



Mottisfont & Dunbridge

ACORN



The Village Newsletter

July 2016

Don't forget...

THE MOTTISFONT VILLAGE FETE

Sunday, 14th August

2-5pm

Barbecue and street food, bar, Pimms tent, tea and cakes, strawberries and cream, ice-creams

Scarecrow competition, dog show

Tug of war

Bungee trampoline, bouncy castle, inflatable slide, carousel

Plus all the usual favourites!

Free parking and admission

Wheelchair-friendly venue

Dunbridge Allotment Vacant

An allotment has become available to rent.

If you are interested and would like to discuss further, please contact Kim Bown on 342204 or at kim.bown00@gmail.com.



VILLAGE PLAY AREA

Thank you to everyone who responded to the article in the Acorn a month or two ago.

After receiving feedback, the Village Hall Committee has decided that the village hall is not the best place for a play area for younger children.

However, there will be an opportunity to express views on whether or not a play area is appropriate in the village during consultations for the parish plan.

Pat and Dave Francis

GRAND DRAW

I will be running the Grand Draw at the Village Fete once again this year, on Sunday, 14th August.

In previous years we have attached books of draw tickets to the Acorn for all households in the village, but this year I have decided not to do this.

If you would like to sell books of draw tickets before the fete, please collect them from me at 1 Mill View, Barley Hill, Dunbridge, or telephone me on 340398. This would be very much appreciated.

Tony Stemp

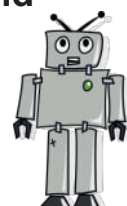
Lockerley Mechanical Society

Toy & Model Fest Weekend



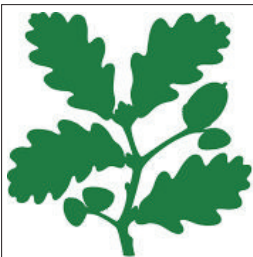
**13th & 14th August
10am - 4.30pm**

Lockerley Memorial Hall



**Proceeds to the Village Hall fund
Admission: Adults £2, children under 10 free**

The deadline for inclusion of items in the August Acorn is 16th July. **NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO ACORN IN SEPTEMBER.** Please email items for August & September to acornnews@mandercom.co.uk.



National Trust

Well, the roses are looking pretty good, if you don't mind dodging the odd shower! The shrub roses are still covered in buds so we think we will have a lovely display for the last fortnight of June and into early July. We were delighted as always to welcome everyone for the special private evening party in support of the Church on Friday, 17th June. If you weren't able to attend, we hope you'll be able to pop in over the next couple of weeks to enjoy the colour and fragrance of the roses.

Thank you to those members of the local community who recently took the time to meet up with Emily Russell, granddaughter of Maud and Gilbert Russell. As you may know, she's doing final research as she prepares to publish some of her grandmother's diaries about her life and Mottisfont during the Second World War. It's been fascinating talking to her about what she's learned from the diaries. We'll be preparing some new interpretation about the war diaries to add to the House for next year, to tie in with the publication of the book in the spring.

Lastly, I wanted to let you know that I have been confirmed in post as the General Manager for Mottisfont and the South West Hampshire group of properties. I had an (appropriately challenging!) interview at the end of May, and was very pleased to be offered the job on a permanent basis. I'm really looking forward to working both with the team at Mottisfont and with the local community going forward.

With all best wishes,

Louise Govier
General Manager, Mottisfont & SW Hants Group

In the gallery...

Beatrix Potter: Play and Childhood
16 July – 18 September

A very special exhibition - the only one in the south of England - marking the 150th anniversary of the birth of Beatrix Potter.

You'll find 30 original drawings and watercolours by perhaps the world's most beloved children's illustrator and author, alongside a small selection of rare vintage Beatrix Potter dolls and figurines. The exhibition showcases some of Beatrix Potter's most famous characters, whilst taking you on a journey into the world of play and childhood, from Peter Rabbit's naughty antics to the Two Bad Mice as they wreak havoc in a doll's house.

This is a unique opportunity to see these original

artworks: due to light sensitivity, they are rarely exhibited outside of their permanent home in the Lake District.

For families...

Beatrix Potter: Play and Childhood family activity trail
16 July – 18 September

Accompanying our exhibition is a fantastic Beatrix Potter-themed adventure trail for younger visitors, inspired by her playful characters and colourful stories. The route takes children on an adventure around the grounds, with activities to complete and puzzles to solve.

