

Parish News

West Meon & Warnford

June 2024

Sumer is icumen in

At the time of writing, I am not sure that the arrival of the first cuckoo has been reported in *The Times*, but the approach of the Summer Solstice in a few weeks and the warmth of the sun remind us that the cuckoos and the summer are not far away. We celebrated Rogationtide last month, Lammas, the Anglo-Saxon Loaf Mass is celebrated at the beginning of August and we look forward to Harvest Festivals in September and October – we give thanks and pray for our rural environment and for our farmers at this time of year.

The 13th-century 'Cuckoo Song', often sung as a round, tells of the arrival of summer. It says that the cuckoos have arrived, so summer is here, it is 'icumen in', meaning it 'has come' rather than it is coming, as people often think. So, if you are reading this on a less than sultry day, go on-line and listen to a rendition to lift your spirits – search for 'Sumer is icumen in'.

The church year is also enriched by its seasons and from 2nd June, the First Sunday after Trinity, the 'season' of Ordinary Time begins once more and our seasonal colour returns to green, symbolising growth – growth in the fields, for sure, but especially our own growth in mind, body and spirit to become the person God would have us be.



<https://poemanalysis.com/w-de-uycomb/sumer-is-icumen-in/>



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The term ‘Ordinary’ takes us back to O Level or GCSE mathematics and ordinal numbers relating to position in a series –the weeks of ordinary time are the weeks we number rather than name. Ordinary Time is only ordinary in the mathematical sense, even though numbers play an important part in the Bible, its purpose is far from ordinary in the sense of mundane.

The summer, around the Feast Day of St Peter and St Paul (29th June), is also the time when the church yields one of its particular crop of its fruits – clergy. Petertide is probably the time when most ordinations (also linked etymologically to order and ordinal and ordinary) take place. At my ‘Welcome Service’ in February, Bishop Jonathan challenged us to reflect on our gifts and talents and identify those amongst ourselves with the potential to become ordained ministers. He boldly stated that he would do all he could to bring ordination to fruition for those who discern that calling and in whom others also can discern that God is at work in them to move them to answer that call. There are, of course, many other ministries, some formally licensed or authorised, and others, which are informal but still invaluable. Many are called to serve the work of the church in the community in diverse ways and we give thanks for them all, but in this Ordinary Time, let us try to tune in to our own potential to grow for the good of others, and perhaps listen for a calling to serve in new or particular ways – perhaps as part of the church. I would be delighted to explore any of the options with anyone who senses that they have gifts to offer.

Rejoice in the beauty of nature in our rural communities and be fruitful according to your gifts to bring as many of your truest dreams to fruition, for Summer is icumen in!

Fr. Tony

Petersfield Youth Theatre

PYT is offering two projects for young people this summer.

Summer Fun! offers a week of creative activities for children currently aged 5 to School Year 8 from Monday 12th to Friday 16th August 10am to 3pm every day. Participants will have the opportunity to rotate through three workshops each day, experiencing theatre games, acting, singing, dancing, storytelling, craft and music. A perfect way to spend a week of the Summer holidays!

Matilda the Musical

We are hugely excited to be producing Matilda the Musical this Summer. This hit show has been running in London’s West End for the past 12 years, and we’re thrilled to be producing this version especially written for youth theatres. This production will be auditioned and is open to those of you in current year 6 and above. All details are on our website www.pyt.org.uk.

Charlotte Godfrey



****** AUGUST TEAS ******

August Teas will be happening in the church and grounds every Sunday in August.

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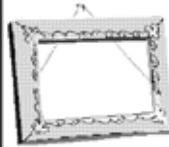
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****** WEST MEON VILLAGE FETE ******

Saturday 8th June 2-4.30pm

Cake stall – collect your paper plate & bag from the shop and fill with goodies. Bake and freeze beforehand or fresh on the day. Bring to fete or contact Helen (07973 295 528) or Susan (07941 096 308) for collection.

Tombola – bring unwanted new items into the shop and leave in labelled box.

Bric-a-brac – we need your unwanted household items. Contact Nina until 31st May (07931 862 490), Susan (07941 096 308) from 1st June.

