

A Choral Concert
Music and Readings celebrating the 90th Anniversary of the First World War Armistice

Tuesday 11th November 2008, 7.45pm
 in St Nicholas Church, Longparish

The combined Benefice Choir will sing works by Fauré (from the Requiem), Gibbons, Holst, Irving, Jenkins, Parry, Vaughan Williams.

All welcome. Retiring collection.



Admission to Longparish School - September 2009

Was your child born between 1 September 2004 and 31 August 2005?

If so you need to apply for a school place by MIDDAY on FRIDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2008.

To do this you should collect a brochure and an application form from your local primary school.

Longparish School can accept up to 15 children in each year group. It expects to be able to offer a place in the reception class for every child from the catchment area (Hurstbourne Priors & Longparish) who wants to attend the school and whose parents apply before the deadline.

The school is legally obliged to fill all of its places from this first round of admissions if more than 15 children apply. It cannot save places for children who may move into the catchment area after November 21st 2008. Remaining places are therefore offered to children from outside the catchment area in accordance with the school's admissions policy, which can be found on the school website www.longparish.hants.sch.uk.

The school gives the HCC Education Department a list of those who apply in order of the priorities in the admissions policy. The County then awards all the available places. Because of this, applications after the deadline cannot be guaranteed a place.

Alex Foggo

Winners of the FOLS 100 Club draws

August

1st prize	138	Lisa Williams
2nd prize	29	Dr and Mrs Rident
3rd prize	20	Mrs Dicker

September

1 st prize	106	Mrs Meares
2nd prize	33	Mrs. Chamberlen
3rd prize	59	Mr. R Wills

October

1st prize	98	Clare ffolkes
2 nd prize	76	Cara Scarfe
3rd prize	08	Mrs Nicholson
		Maria Drewett



Longparish Cricket Club

Sponsored by Barker, Son & Isherwood, Solicitors

The Annual Dinner and Presentation Evening is a sure sign that the summer programme has come to an end and we can look forward to a busy winter of indoor cricket, and this year's event, always very popular, saw a total of 52 players and their guests gathering at The Cricketers early in October. After a delicious and much enjoyed meal, our chairman, John Young, gave a resumé of the summer, with a special mention of the success enjoyed by the Colts under the guidance of Justin Jackman and his team. John also reminded the players that "it is their club", and he stressed that practical assistance will always be needed to maintain the ground and pavilion, and to help with the growing number of youngsters in the Colts section.

Presentations were made to Frank Hibberd and Rachel de Cani (scorers), Justin Jackman, Chris de Cani (for his help with the ground and with the Colts) and to tea ladies Dawn Blackmore and Joanne Jackman. John added that, in recognition of his considerable contribution to the Club over recent years, Neil Bonathan has been made a Life Member.

After welcoming the guests for the evening from Barker, Son & Isherwood and Wessex petroleum and our groundsman, Ken Ball, John invited Richard Gregory from our sponsors to present the trophies to the 2008 winners, as follows:

First XI Batting	Ross Stewart
First XI Bowling	Barry Blackmore
Second XI Batting	Adam Lister
Second XI Bowling	Adam Seidman
Midweek Player	Stuart Tognarelli
Fielder of the Year	William de Cani
Young Player	Matt Jackman
Players' Player	Stuart Tognarelli
Sprague Cup (for services to the Club)	Ken Ball

Champagne Moment (for hitting the winning run on his HCL Division 3 debut against Bishop's Waltham)
 Brad Aldridge

Winners in the September 100 Club draw

1 st	£35	no188	J.Driver
2 nd	£15	no.3	Peter Hibberd
3 rd	£15	no.74	Mrs B.J.Herridge
			Frank Hibberd

LONGPARISH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Longparish Community Association presents:

Dominic Holland

An evening of gentle comedy complemented by an excellent meal provided by our very own Linda Blundell.

Dominic is winner of 'Perrier Best Newcomer' and 'Comic Heritage' awards and star of the hit Radio 4 series 'The small world of Dominic Holland'. You will probably recognise him from many TV appearances from the 'Royal Variety Show' to 'Have I Got News for You'

"A comedian who makes you feel glad to be alive" *The Guardian*

"He takes ordinary experiences and spins them into comedy gold" *The Daily Express*

**Saturday 29th November
at 7.00pm for 7.30pm
in Longparish Community Hall**

Tables will be for 8 people - why don't you organise a group of friends? And don't worry, you're welcome even if your group is smaller than 8!

Tickets £15 for LCA members (£17 non-members)

Includes meal. Bar available.

Tickets from the shop,
from Becky Bourne on 01264 720816
or from Nicky Derrick on 01264 720452.