Beatrix Potter's birthday picnic, 28 July 3 – 4.30pm
Bring blankets, picnics and birthday buns, and join us on the lawn to celebrate Beatrix Potter's 150th birthday. There'll be storytelling and party games, and your favourite cuddly toys are invited too.

Activity weekends: 30 & 31 July, 13 & 14 and 27 & 28 August, 10am – 5pm

Enjoy lots of additional Beatrix Potter-themed fun, including storytelling and drop-in craft sessions with artists.

In the grounds...

Outdoor theatre Pack a picnic and enjoy outdoor theatre performances in our grounds:

Murder on the Terrace by Heartbreak Productions
Thursday 14 July 7 - 9.30pm

An original murder mystery from Heartbreak Productions. Part romp, part farce and a whole lot of fun: can you decipher 'whodunit'?

"Once upon a time there were four little rabbits..." by
Quantum Theatre
Friday 22 July 4 – 6pm

Family performance, aimed at aged 5+. Meet Beatrix Potter and her favourite characters as she tells us tales of naughty Peter and Benjamin in Mr McGregor's garden...

The Observatory
Until October

This summer, you'll get a rare opportunity to see and engage with contemporary artists creating work in The Observatory - a unique rotating artist's studio and public viewing space, now installed in our beech circle. Developed by arts, architecture and education charity SPUD, The Observatory will house poet Alyson Stoneman from July.

Keep in touch...

Visit our website, nationaltrust.org.uk/mottisfont, to keep up to date with things to see and do. You can also find us on social media – look out for us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter @MottisfontNT for regular updates.

The WI



An interesting talk on creative embroidery using recycled materials was given by Mrs. Jayne Lewis. We were shown samples of her creative work, many of which had won first prizes in competitions. Materials that she had used included black bin bags, various other types of plastic materials, including a bag made from bubble wrap, and a hat made from plastic carrier bags.

It was very nice to welcome two new members to our branch, and we hope they will enjoy the company of like-minded ladies and the various speakers.

We also welcomed a visit from wives and husbands from Hambledon W.I., who had been on a visit to Mottisfont and then came to the Village Hall to enjoy a cream tea provided by members of the branch.

We are having a stall at Mottisfont Village Fete on Sunday, 14th August, and we would welcome any bric-a-brac you may wish to donate. If you would like this collected, please phone Cathie Wood on 340129 or Francis Jenkins on 301614.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 12th July at 7.30pm in Mottisfont Village Hall. The speaker at this meeting will be Reg Fletcher, and he will be telling us about 'Music in Spite of School'.

Guests will be very welcome, so come along and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and biscuits.

Mary Batten

MOTTISFONT PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Mrs. Sue Holder
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Meeting dates for 2016 - 17

- Wednesday, 13th July, 2016
- Wednesday, 21st September, 2016
- Wednesday, 23rd November, 2016
- Wednesday, 18th January, 2017
- Wednesday, 15th March, 2017

Annual Parish Meeting:
Wednesday, 26th April, 2017

Annual General Meeting:
Wednesday, 17th May, 2017

GOOD TURNOUT FOR PARISH PLAN MEETING

A meeting was held on 9th June at the Mill Arms to begin the process of identifying topics that could be included in the Parish Plan. Thirteen people squeezed round the big table just inside the side door of the pub, and spent an hour and a half discussing ideas for a survey of village residents.

The Parish Plan is intended to be a statement of how local people would like to improve the parish. It is important to remember that ideas included in the Parish Plan are not guaranteed to be developed, but they must be considered, for example before planning decisions are made.

Subjects mentioned included:

Transport

Cycleways, footpaths, traffic volumes, parking, speed limits, traffic calming, the station, the village bus.

Housing and planning

Restrictions to development, station goods yard, tenanted housing.

Facilities

Broadband, play areas, cricket and football teams, the Mill Arms, the Social Club, the Village Hall.

Environment

Areas for improvement, footpaths, litter.

Community

Acorn, allotments, art group, church, events, Mottisfont Abbey, Neighbourhood Watch, noticeboards, police liaison, Social Club, Village Hall Committee, village web site, WI.

