

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 fête 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, Whitchurch Fast Draw and lots 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 720207

TEA STALL

Can you spare an hour or so on the fête 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 720713 or Christian Dryden 720398.

BRIC-a-BRAC STALL

Items are still needed for this stall:

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.

They can be dropped off under the archway at Elm Lodge (just past Mill Lane towards Hurstbourne Priors) or if you need help delivering, please ring us. John and Jane Young 720233.

PRODUCE STALL

I would be grateful for the following items: Homemade jams and chutneys: fresh vegetables from your garden - not too many marrows please! Homegrown tomatoes; apples; pears; plums; raspberries, etc. Herbs - fresh or dried; herbaceous or houseplants or small shrubs; fresh flowers. I can collect or please deliver to the stall on the morning of the fête This will be my last year running the produce stall - if you feel that you could take over please come and help on the stall this year or speak to me. Thank you, Wendy Ellicock 720386.

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 720790 to have collected. NO JUMBLE please.

If you can help run the stall on the day, please contact Cathy.

Longparish Parish Council

Report from Planning Committee Meeting held on 30th July

Planning Applications

The Committee had no objection to:

- Extension/internal alterations at Malthouse Cottage, West Aston, but was concerned about the proposed insertion of a roof light into the existing tiled roof.
- Creation of a secondary entrance, extension of existing openings and other alterations at East Aston House, East Aston.
- Extension and alterations to garage at Westbrook Cottage, Middleton.
- Temporary increase in vehicle movements at Apsley Farm landfill site, Hurstbourne Priors.
- Tree work at Longparish House, West Aston, but was concerned that the specification of the proposed work was too vague.
- Tree work at Fishery Lodge, Forton.
- Tree work at 2 Lower Mill Villas, West Aston.

The Committee objected to:

- Side and rear extension and new garage at 1 Fox Farm Cottages, Andover Down, because of the size and scale of the proposed development.

Other Planning Matters

The Committee welcomed a proposal from a parishioner to plant bulbs next to the Spinal Path, subject to agreement from Middleton Estate. A response would be prepared to the consultation on TVBC's proposals for the Community Infrastructure Levy.

Other Business

The wall outside the village hall had been agreed with TVBC as the site for the installation of a paving stone to commemorate Major Lanoe Hawker VC.

Report from Planning Committee Meeting held on 18th August

Planning Applications

The Committee had no objection to:

- Construction of a single storey extension at The Thatch, Southside Road.
- Erection of a rear conservatory at Elm Lodge, West Aston.
- Construction of a single storey rear extension at Barley Cottage, Forton.
- Tree work at Ropers, West Aston.
- Tree work at Meadowsweet, West Aston.

Other Planning Matters

The Committee noted that the TVBC Local Plan had been submitted to the Secretary of State on 31 July for examination by a Planning Inspector.

Next Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Monday 8th 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).



LONGPARISH GARDENING CLUB

TUESDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER 2014

7 pm

Longparish Village Hall

Kelvin Mason from Sparsholt College is the Hon Sec of the Hampshire Federation of Horticultural Societies and lecturer in horticultural matters and several subjects - we have chosen "Bedding Plants and Annuals".

Raffle – we very much appreciate a small raffle prize, preferably relating to gardening, as this helps towards the cost of future speakers.

Members of the Gardening Club free (non-members very welcome £5.00)



BIRDS OF LONGPARISH THE TURTLE DOVE

The turtle dove is a dainty bird, smaller than a collared dove and slightly larger than the blackbird. It's another one of our disappearing birds and I have not seen one in Longparish for over 20 years.

The turtle dove's upper parts are mainly chequered black and orange; the breast is pinkish and the belly white. There are gill-like black and white markings on the side



of its neck and its black tail has a white edge. It sports an orange eye ring with bare red skin and the legs are pink. The turtle dove is a long distance migrant. After wintering in West Africa it arrives here in April and leaves again in September. They start nesting in April in a small nest made of flimsy twigs lined with finer material. Two white eggs are laid, incubated for 13-16 days and fledged in 20 days. Like all pigeons and doves the young are fed on pigeon's milk, a white fluid regurgitated by the female, like a thick cream. Food is mainly seeds and cereals.

