

# Longparish Fête

## Saturday 1st September

### Cricket Field

by kind permission of Richard Wills,  
Middleton Estate and Longparish Cricket Club.  
In aid of the maintenance of St Nicholas Church  
and the Village Hall

**One month to go - last notice before the event!**

### Programme for the afternoon - fabulous fun especially for children

12.00	Fête opens
12.00 - 1.00	Village Dog Show
1.00 - 1.30	Mr Punch 1 <sup>st</sup> Show
1.00 - 1.45	Basingstoke Silver Band
1.45 - 2.05	Garston Gallopers
	Morris Dance Display 1
2.10 - 2.45	Basingstoke Silver Band
2.10 - 2.35	Mr Punch 2 <sup>nd</sup> Show
2.45 - 3.15	Juggling Jake - Circus Skills Display
3.15 - 3.40	Garston Gallopers
	Morris Dance Display 2
3.45	Grand Draw
4.00	Fête closes

**Juggling Jake will give demos and instruction to children in circus skills in his mini Big Top throughout the afternoon.**

**Lots of Stalls: beer, books, bottles, bowling, bric a brac, barbecue, cakes, champagne draw, coconuts, pitch and putt, produce, Grand Draw, sweets, teas and some other vendors**

**Dave West will be there with his Wild West Fast Draw and the children's fairground with bouncy castle, carousel and helter skelter will provide lots of fun**

**We will need helpers on the day for the car park, entry gate, signage and for erecting tents on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August and taking them down after the fête.**

Please call me, Tom Bremridge, 720689, or email tom@brem.eclipse.co.uk for further information,

## Dog show - Crufts in Longparish starts at 12 noon

Your dog must be told about this as he or she is bound to want to enter.

The competition classes for which dogs are busy training are:

1. Most obedient
2. Most pretty
3. Most comical

Entry on the day but speak to Cass Scott if you have any queries - 720018

### Appeals from stall holders



#### TEA STALL AND CAKE STALL

This is the weather for baking! Donations of any shape, size or flavour welcome. Deliver on the day to the cricket pavilion or before to Pippa Sawyer 720315 or Christian Dryden

720398

Helpers for the tea stall also needed.  
Please telephone Christian if you can spare an hour.

#### PRODUCE STALL

I would be very grateful for contributions to the produce stall. Jams and chutneys always sell very well, also fresh fruit and vegetables and plants. Gardening tools no longer required, terracotta pots, seed packets (in date please), cut flowers, house plants and any other gardening/produce items will all add interest to the stall.

I can collect items in the week before or please bring to the stall on the day. Many thanks.  
Contact Wendy Ellicock tel.01264 720386

#### BRIC-à-BRAC STALL

Now is the chance to clear out your cupboards and donate any unwanted items to the bric-à-brac stall.

We would be grateful for any of the following:

- Old china and other ceramics, costume jewellery, glass dishes, plates, vases, brass ornaments, old candlesticks, pictures, table linens
- Also small pieces of furniture (e.g. stool, what-not, plant stand or magazine holder).

Articles in saleable condition only, please.

No lampshades or old saucepans and we are not allowed to sell electrical goods.

Items can be left under our archway from 14 August or if you need help delivering please ring us after that date.  
Thank you - John and Jane Young 720233

#### BOOKS WANTED FOR LONGPARISH FÊTE

If you have any books, CDs, DVDs, records or tapes you no longer want please save them for the book and audio stalls.

I am willing to collect any items.

Please phone Jenny Jolliffe on 720207



## Longparish Village Hall Refurbishment

By the time you read this we expect that LST Projects will have completed the building phase and handed the hall back to us which is really exciting. Then we have to fit it out and get it ready for use. It's looking wonderful and we can't wait to show it off! Thank you very much to everyone who has helped to make this project happen.

Inevitably the building phase has cost more than we budgeted for. It is an old building and, as work progressed, unexpected problems came to light. For example, we had to replace the flat roof rather than repair it which cost an extra £8,000. We have a shortfall of about £20,000 so we need to carry on fundraising.

