

Longparish Community Association reveals:

MURDER IN LONGPARISH

Saturday 27th June

It's 1942 and something has disturbed the calm and tranquillity of Longparish. Not only has there been a war for the past 3 years, but now a murder has taken place.

The body of Roger Boothroyd has been found on the Common. What can possibly have happened? Who would want to kill this poor airman?

There are eight decidedly dodgy suspects who might have committed this heinous crime and it is your task to consider motives, discover the means and decide whether they had the opportunity, in order to work out whodunnit!

Meet at the Village Hall at 2pm sharp and you can have tea and cakes and review the crime files. Walk around the village, interview the suspects and look for clues to help you solve this crime. Then assemble at the Community Hall at 6pm to refine your accusations and enjoy a Hog Roast (or vegetarian) supper and buy drinks from the licensed bar.

This will be followed by the 'big reveal' when you will see how accurate your conclusions were. The evening will conclude with light musical entertainment until blackout at 10pm.

There will be prizes - including for the best-dressed 1940s style participant.

Tickets: LCA members 12.50 each or £37.50 family ticket
Non-members £15.00 each or £40.00 family ticket

Monxton Flower Festival 2009

Patron: The Rt Revd Michael Scott-Joynt Bishop of Winchester
20th and 21st June 2009

The Monxton Flower Festival, traditionally focused on innovative flower displays in the Church masterminded by acclaimed flower arranger Jane Weston, includes, for the first time, other attractions. Held only every 5 years, the 2009 Festival will raise funds for St Mary's Church Monxton and the Kingfisher Ward at Andover's War Memorial Hospital. Car Parking is free. Come and enjoy:

**The Flower decorated Church
and Open Gardens**

with morning coffee, cream teas, duck races, coconut shy, stalls and music

The Midsummer Fine Art Exhibition

An exciting collection of work in various media including oils, pen and wash, watercolour, pastel and acrylic by artists from across Hampshire and Southern England.

Classic Car Show at Monxton Manor (on Sunday only)

The Car Show includes a 1904 De Dion Bouton, a 1914 Rolls Royce Alpine Eagle on loan from the National Motor Museum at Beaulieu, an early 1930s Aston Martin Ulster and many more classic sports, luxury and family cars.

Admission is by Festival programme at £5, valid for two days. For those of 15 or less there is no charge. Admission to the Classic Car Show is £5 with a reduced rate of £2 to holders of a Festival Programmes.

NEWS FROM TESTBOURNE

Year 11 Leave Their Mark

"The school is closed due to swine flu" – was the notice, hung on the school gate, which greeted the Site Assistant at 6 o'clock one morning when he arrived to open up. Alarm turned to suspicion and then knowing smiles when the connection was made with the Year 11s' imminent last day before their exam leave. A certain playfulness was in the air, leading up to our now traditional Leavers' Assembly. We had a lovely time, with over 200 parents joining us to celebrate with music, fond memories, shared laughter and a few tears too. We were also pleased to have tracked down bio-degradable balloons so that pupils could release them at the close of our ceremony, along with their hopes and dreams. We wish our leavers every success in their exams and every happiness in the future.

Moving On Up

Now that the Year 11s are involved in their exams all of our classes will be moving up a year to start their new timetable after the May half-term. This follows a successful pilot last year, which gave a fresh impetus to the later stages of the summer term. Year 10 pupils will be starting their new option courses and for the first time some of Year 8 will be studying Spanish as their second language.

Year 10 Do the Business

Our Year 10 Young Enterprise team swept the board recently, becoming North Hampshire champions and winning Best Product prize for their Credit Munch cookbook (Copies still available for £4.50 from school.)

Health Matters

Our Year 9 pupils have just enjoyed a Healthy Living day – with a variety of workshops including yoga, aerobics and healthy eating, with some encountering fresh pomegranates for the first time! Others have been keeping fit with lunchtime sessions in the swimming pool, which has been open since the Easter holidays. Even the rain has not deterred them.

Other pupils have been enjoying a variety of activities including a Year 10 trip to Paris, strong performances in the regional final of the Magistrates' Court Mock Trial, the District Athletics and Rounders competitions and scaling the heights with our relaunched Climbing Wall Club.

