

Longparish Village Fête

Saturday 6th September 12 noon – 4pm

Cricket Field

By kind permission of Richard Wills, Middleton Estate and Longparish Cricket Club

Main Arena

Juggling Jake Circus Skills

Juggling Jake will also give circus skills instructions to children in his mini big top throughout the afternoon

Falconry Display from Xtreme Falconry

Andover Town Band

Fly Casting Display from Orvis, Stockbridge

Village Dog Show 1.15pm – 1.45pm

Most Obedient, Most Comical, Dog that the vet most wants to take home

Grand Draw

Countryside Arena

Longparish Village Bake & Craft Tent

For the first time in recent years, local Hill & Valley residents can enter the following classes, all to follow the theme 'The Countryside'.

Adult – Bake and decorate a Victoria Sponge*

Child – Bake and decorate 4 fairy cakes*

*Set recipe must be followed at www.longparish.org.uk/clubs.html

Copies also available from the shop

Child - Decorate a miniature garden in 33 x 24cm seed tray *and/or* Decorate a bookmark. 23 x 4cm

Entries to be taken on the day of the fete between 10 and 11am

Judging will take place between 11am and 12 noon

50p entry fee per class

Lots of stalls: Beer Tent, Books, Bottles, Bouncy Castles, Bric-a-Brac, BBQ, Cakes, Champagne, Children's Games, Coconut Shy, DVDs, Face Painting, Pimms Tent, Produce, Soak Your Folks, Teas and the Whitchurch Fast Draw and more.

If you can spare some time to help or would like to donate to the stalls please contact the individual stall organisers below or contact Laura Wearn 720066, Donna Hillier 720016 or Jen & Brian Sanders 720222

BOOKS WANTED

If you have books to donate I am happy to collect them from you.

Please telephone Jenny Jolliffe on 01264 72020

TEA STALL

Can you spare an hour or so on the fete day? Help urgently needed to man this busy stall!

We also would love your home baked cakes and biscuits of all shapes, sizes and flavours. We need at least 400 slices to satisfy the crowds !!!!

Drop off at the pavilion on the day or contact Georgina Knipe 01264 720713 or Christian Dryden 720398.

BRIC-a-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 and no electrical goods, thank you.

Items can be left under our archway at Elm Lodge (just after Mill Lane towards the Cricketers) but not before Monday 25 August or if you need help delivering, please ring us after that date. John and Jane Young (720233)

Bottle Stall

Can you spare the time to help organise the bottle stall this year? Volunteers required helping to organise bottle collection and to help out on the stall on the day.

Please contact Jonathan Frere on 720574

SECOND HAND ROSE

Please donate your unwanted vintage, designer or good-as-new clothes to the Second Hand Rose stall. Please deliver to Boundary House (in the driveway of Longmead House next to the Cricketers) or call Cathy Yelf on 01264 720790 to have collected. NO JUMBLE please.

If you can help run the stall on the day, please contact Cathy Yelf on the number above

Longparish Parish Council Report from meeting held on 14th July

Planning

The Council had no objection to:

- Tree work at Gardener's Cottage, Forton.
- Tree work at Test Cottage, West Aston.
- Demolition and replacement of side extension at The Cottage, Middleton.

Consideration of the application at Malthouse Cottage, West Aston was deferred until the Planning Committee meeting on 30 July in order to allow time to review the documentation.

Other Planning Matters

The Council noted that the final draft version of the Local Plan would be considered by TVBC in cabinet on 16 July and by the full Council on 24 July, after which it would be sent on for final approval. This was an important document that, among other things, outlined the settlement boundaries in the village.

Finance

The Council reviewed the minor comments that had been raised by the Internal Auditor on the 2013/2014 Accounts. The Annual Return had now been passed to the External Auditor.