Thank you to all those who turned out in the rain for Much Ado About Nothing at Lower Mill. Despite the weather it raised just over £4,000. There were four unclaimed raffle prizes for green tickets numbered 48, 101, 162 and 222. Please contact Maggie on 720459 to claim your prize.

We are organising an opening event and ceremony so everyone can come and see our lovely revitalised hall. This will be during the weekend of 12/13/14 October so please put the dates in your diary. Watch this space for more information next month.

For further information about the refurbishment see [www.longparish.org.uk/amenities/hall\\_refurbishment.php](http://www.longparish.org.uk/amenities/hall_refurbishment.php) or contact John Scott 720018

## Much Ado about Nothing



The audience who braved the rain to see Heartbreak Theatre's production in Lower Mill garden brought the necessary wartime spirit as the photo shows, and in return had a treat. The 5 strong company set the play just after WW2, using a simple, effective set, minimal costume changes and their acting skills to bring alive a cast of 18. The clarity of their diction and their understanding of the words made the plot come alive. Some audience participation, added songs and jokes livened the comedy – a tribute to the players who were soaked through. A great deal of work had gone into producing a most professional programme and organising parking and refreshments; hot drinks in the interval were most welcome. The garden looked wonderful and it was a pity that the weather prevented it being enjoyed more fully. Mary Jo Darrah

## An opportunity to try Pilates

I was never a fan of exercise. Although I knew that I should be fitter, healthier and altogether more lively, I just couldn't bring myself to exert beyond the occasional country walk! Commuting to London from Basingstoke for work served to eliminate exercise altogether and after two years I discovered a significant increase in weight, lower back pain, neck and shoulder pain and neural pain down my left arm. I was thirty years old. A personal trainer friend approached me to practise her Pilates training on me in my own house. I couldn't get out of it!

It was created by Joseph Pilates, born just outside Dusseldorf in 1880. He suffered with rickets, rheumatic fever, asthma and various other ailments, and his parents were informed he was unlikely to survive beyond the age of thirteen. Joseph studied both Eastern and Western exercise methods including (but not limited to) Tai Chi, Yoga, Acrobatics, Boxing and Skiing. In 1912 Joseph and his family moved to England, where he earned a living working with police schools and the army, training them for self-defence and combat. However, when World War I broke out, he was interned as an alien and during this time worked with bed-bound patients, rehabilitating them by breaking down movements in exercises then increasing the challenge as they improved. Not one of the 18,000 people who died during the influenza epidemic of 1918 was his student.

Joseph left for the United States in 1927 and met his wife, Clara, on the ship. Together they founded their New York studio. The couple directly taught and supervised their students, including boxers, dancers and actors, well into the 1960s. They had a number of 'disciples' who have since taught variations on and developments of his method. Joseph survived until the age of 87!

Pilates is known to encourage the mind to control muscles, namely the postural muscles which support the spine and help keep the body balanced. Awareness of breath and co-ordination ensure spinal health, uniform movement and balanced use of deeper stabilising muscles (known as the 'core') as well as correct skeletal alignment and correct joint mobility. Pilates is the only exercise that can be adapted to any person of any age or fitness ability, yet still provide a challenge! In fact, the drastic improvement in my back, shoulder and neck, improved abdominal strength, weight loss and considerable increase in feeling of wellbeing inspired me to re-train as an instructor myself.

EVERYBODY deserves to feel the benefits of Pilates.

Now resident in Longparish, I am providing one on one sessions (in the convenience and comfort of your own home) as well as classes in Longparish Community Hall starting from Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> July. Contact me on my mobile, 07810 546 046, for further information.

Rachel Bell



## LONGPARISH GARDENING CLUB

There is no meeting in August  
NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September

Mary Jo and Graham Darrah on  
"Growing Bulbs in Longparish"

## Longparish Parish Council

### Planning

**New Applications:** The Council had no objection to an application for a single storey side and rear extension to provide shed, dining room and study at 111 North Acre.

### Open Spaces

**Jubilee Bench:** The bench has arrived and looks good. Jeremy Barber will consult spinal path users on location and arrange installation.

