

# HINTS VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

## March 2017

### **Editor's notes (Peter Edwards)**

Please remember that the deadline for inclusion of items in the Newsletter is the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month. I need to print 67 copies of the newsletter. If you are willing to receive it by e-mail, send me an e-mail saying so. So far, I've had 71 "e-mailers" (the number is slowly increasing!). Please help by saving postage and printing costs

### **Diary dates (Peter Edwards)**

By popular request, I've summarised the diary dates as follows (unless otherwise stated, in the Village Hall). Refer to the individual entries for details.

Every Monday – Art for St Bart's

Every Wednesday – Pilates

Every Thursday am – Art Group

Fri 3 Mar – Walking Group

Thu 9 Mar – Garden Guild

Fri 10 Mar – Walking Group

Tue 14 Mar – Parish Council

Sun 26 Mar – Breakfast club

Fri 31 Mar – Walking Group

### **Pilates (Deb Whittaker)**

Now is the time to start the beginners PILATES with Emma Wollaston on Wednesday evenings at 6.30. For more information contact [ewpilates@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ewpilates@yahoo.co.uk)

### **Hints Walking Club (Deb Whittaker)**

Meet this month of Friday the 3<sup>rd</sup>, Friday 10<sup>th</sup> and Friday the 31<sup>st</sup>. Walks between 4 to 5 miles. Must be able to climb stiles. All ages welcome. Walk starts 10.00 at the Village Hall.

### **Parish Council (Geoff Kynaston)**

Last month I reported that our next meeting would be on the 14<sup>th</sup> March in Hints Village Hall. I also stated that it would be preceded by our annual meeting at 7.15. This was incorrect as our annual meeting will be in May, also in Hints. My apologies for this incorrect report. Re Canwell field, we have now placed an order for maintenance with the contractor who did it last year. Quinney Hall disability ramp - we are still awaiting the designated contractor to commence work now that the weather has improved. Next meeting in Hints Village Hall on 14<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm.

### **Art for St Bart's (Val Edwards)**

Progressing through the 18<sup>th</sup> century! The format will be as usual, meeting at the Village Hall, courtesy of the Village Hall Management Committee on Monday evenings from 7.30 pm to 9.30 pm, £3 per session to include refreshments, all proceeds to St Bart's.

### **Breakfast Club (Graham Whittaker)**

The next Breakfast Club is on 26 March - contact [grahamawhittaker@gmail.com](mailto:grahamawhittaker@gmail.com)

### **Hints Social Club Kevin Caine)**

The annual general meeting of our Social Club will take place on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 7.15pm in the village hall. This is an opportunity for any villager who would like to get a little more involved in village life to see what's involved in providing the bar at the many functions held in the hall during the year. The meeting includes the re-election of officers so if you would like to consider joining the committee please contact the secretary ([info@hints-village.com](mailto:info@hints-village.com)) or come along on the 28<sup>th</sup>.

### **Eggs (Ruth Petford)**

"Girls back from holidays.".....Eggs available again outside Botley House.

### **Garden Guild (Maureen Casson)**

February 9<sup>th</sup> - another excellent evening with the title of Barn Owls. Our speakers were Alan and Sylvia Williams who enlightened us about how they had created an 11 acre nature reserve after they had retired in 2002. Alan Wilson first talked to us about the Owls but many more birds and wildlife as well as snippets that had appeared in television programmes. A hidden gem in Staffordshire.

On 9th March we will be meeting again at 7.30pm in the Village Hall when we will be enlightened about Sweet Peas and David Matthewman will be our speaker on this occasion. 13th April AGM, more news to follow.

Everyone is always welcome to come to our meetings.

### **Mr and Mrs (John Toogood)**

As usual this was a great evening and this years winners, for the third year in succession were Jez and Elaine. It was very well organised by Debbie and our thanks go to her for the tremendous effort and for the fabulous food - I thought it was never going to stop coming! Our thanks also to Debbie's helpers who all worked incredibly hard, and to Gill for ensuring we all had a great laugh.

We now need to get some practice in so that next year someone can knock Jez and Elaine off their perch.

Thanks to everyone who came along and contributed to the success of the evening but again thanks to Deb, Graham and all the "Tapas team" for a great evening.

### **Football Pontoon (Graham Whittaker)**

New players welcome It's £1 a week and all proceeds go to the Church. Contact Graham Whittaker for details.

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### **St. Bartholomew's Church Services March 2017**

Sun 12 March	10:00	Morning Worship (Mothering Sunday) Trevor James
Readings:		Gen 12:1-4a Rom 4:1-5, 13-17 John 3:1-17
Sun 26 March	18:30	Parish Eucharist Fr Jason
Readings:		1 Sam 1:20-end Col 3:12-17 John 19:25b-27