Show supported by Hog the Limelight

**LCA Morning Coffee**

On Tuesday November 11th Gina Snowden is hosting the coffee morning at Orchards on Southside Road. You are welcome between 10.30 and noon for coffee and chat. If you need a lift please contact Gloria on 720425.

L2SOTM - The Longparish Second Sunday of the Month handicap running race

12th October was an Indian summer day, sunny, but not too warm to run briskly. Twelve runners competed. We welcomed Liz Mayon-White to her first race here.

Sam West and Sandra Jones have been egging each other on these last two months, with the 'Most Improved Lady' cup being awarded to each of them. This month, it was Sam's turn to cross the line ahead. Ian Beveridge, just 2 weeks after running the Berlin Marathon, overcame the fatigue to turn in a strong performance and become October's 'Most Improved Man'.



Thanks very much to Jack, Richard and Fiona for officiating and manning the food stall and the Cricket Club for the venue.

The next race is on Sunday 9 November. We are starting earlier than usual at 9am at the Cricket Ground so people can attend the Remembrance Day Service. Runners of all standards are welcome as are brisk walkers. It is a handicap race so the slowest have as much chance of winning the cups as the fastest. Hope you can come. There will be refreshments afterwards and supporters of all ages are very welcome.



Cartoon Workshop

At the beginning of the month LCA and Hog the Limelight provided a cartoon drawing workshop for youth club. This was very well attended and an enjoyable alternative to the usual club night activities.

Dates to remember

The Club is open to anyone in Year 6 upwards and their friends and will meet at the Village Hall on Wednesdays 5th and 19th November between 7 and 9p.m.

Entry is £1 with free activities, just bring some money for the tuck shop. Visit the Kidz Zone website at www.longparish.org.uk/kidzzone.

Andrea Hulme

??? Christmas Quiz ???

Test your knowledge with the LCA Christmas Quiz. 250 general and local knowledge questions suitable for all the family and you won't be able to answer all of them by sitting in front of the computer. A great stocking filler for a fiver and a chance to win £100. More in next month's Hill & Valley

12th Great Longparish Pumpkin Show

There was a wonderful turnout for this year's show and a great buzz of excitement in the hall. Entries ranged in size from 1/10 oz to 271lbs and there was an incredible array of decorated pumpkins.



Wendy Beveridge from Kenyons undertook the very difficult task of judging. Certificates were awarded to all entrants, and prizes to the ones she thought best.

Class 5 Decorated Pumpkin age 6 and under

Longparish Playgroup, Holly, Jessica, Abigail (1st Prize), Oliver (2nd Prize), Ben A, Poppy (3rd Prize), Eve, Amber, Daniel, Ben D

Class 6 Decorated Pumpkin age 7 and over

Lilly, Tia, Charlotte, Ysobelle, William, Daisy, Barney, Alison, Oliver, William, Charlotte, Harvey

(3rd Prize), Scarlett, Matty (1st Prize), Molly (2nd Prize).

Most unusual Pumpkin

George with a green and yellow gourd

Prettiest Pumpkin

Mary Jo with a lovely orange one

In the weight classes, no one was near Jeremy



Barber's green monster of 271 lbs, which had already won heaviest at Worth Matravers the previous week, and went on to win at the prestigious pumpkin show at the Bear and Ragged Staff the following week. Jeremy, in colourful

Mr Pumpkin garb, and Ian Beveridge undertook the weighing.

Class 1 Heaviest Pumpkin age 6 or under

Archie	9lbs	Oliver	14lbs	2nd
Simeon	4lbs 8oz	Ben D	12lbs 8oz	3rd
Daniel	29lbs	Ella	3lbs 12oz	1st
Ben A	5lbs 8oz	Oliver & Benjamin	8lbs	

Class 2 Heaviest Pumpkin age 7-11

Freddie	7lbs 8oz	Charlotte	9lbs	1st
Freya	6lbs 8oz	William	0lbs 1/10 oz	3rd

Class 3 Heaviest Pumpkin age 12-15

James	0lbs 1/2 oz	1st
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Class 4 Heaviest Pumpkin age 16 and over

Wendy	38lbs	Graham	3lbs 3oz	2nd
Mary Jo	6lbs	Jeremy	271lbs	3rd
				1st

As well as providing fun for all, the event raised £184.75 for Longparish Playgroup. This was made possible by all the volunteers who helped, especially the Beveridges,



Jaqui Healey who sold the raffle tickets, Andy Barber who did all the paperwork, the Evans family who provided and served refreshments, and by those who brought prizes for the raffle. All the overheads and prizes were sponsored, so all the donations and raffle proceeds went straight to the playgroup. It has become a great village event thanks to the infectious enthusiasm of the Barbers, who are grateful to all those who helped and those who supported the event by entering and coming along on the day

More pictures are on the village website.