Books – leave in church, on left as you go in.

Plants – bring plants to fete or contact Helena (07899 780 830) beforehand,

Bottles – bottles will be collected by Mark and his team on the afternoon of 2nd June. Please leave on your doorstep if you'll be out.

We still have jobs for extra volunteers if you can help set up in the morning or lend a hand during the afternoon please contact Susan (07941 096 308).

We look forward to seeing you there!

Susan Berry

Bake a cake

I am running the cake stall this year at the West Meon Village Fete on Saturday 8th June and would really like you lovely cake makers to help me. If you can spare the time to make any kind of cake, biscuits, scones etc I would really appreciate it. Zanna is a hard act to follow and I don't want to let the stall down. If you can help let me know please on helen.ripper@outlook.com or 07973 291 528.

Helen Ripper

West Meon Primary School

Y6 worked so hard in the lead up to SATs week and have completed them so far calmly and with great focus. Then they can learn their parts for the school play, which is on the 17th July, and prepare for sports events coming up.

Next week we are having a Parent Look at the end of the day, when parents can look at their children's work and discuss it with them from Y2–Y6. Later in the term YR/1 will do the same and they will have a Phonics Workshop.

The girls' football tournament is next week and they have a great new kit just for their team and their club is being used as a case study in our application to retain our Platinum Sports Award. The Small Schools' Mixed Football Tournament is taking place on our village field on 7th June. Y4,5 and 6 are being included and are looking forward to it as we've entered two teams.

Following on from my visit to Westminster on the 10th June, I will be taking the School Council up to London so Flick Drummond MP can show them around as well.

Our traditional sports afternoon is on the 13th June and the infants' multi-sports day is on the 25th June.

Y4 took part in a Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths workshop at Legoland which they loved, as well as sampling the rides looking at Forces. Their visit to the Hawk Conservancy was also a great day and members of the public commented on their good behaviour and manners.

Y5 will be having their residential stay at Stubbington to observe the foxes and badgers from the hide and this year the whole school are going down on the first day to do activities such as pond dipping and seaside walks.

After SATS, Y6 have their residential at Fairthorne Manor, where they have a variety of activities including kayaking, abseiling and archery. They then have a special Y6 Leavers Trip on the 22nd July and then we hold our special Leavers' Assembly and Prizegiving in the church at 11am on the 23rd July followed by a whole school picnic on the field at 12 before we break up for the summer. I still can't believe it's my last one! The governors will continue to hold drop-ins for parents and produce a termly newsletter, while they are busy behind the scenes preparing for the leadership of the school, with interviews being held just before half term.

The new YR parents and current YR parents are invited to a coffee morning on the 27th June and then the new YR children will come in for several story time sessions, before joining us for Changeover Morning on 18th July. We have a few places for Year R and across the school in September. Please look at our website to see all of the activities we offer.



West Meon Primary School Girls' Football Club

Julie Kelly, Headteacher

Village Hall Update

The village hall has recently recruited two new members to its ranks, one of whom Jerry Berry, has agreed to take on the role of Chair (we thought he might need something to keep him occupied when he retires later this year!) We now have a committee of nine with a wide range of interests and abilities which should equip us more than adequately to take forward various planned projects.

Those of you who have been up to the recreation ground recently will have noticed that the original section of the hall now boasts a new roof. This was an expensive piece of essential maintenance but after sixty years of service the work could not be delayed any longer. It does however mean that we needed to use a large chunk of our reserves to complete the work.



West Meon Village Hall scaffolding photo: A Annabel

We hope to increase the insulation in the main hall roof before next winter which should help with heating bills. Our ultimate aim is to install solar panels with batteries together with a modern heating system, but for this we need finance (or a Euro Lottery win) and will therefore be pursuing grant funding.

Although our finances have improved over the past year we are still operating with a loss of around £1000/pa. The success of the cinema since the launch last autumn has not only generated some much needed income but also established a new monthly community event in the hall.