Our summer birds are now starting to leave; the cuckoos and the swifts have already gone. The last swift I saw was on the 30th July, 5 days later than last year, but that was just a single one, the rest left about the same time as last year. It's been a very good year for our birds with lots of young reared. A lot of people have been telling me about the woodpeckers in their garden, but most will disappear, chased away by the parents to find their own patch.

Chris Bowman



18th Longparish Pumpkin Contest Saturday 18th October 2014

It's soon that time of year again - pumpkins, squashes, gourds, marrows of any shape and size, we want to see them all! There will be token prizes for the heaviest and the smallest pumpkins, as well as the usual prizes for decorated pumpkins. The decorated pumpkins can be shop bought if you have not managed to grow your own. The contest will be held in the Community Hall starting at 3pm. Judging at 3.45pm. Any raffle prizes you are able to bring will help towards increasing the proceeds in aid of our playgroup. It's free to enter and light refreshments will be available (no charge but donations very welcome).

For more information contact Sylvia Crook on 720792 or Laura Wearn 720066.

Gardening fun at Longparish Playgroup

This term at Longparish Playgroup we have had lots of fun exploring how things grow in our garden. We



harvested our potatoes and had a potato themed snack, where we looked at all the different things we can make with potatoes and the children even took some potatoes home for tea. The children also

planted sunflower seeds to see who could grow the tallest one.

One of our parents, James Hillier from Hillier Nurseries, came to talk to the children about the importance of trees. James said:

"I spent a very enjoyable morning talking to the children about the vital importance of trees to us humans and the world as a whole. The children came up with some wonderful examples, like they provide food to eat, homes for wildlife, oxygen for us to breath, fuel for log fires, shade against the hot sun...and many more. We then talked about what a tree needs to grow and finally we planted an apple tree that the children will look after.

This is a great opportunity for the children to have hands-on experience of looking after a tree and providing it with water and care, and explore the seasonal changes as the tree grows to ultimately provide the fruit and shade that they discussed that morning."

One mum said: "The children have really enjoyed growing things in the garden and seem to have learnt and understood a lot from it. Now on rainy days, instead of feeling gloomy about staying inside, my little girl tells me why it's a good thing – 'the plants need it Mummy in order to grow.'"

If you are interested in your child attending the Playgroup and would like to come and have a look around please ring us on 720455.



Longparish Cricket Club

Longparish 1st and 2nd teams flirted with relegation at the beginning of August but both sides rallied to make their league position far less perilous. The Longparish 3rd team maintained their push for promotion. On a woeful track at

Mudford, Harry Martin took 5 for 19 and Billy Mead hit a brilliant unbeaten 50 to secure a much-needed eight-wicket win for Longparish. Harry Martin was also in the wickets at home against Old Basing where he took 4 for 6 and William de Cani nudged an unbeaten 62 to seal a nine wicket win.

In a tight tie with St Mary Bourne, Longparish II were all out for 140, with Martin Clay taking 4 for 26. U14 Scott Sturt took 3 for 26 and U48 Gary Taplin 4 for 33 as the St Mary Bourne reply closed 12 runs short. Taplin took to the bat in the away win at Sherfield on Loddon hitting an unbeaten 85 to secure a nine-wicket win for Longparish II.

Away at Whitchurch, Longparish III were indebted to an unbeaten 46 from U14 Will Arnold as they were dismissed for 133. U15 Nathan Smith picked up 3 wickets but could not prevent Whitchurch passing the target.

Early September sees Longparish CC embark on their perennial tour of Devon, before gathering in the Community Hall for an evening of burnt food and gong giving. The whole club then moves indoors for the winter where a plethora of indoor teams of all ages and abilities will compete in the Winchester & District and North Hampshire Indoor Cricket Leagues.

Results, fixtures, match reports, photos and details of how to get involved with the club can be found at www.longparishcc.co.uk. All welcome.

FREE - Electric Blanket Safety Checks

Old or worn electric blankets can be a safety hazard and cause fire. Test Valley Borough Council are supporting this valuable safety initiative run by Trading Standards to test electric blankets to remove from use any that are a fire/electrical risk.

Andover Fire Station Thursday 23rd October.

Please telephone trading standards to make an appointment to get your blanket checked NOW on 01962 833358

Longparish War Memorial

Some wonderful, fascinating stories are emerging from our research into the men named on our village war memorial.

