

Hullavington News

A close-up photograph of several white snowdrops with green stems and leaves, set against a blurred green background. The flowers are in various stages of bloom, with some fully open and others still as buds. The lighting is soft, highlighting the delicate petals.

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Well hello Hullavington!

We've welcomed in the New Year which often brings a period of reflection and change. I'm delighted to join the well oiled machine that is the Village Newsletter. After many years of hard work, Rachel is taking a well deserved rest and stepping down as Editor but has kindly agreed to shadow me whilst I try to fill her shoes (no easy task!). I'm sure you'll join me by wanting to thank Rachel for her enormous contribution to the magazine and to the rest of the team (Liz, Carl, the delivery angels and contributors) who all generously continue to support it.

Looking forward, Spring is around the corner. For those of you like me who have managed to expand their waistline during the festivities, there are lots of activities going on in the Village to help get us back on track with health and fitness goals. There's a Cycling Group, Walking Group, Pilates, Yoga and Short Mat Bowls. For the less physically abled or in my case lazy, there's a Bridge Club in the pub (what a great combination that is!), Film Club, and Poetry Group to name just a few. Looking at the range of activities reminds me what a great village Hullavington is, there really is something for everyone.

A reminder of our purpose—we're a free newsletter for the Parish and our aim is to inform residents about news and community activities. We'd love to hear from you; as a general guide we are keen to hear about any village activities and stories, we like pictures too! We avoid anything with a political message or bias and of course reserve the right to edit or refuse material. Thanks in advance for your continued support.



The editorial team: Sally Jeeves, Liz Greenman and Carl Greenman



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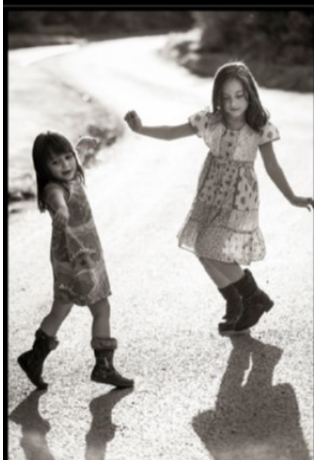
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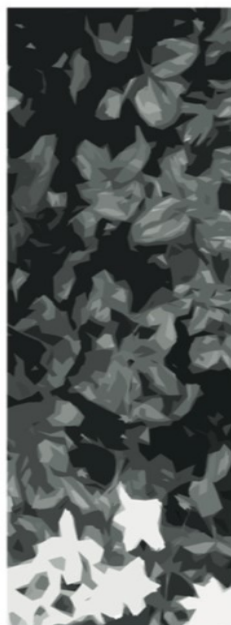
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VILLAGE NEWS & EVENTS

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Not all bus passes will be renewed automatically from 1 Jan 2019. There are approx. 20,000 passes in circulation that have not been used. In these cases, the passes will not be automatically renewed. If your pass is not automatically renewed but you would still like to receive one, please contact Wiltshire Council on 0300 456 0100 . Wiltshire Council regrets that any charges which may occur on bus journeys are non-refundable.

“Hullavington Happenings” A New Village Facebook Group



Set up in late November '18 by 3 local ladies Lesley Didsbury, Sina Hill-Palmer and Samatha Godley—it attracted 200 members within 24 hours (the power of social media!) and currently has 362 members. The founders collaborated with Maggie Bawden Rawsthorne who sends the very useful Village Communication on email so it sits nicely alongside that as another platform for communication. Hopefully along with the Hullavington News for those that aren't on email or FB, we've got all bases covered!

Lesley commented “Everyone is welcome to join, and the administrators monitor the posts to make sure they are appropriate for the page. People are using it to share beautiful photos of the village, advertise social events, share lost and found info or just ask questions about things happening. Local businesses can advertise services (but not too frequently please!). The feedback we have had has been very positive it was a much-needed page, thank you everyone for your support”.

Thanks to the FB administrators and to Maggie for taking the time to keep us all informed. Ed

The Village Hall Management Committee



Hall Bookings:

We would like to remind villagers that it is the normal policy of the Village Hall Committee to cancel regular bookings in favour of 'village events' provided sufficient notice is given of the village event. Ideally we would like four months' minimum notice of their booking. Please try to book as soon as possible, particularly for a Friday or Saturday.