**Village Inspection:** The annual inspection took place on 18 June and by and large the state of the areas for which the PC is responsible is good. Points noted included:

- The dead tree near the entrance to the village car park needs to be removed.
- Further tree work is needed at the cemetery and the main entrance needs to be resurfaced with tarmac between the road and the gate.
- The picnic bench in the playground needs to be moved to the new toddler area.
- Councillors were disappointed to see there had been dumping of garden waste in the pocket nature reserve at The Common which appears to have come from neighbouring properties.

### Overgrown Hedges

Concern has been raised over hedges which are growing out into roads and footpaths.

Hedges overhanging roads scratch cars and are dangerous because they leave nowhere for pedestrians to escape from traffic and force cyclists out into the middle of the road. If there's no verge between your hedge and the road please cut it back to make it safe. You will feel terrible if there's an accident and your hedge was the cause.

Overgrown hedges by footpaths scratch and sting walkers and force the paths away from their proper line. If you own one please cut it back to help everyone in the parish enjoy the countryside.

### Parish Council vacancies

Martin Lampard and Toby Cooper have both resigned from the Parish Council; and we thank them both for their considerable contribution as Councillors during their 8 year stints, as well as their agreement to continue as Chairman of the Footpaths Working Party and cutting the grass on the spinal path respectively.

The Council does a lot of quiet work to help keep our village 'special'. So we need public-spirited volunteers to become councillors to fill the two vacancies. If you can spare a few hours a month and would like to help, please contact the Chairman, Christopher Duxbury on 720590 or email [clerk@longparish.org.uk](mailto:clerk@longparish.org.uk)

### Next Parish Council Meeting

The Parish Council does not normally meet in August but will meet on Monday 13 August this year to consider any new planning applications and matters associated with the finance and completion of the village hall

refurbishment project. The next Parish Council meeting on a full agenda will be held on Monday 10 September.

Meetings are public and parishioners are welcome to come and speak by arrangement with the Chairman - Christopher Duxbury Tel: 720580  
Email: [chairman@longparish.org.uk](mailto:chairman@longparish.org.uk)



## Longparish Cricket Club

*Sponsored by Barker, Son & Isherwood, Solicitors*

Longparish Cricket Club played very few games of cricket this past month. Rain, rain and then more rain washed out all Hampshire League games, although the midweek side did manage to get their 20-over Tichborne Trophy quarter final played against Ropley. Longparish batted first setting a target of 146 with William de Cani unbeaten on 86. Longparish picked up the key wicket of Ropley's Aussie import early in the game and Matt Jackman took 3 for 26 to see Longparish through to a semi final against St Cross. Longparish Colts have also been hit by the weather although Longparish U15 secured a place in the Millard plate final against Sparsholt U15 following victory over Andover U15.

Longparish CC have been nominated as one of the final four in the Lloyds Bank Community fund awards. Winners are decided by public vote and votes can be cast by texting "vote rg2" to 61119. The top two with the most votes will receive £5000 which will help fund the installation of an artificial wicket and other cricket equipment that will be used by Longparish Colts and Senior cricketers alike.

The money would make a huge difference to the club and the voting is currently very tight. If you can please text a vote for Longparish Cricket Club, texts are charged at standard network rates

### 100 Club draw results

£35	Graham Tognarelli
£15	Cyril Holdaway
£15	Lisa Wood

Thank you to all in the village who support Longparish Cricket through 100 Club membership. Anyone wishing to join the 100 club can do so by contacting Rachel de Cani on 01962 760442. Chris de Cani

## ARMY CADET FORCE

### MAKE YOUR MARK

The ACF helps young people between the ages of 12 (and in year 8 at school) and 18, to develop personally and physically by providing a range of exciting and stimulating opportunities, challenges and activities in a safe learning environment. Visit [armycadets.com](http://armycadets.com)

4 Platoon (Overton) are recruiting now.  
Monday and Wednesday evenings, 7.30 - 9.30pm  
ACF Hut, High Street, Overton (opposite the golf course)

To join, or for more information, contact: CSgt (SSI) Kat Bond or Sgt (SI) Steve Slack [overtonacf@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:overtonacf@yahoo.co.uk)  
[www.hantsandiwacf.org.uk](http://www.hantsandiwacf.org.uk)

## Tributes

### Mary Piper 1930-2012

Mary, the daughter of the railway stationmaster at Whitchurch and the eldest of 8 children, was 9 years old when the Second World War broke out. Losing her mother at the age of 16 must have been traumatic. She was left to help raise her family—character building, to say the least.