Calling All Gardeners

We are planning to develop a small allotment on our school site – run by some of our pupils. If anyone has any spare flower or vegetable plants left over from your own seed trays we would welcome them – as well as any expertise any one might have to spare to help mentor our young gardeners. Please do get in touch on 01256 892061 if you can help in any way

Hilary Jackson, Headteacher

Longparish Playgroup – Recipe Book

The family recipe book is ready to be viewed and ordered. All the recipes, photos and pictures are by the playgroup children, parents and staff. The books are £7.00 each but if you would like to order more for friends and family, we can provide a discount of 2 copies at £6.00 each

Car boot sale

We would like to thank all the people who donated items to enable us to do a car boot sale on behalf of Longparish Play Group. We managed to raise £180, but we did not sell the clock without any hands !!

Sharon, Xandi and Peter

Longparish May Fayre 2009

The wind and persistent rain showers really didn't bode well for the Longparish May Fayre. On Saturday morning volunteers were out wrestling with feisty marquees and trying to shelter various exhibits, equipment and plants from the sporadic but fairly heavy rainfall.

But (and who would have believed it?) the rain held off pretty much all afternoon. As the Fayre kicked off at midday, the event was being announced live on Andover Sound with DJ Steve Randall broadcasting from just outside Chaffinches' classroom. And as the crowds gathered at the gate, Hampshire Fire Brigade arrived with their fire engine and the bouncy castle and bungee run reared into action.

Oliver Coleman took the mike and kept us informed and entertained throughout the afternoon, announcing the lucky champagne raffle prize winners and assembling the crowds for the entertainment:

This year we were treated to the vibrantly red and white cheerleading team from Kingfishers class performing one of the Longparish school songs, ably led by the cheer master Catherine Graham- Evans. A little later, it was time to dozy-doe with the children from Herons, guided by their caller and coach Peter Foggo. The children performed three country dances before inviting enthusiastic (and a few bewildered) parents and grandparents to join in.

Throughout the day all the games and craft stalls were kept busy and the barbecues were cranked up serving a seemingly endless number of burgers and hot dogs. The cakes and biscuits sold out and the bottle tombola again proved popular - thanks to the very generous donations of booze and bottles from so many people throughout the village.

Friends of Longparish School would like to thank everyone who came along to support the May Fayre, including Maggie and Jeremy Barber who once again ran their extremely well stocked plant stall which succeeded in raising over £600.

FOLS would also like to thank all those who helped to set up the marquees and run the stalls, as well as those who donated in other ways - by baking cakes or buying raffle tickets. Thanks too to everyone who helped to take it all away again on Saturday evening. The whole day proved to be extremely successful and FOLS are delighted to announce that the Longparish May Fayre 2009 has raised somewhere in the region of £4500!

Alison Cooper

FOLS 100 Club Draw Results**March**

1st	140	Anna Bennett
2 nd	96	Becky Fletcher
3rd	27	Rachael Parkins

April

1st	66	Lieske Wade
2nd	121	Andrea Harris
3 rd	134	Mr Aldridge Maria Drewett

Longparish School**Business and Enterprise week**

During the last week of the half term, Year 5 and 6 immersed themselves in a Business and Enterprise week in order to raise funds for our link school, Bukanaqa, in Uganda. Groups were given a budget to develop a product for sale, with the aim of making a profit. The class received input from two governors, who had backgrounds in business and finance. From their initial business ideas, they were taken on a step by step journey through research, design, financial planning, production, presentation and marketing. The project culminated in a sale of the end products, which, at the time of writing, the class were working towards. We wait to see if we have any budding entrepreneurs!

Thinking Skills

Earlier this year, we introduced Philosophy for Children (P4C) into the curriculum, which aims to encourage children to think critically, caringly, creatively and collaboratively. This has helped us to build a 'community of enquiry' where participants create and enquire into their own questions, and 'learn how to learn' in the process.

The children are continuing to develop their thinking skills through various techniques, including de Bono's Six Thinking Hats and Thinking Maps. The depth of thinking that the children display, was commented on by both Ofsted and SIAS inspectors.

Hillier Gardens

As part of their work on habitats and the environment, Years 1 and 2 visited Hillier Gardens in May. The following report is written by Ellie Nicholson in Year 2:

Our trip to Hillier Gardens

First Mr Foggo took the register, then we got ready to go. We got in the minibus and on the way we saw some animals.

When we got there we put our welly boots on and some people introduced themselves. Their names were Pam and Carol and they told us what we were going to be doing.

We then went to find some mini beasts. First we saw some worms under the wet logs and we also found some slugs. We found a beetle under the new logs. Then we went to build some dens and then we had lunch.