Open Spaces

The report from the annual Village Inspection was discussed, and it was noted that the restricted byway leading up from Sugar Lane and the unimproved section of the 'spinal path' leading into Sugar Lane remained areas of concern, on which further action would be required. The ROSPA safety inspection at the children's playground had not identified any major problems, although some minor remedial work would be required, but it was felt that this would be a good time to carry out an overall review of play facilities in the village, and a working party would be established to carry this out.

Highways

The Council reviewed the report on the jobs carried out by the Parish Lengthsman to date and it was agreed that these had been useful and would hopefully lead to improvements in the future. A list of continuing concerns about the roads would be passed to HCC as a follow-up to earlier discussions, and an informal inspection of North Acre would be organised in order to look at various problems.

Communications

The new village web-site was now live, although further improvements were required and comments would be welcomed.

Other Business

The Council expressed its thanks to those who had organised and contributed to the very successful Midsummer Fun Day. A preferred site had also been chosen for the installation of a paving stone to commemorate Major Lanoe Hawker VC.

Next Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Monday 8 September in the Village Hall. Parish Council meetings are public, and parishioners are also welcome to speak on specific agenda items by prior arrangement with the Chairman – Jonathan Frere (tel: 720574, or email: clerk@longparish.org.uk).

The way we register to vote is changing - Individual Electoral Registration

The way we register to vote has changed in 2014. Under the old system the 'head of the household' could register everyone who lived at their address. The new system means that everyone has become responsible for registering themselves.

You need to register in order to be able to vote in elections and referendums. If you aren't registered to vote, you won't have the chance to have a say on who represents you.

From the middle of July 2014, Test Valley Borough Council will be writing to all electors, advising them of the new system. You may need to take action to join the new register, even if you were registered under the old system. Look out for the letter, which will tell you if you need to take action. Please respond to the letter if it asks you to do so.

Your vote matters. Make sure you have your say. To find out more go to www.gov.uk/yourvotematters or see www.testvalley.gov.uk/register-vote. If you don't have access to the internet, and require assistance, please contact Test Valley Borough Council's Electoral Services on 01264 368000.

YOUR VOTE MATTERS

MAKE SURE YOU'RE IN



Barking Dogs

A concerned villager has asked if dog owners would please think of their neighbours these summer months and not allow their dogs to bark continuously in the garden, particularly if you are out.



LONGPARISH GARDENING CLUB

There is no meeting of the Longparish Gardening Club in August.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, 23rd September with Kevin Mason talking about "Bedding Plants and Annuals".





LCA Welcome for New Villagers - Monday 29th September

If you are new to the village, you are very welcome to come to our annual Welcome Evening, which is organised by Longparish Community Association, Parish Council and Church. We will publish more details nearer the time but it will be in the village hall and there will be food and drink as well as a chance to find out more about what goes on in the village and meet others in the community.

If you have moved to the village recently, or you have new neighbours we may not know about, please let me know and we'll make sure we deliver an invitation. And for those of you involved in groups or activities in the village that you'd like to tell our new arrivals, please also put the date in your diaries and again let me know so we can cater.

We will once again be showing a video of Longparish over the last year.

If you have any photos or videos of the village since last autumn -activities, the seasons (the weather!) or general village life, please email them to Fiona.

Fiona Gould 720709 or Fiona.gould@longparish.org.uk

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



Rising Star, Tabbie, and to Marija and James who were our *Most Improved Woman and Man*. Tabbie slaughtered her Personal Best by almost five minutes and PBs were set by Marija, Liz and Jim: well done!

Particular thanks to those who helped out in the absence of Maggie and Jeremy who were 'up north' – Fiona and David for the signs; Laura, Georgie, Emma and Fiona for marshalling; David and Jim for the cakes; Laura and David for looking after the tables and of course the Longparish Cricket Club for the venue.

The next race is on Sunday 10th August starting at the usual time of 10am at the Cricket Ground. It is a handicap race so runners of all abilities have a chance to win!