Thank you to everyone who has been in touch. I would love to hear from anyone else who has information about the Longparish men who gave their lives in the Great War. Please call or email Henry Yelf on 720790 henry.yelf@sky.com

KidzZone - Longparish Youth Club

As of the end of July this year, Andrea and I are no longer leading the Youth Club. We feel that after several years of assisting with the club, and almost 5 years of running the club, it is now time for other parent volunteers to take over.

Over the past 18 months we have attempted to encourage others to step up to the enjoyable challenges and great fun that running the club involves. To date, no one has been able to offer the continuity required, so, it seems the only thing for us to do now is adopt the "use it or lose it" approach!

The club is held in the Village Hall on Wednesday evenings, 7pm to 8.30pm, fortnightly during term-time only. We try to vary activities and events, and also organise seasonal off-site trips and activities such as raft-building, climbing wall sessions, "lazer-quest" and 10 pin bowling. There can be between 6 and 26 youngsters who attend to catch up with friends, hang-out, and join in with activities. We try to have at least 3 adults at each session, with 1 adult on hand to help supervise up to 6 children.

You will find that the fortnights fly by, and organising the next Village Hall session - whether it is face painting, loom banding, laser questing, organising air-hockey tournaments, or even good old hot-dog night - will soon become easy. There are also plenty of opportunities, for training via the Longparish Community Association, with training courses in areas such as food handling, minibus driving, counselling skills, event organising and various levels of first aid. The LCA also support the DBS checks and will help with the form filling process too.

If any parents, carers, guardians, aunties, uncles, grans, granddads, big brothers or sisters are at all interested in running the youth club - please do drop us a line or call us, we are happy to discuss, assist and steer where necessary.

To all those parents and older kids who have helped us over the years, we thank you so much for your help and encouragement - as it takes a real team/community effort to make it all happen safely, roughly on time and at the right place!

If you can help please contact us on 720457 or email andrea@rivers-end.co.uk.

Dave & Andrea Harris

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 **Southsea on Tuesday September 9th**. If you or someone you know is interested in joining us or you would like further information please contact Corinne on 720643.

Midsummer Night's Dream 2015

Join the Dream team for this once every 25 years one-night experience. See details of audition dates etc on inside back cover.

Coffee Morning Thank You

A big thank you to everyone who contributed to the coffee morning for local eating disorder support, which raised £154. We are part of the Beat (Eating Disorders Association) self-help network but we have to be self-sufficient. We have a Recovery Group and a Family & Friends Group, which each meets one evening a month in Winchester. During the last twelve months 119 people attended the two groups. The money raised will go towards paying for our meeting room, professional speakers, training for group facilitators and additions to our library. Thank you for your generosity.

Sarah Harris
beatwinchester.recovery@gmail.com
<http://www.b-eat.co.uk/>

Longparish Leisurely Cycling 'Cyndicate'

Would you like to go on a sociable cycling ride to a local venue and not feel worried that you may have to walk up the odd hill or two? If so this cycling 'cyndicate' is for you.

The aim of the group is to get out on the 3rd or 4th Sunday of the month starting around 11.00 – 11.30 am with a local destination in mind.

The initial destinations will be the White Lion at Wherwell, Coffee shop at Whitchurch, St Mary Bourne and then venturing a little further to Laverstoke Mill.

Depending on numbers we'd group up in 3 or 4s to avoid issues with holding up traffic etc. Meeting place would provisionally be outside The Cricketers public house. Starting in September.

Drop me an email: sootefl@gmail.com, leave a message on 01264 720624 or drop in the reply slip from the flyer you may have received, if you are interested. Please indicate your favoured Sunday.

Rogue Traders

There have been several reports of possible rogue traders touting door to door recently, particularly in relation to gardening and hedge trimming or tree surgery.

If you have a caller who is aggressive or persistent please call us!

Hampshire Trading Standards have a useful web page, which lists reputable tradesmen:

<http://www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk>

- Get a clear quote before work commences
- Try to use someone recommended by a friend or neighbour
- Try to use a local tradesman - news about bad practice travels fast!
- If you have a vulnerable family member or neighbour, try to arrange to have the work done by someone you trust before the rogues get to them!

Stockbridge/Andover Rural Safer Neighbourhoods Team
Telephone: 101

Lieutenant Colonel Jack Ellicock OBE 1920-2014



Jack was born and raised in Portsmouth until aged 9, when his family emigrated to Canada. The onset of the Great Depression led to their return after three years of struggle. It was no better in Britain in the early 1930s.