Mary married Idris in August 1952 and they moved to Longparish in 1955, and brought up her three sons, Andrew, Nigel and Jeremy in the village. As a devoted family person she delighted in her four grand-daughters and two grandsons. She worked at both Allen Snow's Stream Stores and the new Post Office and was known to all for her integrity and dignity, generosity, kindly friendliness and her keeping of secrets. A faithful friend she was a good neighbour and will be missed by her friends in Park View. She was an enthusiastic knitter, not only making presents for the family, but also instructing many younger people into the art of knitting. She enjoyed solving cross-words and loved music, especially going to concerts of Irish music. She was interested in sport and a very keen watcher of Wimbledon Tennis on television.

At her funeral, Andrew said, "As Mary's eldest son, I could spend so much time saying what a wonderful mother she was. I feel however, a more fitting testament can be found within the numerous and endearing comments that have been made by family friends and neighbours since her passing away. She was kind – gentle – caring – dignified – reassuring – a special person – a loyal friend – always had time for everyone – a tower of strength – always the soul of discretion – had a 'live and let live' attitude – a brave and courageous lady – had a big place in the heart of us all – marvellous and loving mom and grandmother. Mary is our greatest loss but she will forever be with us; our love for her will never end."

### Ruth Louise Healey

We offer our deepest sympathy to Graham on the loss of his mother. At her funeral, he paid warm tribute to her love and humour in bringing him up as her only child, sharing many memories of happier days. She died in Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice, Farnham aged 86 years.

## Want something to do with the kids over the holidays?

Do your kids want to meet up with their friends? Then join us for a picnic and a run around on Wednesday, August 1 at the playground in Longparish. Meet from 2pm onwards, come rain or shine – just bring whatever you want to eat and drink.

Contact Sylvia Crook (720819) or Donna Hillier (720016)

**2012 Pumpkin Show will be on 20th October**  
in the Village Hall, Contact Sylvia Crook 720819.

## LONGPARISH SCHOOL TAKES ANDOVER TRIATHLON BY STORM!

Longparish School was out in force at the annual Andover Triathlon on St Swithun's Day - and for once this summer it didn't rain! In what is now an annual event for the school, Longparish - which has 101 pupils - assembled a mighty team of 27 - that's nearly a quarter of the school and half of the junior children.



The children, whose ages range from 7 to 11, have been training every Thursday evening after school for the entire summer term. They've used the school playing field, a local football pitch, various footpaths and a private swimming pool. In fact Tri-Club is now the school's most popular after school activity.

During the event, which was held in the beautiful grounds of Farleigh School, the children swam 88 metres, before jumping out of the pool and running to their bicycles: They then cycled 2.5 kilometres, before abandoning their bikes and running the final leg of 750 metres to the finish line. Their training paid off: Some of the children were entering the Triathlon for the fourth year running and saw a marked improvement in their previous times. Each part of the event was timed – including the transition times, the time it takes to move to and prepare for the next activity.

It's an exhausting event but every one of the Longparish team finished - despite a few incidents, such as the odd fall – and a bike chain coming off. The children thoroughly enjoyed the day - which has a great atmosphere - and the final runners always get the biggest cheer as they gamely muster their strength for a sprint to the finish.

Jacqui Healey who runs Longparish Tri-Club said the children were a real credit to themselves and the school: "These children are amazing. They're competing in something that is an Olympic sport - it's a big activity and you need a lot of energy and power for the three events - but they really enjoy it, and that is what sport is all about. Hopefully it could become something they do for life - and running, cycling and swimming are all activities that you don't have to spend vast amounts of money to take part in."