We hope that the new village hall website – westmeonvillagehall.org.uk – will generate more bookings. Here you can find all you need to know about the facilities and crucially access the calendar. We encourage everyone to use the online booking system but if you have any problems you can still contact Hazel Town, our Booking Secretary, on 01730 829584.

And finally, something to look forward to... on Saturday 21st September we will be organising a Diamond Jamboree to celebrate the Sixtieth birthday of the hall. It will be an all-day event where we will host various activities – details to be announced – watch this space and the website of course!

Rosemary Morrish

Musical delights at West Meon



There will be plenty of musical treats in store this year at the 14th annual West Meon Music Festival (12th to 15th September) with an award-winning pianist, a group of world-renowned baroque musicians, and two of the UK's most-talented young string players joining the Primrose Piano Quartet for eight concerts over the four days.

Highlights from the festival include piano quartets by Mozart, Schumann and Brahms as well as a rarely-performed piano sextet by Sergei Lyapunov, who fled to Paris after the 1917 Russian revolution, when the quartet will be joined by double bassist Will Duerden and violinist Tom Aldren.

While most concerts are held at West Meon's St John the Evangelist Church, the festival also extends elsewhere into the Meon Valley. Cutting edge baroque quartet Red Priest (named after the original "red priest" – Antonio Vivaldi) have been delighting audiences across the globe since 1997 and will be bringing their unique style of high-energy performances and theatrical presentation to East Meon church on the morning on Saturday 14th September. "Truly Madly Baroque" will explore themes of love, joy and



Photos: Primrose Piano Quartet (top) and Red Priest (Handel in car)

madness. Later in the day the lovely 12th century Church of Our Lady in Warnford is home to a recital by the Primrose's string players of works by Purcell and Mozart.

On Sunday morning (15th September) Lithuanian pianist Gabrielė Sutkutė – winner of some 20 international piano competitions – will be performing works by Rameau, Brahms, Debussy and Prokofiev in West Meon, while that afternoon's festival finale sees the Primrose Piano Quartet focussing on "German Romantics" with works by Felix Mendelssohn, his sister Fanny, Emilie Mayer and Robert Schumann.

In addition there will be a late-night jazz concert by local band, East of Meon, at West Meon's iconic Thomas Lord pub in aid of Cosham-based The Elizabeth Foundation – the UK's leading charity for pre-school deaf children; the charity uses music as part of its therapy to help them to talk and communicate. For more details see (<https://elizabeth-foundation.org>).

Ticket prices start at £19 and the box office will open at the beginning of June. For full details of all concerts during the West Meon Music Festival 2024 visit the website at www.westmeonmusic.co.uk. *Sue Scholes*

West Meon W.I. Report

Angie Trenchard, our President, reported that our AGM at the previous meeting had gone very well and we welcomed Fiona Hughes on to the Committee.

We were all issued with our new Programme of Events and Angie asked the members to note the change in arrangements for the tea rota. We have introduced a series of competitions throughout the year and for the next meeting it will be 4 scones on a plate, so please get your aprons on and rustle up some tasty scones!

Sue Croft has introduced a very good initiative to have a book exchange each meeting, where members who have books which have been read, are brought along so that members can swap them between themselves at a cost of £1 per book which goes towards W.I. funds.

Peter Ashburn was our speaker for the afternoon and he gave us a talk on 'Orchids Wild and Beautiful'. Peter is a self professed orchid lover and even has one of his bedrooms set up to house his collection of cultivated orchids. Luckily his wife is very understanding!

He started his talk with a brief history of the introduction of orchids in the 1700 and 1800s, when orchid hunters travelled abroad to collect them to fuel the orchid mania of the wealthy upper classes in England.

Peter then gave us a fantastic insight into British wild orchids of which there are 55 varieties, and then explained the wealth of varieties growing in Hampshire, including those growing in ancient woodland such as the rare Sword Leaved Helleborine which grows in Chappetts Copse in West Meon. Noar Hill is a nature reserve near Selborne, which is also a local wild orchid hotspot. Peter then gave us lots of tips for caring for our cultivated orchids, which was very useful and it was interesting to hear that they love to be watered with rainwater and they thrive on neglect!