After lunch we found some bamboo on the way to find some art. The art was very good, there were faces and a big spider. We also went pond dipping. Then we got into our groups and went on the minibus to go home.

Hurstbourne Tarrant**Village Garden Walk**

Sunday June 7th, 2.00pm to 6.00pm.

Tickets - £5 – to include Cream Tea

Visit some of the village's beautiful gardens.

Afterwards, enjoy a scrumptious cream tea at IBTHORPE HOUSE

where there will also be a PLANT SALE

Tickets will be on sale, in advance, at the **shop or garage**, and on the day at the Pavilion, where parking will be available, but you may buy tickets at any of the gardens en route. Children go free. No dogs, please.

Proceeds in aid of the Hurstbourne Tarrant Village Hall Project

**LONGPARISH GARDENING CLUB**

TUESDAY 23RD JUNE 2009

from 6.0 p.m.

GARDEN VISITS to

Broadacre House (Mr and Mrs. Graeme Francis)
Saddler's Cottage (Mr and Mrs. Graham Darrah)
Home Farm Cottage (Mrs. Eila Chamberlen)
3 Woodwalk Cottages (Mr and Mrs. Patrick Beresford)

Gardening Club members no charge (Please bring membership cards with you to show on arrival)
(Non-Members £5.00)

Refreshments available to purchase.

Any queries to Rosie Lowry 01264720325

Rosie@yewcottagealongparish.com

or Julian Curl 01264720548

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 28th July.

A garden visit to The Buildings, Broughton

**Longparish Haiku**

Gone only a week
the returning gardener
confronts the jungle.

Anon

Longparish Community Association AGM

Wednesday 3rd June 2009
8.00pm at the Community Hall

Refreshments - wine
and nibbles by Linda Blundell

All are very welcome to come and hear about our activities in the last year and our thoughts for the future. Do come along and share your ideas on what else we could be doing to support the community in Longparish.

If anyone would be prepared to consider becoming a member of the organising team or helping the LCA in any way, you'd be particularly welcome! Ring Fiona on 720709.

Enjoying village life together

Longparish Community Hall

At the request of the School Governors, I have recently taken over as Chair of the Community Hall Management Committee. The other members are Gina Snowden, Patrick Beresford, Sheila Borlotti, and Jonathan Evans.

I am delighted to report that people attending services in St Nicholas Church are now able to use the toilet facilities in the hall following some minor alterations which the school has made to the entrance. This was one of the original aims of the Longparish School and Community Project and is part of the work the management committee is doing to make the hall more accessible to our community.

The booking system is changing so that it is easier to use. We plan to introduce an online diary shortly so you can check availability and you can already contact the booking secretary by email at communityhall@longparish.org.uk or by phone on 07900 464670. The management committee has revised the booking conditions of hire and booking form and you will be able to see them at www.longparish.org.uk/education/hall.php

Our committee intends to work closely with the village hall as it starts its refurbishment project which we fully support. We feel that the two halls complement one another and are not in competition.

Our committee has a vacancy so if there is anyone who would like to join us and help take our work forward I would be delighted to hear from them.

Maggie Barber Tel. 01264 720459

Email: communityhall@longparish.org.uk



LCA Afternoon Tea

Gloria Goodliffe is hosting this month's get together on Tuesday 23rd June between 2.30pm and 4.00pm at Meadow View. Everyone is welcome, hope to see you there-if you need a lift call Gloria on 720425.

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

It was a beautiful morning for the May race. We welcomed a new runner, Dominic Rice and it was good to see Claire and Andy ffolkes back after almost two years. Both the most improved people had names



beginning with Al. Alan Montague Dennis who looked cool the whole way round and cruised to victory and Alice Evans who was

working very hard and took the cup for the first time in 21 outings. Alice is one of our stars and the better you are the more difficult it is to improve enough to win so she deserves particular credit. Well done both! Thanks very much to everyone who helped and to the Cricket Club for the venue. The next race is on Sunday 14 June starting at 10am at the Cricket Ground. 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. There will be refreshments afterwards and supporters of all ages are very welcome.



Kidz Zone will be on an extended summer break from now until September due to lack of interest.