There was a lively discussion, with many good ideas being contributed. Julia and I are grateful to all those who attended.

The next step is for a small group of us to make a first draft of the survey document, and to bring it to the next meeting for discussion. Everyone from the parish is welcome to come and join in with this process; the more ideas we can hear, the better!

We would like to be able to distribute the survey as soon as we can, but it is probably going to have to be after the holiday season.

The next meeting will be on **Thursday, 28th July**, at the Mill Arms again. We hope you can come and join in!

Julia and Peter Barnett

Dear Friends,



One of the marks of the Christian life is love and another is joy; no ordinary love and no ordinary joy, but the love and the joy of Christ dwelling in us. Jesus said: "I have spoken to you, so that my joy may be in you, and your joy complete".

Wow, imagine having the promise that Christ's joy can dwell in us. What a promise: so simple and yet so profound, open to everyone who turns in trust and faith to the Lord.

These marks of love and joy are no ordinary markings. They are won for us by someone who himself died in a horrific way, but who won for us a victory that cannot be overcome.

Therefore, when we hear of so many mainly young people killed in a nightclub in America, or a policeman and his wife killed without mercy in France, remember Jesus's words that death has been swallowed up in the victory of love over hate.

We have such a unique and wonderful message which is the antidote to fear and loss.

With Christian love,

Ron.

CHURCH SERVICES FOR JULY 2016

	3rd July Trinity 6	10th July Sea Sunday	17th July Trinity 8	24th July Trinity 9	31st July Trinity 10
8.00 am	BROUGHTON HC CW	-	BROUGHTON HC BCP	-	-
9.30 am	BOSSINGTON HC BCP	BROUGHTON HC CW	BROUGHTON Family Service MOTTISFONT HC BCP	BROUGHTON Family Communion CW	BOSSINGTON HC CW for the Benefice
11.00 am	-	-	-	MOTTISFONT Family Communion CW and Baptism	-
6.00 pm	MOTTISFONT Evensong	HOUGHTON HC BCP	-	HOUGHTON Evensong	-
6.30 pm	-	-	-	-	BOSSINGTON Compline

Every Wednesday 9.30am at St. Mary's Church, Broughton, HC BCP
HC = Holy Communion; BCP = Book of Common Prayer; CW = Common Worship

Would you like to brighten up your Saturday evening? Bored of the same old routine? If so, this may be exactly what you are looking for.



Locally based food events company Asparagus & Cucumber have organised a fun, delicious and social French food extravaganza pop-up restaurant at **Awbridge Village Hall on Saturday, 6th August, from 7.30pm-11pm**. The theme is 'Vive La France'.



Visit www.asparagusandcucumber.com for payment and booking details, or call Ade on 340972 for more information.

Please book early as there are limited spaces available! A £10 deposit per person will be payable online via Paypal. The balance will be payable on the night.

You can bring your own alcohol to this venue.

Our last pop-up event at Mottisfont Village Hall in May sold out very quickly, so allez, allez, mes amis!

You can expect a delicious three-course selection of classic French dishes, such as French onion soup, esgargots, Coq au Vin (made with guinea fowl) and skate with black butter.



Also, there will be a mixed selection of classic French desserts to finish. Formidable!



We have had to re-schedule this event from June due to technical issues. Thank you all for your patience and understanding.

So, come along, meet new people and try something new. Spice up your life!

We hope to see you at **Awbridge Village Hall on Saturday, 6th August from 7.30pm**.

Booking is essential! Save the date in your diary now.

BROUGHTON BRIGHT HOUR

Thursdays at 2.30pm in the Meeting Room at St. Mary's Church, Broughton

Events for July

7th July: Miss Barbara Hillier
14th July: Mr. Mark Redman
21st July: Members' meeting
28th July: Tea at Ann's

Everyone welcome, please come and join us.
There will not be any Bright Hour during August.
We will meet again on 1st September;
speaker TBA.

Barbara Perry, Booking Secretary, 301466

Celebratory Picnic for the Queen's birthday

The picnic hosted by the Church took place in Mrs. Clutterbuck's garden and we were so lucky to avoid any storms.

Guests brought their own picnics, and cup cakes, ice cream and strawberries and cream were provided.