Our next meeting will be held on 10th June at West Meon Village Hall at 2pm where our speaker will be Lt. Col. Jeremy Prescott who will be talking on the very topical subject of D Day - The Normandy Landings. We welcome any visitors who would like to attend and the cost is £4.

We are all looking forward to our coach trip to Woolbeding Gardens on the 13th June!

Sue Kinlochan

Services in the Upper Meon Benefice

Sunday 2nd June

8am East Meon. Holy Communion.

9am Warnford. Benefice Mattins.

10.30am East Meon. Benefice Eucharist.

Sunday 9th June

8am East Meon. Holy Communion.

9am Langrish. Benefice Service of the Word.

10.30am West Meon. Benefice Eucharist.

Sunday 16th June

8am East Meon. Holy Communion.

9am Warnford. Benefice Holy Communion.

10.30am East Meon. Benefice Service of the Word - All Age Worship.

Sunday 23rd June

8am East Meon. Holy Communion.

10.30am Langrish. Benefice Eucharist.

10.30am West Meon. Benefice Service of the Word.

Sunday 30th June

8am East Meon. Holy Communion.

11.30am Langrish on Butser Hill. Service of the Word with bring your own picnic. If not fine weather: in Langrish Church.



Butser Ancient Farm (NB, not location of service): A Annabel

West Meon cricket



Cricket fixtures for the next couple of months are:

2nd June - Temple Sheen (h) 2pm
9th June - Lavant (h) 2pm
16th June - Milburys (a) 2pm
23rd June - Bishops Waltham (a) 2pm
30th June - Robins (h) 2pm

7th July - Rowledge (a) 2pm
14th July - Steep (h) 2pm
21st July - Tichborne Park (a) 1pm
28th July - CYPOS (h) 2pm

If you are interested in playing social Sunday cricket please contact Stu Smith whose phone number is 07490 298 309.

and the Football Euros... screening of the England games

We will be opening the pavilion, bar and providing half time food for the following matches:

16th June 8 p.m.
20th June 5 p.m.
25th June 8 p.m.

Please come and join in the fun and frolics associated with supporting the England football team. Of course there may be others if we get lucky.

Mary Edwards



Rainfall report for April/May 2024

April ended with 80.05mms (3.18"). We recorded rain on 17 days during the month, the wettest day being the 27th when we had 23.7mms (0.93"). May has been a little kinder and a little warmer and by mid month we have had 41mms (1.6"). Swallows and House Martins are still a relatively rare sight unless you are lucky enough to have them nesting in your garage and we still haven't seen a Swift in Warnford.

Rainfall for January 92.6mms (3.6")
February 182.75 (7.19")
March 121.6 (4.78")
April 80.95 (3.18")
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Meon Valley Lions

Wickham Beer Festival

Members helped out again: it was pulling pints on the Friday and burgers and sausages on the Saturday – as usual a great event and we raised £1,000 for learning equipment for the Elizabeth Foundation – a local charity dedicated to preschool learning for deaf children. A huge thank you also to the organisers, as this year some of the Festival proceeds were donated to our minibus appeal.

New Members

Meon Valley Lions Club is growing. Pictured here Roy and John welcome Hillary and Paul, our latest recruits. It will be hard but rewarding work; hopefully you will enjoy it as much as the rest of the team.

Marie Curie Collection

Is there nothing a Meon Valley Lion will not do to encourage people to help charity! Thank you Bishop's Waltham for your generosity during our collection in aid of Marie Curie last Saturday.

Replacement Minibus Appeal

The Meon Valley Lions Club spent the last year, through various appeals, funding a Minibus to replace our ageing vehicle, a very important asset to almost everything we do! We use it to support clubs and organisations in our local community and assist in getting members of the public to events they wouldn't otherwise be unable to attend, due to lack of a car or public transport.

Used as a workhorse to transport our equipment to outdoor events throughout the year, and not forgetting pulling Santa's sleigh around the villages in December, without it we wouldn't be able carry out a lot of what we do as a Club!

