is given a freehand with the regard to layout. The majority of the Layout activities typically take place between 12th-26th of the month, around 6-10 hours per month in total

Police Report



Basingstoke Rural West newsletter, June 2019

Covering the wards of: Baughurst and Tadley North; Kingsclere; Sherborne St John; Burghclere, Highclere and St Mary Bourne; East Woodhay

Your neighbourhood policing team includes: PC Martyn Evans PC Simon Denton PCSO John

Kingsclere and Ashford Hill

Several burglaries have been reported in Kingsclere. A workshop was broken into in Foxes Lane, no property was stolen. There have been reports of garages that have been broken into in Fawconer Road and Basingstoke Road, over a three day period of 6—8 May. Power tools were stolen from one of the garages. There was an attempted break-in to a garage in Bishops Green on 12 May.

There have been further reports of theft of tools from work vans, the latest incident occurred at the industrial estate on the A339.

We have been patrolling the area of Strokins Road following reports of anti-social behaviour. Several people have been spoken too. If you feel that you are being affected by ASB, this should be reported to police via 101.

On 2 May, a vehicle was broken into whilst it was parked at White Hill car park. A handbag was stolen. There have been other incidents reported at rural car parks in our area at the Chase Car park.

PCSO John Dullingham has circulated a Hampshire Alert highlighting the following advice:

- _ Don't leave anything on display in your vehicle.
- _ Take all your personal possessions with you.
- _ Remove sat nav holders and visible sat nav ring marks from windscreens.
- _ Leave the glove box open to show there's nothing inside.
- _ Leave the rear parcel shelf to one side, showing no items left in the boot.

Action fraud

There have been two reports made to police where attempts have been made to defraud residents in Whitchurch. Fortunately they were not successful. The calls made were purporting to be from the police and PIN numbers were requested. We would not cold call the public in this manner and neither the police nor the bank would ever ask for your PIN. Any such calls should be reported to us via 101.

To report crime or suspicious activity, call us on 101 or report it online by going to www.hampshire.police.uk. You can also report it anonymously to CrimeStoppers instead of the police, on 0800 555111. www.hampshire.police.uk

Basingstoke Disability ConneXions

At **BDDF** we promote opportunities for disabled people by creating social and networking opportunities; organise learning courses; raise awareness; and offer signposting services.

ConneXions coffee morning – Free tea / coffee & cake, social informal coffee morning on 3rd Wednesday morning of the month 10-12. Next dates: 17 July, 14 August. Meet at the Orchard, White Hart Lane, Basingstoke RG21 4AF at 10am for an optional gentle walk around War Memorial Park - route suitable for mobility aids, dogs and pushchairs. Or simply enjoy a free cuppa in The Orchard coffee bar, chat or play a game.

ConneXions coffee afternoons - Free tea / coffee & cake, social informal coffee morning on 1st Tuesday afternoon of the month 12.30-2.30pm. Next dates: 2 July, 6 August. We meet at Church Cottage (behind St Michael's Church).

Amanda Knowles, ConneXions Coordinator, Basingstoke & District Disability Forum, The Orchard, White Hart Lane, Basingstoke RG21 4AF
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"Twelve Hours"

A Play about Jane Austen's 12-hour Engagement.

7pm Thursday 18th July 2019

St Lawrence Church, Wootton St Lawrence, Basingstoke

Written by Phil Howe.

A Three-Scene monologue lasting approximately 1 hour.

Tickets £10, available on WeGotTickets.com.

Profits in support of the St Lawrence Church Fund

Further info: Abigail Compton-Burnett 01256-781481

Aladdin

Kingsclere Players are planning to put on a Pantomime at the Fieldgate Centre on 15th, 16th and 17th of November.

We are having a few meetings to get things moving.
 “Oh no we aren’t !“, “oh yes we are!”.

The next meeting is in the Methodist Hall at **7.30pm, on Thursday 4th July.**

We are initially looking for adults to take on roles in the Panto and help with Backstage, Admin, PR and Marketing.

It’s a lot of fun, rehearsals will be twice a week from September, although workshops for props, costumes and line rehearsals will be held throughout July to November once the Panto has been cast.

If you have any desire to act or help in a pantomime please come along, you’ll be very welcome. It’s very informal and you’ll be able to hear some of the Panto read out aloud.

Please feel free to contact
 Hazel Crispin 07786 8585 33 or Pauline Combes 07717 2816 46

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St Mary’s 200 Club: June, 2019 winner, no.10 Chryssie Green

Well done, Chryssie

Entries drawn first week of each month, various village venues

Kingsclere CE Primary School Headteacher's Welcome



What an absolute joy it has been returning to Kingsclere CE Primary School. As a past pupil it has been an utter pleasure to walk the corridors of the school, once more surrounded by happy faces excited about learning. It is wonderful to have the honour of leading the school as Headteacher in its next steps to secure success for our children.

Our village school is such a happy and enjoyable place to be. The children have fantastic staff who work incredibly hard to offer them excellent learning opportunities. It excites me to be able to build on this good practice, leading with ambitious ideas for the school. We have plans for the children to sing at the London O2 Arena, ideas to develop the school grounds and intentions to grow the school curriculum to ensure we offer fruitful experiences for all of our children. I would also like to continue growing the links with the local community.

I am very much looking forward to the next steps on my journey as Headteacher of Kingsclere CE Primary School, especially working together with staff and the community, its families and children. Should you wish to organise a visit or find out more about places in our school, please contact the school office on 01635 298583, where we will happily welcome you.

Hannah Melrose, Headteacher



Homing Enquiries 0345 260 1501 or andover.cats.org.uk
Fund-raising and volunteers 07733 242196 or email
coordinator@andover.cats.org.uk
Items for resale 01256 892773

Poor Noir is still with us and is desperate to meet her new family. If you think you can offer her a home, please do get in touch.



This is Saffi, a beautiful black female cat who is used to going outside. Although she has lived with other cats we feel she would be happier being the only pet in the family. She is about 4 years old.

We've also welcomed a new fosterer into the team. We now have 7 fosterers in and around Andover. If you're interested in volunteering please contact us to find out more.

Come and see us at the St Mary Bourne Fete on 27th July. We will be there between 1-4pm.

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North Hampshire Hospital, Basingstoke 01256 473202

Kingsclere & Ashford Hill with Headley Care Group:

General Enquiries 01635 298794 *Transport only* 07880-658187

Parish Council: 37 George Street (see page 2) 298634

Dial-a-Ride 01256 462101

Churches: *see contact details within Church Pages inside*

Bas & Deane	01256 844844	Cub Scouts	298413
Buses	0345 8101000	Girl Guides	299875
Trains	0845 748 4950	Kingsclere Library	0300 555 1387
Gas Emerg.	0800 11999	Swan Street P O	297035
S.Electric	08000 727282	Vet	29557 or 40565
S.Water	0845 278 0845	Dentist	299981
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**There is a more comprehensive list of local contact numbers on the
Parish Council website. Go to www.kingsclere-pc.org.uk/directory**