INKPEN Village NEWS Issue No 2 Winter 2010



Number 2

Going by comments made, it appears that a lot of Villagers liked the idea of "Our Village Hall News", so here we go with Number 2! Thanks for those of you who entered our "Name the small hall" competition. The winner and details are overleaf.

Since the last issue, Our Village Hall has been used for a number of the usual local community activities, but most noticeably our fund raising "Pudsey Drive" evening (full details below). However, there is still more scope for other events and activities, so if there is anything you think Our Village Hall should be doing for you, then do let us know. A full list of contacts is printed overleaf.



Pudsey Drive

Once again Our Village Hall hosted a highly enjoyable and very popular "Pudsey" fund raising event for the BBC Children in Need Appeal. Around £300 was raised with over fifty people from across the Village participating. They played a version of Beetle Drive with great excitement and amusement, led again by the magical Mr Nigel "Pudsey" Pateman, pictured left. A fish and chip supper with drinks from the "donation" bar added to the occasion. Miss Holly Titford won the Pudsey Trophy, a highly prized

statuette that is keenly competed for by the connoisseurs of fine art!

Thanks go to all those who helped put this event together. Even if you weren't able to be there, you can take a look at over 100 photos taken by our

in Need

Children photographer Chris Keene at the next Farmers Market on Sunday 19th December.

Are you an **Entrepreneur?**

If you have an idea for a regular event that could be held at Our Village Hall, then this could be an opportunity for you. You might want to set up a regular Table Top Sale, Bric a Brac, Bring and Buy, Supper Nights, Bingo sessions, craft events, Fashion Shows, you name it, we might be able to help. We are very keen to get the best use out of our facilities and benefit our community, so we will offer very competitive hire rates (we might even give you free use and just take a share of profits). We will even support your event with advertising in our newsletter. So talk to John Bryant on 01488 668 695 and make a start on your new venture.

Event not to miss

On Saturday 12th March 2011, we plan to hold the Sloe Gin competition, along with either a Quiz or Pancake competition! Either way, after lots of sampling of Gin, I can imagine a wonderful night. So keep the date free and watch out for more details in our next edition.

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Our Village Hall is for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Parish of Inkpen. To promote cultural, social, educational and physical activities within the community. To provide a comfortable facility for local organisations to hire. **Charity Commission No: 300168**

Nominations for Chairman and Secretary at our AGM

Due totally to work pressure, David Glitz has had to step down as Chairman of Our Village Hall. He is still a Committee Member and has promised to help out on Bar duties at our future events! We thank him immensely for all the good work he has done for Our Village Hall, with full details of his work at our next AGM. However, this has now left the post of Chairman vacant, so as protocol dictates, we now seek to elect a new Chairman. If you would like to know more about this position, which David says "...it's just a case of a few hours note taking, a phone call or two and some emails a month - but balanced with the fun and interest in working with a wonderful community facility." then please contact John Bryant (our Treasurer) in the first instance on 668 695. We also thank Vicky Banks for her role as Secretary, who also has had to stand down. She too will continue to help out where possible. All formal nominations for Chairman and Secretary posts must be received by 21st January 2011 for inclusion in the Agenda for our Annual General Meeting, being held on Friday 4th February 2011 at 7.30pm at Our Village Hall. Please do come along and enjoy a glass of wine or a cup of tea or coffee at our AGM and see what good work is being done for Our Village Hall and Our

New Tables and Chairs

We are pleased to say that our new "Children Sized" tables and chairs have arrived and are in use. Making Our Village Hall perfect for children's parties.

Monday morning



Our Regular Users

Clubs that use Our Village Hall.

Body Control Pilates

9.30am MAT class £8.50 per session Contact Sonja Hornsby 01635 35174

Monday evening **Table Tennis**

6.00 - 6.45pm Juniors - with coaching £1.50

6.45 - 8.00pm Seniors £2

Contact Duncan Campbell 668 530

Tuesday evening **Yoga**

7.00 - 9.00pm suitable for all abilities Contact Inga Craven 01488 658744

Thursday evening **Body Control Pilates** classes

7.00pm MAT class £8.50 per session Contact Penny Marriage 07867 785412

Friday morning Daisy Chains Playgroup

10.30am - 12.30pm Term times only Freeplay, snacks then creative activity Contact Jane White 668 669

The 92 Group was formed in 1992 and is a group of friendly people who meet on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 2.00pm. The meetings include demonstrations and talks on a wide variety of subjects. Sometimes trips out are organised. Non-members are always welcome. Cost £2.00 per session. Contact Verity Fenmore 01488 658 903. For details of each 92 Group monthly meeting please refer to the Inkpen Bulletin.

Inkpen Farm and Country Market 10.00am - 12.30pm. CHRISTMAS SPECIAL - 19th December - don't miss this one!!!

The Inkpen Farm & Country Market was set up by the Parish Council to help nurture a sense of community within our village. Its goal is to bring people together regularly and in a relaxed and enjoyable setting, so that villagers can get to know one another and get to know some of the local businesses.

Over the last few months the market has had sustained growth in both the number of stalls and visitors. The fresh produce on offer provides exceptional quality and value, often substantially undercutting the local supermarkets. It caters for all villagers and we hope that everyone in Inkpen will come and support us.

Our Christmas market is on Sunday 19th December starting at 10:00. We, and the village hall committee, are joining forces to get Christmas off to a very festive start — a live band, mulled wine and mince pies, ideas for presents along with quality fresh fruit & veg, pies & quiches, sauces, local jams and honey, pâté, cakes, cards, decorations, books, toys, plants, bird seed and feeders, bird boxes, bacon butties using locally cured bacon.... and the list goes on. You'll love it.

For more information please email farmersmarket@inkpen-village.co.uk

The Winning entry for our Name our Small Meeting Room is

"The Wordley Room"

Mrs Winifred Wordley, who died a few months ago, was a significant Inkpen inhabitant for her whole life having been baptised, married and had her funeral in Inkpen Church. She attended Inkpen School as a pupil and later for many years as a teacher at the School and even after retirement she continued to take the children for nature study in the adjacent grounds. Mrs Wordley was known to many and in some cases two or three generations of some families had been taught by her, she also served as a Parish Councillor for some years.

Thanks to Pam Weeks for this suggestion, and also for her donating the chocolates to the Pudsey Drive fund raising! And commiserations to all the other entrants.

OUR NEXT COMPETITION

We would like to brighten up the look of Our Village Hall, so if you have any ideas, either about planting in the grounds, changing the interior decor, or any other suggestions, then please email me don@honeydesign.co.uk. The best entry, even if we don't use it, will win a £10 WH Smith voucher.

Don Honey

Keeping it green

I would like to make particular mention to Mr. Robinson (senior) who has tirelessly maintained the grass around Our Village Hall for another whole season (he has been doing it voluntarily for a number of years now). The youngsters who use Our Village Hall appreciate some decent grass to run around on at the back.

If you have skills that you think we could use in the upkeep or maintenance of Our Village Hall and have some time on your hands, please do get in touch.

John Bryant, Treasurer

History of Our Village Hall

This photo shows the Home Guard outside Our Village Hall. If you know any details about it, then we would be very interested and publish what you have to say. Please contact our Newsletter Editor, Julie Bryant on 668 695.



Newsletter Distribution

Could you deliver approximately 20 copies of our newsletter to your neighbours? We are looking for volunteers to do this. Just four issues a year. Please contact Julie Bryant on 668 695.

INKPEN VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE 2009/2010

COMMITTEE 2009/2010		
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