We had a very successful campaign and are very grateful! We would like to give a GREAT BIG THANK YOU to all the Parish Councils, local businesses and individual personal contributions, which made it possible for us to replace our aging Minibus. It's clear the community are with us in our aims to continue our commitment to the Meon Valley area.

Having a newer and reliable vehicle is a bonus for us and we are promoting its availability to the community so we get maximum use from it. Its already getting noticed and it's in use most weeks to get people out and about in the Meon Valley and beyond. If you know of anyone or an organisation that we could assist, please get in touch via our website: www.meonvalleylionsclub.org.uk.

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 13 th July 2024 – Swanmore Village Fete – Plans are well underway for a brilliant Fete again this year, with some regular and new attractions. We're looking for a sponsor for our Dog Show which will not only be fun but an opportunity to promote your business – please get in touch.

Carole Dash

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Garden Club News

In June the Garden Club is organising a visit to one of the gardens recommended to us by Mark Porter, Regional Chair of the South East England National Garden Scheme. Colemore House, situated off the A32, 4 miles south of Alton, GU34 3RX.

- Hosts: Mr and Mrs Simon de Zoete.
- Date: Thursday 13th June.
- Time: 6.30 pm.
- Price: £10 per person, to include wine or soft drinks & nibbles.

The visit is open to everyone, not just Garden Club members, but booking is essential:

Please contact Clare Swinstead by Saturday 8th June (clareswinstead@gmail.com or phone [evenings] on 01730 829 059).

Clare Swinstead

West Meon Parish Council and Warnford Parish Meeting

Hampshire County Councillor and Winchester City Councillors

Following the recent by-election in the Upper Meon Valley, West Meon now has three local government councillors. Malcolm Wallace is our County Councillor and Neil Bolton and Jerry Pett are our City Councillors.

WMPC Working Groups

The May WMPC meeting was our annual meeting where members of the Parish Council decide which roles they will fulfil. Chair Angie Trenchard and Vice Chair Mac Edwards were re-elected by WMPC to serve. The members of each of our working groups will be found on the WMPC website and in the minutes of the May meeting.

Lengthsman

WMPC has signed up to continue this HCC scheme. The Lengthsman team are scheduled to come to West Meon three times this year. If you have any suggestions for their work then please email the Clerk. The Lengthsman undertakes minor works of repair and maintenance and cutting for WMPC but cannot work on major roads. The work can only be on Parish Council land and pavements, hedges and drains etc owned by HCC and WCC.

Play Equipment at West Meon Recreation Ground and Meonwara

Following our annual inspection, minor repairs and maintenance will be carried out. On occasion, the play equipment may be taken out of use, but notice will be given.

Flood Action Group

Following the support for the work to investigate further the River Meon flooding, WMPC is about to engage the services of a hydrology company to carry out the work. This is a major investment by WMPC towards better understanding the flood risks and to take action to alleviate some of the flooding annually.

Speed and Road Safety in the Parish

WMPC agreed at their April meeting to push Hampshire Highways to improve road safety in the parish. WMPC agreed to pursue four actions: to request the restoration of the traffic calming on the A32 in the centre of West Meon; to restore or replace the flashing 30MPH signs on the north and south approaches to West Meon on the A32; to complete the virtual footpath in West Meon High Street with relining and colouring of the pavement area; and replacing one 50MPH road sign approaching West Meon on the A32 from the north with a 40MPH sign so that coming into West Meon the signs run 50MPH, 40MPH and 30MPH. Any changes will take time but these seem achievable, affordable and practical. Further measures may be pursued at a later date.

Warnford Parish Meeting

Information relating to WPM can be found on its website, which also has details of local facilities & services, village news and events etc. Please sign up for Alerts so that you will be informed of forthcoming events etc. The Chair has an email distribution list for parishioners which is used to notify of Parish Meetings (there are two per year, in May and November) and other parish related matters. If you would like to be added to this list, please email the Clerk. The website Alerts system no longer covers local planning applications but, as explained on the website, you can register with South Downs National Park Authority to receive details of these by email.

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Thank You!



Parkinson's UK Coffee Morning

This successful event raised a total of £290. I just wanted to thank everyone who came, made cakes, gave donations and raffle prizes and who generously sponsored me.