The New Hall Heaters:

The heaters have been in place for several months and on the whole have met with much approval. However, we are still experiencing instances where attempts are being made to adjust them or they are being switched off at the wall. The Heaters should not be touched under any circumstance. They are individually programmed to cover a full week of hall usage, including periods when they are not on if that is a requirement, and if a radiator is switched off it destroys the programme, and it has to be reset. Please do not touch them however tempting that may be!

Hall matters:

We have recently replaced the overhead projector in the main hall producing a far better quality picture. WiFi is now available in the hall.

Hall Lights:

We are still occasionally getting reports from neighbours of the hall that lights are being left on all night. These can be disturbing and so could users please try and make sure all lights are turned off when they leave.

Neighbourhood Development Plan Update

Approaching the last hurdle.....

It has been a long haul (almost three years), but hopefully the end is in sight.

Here is the latest update from the Steering Group which has been working so hard to bring together all the information required to get move your Neighbourhood Plan (HNDP) on to the next stage.

The summer and autumn were spent putting together all the necessary documents, this included:

- HNDP - giving considerable thought to all the feedback we received throughout the Regulation 14 Consultation and reassessing and altering the Plan where required.
- Basic Conditions – showing how HNDP meets all the legal requirements.
- Consultation Statement – providing information on the communication and consultation the Steering Group (HSG) undertook at the Regulation 14 stage. Displaying all the feedback we received, from both community and statutory bodies and, vitally, how HSG has addressed the feedback.
- The Evidence Base - this document supports all the points raised in the HNDP.

At the Parish Council meeting held on 14th November the HNBP (Regulation 15 submission draft) was approved and on the 21st November, HSG submitted it and all its accompanying documents, (including 23 background Evidence Appendices)

to Wiltshire Council. HNBP is now going through a validation process, after which it will enter its Regulation 16 Consultation. This consultation is managed by Wiltshire Council and the documentation will be available via their Consultation Portal website in due course.

In the meantime, you can find the Regulation 15 submission and evidence documents on the HNBP website hullavington-ndp.co.uk/ under the Regulation 15 submission Documents tab.

Thank you once again for your participation, all the feedback we received has enabled us to make the HNBP stronger and more representative of the community's voice.

Thanks to the whole team of volunteers who continue to give their time to this enormous project! Ed

Gift from Kier Construction to the Parish

At a recent Parish Council Meeting it was agreed that we should acquire a notice board for the Village Green. Village Greens are spaces designated for the enjoyment of lawful recreational use only.

Kier Construction, the company which is currently refurbishing Hangars 85 and 86 on the airfield for Dyson and who were the original builders of the hangars in the late 1930's and early 1940's, was approached to see if they would consider sponsoring the notice board and to the delight of the Parish Council they agreed.

A big thank you to Kier Construction for the sponsorship of the sign which was installed last Friday by Parish Councillor Hank Slater—thank you Hank!

Village Christmas Tree



It's always a pleasure to meet the guys from Buckley Barracks and once again the village is indebted to four members of 9 Regt. RLC who came along with SSO Peter Murton to rig the village Christmas tree, which, for the fourth year has been donated to the village by Parish Councillor Mary Cundick of Townlease Farm.

With Councillor Hank Slater in attendance as well it took only 20 minutes for the tree to have the star affixed, the lights draped on the branches and ready for switch on!

John and Carolyne Samuel, who were hosting the weekly Church coffee morning, invited us all in for coffee and cake, giving the members of 9 Regt the opportunity to see our newly re-ordered church. It was good to see so many parishioners enjoying the coffee morning as well. A big thank you to the lads from 9 Regt and all the others who helped to make it an enjoyable morning.

Special Delivery for Andy our Postman!

Many congratulations to our postman Andy and his partner on the arrival of their daughter Leia Ivy on 23rd December.

Unable to speak—did you know?

If you are in a situation where you can't speak, (choking, heart attack, intruder, domestic violence etc.) you can ring 999 and when they answer, press 55 and this tells them that you need help but can't speak and they will dispatch police to you. Well worth knowing! Share to save someone in an emergency.

The Great British Spring Clean 22 March to 23 April 2019

Your support will help improve the environment on your doorstep, eliminating litter, ending waste and creating great places for everyone to enjoy.

Last year, the start of the Great British Spring Clean was thwarted by the weather, but once "The Beast from the East" had moved on, many community minded people in the Parish were out and about in the lanes around the village and collected approximately 60 bags of litter.