Winchester Cathedral Refectory Monday 22nd June 2009

A reminder that our next date to help in the Winchester Cathedral Refectory is Monday 22nd June. Many thanks to those people who have said they can help and this is just in case there is anyone else who would like to come and join the team from our combined parishes. The day is divided into shifts: 9.30 - 2.0; 11.0 - 2.0; and 2.0 - 5.30. If you think you might help, please phone Rosie Lowry 01264 720325 or email Rosie@yewcottagelongparish.com

Longparish Parish Council

This report covers the May meeting and the Annual Parish Meeting. Minutes of meetings are on the village website www.longparish.org.uk.

Annual Parish Meeting

You can see the reports and minutes on the village website. Very briefly:

- It has been another busy year for the parish council. Highlights included footpath improvements, the success of our footpaths leaflet and the new footway between the school and the village hall car park. The council's finances are sound. Thanks were given to councillors for their work during the year and to all the members of the public who do so much in so many ways to make our village such a good place to live in.
- John Scott, Chairman of the Village Hall Committee explained plans for refurbishment of the hall. The main objectives are to ensure that the hall is both weather and draught proof, and that the interior should be warm, welcoming and cosy. The meeting supported the ideas he presented. You can see a copy of John's notes on the village website.

New Clerk

Tony Humphrey was appointed as the Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer to replace Paul Jarrett who passed away in March. His contact details are Mr Tony Humphrey, Longparish Parish Clerk, 29 Lillywhite Crescent, ANDOVER, Hants, SP10 5NA, Tel 01264 359808, Email clerk@longparish.org.uk

Officers and Representatives

The May meeting is the Annual Meeting of the Council. Committees, officers and representatives were appointed as follows:

Chairman – Jeremy Barber
 Vice Chairman – Christopher Duxbury
 Transport Representative - Phil Harris
 Tree Warden - Graham Darrah
 Parish Lengthsman - Christian Dryden
 Hill & Valley representative – Jeremy Barber
 Village Hall representative – Christopher Duxbury
 Community Association rep – Christian Dryden

Committees

The Chairman and Vice Chairman are automatically members of all the committees. Other members were elected as follows

Communications Mary Jo Darrah, David Gould, Fiona Gould, Xandi Denny.

Finance Martin Lampard, Julian Seidman

Footpaths Jo Clear, Toby Cooper, Chris Dewbury, Phil Harris, Paul Knipe, Martin Lampard, Phil Wood, Becky Bourne

Open Spaces Jo Clear, Christian Dryden, David Gould, Jenny Jolliffe, Phil Harris, Andy Smith

Planning All Council members

Vacancies

Ricky and Becky Bourne have decided to leave the Council. Ricky has been a member since the last century and has brought a great wealth of wisdom and experience to our meetings. We wish him well in his new

role with the Hampshire Growmore Clubs. Becky joined us two years ago and has made a useful contribution to the Council's work. We will miss them both. This means we have two vacancies. If you are interested in joining the Council please contact the Chairman or any member.

Roads

The parish council has recently asked again asked for the 30 limit to extend to Southside Farm and to the Forton bus shelter. There have been some changes in other villages recently, for example the 30 limit in Wherwell now goes right to Cottonworth, so maybe the authorities will be more receptive.

Planning

The County Council has given permission for a noise reducing bund on the side of the **shooting ground** nearest the village. The parish council has long taken the line that there should be such a bund to protect the village.

Following a very helpful and informative visit to the **woodchip plant** at Pachington the Council considered an application for a Pollution Prevention and Control Permit. The matter is very technical and the Council does not have expert advice on this issue so it came to the conclusion that it will have to rely on the expert knowledge of TVBC officers and advisers to reconcile the interests of local residents at Longparish Station and in the village itself, the environment, including the Harewood Forest Site for Important Nature Conservation, the SSSI of the river Test, and the operator.

The outcome of the Public Inquiry about the mobile home at **Testwood Trout Farm** was that the Inspector refused permission. However, the matter is not yet final as the applicant has appealed to the High Court.

Pump House near The Plough

Following some technical problems at the sewage pumping station in April, there has been a great deal of maintenance activity involving repairs to pumps and well cleaning. If you would like more information please contact Christopher Duxbury (tel 720580)

The next parish council meeting is on Monday 8 June. Meetings are public. Parishioners are welcome to come and can speak by invitation.

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

Camera case found

A black camera case was left in the cemetery last month. It is not named but the contents include a couple of SD cards and the pictures include a number of whippets. If the owner gives me a ring I'll be pleased to return it.