It was warm and dry, if a little humid, for July's L2SOTM. A warm welcome was extended to new runners Kate, Katie and Justin and to several we haven't seen for a long time. Well done to all 17 who ran (and a selection of minders) and particularly to our

LCA Coffee Shop Open Friday 8th August



Please note amended opening times
10am-noon

We will continue to open on the second Friday of the month for you to socialise with friends over freshly brewed coffee and biscuits in our lovely village hall. Everyone is welcome, do come along we would love to see you. Gloria and Nigel Goodliffe 720425

LCA Midsummer Fun Day

What a fabulous day we had. The weather was kind from dawn till dusk and your support and participation throughout the day was wonderful.

Over 50 early risers set their alarm clocks to enjoy the beautiful Longparish countryside, hear the diverse birdsong and admire the knowledge of our expert guides. On to Lower Mill for a well earned glass of Buck's Fizz and butty of choice where our walkers were joined by another 50 or 60 not quite so early birds. The breakfast team were at full stretch as they served up over 100 butties and sweated as they got down to their very last rasher of bacon.

The football tournament was even more popular and competitive than ever. A tense and dramatic event, hard fought on the pitch and tense on the touchline as the two highly renowned coaches paced and prowled their dugout areas. The winners were naturally everyone that played, participated and watched. Brilliant fun!

As you would expect from the cracking burger and beer deal on offer at The Plough, it was a lunchtime sell-out.

Next up - World Cup 1966 - 4 generations of fans gathered in the Village Hall to enjoy pies, mushy peas, gravy and ale at a celebratory showing of that glorious day when we ruled the football world, and boy did we need it given our dismal effort this year.

Afternoon teas, games and stories for children at Longmead House proved very popular, as did the Longparish Players' performance of *The Lighthouse Keeper's Daughter*. Again a fabulous turnout of over 100 Fun Day friends enjoying the beautiful late afternoon sun.

This year the evening entertainment was a fundraising Barn Dance for FoLS and Playgroup. What an amazing job the joint committees did. Must have been around 200 present to enjoy the amazing setting, great food, music and Gay Gordons. With your help, the superb organisational skills of Anna and Richard McAllister and committed support teams, the event raised a staggering **£3,061** for the two groups.

The day summed up everything that is great about our village. Warmth, generosity, hospitality, teamwork, commitment, hard work and a rock solid determination to have fun! Thank you everyone for making it so enjoyable.

If you're on Facebook, you can see some photos on our new Facebook page: www.facebook.com/Longparish, and in next month's Hill & Valley.

Hampshire & the Islands Historic Churches Trust

Ride and Stride
13th September 10am to 6pm

HIHCT is a non-denominational charity which raises funds towards the upkeep of some 900 historic church buildings. Since 1988, HIHCT has provided grants and loans in excess of £540K to help repair, restore and maintain churches, their contents and churchyards. More than 300 churches, chapels and meetinghouses in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight have benefited.

The annual Ride and Stride day is being held on Saturday 13 September. People of all ages, whole families or groups are invited to cycle, run or walk to visit churches in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight and raise money for HIHCT and for their local church; half of the sponsorship money from participants in Longparish will go directly to St Nicholas.

You can select your own route and call at any church in the participating churches list. There are many churches open in the Andover/Whitchurch area and it is a good opportunity to visit local churches and enjoy the unique heritage of our beautiful church architecture. St Nicholas will be open and providing refreshments for visiting cyclists and walkers.

If you would like to participate, please contact Jane Young (01264 720233 or j.young233@btinternet.com) for a pack containing a list of churches, stickers and sponsorship forms

Nancy's Bench

Many of you will remember Nancy Goodwin, who lived in Forton. She was a lovely lady who graced our village for many years. Her family very kindly gave the church a bench for the churchyard, in her memory, when she died in 2003.

Nancy's bench was demolished when the big tree by the south-west lychgate came down in the winter storm this January. Unfortunately, church insurance does not cover this sort of damage but we would really like to replace the bench. The commemoration plaque was rescued from the debris. The cost of replacement, however, is about £1,000 and rather than dipping into Church reserves, which really should be preserved for major works of renovation, like a replacement roof or something equally expensive, we wondered whether any villagers who remember Nancy might be willing to make a donation towards the cost of replacement.