Litter pickers, gloves, hi-vis vests and rubbish bags will be provided by Wiltshire Council and if you would like to be involved this year, please let me know: 01666 837311 or maggiebawden@gmail.com and I will add you to the list.

The Parish Council is very grateful to those people who have had enough of other people's litter, are willing to donate their time to help clear it up and want to see an end to litter!

Village Defibrillator

Hullavington Parish Council recently became aware that Malmesbury League of Friends (MLOF) were offering grants of up to £1500 for the provision of defibrillators in surrounding parishes.



MLOF was approached by the Parish Council and, thanks to their generosity, Hullavington is now getting a defibrillator for the village.

The full cost £1910 plus VAT. The additional cost, which includes a Cardiac Arrest Response Seminar, will be met from the Community Benefit Fund. Further details regarding the Seminar will be available in due course and it is hoped that many in the village will attend.

Paul Girn at the Village Garage has kindly agreed that the unit can be mounted on the outside wall of the garage and, as the installation has to be carried out by a qualified electrician, Tim Cundick of TJC Electrical has offered to install it free of charge.

There will be annual support costs to be covered and the Hullavington Arms has agreed to help fundraise with a bar collection point and some events.

Thanks to Paul, Tim and The Hullavington Arms for their support for this village project.

The Parish Councillors who are spearheading this project are Mary Cundick (07867 804456) and Kevin Tillotson 837735 so if you require any further details or perhaps would like to host a fundraising event please contact them directly.

Thanks to *Maggie Bawden Rawsthorne* for the Parish Council update.

Friday Coffee Shop

I'm sure you will have noticed the sign outside the Church advertising the Coffee Shop. It's open every Friday from 10.00-12.00 and serves tea, fresh cafetière coffee and the most delicious home made cakes and scones!



It's open to all and there's normally a nice buzz of conversation going on. Don't be shy if you're on your own, there will be someone to chat to! It's run by a rota of volunteers and any profits go back to the Church, which has recently been remodelled.



I pop in most Fridays if I can, the coffee is cheaper than Costa and there's a lovely atmosphere—hope to see you there! Ed



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Saturday 9 March 2019 – Lych Gate / Village Hall

Spring Serenade

Friday 12 April 2019 – Hullavington Church

Cream Tea

Monday 15 July 2019 – Hullavington Church

Barn Dance

Saturday 5 October 2019 – Village Hall

Classical Music Evening & Art and Lace Exhibition

Saturday 12 October 2019 – Hullavington Church

Harvest Festival Service / Light Lunch

Sunday 13 October – Hullavington Church

Enquiries and tickets:

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Hullavington Village Show 2019, is there a future?

After 42 years of the Show being part of the village calendar it seems as if this tradition will come to an end unless someone out there would like to step forward and take on the role of organiser.

Dudley and I retired last year after 17 years of running the Show and there was a succession plan in place, however this is now not the case and so we are appealing for someone to come forward and take up the reins.

Comprehensive details on the planning and organisation of the Show are prepared and we are more than willing to help and advise anyone who wishes to take on the Show. In addition, there is a great team of volunteers who help on a regular basis, so you would not be on your own!

For an informal chat please contact Jebbie Hewitt to find out more about the Show and the work entailed in running it, after all it would be a shame to lose it after 42 years!

Jebbie Hewitt, Hon. Secretary (retired!)

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I need your help Please!!?? 28th April 2019 10am

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So if everyone could take their litter home, and put it their own bin, I could run without stopping!! **I am running this year's London Marathon for the MS Society and have set myself a fund-raising target of £2,000**

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CHRISTMAS DONATION TO SAVANNAH EDUCATION TRUST

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SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2019

FEBRUARY

Sun	3	11.00	Holy Communion with Junior Church
Wed	6	09.00	Holy Communion and prayers for healing
Sun	10	11.00	Informal Service
		15.30	Messy Church in Village Hall
		18.00	Evensong
Sun	17	11.00	Family Communion
Sun	24	11.00	All Age Worship

MARCH

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Sun	10	11.00	Informal Service
		15.30	Messy Church in the Village Hall
		18.00	Evensong
Sun	17	11.00	Family Communion
Sun	24	11.00	All Age Worship
Sat	30	15.00	Adventure Church. Hullavington Church and Court House Garden
Sun	31	10.30	Mothering Sunday—Group Family Communion in Sherston

LITTLE LIGHTS: every Friday morning in term time from 10.00 – 11.00 in Church for all mums, carers and pre-school children.