They lived in the New Forest, which in many ways provided an idyllic childhood, despite the hardship. All was shattered with the sudden death of

Jack's father. He left school at just 14 to support his mother and two younger brothers. At 15 he lied, saying he was 17, and joined the Army, in which he thrived. By the age of 19, he was in an Army at war. He gained rapid promotion. When he landed on Sword Beach in the invasion of Normandy, he was the RSM of his regiment at 24 – possibly the youngest in the British Army. He fought from Normandy to the Falaise Gap, to the Ardennes in what became known as the 'Battle of the Bulge'. In the fighting at the crossing of the Rhine he was mentioned in dispatches, and was in Germany until the surrender.

Jack had met Dorothy in 1939 when their cycling clubs went to Brighton, Jack's from Portsmouth and Dorothy's from Potters Bar, north of London, whence she had cycled that day aged 14! They married in January 1943. Jack remained in the Army but was medically downgraded as a result of his war service. It was annoying for him because he was fit – he was running cross-country for the Army. While based in London he joined Ranelagh Harriers, the running club, based in Richmond Park. It was a lifelong association he cherished. He was vice president of the club and Ranelagh members came to his Thanksgiving.

When he was medically upgraded, he served as the senior RSM in the British Army at Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, based in Paris. He was commissioned in 1956 and went to Singapore where he fought in the Malayan Campaign and was again mentioned in dispatches. He went on to serve in the UK and Germany, including the Ministry of Defence, for which he was awarded the OBE. The happiest years were in 3rd Regiment RHA and several old friends from the regiment attended Jack's Thanksgiving.

Jack and Dorothy came to live in Longparish five years after John and Wendy, and they lived together here longer than anywhere else in their lives. They both had a huge interest in sport. Jack had been an inspirational coach of many successful athletics and cross-country teams and loved his involvement with the Longparish running club. He ran until he was 87. Living in Longparish gave Jack and Dorothy the opportunity to see their family develop with five grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren. How they delighted at their sporting prowess! The latest: 5 year-old, Miri, and 5 year-old, Darcie, two of their great granddaughters, won their first races on their sports days in July. Jack learnt of this the day before he died at home on 20th July.

John Herbert Driver 1917- 2014



Born in Keighley, Yorkshire - the eldest of four: Annie, Ernie who is still alive today and Elsie - John Driver knew the meaning of hard work.

We hear of austerity today but it is nothing compared to the mill towns during the depression. Leaving school, on his fourteenth birthday, his

Headmaster said to him that he would probably never make Prime Minister but that he should have an honest and prosperous life. John had had a tough upbringing and signed up to join the army. After service including the Far East and Normandy, he was posted to Barton Stacey camp and ended up as a PT instructor. He was very fit and an army boxing champion. John was responsible for training the young soldiers and he used to run them to Longparish to exercise on the school playing field where conveniently a young Miss Joan Tonge was working in The Curacy. That romance was celebrated when he married Joan in St Nicholas' Church on 26th July 1941. John and Joan had three children, William, Bernard and Rosemary, with now four grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

After army service away he returned to the village and the army camp operating the pump there. He then worked for Hampshire County Council and was very proud of his work as a playing field supervisor. All his life John took pride in his work and believed in hard work. His background was seen in his thrift throughout his life but he was also very generous with the produce from his garden. At one time, as well as a large garden, he had an allotment where he also kept chickens. His runner beans and rhubarb were legendary and his chrysanthemums were only cut and given to those he approved of. As well as the playing fields he looked after the sports grounds at Kellys and after retirement worked in various gardens, including those of Robert Bowden and John Ellicock, work that he continued until in his eighties. If he wasn't gardening then he was often found out at the end of his garden sawing and chopping his extensive firewood pile well into his 90s, much of which was foraged from his many walks around the village. He also beat for the Wills family and his 50 years was marked by Andrew Wills - tipped off by Bill Brunsdon - giving him the two best birds of the beat which pleased him greatly.

In the village he was an active member of the Parish Council for 36 years including Chairman for 13 years. He worked closely with Alf Kingston who was also very concerned that housing on the Acre should be given to local people. Those of you who remember the Gwyer choir outings will remember he was quick to sign up for them. He also enjoyed holidays on the Isle of Wight and when he was in his 90s flew to Yorkshire, not believing how quickly he arrived there.