Mary Jo Darrah



ST NICHOLAS CHRISTMAS FAIR

Saturday 6th December

2pm – 4pm in the Community Hall

Put the date in your diary and come along – bring your family and friends. Entrance £1 for adults – including a glass of mulled wine.

- **Santa's grotto**
- **Home produce**
- **Christmas cake & pudding raffle**
- **Book stall**
- **Children's crafts & tombola**
- **Gift stall**
- **Hamper tombola**
- **Teas & cakes**
- **Mulled wine**
- **Grand Draw**
- **Cake stall**
- **Silent auction**
- **Local gift & craft stalls**

We would be grateful if you could help by donating any of the following:

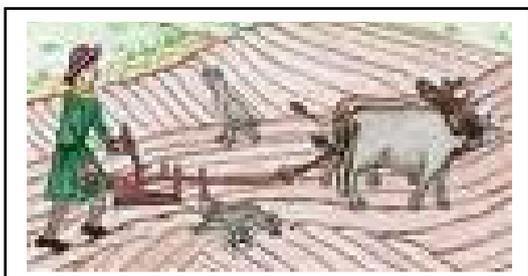
Bottles of wine
Packaged foods and drink for hampers
Chutneys, jams, mincemeat, mince pies, cakes etc
'Good as New' books
Raffle prizes

We are also looking for wicker baskets to use on the hamper stall and any pots suitable for planting bulbs in; also any offers of help on the day would be gratefully received.

Local Christmas gift or craft sellers will be able to book a table at the Fayre for £10 plus a donation to the raffle.

For more information or collection of donations please ring

Christian Dryden 01264 720 398 or
Andrea Hulme 01264 720 347



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The Commemoration this year will begin at 10.50am at the newly cleaned War Memorial

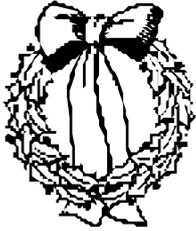
in Longparish Cemetery, with the traditional two minutes' silence at 11.00am. Following the new pathway from the Village Hall to the school, it will then be much safer walking than previous years to St Nicholas to complete the Service.

Any who wish are of course welcome to go directly to St Nicholas and await the arrival of those who have been at the War Memorial Service. We do hope that this year's Remembrance Sunday Service will be well supported by all ages – especially at the War Memorial.

Martin Coppen



**LONGPARISH GARDENING CLUB
TUESDAY 25TH NOVEMBER**



**Christmas
Decorations**

by Eila Chamberlen.

7 p.m. at The Village Hall.

We will have the usual raffle in aid of future speakers and we hope to see you there.

Non-members welcome £3.00

AUTUMN CLEAN UP OF THE VILLAGE

**SATURDAY 22ND NOVEMBER 2008
10.00 am. TO 1 pm.**

VOLUNTEERS WANTED to help with the village autumn clean up day. Please meet at Ashburn Rest.

CLEANING THE STREAM. One of the main objectives is to clear the stream of weed and dead leaves. The water level will drop by several inches and the stream will remain clear for the rest of the winter. We will also cut back any over-hanging branches, cut down the brambles and remove the stinging nettles.

We'll also be doing other jobs to improve our village (see parish council report below)

Please bring along your own equipment such as rakes, pruning saws and secateurs. Wellington boots, gloves and hats are also recommended.

FREE LIGHT LUNCH OF SANDWICHES AND CHIPS AT THE CRICKETERS FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS! Buy your own drinks and please leave dirty boots in the porch.

CHILDREN ALSO WELCOME TO HELP UNDER PARENTAL SUPERVISION.

Phone Jenny Jolliffe on 720207 for more information.

Longparish Parish Council

This report covers the October meeting and a meeting of the Footpaths committee. Minutes of meetings are in the parish council area on the village website

www.longparish.org.uk

First Responders

First Responders are villagers trained to give help before the ambulance arrives in life threatening incidents such as heart attacks. The Health Authority would support a First Responders group in Longparish. Last year there were incidents when a volunteer might have been able to help about once every six weeks. The Parish Council decided to support Mrs Liz Bourne to take the idea forward. The Longparish Community Association has already offered to make the next summer event a fund raiser for the project if it goes ahead. If you'd like to find out more please contact Liz on 720500.

Open Spaces

The village clean up day will be on 22 November. Please see separate notice above.