If so, we would love to hear from you. You can contact Rev. Terry Hemming on 720215, or either of the churchwardens, John Young on 720233 or Jonathan Evans on 720702.

The Cricketers Inn

Donna and Paul Smith would like express their thanks for the very warm welcome they have received from villagers since taking over as new landlords at The Cricketers Inn. The couple have been



busy freshening up the paintwork, gardening, serving up good pub food from their new menu and generally getting to know the locals!

Join them for their first live music evening on the 9th August, with Nathan Jon Snell.

The Wurzels Charity Event

The Wurzels are the star attraction at a Charity Event to be held at The Cricketers Inn on Friday 26th September.

Join them, in aid of Cancer Research UK and the Countess of Brecknock Hospice, Andover, for a fun packed evening of Wurzels favourites, Hog Roast (Vege option available) and a raffle. The fun begins at 7.00pm and the band will play 2 sets with further entertainment from a live acoustic band.

Tickets priced at £15, are available from The Cricketers Inn for residents in the Hill & Valley area between **1st and 15th August** after which they will go on general sale to the public. Get yours while you can!

Contact The Cricketers Inn 01264 720335

BIRDS OF LONGPARISH - RED-LEGGED PARTRIDGE

The red-legged partridge, or French partridge, was introduced into England about 300 years ago from France - for shooting. Most partridges reared in the UK today are for sport, as they fly faster than

pheasants and are therefore harder to shoot. There are two others very similar to the red-legged; the chukar and the rock. They have a wingspan of 40-50cms; 10-15% bigger than the grey or English partridge. The top of the head, neck, back and tail are light brown. A black stripe runs through the eye with white above the eye and throat. They have a broad band on the chest streaked with white and black, grey upper belly and light brown beneath. Their sides are striped with white, brown and black and they have a red bill and legs.

In the winter they form flocks of 10 or more, then gradually disperse when the breeding season starts. Nesting starts in late April early May.

The nest, usually in vegetation, is a shallow scrape, lined with bits of vegetation. 10-16 eggs are laid, oval, yellow-cream or pale buff, spotted or blotched with red-brown. The eggs are incubated for 23-24 days. The young are capable of short flights at 10 days and are fully grown in 50-60 days.

The picture is not one of mine.

Chris Bowman

News from Testbourne



The summer break is almost upon us. It has been another busy half term at Testbourne.

July saw Year 5 Taster Days when pupils from both our feeder primary schools and out of catchment primary schools came and enjoyed workshops led by Drama,

Dance, Music, Science, Art and Food Technology around the theme Amazonia.

Last week we welcomed our new intake and their families as part of the transition arrangements. We very much look forward to working with our new Year 7s. Year 9 mentors did an excellent job making sure that these students were well looked after. Year 10 have just returned from two weeks work experience; they now face the challenge of stepping up as our most senior students. Many of them have been given the responsibility of Prefect. Congratulations go to Ruby Turner, Head Girl; Sam Russell, Head Boy; Martha Inglis, Deputy Head Girl and Oliver Bowie, Deputy Head Boy. Thirty-three Art/MFL students in Year 10 have just set off for Paris. I am sure they will have an enjoyable trip.

We are looking forward to a good summer break returning in September ready to face the challenges of the new academic year!

R C Beasley

Countryside Club - Summer Holiday Dates

The Longparish Countryside Club is open to children who live in the Hill & Valley area and who are interested in learning more about the countryside. There is no charge and all events will run from 10am – 12 noon - refreshments are provided.

Thursday, 31st July - Pond dipping and plant identification, Longparish Village Green.

Thursday, 7th August - Flower pressing and butterfly identification, field at top of Southside Hill.

Wednesday, 13th August - Potting up and flower pressing, Southside Common, Longparish.