Alison Cooper

### FOLS 100 Club Results for June

1st Prize	4	Jess Ward
2nd Prize	13	Nicky Smallwood
3rd Prize	3	Jess Ward

Becky Chadd

**LONGPARISH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION****LCA - L2SOTM - The Longparish Second Sunday of the Month handicap race**

There were five new runners at the July race, seniors Justin, Matt and Wayne and juniors Zach and Tabbie. You are all very welcome and we look forward to seeing you again. It was a special day for Rob (aka Brian) Biggs as this was his 50th run

We were very lucky that the recent spell of appalling weather eased off a few minutes before the start and the sun even shone for a few minutes. The course was damp

and the lake at the corner of Southside Road and Nuns Walk made it more interesting.



Perhaps it was the extra weight of running in wet shoes but only three runners beat their handicaps this month. Most Improved Man was Forton's Dave Henery. Liz Mayon-White was Most Improved Woman improving her time even though the children she pushed in their buggy were quite a bit bigger

and heavier than when they last ran. Most improved junior was Simeon Evans. Well done all.

Thanks very much to Maggie, David, Jack and Ian for marshalling, to Maggie for the flapjack, Jim for the scrummy cake, David for the signs and to the Cricket Club for the lovely venue. Thanks also to Jacqui and Alice who accompanied juniors round the course.

We look forward to seeing you at the next race on Sunday 12 August 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. Supporters of all ages are very welcome

**LCA Tuesday Talks**

Feeling gloomy about the return of long dark evenings? Don't worry, the popular monthly Tuesday Talks will be back in the Village Hall from October:

**Tuesday 9 October: "The Everest Marathon"**

Jeremy Barber will tell us about his epic run on the Roof of the World

**Tuesday 13 November: "The Natural History of Longparish and its surrounding area" –**

Paul Knipe on our local flora and fauna

**Tuesday 11 December: "Adventures in Oman"**

Tom Bremridge's account of life in the mysterious South East Arabian sultanate

Don't forget to put the dates in your diaries now!

**LCA Recycled Teenagers**

Thank you very much to everyone who braved the weather to come to visit June and Bert Hoare's beautiful garden on 10 July. We raised £159.85 for the Recycled Teenagers' outings. The next outing will be a trip to the New Forest area sometime in the next few weeks. Please contact Corinne on 720643 to find out more.

**LCA tea and chat**

The next LCA tea and chat will be at Queen Anne Cottage, Forton on Thursday 23 August from 2.30 - 4pm. Please contact Gloria Goodliffe on 720425 for further information.

**BIRDS OF LONGPARISH  
THE SONG THRUSH**

The song thrush used to be a regular garden visitor, but numbers have declined so sharply as to put it on the red list - 50% decline in the UK breeding population in the last 25 years. There are 52 species on the red list at the moment.



It is smaller than the mistle thrush with a brown back, creamy white chest and belly, with rows of black spots, pink legs and black eyes. The song thrush is heard more than

seen. Its song is loud, similar to the blackbird's but more repetitive. They start nesting in late March-July. The nest may be in a tree, shrubs or in ivy on the side of a tree. It's a neat structure of twigs, grass and moss, thickly lined with hard material made from mud and rotten wood. 3 to 5 eggs are laid, pale blue with black specks mostly on the larger end. They are incubated for 12-15 days and the young fledge after 12-15 days. Thrushes eat a wide range of invertebrates, worms and fruit. Snails are important part of their diet and are smashed on a hard surface to break the shell. So if you find broken shells on the garden path it's likely to be the work of a song thrush

What a horrible couple of months! A lot of birds have lost their nests owing to flooding and for birds that only have one nest a year that's it. Nesting is over until next year.

As I write this on 9 July a collared dove has made a nest at the top of the electric pole by the seat in North Acre but she has been sitting for five weeks. I think that's what you call a dedicated mother. If the eggs hatch now it will be the longest incubation ever for a collared dove.

chris bowman

## NEWS FROM TESTBOURNE

As we have come to the end of another busy year at Testbourne, at times the school has been uncannily quiet, with Year 11 having flown the nest after their exams, Year 10 on work experience, a large group of Year 9 visiting the Belgian Battlefields and some Year 8 Geographers exploring the Heritage Coast at Lulworth Cove. I had to reassure Year 5 parents touring the school that we really normally do have nearly 800 students beavering away!