We plan to do three jobs on the clean up day to improve access to the school, church and playgroup. If you will benefit please come and help. The first is to improve the surface at the pedestrian entrance to the car park opposite the village hall to stop it getting muddy in wet weather. The second is to put some extra shingle on the gravel area near the church to reduce wear to the surface. The third is to remove the black metal kissing gate at the Forton end of the churchyard to make the route from Forton to school easier to use. Meet at Ashburn Rest as above, unless you are told of other arrangements.

The War Memorial has been cleaned ready for Remembrance Day.

Footpaths

Parents with buggies have had problems getting from Forton to the school and playgroup because the final gate is locked. We plan to bypass this problem by removing the black metal kissing gate at the lych gate at the Forton end of the churchyard. Help on the clean up day from people who use the path will be very welcome.

Planning

The council had no objection to
A new small thatched house between 2 Paddock Cottages and Little Newton
Tree works at White Windows
A slate roof over an annexe which currently has a flat roof at Ropers.
The Borough Council is going to review the Conservation Area. There will be an exhibition in the Village Hall on 19 January.

Roads

After a lot of pressure from the parish council and our borough councillor, Jim Neal, the white lines have at last been painted on the road between the village hall car park and the school site.

Village Correspondent

Xandi Denny has kindly volunteered to take on the role of village correspondent.

The next parish council meeting is on Monday 10 November. Meetings are public. Parishioners are welcome to come and can speak by invitation.

Jeremy Barber Chairman. Tel 720459
email jeremy.barber@longparish.org.uk

LONGPARISH PLAYGROUP OLYMPICS 2008

Longparish Playgroup recently took part in their very own version of the Olympics, sponsoring the British Heart Foundation. We have been looking at healthy eating and keeping ourselves healthy by way of exercise.

The opening ceremony saw the children arrive on the playing field with the Olympic torch, made during the morning session; they were then put into small groups and took part in several events; Running, Discus (frisbee), Show Jumping (the children made hobby horses during the morning), Archery (using soft balls), Cycling and Basket Ball.

The children all thoroughly enjoyed themselves, with lots of cheering and support from staff.



The closing ceremony was conducted on the outside stage with all the children receiving a gold medal, and a laurel head band.

Well done to all the children who took part and a big thank you to all the parents who supported them, raising nearly £50 for the British heart foundation.

We would also like to say a big thank you to everyone who organised and took part in this year's pumpkin competition

Claire Nash

NEWS FROM TESTBOURNE

KS3 SATs Shock

I was driving up the A34 back into school from a meeting in Winchester when I thought I heard a news headline that the KS3 SATs had been abolished. Such shock announcements are not good for road safety and I had to refocus rapidly on the driving whilst waiting impatiently for the news item to explain that KS3 SATS were indeed no more – with immediate effect! We have usually produced excellent results at KS3 but have nonetheless been

amongst the many who doubted the benefits and validity of such testing at this stage. We, therefore, welcome their demise although their sudden abolition is unsettling for the current year nine pupils who have already been preparing for the tests which were due in May. We will however enjoy the opportunity to look at the curriculum with a fresh and creative eye to provide the best ways forward for our pupils.

Pupils enjoy learning beyond the classroom

Pupils have been enjoying an interesting range of educational visits. As I write 14 of our pupils are making their way to visit Mityana, our partner school in Uganda. This is the second group to visit the school and they set out with great excitement and some trepidation. Our thanks go to Sarah Kinsey one of our Science staff, the Rev. Dodie Marsden from St. Mary Bourne and Dick Stevens, our former Deputy Head, who are accompanying the trip. We shall look forward to hearing about all their experiences when they return.

A little nearer to home some of your Year 10 History pupils have recently visited the Belgian battle fields, an educational visit that has a lasting impact on those who see the aftermath of war at first hand. Year 8 art classes have also spent an enjoyable day working in the University of Oxford Museum, a mini version of the Natural History Museum in London.

On the performing arts front, actors and audiences enjoyed four high-quality performances of Bugsy Malone just before half term – having great fun sharing the slapstick mini-gangster musical.

Come along to our Craft and Gift Fair

The Testbourne 'Craft & Gift Fair', organised by our PTFA, is being held on Saturday, 22nd November in the school sports hall from 11.00 am – 4.00 pm. We have stalls offering a wide and exciting range of crafts and gifts for sale. There will also be the usual raffle and tombola stalls and light refreshments will be served all day. There will also be an early taste of Christmas - Father Christmas is due to make an appearance and Testbourne Christmas puddings will be on sale.

We look forward to seeing you there.

The proceeds from the Craft Fair are going towards a face-lift for our school library. Work is taking place over half term – and will result in a modern, "cool" study zone, equipped with the latest ICT resources, and really fit for the 21st century. We are very grateful indeed to the PTFA for their invaluable support.

Hilary Jackson
Headteacher