Wednesday, 20th August - Pond dipping and butterfly identification, Longparish Village Green.

Thursday, 28th August - Planting flowers and butterfly identification, field at top of Southside Hill.

If you would like to attend, please email: countrysideclub28@gmail.com if possible so we have an idea of numbers, though you can just turn up on the day. **(Please note revised email address from July edition of H&V).**

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

For further information please telephone:

Paul Knipe 01264 720 713 / 07941 756 259

Laura Wearn 01264 720066

Longparish Playgroup News

The summer holidays are here and we say goodbye to many of our older children who go off to school in September. It's been a busy term working on our travel topic, learning about other countries and about going on holiday. We rounded this off with a "Beach Day". The beach was indoors and the children played with rubber rings, beach balls and sun-bathed on inflatable lilos. The ice-cream van came and the postman collected the postcards the children had written for their families.

As the term drew to a close the children decided what they wanted to play with and do each day. We played with Playdoh, chalks, dragons and unicorns, Lego, magnetic letters and numbers, phonics fishing, drawing, bikes ... you name it! We also had an outing to Middleton Farm to see how the rye that we planted back in October was doing and had a Mobile Farm in to visit. Football and Music with Amanda have been really enjoyable and will continue next year. We are also going to have Jiggly Wrigglers in next year.

None of these extra activities would be possible without our parents and our committee helping us to fundraise. The Midsummer Barn Dance was our big, joint event with FoLS this year. We will split the £3,061 profit made. Our recent Dads' Car Wash was also a great success raising £138 and a real family fun morning in the village.

Thank you to all the parents and villagers who have supported our Playgroup this year making sure we can continue to be an important educational resource in our village. The AGM is on 17th September from 7.30pm – please come along for refreshments and to find out more about joining us.

Longparish School News

Rural Athletics Competition

On 24th June 2014 a team of pupils from Key Stage 2 went to the Andover Charlton Track for the Rural Schools' Athletics Competition.

All of us loved it, partly because it was a hot, sunny day and partly because we just enjoy a sporting challenge. Eve was especially good at it, because even though she was coming last at one point, she persevered all the way to the finish line. Many of us came first or second and Vicky, Harry and Daniel were 3 of the people that came first in all of their races.

Overall we came 2nd in the Year 3 and 4 event, and 1st in the Year 5 and 6 event. All of the team enjoyed it and the teachers are proud of us. We would like to thank all of the parents who took us there, supported us and brought us back.

By Vicky and Chloe

The Andover Triathlon

On Sunday 13th July, a team of pupils from Longparish School entered the Andover Triathlon at Farleigh School. As the age group varied from 7 years upwards, there were many different competing age groups - Tristar Star, Tristar 1 and Tristar 2.

In training, all of the children did about the same distance until we found out that Tristar 2 had to do double the amount as the Tristar 1s because it was an international qualifying event! It was a big surprise.

In order to prepare, Mrs Healey, Mr Barber and Mr Gould started training us in running and cycling. We then went on to using the Evans' pool (thank you Mr and Mrs Evans). After all of the training, we were told we were ready to take on the triathlon. When we got to Farleigh, we began the very long registration and transition process. After our talk about the swim and the directions of the course, we were ready to begin. So we wouldn't get confused, we all had a coloured swimming hat on and we swam in separate lanes. After the swimming, we ran to the cycle transition area, completed the cycle route and then went straight into the run. The Triathlon complete, everyone was proud of how well they had done. Thank you to Mrs Healey, Mr Gould, Mr Barber, Mrs Foggo and Mrs Varley.

By Olivia and Hayden



Longparish Cricket Club

In the past month Longparish have beaten Liphook & Risleigh, lost narrowly to Hungerford and lost two games to the rain.

U15 Billy Mead impressed on debut for the Longparish 1st XI sharing in a 2nd wicket of partnership of 68 with William de Cani. Circumstances conspired at Hungerford as Longparish lost by 3 wickets.