We were pleased to welcome nearly 200 Year 5 pupils themselves into school over two days in July for a Testbourne Experience Day. Their experience in this Jubilee year has given them a taste of the 50s, making scones for afternoon tea, learning some rock and roll moves and a touch of Elvis in Dance and Music and filming drama pieces based on the Famous Five. Simply spiffing!

The London 2012 Olympics have continued to be a source of inspiration. We enjoyed a super Olympics Week, complete with Opening and Closing Ceremonies and in-between a host of Sports Workshops to sign up for and have a go at something new. We were fortunate that a number of local coaches, as well as our own PE staff, introduced students to a range of activities, from archery to hammer throwing, trampolining and wheelchair basketball. Over 400 students took up the challenge, with those who best displayed the Olympic values being awarded Olympic Pin Badges in the Closing Ceremony, to the strains of the Olympic Anthem played by our Concert Band. The award winners also made up the Testbourne party who represented us at the Olympic Torch Relay in Winchester. You can see a DVD of the week, filmed by students, on our website and a splendid Olympic Rings mural made by Year 9 is on display in the school playground - our own bit of Olympic Legacy.

It never ceases to amaze me how talented some of our students are and the artistic talents of Katie Ashe in Year 7 have led to her winning a national art competition, organised by local company, Portals de la Rue. Katie, along with other students, spent time in some of her art lessons at school this term coming up with a design for a new bank note. Her entry, featuring a giraffe after a Year 7 art trip to Marwell Zoo, claimed first place, winning Katie some prize vouchers, a tour of the design studio at De La Rue and a properly printed copy of her note. Katie also won £1,000 for the school, which is going towards some new computers in the Art Department. Well done to Katie and her Art teacher!

Thank you for all the support we have received from the local community over the past year and we look forward to bringing you more news from Testbourne in the new school year in September.

Hilary Jackson Headteacher

## August haiku

Yesterday's green fields  
now gold under August sun  
await the harvest.

## Mityana 2012 – 2013

This year has been our 'visit gap-year', with no major visit to Mityana taking place. It has been possible to think about what we are doing, how we are doing it and why. This means we have had the chance to reassess our key areas of input and involvement:

- Our Link schools: North Waltham, Overton and Whitchurch, Longparish and St Mary Bourne, Ecchinswell, Burghclere and Kingsclere, Woolton Hill and East Woodhay with Ashford Hill ready to link up next year. This last year we completed a reciprocal visit – the Ugandan heads being here with us in March. Ours teachers were there last October. Testbourne has made 5 visits now to Mityana Secondary School with a sixth coming up in 2013.
- Mityana Diocese – offering support to rural churches but also with the main training centre, conference centre and offering clergy support in three of the five archdeaconries.
- Vocational training centre called 'Afinnet -' which trains girls in tailoring and home economics and boys in carpentry skills. We have established a small computer room there as well.
- Income generating projects

We are now planning a trip for mid to end of October 2013. This will give those interested in coming a full 12 months to plan, raise funds and prepare for their visit. We hope to take people from across the Deanery. If you would like to find out more we have two meetings on **Monday 17th September or Thursday 18th October in the St Mary Bourne Village Centre Clubroom at 7.30pm.**



## Security tips from Neighbourhood Watch

### Garden equipment and Ornaments

Whether it is chainsaws, spades, hedge trimmers or lawnmowers anything left outside can be taken very quickly. Advice would be to ensure all tools that you use are used one at a time and then returned to a secure storage area such as shed or garage. Make sure that expensive items are security marked and you have a note of the make, model and serial number. Try not to leave items lying in view whilst you nip back indoors.

Garden ornaments whether in the front or back garden can be removed and taken. Again make sure they are rooted firmly so as to make it difficult for would be thieves. If it is an item of value make sure it is out of sight of passers by and photograph or security mark if possible.

If you want further advice or need to speak to someone about an incident then please speak to your local Safer Neighbourhood Team or check the Hampshire Constabulary website on [www.hampshire.police.uk](http://www.hampshire.police.uk)