LENT COURSES! run for 5 weeks up to Easter from 11 March on different days of the week in different villages, evenings at 7.30pm and a lunch time on Wednesdays in Sherston. Contact Catherine on 838824. The Hullavington Course will be on Tues evenings.

TOAST: Church youth group, meets in Church on Sunday evenings. Contact Becky on 07974030212 for details.



Our next Alpha Course will start on 7 May. The course is for anyone - with no faith, some faith, or just interested in exploring more about Christianity. Good food, fun company, and a great evening. Contact Elveen on 07905489044 or elveen@me.com for more information.

VILLAGE GROUPS

Hullavington Village Walkers



According to a recent Public Health England report:

“4 out of 10 (41%) adults aged 40 to 60 in England walk less than 10 minutes continuously each month at a brisk pace.”

Is it your New Year's Resolution to do more exercise? - **Join us!**

08.30 Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday, meet at the Village Shop. No commitment needed, just the enthusiasm to enjoy a walk with fellow villagers and dogs.

We walk for about 45 minutes. Some of us walk in the rain but that's not compulsory! Some of us can't make every session, there's always another day! Hope to see you soon!

Do you play Bridge?



If you have played some Bridge and know the basics of bidding, come and join us in the Hullavington Arms every other Wednesday (next session 13th Feb). We play from 6-8pm, cards and bidding boxes are provided.



Our skills are very wide ranging, from beginners, to those who have played for more than 50 years. We don't take it too seriously, just play a few hands and enjoy and drink and a chat. If you'd like more details please contact Helen on 07833 100736 or just turn up.

A Happy New Year to you all. Our Christmas activities were all well supported and now we are ready for 2019, the centenary year for the Wiltshire Federation. To start the year we are having a talk titled 'Andes to Amazon' followed by a sewing/craft afternoon in February. Also on February 6th we will be having our New Year's lunch.

March is the month when we have our AGM when the committee and officers are all elected. March is also when the first of the federation's big centenary events will be held.....this is a celebrity lunch at Wellington barn near Calne. After that our John Aubrey Group of WIs is holding a Centenary Dinner with a speaker at Chippenham Town Hall on May 10th. We do hope that the members of the 8 WIs involved will support this event.

At the moment our committee is organising the speakers and activities for 2019-2020. We try to make the programme as varied as possible so that hopefully most of the members are happy. New members and visitors are always welcome. We meet in the Village Hall on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 2pm.

Isobel Acott

Goldenthreads

November

The Annual Christmas trip was once again to Dobbie's Garden Centre, Cirencester on the usual meeting date in November. Three cars left the village in time to meet up with two members already there. Lunch was enjoyed by all and feeling suitably refreshed, everyone went to peruse the beautifully decorated Centre. This year the 'Lakeland' outlet had been added so there were lots of kitchen gadgets to admire. The newly refurbished Butchery department also came in for some compliments.

After exhaustively shopping for last minute Christmas gifts, everyone convened again for a refreshing cup of tea before wending our way home.

December

We all met up for our Christmas Party in Hullavington Church. Lots of goodies were provided by the members who enjoyed exchanging Christmas cards and 'Secret Santa' presents.

Ali delighted everyone with a series of 'little known facts' which were often met with "why"? or "we really didn't know that"!

With the reminder that January's meeting would be on the 30th, everyone left to the traditional send-off of 'Have a wonderful Christmas'!

Ali Reed 01666 837661

Eileen Fry 01666 838793



Hullavington Film Group, Village Hall, fourth Wednesday in the month.

Please note, as from January 2019:

Doors open at 7.15, films start at 7.45

Annual Membership £6.00. Members £2.00. Visitors £4.00
Includes refreshments

February 27th—The Mercy

2018, Certificate 12, 1 hour 52 minutes

Starring Colin Firth and Rachel Weisz.

The true story of amateur sailor Donald Crowhurst, who competed in the 1968 Sunday Times Golden Globe race in the hope of becoming the first person in history to single-handedly circumnavigate the globe without stopping.