There was fun and games, including skittles with a novel way of obtaining high scores, creating fantastic and huge bubbles to float away when not burst by excited children, juggling, and other non-competitive activities.

The entertainment concluded with a tug-of-war overseen by Robert Brydges, who condoned a few changes in the rules so that everyone of all ages could join in, and there appeared to be no particular winners. One competitor was slightly disappointed that it did not take place across the river!

A good time was had by all. Let's not wait another 90 years to repeat it.

Valda White

TELEPHONE SCAM PROTECTION

Hampshire Alert is reminding people to protect themselves from telephone scams using the following advice:

- Never give out any personal information about your bank account to anybody over the phone.
- If the caller asks you to ring them back so you can be sure of their identification, hang up and call the

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What's on at the Mill Arms

Friday, 1st July: Russ & Al Guitar duo playing classic pop & rock from the 60s to present. From 8pm



Saturday, 9th July Chalky Gravel

Thursday, 21st July: Quiz & Chilli

Fundraiser for Oliver's trip to Tanzania. Dinner, quiz and raffle. £10.95 per head, maximum team size 6. Call 340401 to reserve your table.

Sunday, 14th August: We're back with the **Pimms tent** after our success at last year's fete - be sure to pay us a visit. In the evening, after the fete, we're having a **hog roast with live music from the band Chill**. Check our website and Facebook page for more details.

Saturday, 27th August: We're having our first ever **Cider Festival, with live music from the covers band Red, and a hog roast**. Again, check out the website or Facebook page for details.

Kaye and Richard

Walking Group

We had to postpone the walk to the vicinity of the South Downs & Hinton Ampner that was planned for 10th June.



This walk will take place once another date is agreed, which may be Friday 8th July, our next scheduled walk date. Call me for confirmation nearer the time!

Gordon 340129

MOTTIFONT VILLAGE FETE NEWS

The fete will be held on Sunday, 14th August, 2-5pm at the Village Hall.

Be sure to start planning your entries for the Great Mottisfont Bake-Off and the Village Scarecrow Competition (see article below for details).

If you would like a stall or can help out on the day please contact me, Ali McKay, on 341971.

The Great Mottisfont and Dunbridge Bake Off



Categories:

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| Under 14's | 6 cup cakes or 1 big cake |
| Men only | Bake anything you like so long as you are a chap! |
| All entries | Scarecrow themed cake |
| Best in show | Entry our judge likes best |



Bring your cake along before the start of the fete or the day before to be displayed.

The cakes will be judged by local cake expert 'Jill the Cakemaker'.

Art Group

No stopping for the summer break here!

The Art Group meets every Thursday afternoon at the Village Hall, between 2pm & 4pm. Refreshments provided.

Gordon 340129

Village Fete Scarecrow Competition

Let's call it more a show or festival that's part of the fete! Come on Mums, Dads & children, now is the time to start making your scarecrow – don't wait until the last minute.

Make one, put it in your garden (somewhere it will be noticed), then bring it to the Village Hall on the morning of the fete. Any size is fine, large or small. There are plenty of ideas on various web sites.

If you need help, materials, etc., come along any Thursday afternoon to the Village Hall, or just give me a ring.

Gordon 340129



KIMBRIDGE RESTAURANT

Mango and raspberry roulade

This recipe serves 10 people.

Ingredients

For the sponge:

3 large eggs

85g caster sugar

85g self-raising flour

For the filling:

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

420g mango, roughly chopped

75g raspberry puree

150g raspberries

200ml double cream



Kate Buchan,
Catering
Supervisor
at Kimbridge
Restaurant

How to make it

Heat the oven to 200C / gas 6 / fan 180C. Butter a 25 x 35cm swiss roll tin and line it with baking parchment.

In a large bowl, whisk together the eggs and the sugar until light and fluffy, about 5 minutes using an electric mixer. Sieve the flour into a clean bowl and gently fold the flour into the egg mix until all is combined, but be careful not to over mix and knock the air out of the eggs.

Pour the mix into the lined tin and smooth it out to the edges. Bake for 12-15 minutes until thoroughly cooked.

Lay a sheet of baking paper a little larger than the sponge on a surface and dust with sieved icing sugar. Flip the sponge out onto the paper and carefully peel off the parchment lining. Cut a line into the sponge one end about 2 cm from the edge, being careful not to cut all the way through (this will help when filling the sponge).