He was foremost a family man and he expressed his love for and pride in them, as he came to depend on them more recently. As well as his devotion to Joan he delighted in the younger generation and was always happy to welcome them. At his funeral in St Nicholas' Church his grandson James paid tribute to John saying he was always very proud of his family and particularly enjoyed being a Grandfather and Great Grandfather.



LCA Film Night - Monday 15th September Village Hall

From Rotten Tomatoes www.rottentomatoes.com:

A comedy drama, THE GRAND BUDAPEST HOTEL recounts the adventures of Gustave H, a legendary concierge at a famous European hotel between the wars, and Zero Moustafa, the lobby boy who becomes his most trusted friend. The story involves the theft and recovery of a priceless Renaissance painting and the battle for an enormous family fortune - all against the back-drop of a suddenly and dramatically changing Continent.

"The entire movie is like a giant, elaborately decorated cake, created by this most exacting of film craftsmen. And how tasty it is."

What a great whimsical delight to start the new season - hope you can join us. If you would like to come but need transport please call David 07747 014519 to arrange.

Doors open 7.15pm - Cash Bar available, entry free - donations welcome. Film showing at 7.45pm prompt

LCA Tuesday Talks - Diary Dates

A chill in the air and the days getting a bit shorter are reminders that Tuesday Talks resume in October. The programme is still taking shape, but we can promise you entertaining stories from a pilgrim, a river keeper and a footballer. More details to follow, but the dates to keep free are:

- 14th October
- 11th November
- 9th December

LCA Coffee Shop Open

Friday 12th September 10am-noon



We continue to open on the second Friday of the month for you to meet and socialise 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 Welcome to New Villagers - Monday 29th September in the Village Hall

If you have moved to Longparish in the last year or so, Longparish Community Association, Parish Council and Church cordially invite you to our annual Welcome for New Villagers.

Drinks and light refreshments will be available from 7.30pm and the event will start at 8pm.

This is a great opportunity to meet other new residents and also people who have been around a bit longer. There will be representatives from many of the organisations and activities that abound in the village, which you may find useful if you want to get involved. There will also be 10 minutes of LCA AGM and hopefully

a visual review of the last 12 months in the village by way of entertainment.

We will be delivering invitations to those new villagers we know about, but we'd be grateful if you could let us know in case you haven't made our list.

If you are involved in any activity or organisation in the village and you would like to join us we would be glad to see you. Again, please let us know so we can plan for the catering.

Please contact Fiona on 720709 or email lca@longparish.org.uk.

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

The weather was poor for the August race: not as hot as recently and with rain showers. In other words, ideal conditions for the runners but pretty poor for marshals and spectators!

We began with a period of silence to remember Jack Ellicock who died recently at the age of 94. Jack was a supporter of the L2SOTM from the outset. He was runner number 1 in the first race in October 2006. At the second race he provided a stopwatch and at the third he gave the trophies. He officiated at 62 of the next 72 races until failing health forced him to retire in October 2012 and he gave prizes every year for the Christmas race. Jack was a real sportsman. He praised our efforts and did not hesitate to tell us off if we didn't try hard enough. He was a link with history. When we had a surge of interest after the London Olympics he remarked that it was just the same in 1948!

A highlight was his 90th birthday when we had champagne instead of the usual refreshments and were joined by friends from Ranelagh Harriers of which he was a Vice President. We have lost a true gentleman and a good friend.

This month we welcomed new runners, William and Wayne. William was first home by miles but you can't win the trophies off an estimated handicap. Next home and Most Improved Man was Dave Henery who was closely followed by Wendy Beveridge, our Most Improved Woman. The Rising Star trophy went to Nina Smith. Particular thanks to those who helped out, David for the signs, Maggie, Marija and Matt for marshalling; Maggie and Jim for the cakes and of course the Longparish Cricket Club for the lovely venue.

The next race is on **Sunday 14th September** 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!

Save The Date!



The Wilsons - an evening of very British Americana.

We have a great evening planned for **Saturday 1st November** in the village hall. Put the date in your diary (and your friends' diaries!) and plan to join us for a

meal and dazzling entertainment from The Wilsons. More details and tickets next month.