Longparish II have won both games that they have played, with a hundred for Ed Gairdner in both matches, the first 135 away at Ashford Hill, the second, 104 at home to Over Wallop where Bob Sturt hit 94 and Nick Dawnay picked up wickets.

Longparish III lost a rain affected game at Odiham & Greywell II despite 41 runs for Alan Longden and wickets for Callum Giles.

The Colts' cricket season is rapidly drawing to a close, but the artificial wicket installed two years ago has once again allowed many games to be played that would have otherwise have been lost to the weather. Longparish U15 look to be heading for a top three finish in the league after a magnificent campaign in which they won four and lost two, they also reached the semi final of the Winchester & District Cup competition but in a tight tie at St Cross, circumstances once again conspired to deny them the place in the final that many thought they deserved.

With one game remaining against Fairoak U13 Longparish U13 have won four of their six league games and are also on target for a top three finish. They reached the quarter final of the cup competition where they were beaten by Compton & Chandlers Ford U13. Longparish U11 exited the Cup competition at an early stage but remain unbeaten in the league after impressive wins over Sparsholt and Otterbourne. They made a good account of themselves against Primrose Hill U11, a touring side down from the smoke, and have one league game remaining against IBM Hursley.

Midweek 20/20 cricket in the shires is a ride on a cartload of bales down a heavily rutted track. Brief periods of weightlessness where anything, including flight, seems possible, sandwiched between bone jarring bumps on the backside as a reminder of a return to mother earth. Two seasons ago Longparish were Division 1 champions and losing finalists in the Cup Competition. Last season Longparish were relegated. This year Longparish have once again reached the semi final of the Tichborne Trophy where they face SPL side Tichborne Park but have also finished champions of Division 2 after an unbeaten league campaign.

Sunday Friendlies have been a lot of fun against sides from as far afield as Wookey Hole and Woodgreen, and provides useful experience of a longer form of the game for many Longparish Colts.

Longparish v Australia Over 60s

International cricket returned to Longparish with the arrival of the Australia Over 60s side, a tireless and energetic bunch of ex State and Grade Cricketers who

have toured South Africa and New Zealand in the last two years and will play seventeen times on a four week tour to all corners of the UK. John Woodcock presided over the toss, which was won by Longparish who opted to bat and put on 218 from 45 overs, a target that Australia failed to reach by thirty runs. Both teams repaired to The Cricketers Inn for food, fun and speeches promising to repeat the experience sometime in the future.



LCC Hundred Club Winners – July

£35 Georgina Bonathan
£15 Rachel de Cani
£15 D Ellicock

The Great War - Longparish Remembers

29 Longparish men who died in the Great War are commemorated on our village war memorial. Every Remembrance Sunday their names are read aloud and a two-minute silence held in their honour. But who were they? We know about Major Lanoe Hawker V.C. who was killed in a dogfight with the infamous 'Red' Baron Von Richthofen. But who were Leonard Wedge, William Goulding or Albert Burgess? All of them died on the Western Front in the great battles of the Somme or around Ypres. Some have no known grave; instead their names are engraved on memorials such as the Menin Gate or Tyne Cot. Last month my wife Cathy and I visited the grave or memorial of all but one of the 29 Longparish men.

Now we want to find out more about them. We would very much like to hear from anyone who is a relation of or has information about the Longparish men named on the memorial in the cemetery or indeed other local people who served in the Great War.

We will use the information in November when the village choir is giving a special concert in remembrance of those who gave their lives in the 1914-18 war. Thank you.
Henry Yelf LP 720790 henry.yelf@sky.com
Jo Webb LP 720088 career_coach@mac.com

Recycled Teenagers



We organise regular outings and other events using Test Valley Community Service's minibus for transport. This month the Recycled Teenagers will visit the Army Air Museum on Tuesday 5th August. If you or someone you know is interested in joining us or you would like further information please contact Corinne on 720643.