

INKPEN Our Village Hall NEWS

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New Leader?

It is with great pleasure that Our Village Hall committee has now attracted an Inkpen resident as Chairman Designate. As you will read below, he has already been involved with the work we do for Our Village Hall, and long may it continue. We look forward to Peter Ritchie's official nomination at our AGM in the New Year. Here is what he has to say...

Hilary and I, plus two now departed fledglings, moved to Inkpen in 1999, so tentatively we feel less "newcomers". When people refer to Glen House as the Ritchie's house and not the Root's house (who sold around 1995) it will be confirmation that we are residents. But that is the nature of an established village and is what we love about Inkpen. Despite its lack of a centre, shops and being a Shangri-La to get to, it has a church, a school and a village hall and a COMMUNITY. It is therefore with a degree of satisfaction that I can do something to contribute and play a part in the community. My first attempt, the jumble sale, surprised me and would surprise others to witness how much residents contribute in terms of time, support and chattels. It was a real "community in action" eye opening event.



GRAND Jumble Sale a GRAND affair!

A big thank you to everyone who donated items and supported the Village Hall Jumble Sale held on Saturday 17th September - by 1.15pm we already had a queue of people waiting to enter the village hall, (doors opened at 2pm) some of whom had come from as far away as Andover to attend the Jumble Sale. We held a raffle, sold teas and home-made cakes and most customers did not leave until the end. The items that were donated were of excellent quality, ladies fashions included designer labels that were quickly snapped up as a bargain! We made almost £600 which will go to the upkeep and maintenance of Our Village Hall. Thank you to everyone for your support.



Pudsey is back!



Once again Our Village Hall will be hosting the highly enjoyable and very popular "Pudsey" fund raising event for the BBC Children in Need Appeal. Over fifty people from across the Village participated last year, playing a version of Beetle Drive with great excitement and amusement.

And it's the same again this year, led once again by the magical Mr Nigel "Pudsey" Pateman. So make a note of the date - Friday 18th November. Tickets will go on sale from Tuesday 1st November by phoning Jane White on 668 669 priced at £7.50 each to include a supper.

Events at Our Village Hall

Friday	14th	October	Bee Talk
Friday	28th	October	Black Legend
Saturday	29th	October	Black Legend
Friday	18th	November	Pudsey
Friday	25th	November	Photography

Further details overleaf

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Bee Talk

Friday 14th October 7.30pm



My first 5 months keeping Honey Bees

In May this year I started keeping Honey Bees. I had no idea what a fascinating hobby I had embarked upon. This talk is by no means the definitive guide on the subject, but my personal reflection. I had read some books and been given the nudge by my wife and a good beekeeping friend to give it a go. This one hour talk is my experience of beekeeping. I hope that you might find it as interesting as I have. Admission £1 (to include a little taste of pure Inkpen Honey).

Don "Honey"



Our Regular Users

Clubs that use Our Village Hall.

- Monday morning
Body Control Pilates
9.30am MAT class £8.50 per session
Contact Sonja Hornsby 01635 35174
- Tuesday evening
Yoga
7.30 - 9.00pm suitable for all abilities
Contact Inga Craven 01488 658744
- Wednesday evening
Table Tennis
5.00 - 5.45pm Juniors - with coaching £1.50
5.45 - 7.30pm Seniors £2
Contact Duncan Campbell 668 530
- Friday morning
Daisy Chains Playgroup
10.30am - 12.30pm Term times only
Freeplay, snacks then creative activity
Contact Helen Hanna 669 028

The 92 Group 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 Fenemore 01488 658 903.

Inkpen Farm and Country Market 10.00am - 12.30pm.

The Inkpen Farm & Country Market adds colour and interest to our village life. There is always plenty of local fresh produce and home baked cakes at keen prices, and, hopefully, always a little surprise to be found. Come and get a bargain or two and meet other villagers for a chat, have a tea or coffee and get a bacon butty! And don't forget that there's a book stall and puzzles for all ages and a monthly raffle to cover overheads. Make the third Sunday of the month a regular fixture in your calendar. For more information please contact Josephine Stark on 01488 668 960.

The return of

Black Legend

28th & 29th October 7.30pm

Your best chance for a while to see the film that is a unique part of Inkpen's past and present. 'Black Legend' both records the one and only use of the Gibbet in 1676 and is the first attempt in 1948 at a feature film by three times Oscar winner John Schlesinger. Showings including the extended programme with Jon Snow and Robert Hardy are in the Village Hall starting at 7.30pm on October 28th for all and 29th particularly for Newcomers to the village over the last two years to give them an additional opportunity to meet each other.

Tickets are £5 each and must be obtained from Gerald and Elsa Atkinson by phoning Inkpen 668 375 after 10th October.

Photography

Friday 25th November 7.30pm

Some of you will know Chris Keene as our local photographer. He has chronicled numerous local events and landscapes as well as West Berkshire interests such as the Kennet and Avon Canal and local animals. He has been enrolled as a Licentiate of The Royal Photographic Society and exhibits throughout Southern England. With both prints and slides some basic techniques can be demonstrated with the fun side of photography illustrated. Do come along to what will be a very interesting talk. Admission £1.



"Shut it sonny and give us the dosh!"

Friday Specials

As the committee continue to try and make full use of Our Village Hall, we have arranged a couple of "Friday Special" talks. The aim is to encourage locals to talk on subjects that they are passionate about and pass on their enthusiasm to others. Hopefully you will support the first two events - Don "Honey" on Beekeeping and Chris Keene on Photography. These talks are designed to be interesting, not too serious but fun.

If you would like to give a talk, then please contact Lin Wild on 668 316 for a Friday that would suit. In most cases there will be no charge to you.

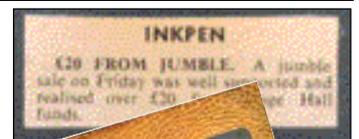
From the past

In 1965 it was reported...

£20 FROM JUMBLE. A jumble sale

on Friday was well supported and realised over £20 for Village Hall funds.

At today's rate that would equate to £137. This reinforces what a marvellous result our 2011 Grand Jumble Sale was! This is just some of the wonderful information recorded in a 120 page Scrapbook of Inkpen in 1965 compiled by the Women's Institute. If you would like to read this document, then please contact Jan Honey on 668 222.



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