I'm training hard and have a month to go until the London to Brighton bike ride on Sunday 16th June. If you can spare a few pounds & would like to sponsor me, here are the details:

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Curtis Museum and Allen Gallery Open Tuesday to Sunday. Curtis Museum 10am–4.30pm. Allen Gallery 10.30–4pm.

ALLEN GALLERY EXHIBITION Re:Connecting - Habitats, Wildlife, People. This exhibition of work by ceramicist Bridget Macklin and photographer Alex Potts, delivered in partnership with The Friends of Blacknest Fields, Binsted Parish Council and Alton Natural History Society, continues until 23rd June. FREE. The artists will be giving a free talk on the 22nd at 3pm.

GALLERY WORKSHOP Cyanotype. Saturday 8th June, 2–4pm. Join wildlife photographer Alex Potts for an introduction to the fascinating world of photography and chemistry, using sunlight to create beautiful blue and white prints from leaves, grasses and flowers. Tickets £7.50 through the Gallery. Suitable for anyone aged 7+.

REGENCY WEEK 21st–30th June. The Gallery is delighted to be involved with this popular celebration. We are hosting 3 events: **Tea and Promenade on Sunday 23rd, Film - Pride and Prejudice on Tuesday 25th** (This is the 1940 movie with Laurence Olivier and Greer Garson, reckoned by many to be the finest version) and **Open Afternoon at the Gallery 1.30 - 4pm on Wednesday 26th.** Come and have a look round, a guided tour, have a cup of tea in the lovely garden. (No booking required). For more details and **BOOKING** for the first two please see the Town's Jane Austen Regency Week (You can find it by typing in Jane Austen Regency Week 2024).

Open Art Exhibition. As part of Alton Arts Festival the Allen Gallery will be holding an Open Art Exhibition from 5th July–8th September. **DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES** is 10th June. More details from the Gallery.

Gallery and Museum Shops. These have long been known as sources of beautiful cards and interesting presents. Now Volunteers at the Curtis Museum and Allen Gallery have been putting their crafting skills to good use to raise funds for the venues. One skilful Volunteer has produced items such as cross-stitch kits, stitched, braided and woven items like key rings, and crafted boxes. Another has some colourful miniature pincushions, bookmarks and shoelaces, hand-woven and hand-dyed. The shoelaces and bookmarks are made on Japanese braiding looms, whereas the pincushions have hand-woven bases and tops, with matching glass headed pins. It is hoped that these two gifted craftspeople will demonstrate some of their skills in the Gallery from time to time - drop in to watch them at work.

Curtis Museum Dolls House Weekend 27th/28th July 10.30am–4pm. The Curtis Museum is opening its doors again to dolls houses large and small to view and play with. The Friends of the Curtis Museum and Allen Gallery will be offering handmade and pre-loved items including a number of dolls houses, for cash sales only. In addition there will be miniature items for sale from the Museum's shop. This year the main event will be on Saturday 27th July and the Museum will be joined again by the North East Hants Miniatures Group. Kennet Miniaturists will also be joining us, for the first time. In addition, there will be local exhibitors to support the day's activities. There will be a themed trail for everyone to follow on both days. On Sunday 28th July the main event will be the dolls houses for children to play with, along with various activities for them to enjoy. This event will be attractive to all those interested in dolls houses and accessories. Free entry. Donations welcomed. Supported by The Vintage Cupboard, Four Marks, Alton. www.thevintagecupboard.co.uk.

Jill Line

Diary Dates

Tuesday 4th June

West Meon Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm
West Meon Village Hall

Saturday 8th June

West Meon Fete 2-4.30pm West Meon House

Monday 10th June

WI Meeting 2pm Talk: D Day - The Normandy Landings by Lt. Col. Jeremy Prescott, West Meon Village Hall

Thursday 13th June

Garden Club Visit 6.30pm Colemore House
GU34 3RX

Sunday 23rd June

Village Rounders Tournament 3-6pm West Meon Recreation Ground.

Saturday 31st August

Warnford Village Fete 1-5pm Warnford Playground, Lippen Lane

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