Using the sheet underneath the sponge, tightly roll the sponge up, starting with the cut edge, and rolling the paper in the sponge. Once rolled, leave to cool completely.

For the filling, whisk the cream and vanilla until it forms soft peaks. Fold in half of the chopped mango and ribble in half of the raspberry puree.

Unroll the sponge and spread the cream over it. Scatter the raspberries and remaining mango pieces over the cream, and then drizzle the remaining puree over the cream and fruit.

Starting with the edge you cut earlier, fold that over into the cream, then tightly re-roll the roulade. Transfer the roulade to a serving plate, dust with sugar, and serve.

What's on in June

All Fridays are Fish Fryday – come and enjoy our homemade battered cod with delicious home made tartare sauce, 12 noon till 3pm, £9.95.

All Saturdays are Family Day – children under 12 eat their main course free from the children's menu when eating with an adult.

All Sundays are Roast Lunch Day – the best in town served with tremendous gravy and enough vegetables and potatoes to keep anyone happy, £10.45.

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**Tuesday, 19th June: Painting with Marina**, from 10am to 1pm, includes a buffet lunch. Booking required

**Thursday, 28th June: Live music with Dave and Steph**, including hot buffet.

(Saturday, 30th June: closed from 2pm for a wedding. Sorry for any inconvenience.)

**Wednesday, 3rd August: Quiz**, Starts at 6pm. Any size of team. Includes hot buffet.

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Sunday to Thursday: 10-5, Friday to Saturday 9-5
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company they are claiming to be from using a different phone. If you can't use a different phone, wait at least five minutes before calling back.

- If you have given out information which could compromise your bank account security in any way, call your bank to cancel your cards as soon as possible.

- Never hand over money to someone at the door to be sent off elsewhere.

- If someone comes to your door claiming to be from a company or organisation, always ask for identification and make a note of their identification number. Ask them to wait while you verify their identity. Close the door, find the number of the company they claim to be from, and call them to verify their ID.

Anyone who is concerned about similar incidents should contact police by calling 101. If a crime is in progress, please call 999.

Mottisfont Social Club

Mottisfont Social Club welcomes families, and offers a friendly face and reasonably priced bar. We have a range of giant games for children, and for the adults there is a choice of a snooker table, pool

table, five dart boards, skittle alley, adequate parking and a garden for the warmer weather. The club is very well situated in the heart of the village and members can take advantage of the premises as a free venue for their birthday parties and family celebrations - come in and ask for details.

We would like to thank all those who supported this year's Beer Festival in May. It was a great success. Planning is already under way for next year's event - date to be confirmed.

The Kate Fryer skittle evening raised £147 for Romsey Hospital. Thanks to all those who attended. See you all next year.

WHAT'S ON AT THE CLUB

On 1st October, Linda Holmes, our Stewardess, will be celebrating 10 years of running Mottisfont Social Club. We will be holding an event to celebrate this. Details to follow.

3rd September: Quiz at the Club Teams of 6 or

fewer. £2 per person. 8pm start.

Gruck Racing this year will take place on **Sunday, 21st August**. First race 5pm at Mottisfont Abbey.

Opening times

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday: 7pm until 11pm

Thursday and Friday: 5pm until 11pm

Saturday: 7pm until 11pm

Sunday: Midday to 2pm, 7pm until 10.30pm

The Dowse Trust

The Dowse Trust is a long-standing charity set up to promote the education, including social and physical training, of persons under the age of 25 years in the area of Mottisfont, Bossington and Broughton. The trust is able to help with providing financial assistance for items such as uniform, clothing, tools, instruments, books or educational visits to help youngsters at school, college, university, or any other educational establishment, to prepare for a profession, trade or calling.

The next meeting of the Dowse Trust will be on Thursday 22nd September. All applications should be sent to the secretary by Sunday, 11th September.

Application forms are available at St. Mary's Church Broughton, Mottisfont Church, and from Broughton Primary School, or by email from the secretary, [tinastuart1\(spam-foiler\)@gmail.com](mailto:tinastuart1(spam-foiler)@gmail.com) (leave out the spam-foiler!).

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	Councillors	John Millns	340347		speak to Joanna Cole)		
		Gareth Jenkins	340922		Non-emergency calls		101

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