Jeremy Barber 01264 720459

Flower arranging for beginners

**at Andover Library, 2-4pm
 on Wednesdays, from 3 to 24 June**

This is a four-week starter course that will teach you the basic methods needed to arrange flowers. Students will be supplied with a list of materials to bring each week, and some items will be available to purchase from the tutor. Cost is £32.

Telephone: 01264 353063 (booking line only)



Longparish Cricket Club

Sponsored by Barker, Son & Isherwood, Solicitors

The Pavilion has been painted and Kenny has his perennial problem with Rabbits - if anyone knows a good recipe get in touch. The new roller is now well and truly run in and the smart new covers stand poised on the boundary. With the ground once again beginning to sparkle in the spring sunshine outdoor cricket is once again underway at Longparish.

The indoor season at Dummer closed, with the Longparish Lightweights under captain Justin Jackman finishing runners up and gaining promotion to Division 1. The Longparish Longhops finishing in a respectable mid table position. The U15s were crowned champions after an unbeaten campaign in the North Hampshire Harmison indoor league.

Congratulations to William de Cani and Brad Aldridge who have both been selected for the final Winchester & District squad to play in the U15 Festivals which are this year held at New Milton, particularly as both are U14s, and to Billy Mead for inclusion in the U10 squad to play in the festivals at Lord Wandsworth College.

The U11s got the outdoor season underway with an impressive twenty run victory at Hedge End, Captain Billy Mead and Scott Sturt shining with the bat. Jamie Blackmore outstanding in his first game behind the timbers, Tom Carter and Matthew Hewitt kept the pressure on in the field while Dan Bearpark took the first wicket to fall backed up by some superb bowling by Harry Samways. Billy Mead capping a great all round performance with two match winning catches.

The U15s started their campaign with an impressive win at Ropley, Ben Gardner and Brad Aldridge starring with the bat, William Jackman and Alex Coetzee impressing with the ball.

Senior team cricket broke out early in the month with an inter club match and a brace of friendlies against Ampport and Romsey. The first competitive match, the opening round of The Village Cup was a close affair against Burr ridge in which Longparish came close to causing an upset against a team playing two divisions above.

The First team started their County Div 3 campaign at home to St Cross III, Chris Clarke 4 for 33 and Adam Seidman 3 for 44 the pick of the bowling as St Cross were dismissed for 151. Longparish put on fifty before losing wickets at regular intervals, Paul Blackmore and Ross Stewart scoring the bulk of the runs as the target was reached with seven wickets down and seven overs to spare.

The second team got off to a flyer in NW Div 3 beating Ampfield II by 158 runs. 14 year old opener William de Cani scoring his maiden hundred and carrying his bat to finish on 143 not out, 17yr old Matt Jackman 56 not out as Longparish II posted 281 for 2. A youthful Longparish II attack limiting Ampfield II to 123 for 6 from their 42 overs.

In their second game against Bramshaw II, Longparish II were indebted to lower order runs from James Young 34 and Steve Benco 20 in tricky batting conditions as Longparish II were dismissed for 160. A superb display in the field restricting Bramshaw II who finished seven runs short of the target.

Outdoor training for both the U11s and the U15s is now underway on Mondays at 6.30pm on the newly re-laid net surfaces, Senior team nets in full swing on Thursdays at 6pm. All Fixtures, Results, Match reports, News, Photos, Contact details and much more are available on the club website www.longparishcc.co.uk

100 club winners in the April draw

Stephen Bearpark £35

Ralph Baker £15

M&R Gibson £15

Chris de Cani

Watership Cantabile

with their musical director, David Holland, are a local mixed-voice choir who sing a wide variety of music from all over the world. In recent years they have performed many concerts in Newbury and surrounding areas and are well known to audiences there. They are delighted to perform their first concert in Longparish on Saturday 13th June at St Nicholas's church starting at 7.30 pm. They will be bringing a selection of music, ancient and modern, all with a Shakespearean theme. The music will be linked by narrative and dialogue from the appropriate plays. Admission free. Refreshments.

Retiring collection for church roof.

Wild birds in Longparish



Chiffchaff

On my daily walk (or should I say my scoot on my scooter), I turn left out of North Acre, then take the next five right turns, so going around the Cleaves and the Common and then back to The Acre. Along the way I have seen 44 different species of birds on a

single walk: blackcap, whitethroat, yellowhammer, linnet, wagtail and kingfishers, just to name a few. I have lived in the village all my life and have recorded 103 different species of birds around Longparish. What a great place to live!

Chris Bowman



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