March 27th—King of Thieves

2018, Certificate 15, 1 hour 48 minutes

The true story of the 2015 Hatton Garden Robbery, starring Michael Caine, Jim Broadbent, Ray Winstone, Tom Courtney, Paul Whitehouse, Michael Gambon and Charlie Cox.



Film Group Extra Dates:

February 15th and March 15th

Please look out for posters for Film Group Extra titles.



In November, the members of the poetry group were invited to bring along poems by personal favourites who might be less widely known. This brought a huge range of poetry with personal connections out of the woodwork. Robert Hull has published several books of interesting poetry and is a friend of Janet and Peter, and we were also introduced to the work of Margaret Calloway, which is well worth a second glance. More obscure poets from the past included George Crabbe and Arthur Hugh Clough, and local writers Wendy Larkin and Jonathan Bryan were also celebrated.

Our meeting in December coincided with several Christmas parties, so it was a small but select group to look at the work of John Milton, 1608-1674. From a prosperous family, Milton was Educated at Cambridge and did the 'Grand Tour' of Europe, which was fashionable at the time, to complete his education. Milton lived in interesting times as he was working for Oliver Cromwell during the civil war. He was blind for the last 20 years of his life, but continued to create poems which he dictated to his wife and daughters.

Some of us had been obliged to study Milton at school without a great deal of pleasure so it was refreshing to revisit his poems when bolstered by the knowledge and enthusiasm of Nova and John. Milton was heavily involved in the politics of his time, which was remarked upon on a day when Theresa May was awaiting the result of her vote of no confidence. We were reminded that Wordsworth said "Milton! Thou should be living at this hour/England hath need of thee: she is a fen/Of stagnant waters. "

January was a celebration of poems for, or about, children. As often happens, the choice of poems ranged from the sublime... ("Children" by Khalil Gibran, go on, Google it. It's well worth a read!) to the ridiculous "Your baby has gone down the plug-hole". A mention of Hilaire Belloc produced a recital of "The Chief Defect of Henry King" from memory, and we dipped into the works of eighteen poets and quite a bit of "Anon".

On February 13th we will be exploring the poetry of Gerard Manley Hopkins, and on March 13th we will look at Joan's twelve favourite poems for a Desert Islands Poetry afternoon. We'll share the reading and we are hoping it will be an exciting variation on our tried and tested format. Do join us if you like words, conversation and cake.

Maggie Dyson 01666 837358 maggie.dyson@btinternet.com

HAPPY NEW YEAR! From The Hullavington Bowls Club

Have you made your New Year's resolution yet? Does it include getting fitter? getting out more? having fun? or just shaking off those post-Christmas, post-New Year or even post-flu blues?



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Matches are sometimes played on a Monday evening, so please call first to check we're there! Of course, you're more than welcome to come along to watch a home match anytime they're playing. Call 01666 838 646 for further details.

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For the more adventurous, we intend to organise weekend tours and the occasional overseas trip. Children are welcome with a parent or guardian.

For more information, please call or text Kevin Tillotson on 07795 156684 or email ktillotson@aol.com.

Art Group

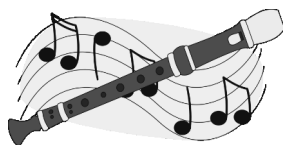
The art group meet most Thursdays from 2-4pm in the Village Hall. There is no tutor or lessons, we paint purely for fun in whatever medium takes our fancy!



For our final session of the year, we decided to ask one of our members Lis, to bring a 'still life' - we all painted it on the same size paper but with paint provided and after every 15 minutes we rotated to someone else's canvas—a bit like 'speed dating' for art! It was great fun and very revealing to see the different styles...a glass of prosecco and a few nibbles helped the creative process! Pictured are a few of the group members—if you'd like to come along, please contact Bob Fenner on 01666 837320 or at bobfenner5@gmail.com.

Hullavington Recorder Players

For 10 years, Hullavington has boasted a group of adult recorder players. To start with, some of us were neither confident nor proficient. Thanks to the patience and perseverance of our musical director, Peter



Cotterill, who comes from Bristol each week to inspire us, we have all made a good deal of progress and thoroughly enjoy playing as an ensemble.

Over the last year we have branched out a bit. We were invited to play at a Georgian evening for the opening of a special exhibition at Chippenham Museum. That involved a good deal of baroque repertoire, some of which we found pretty challenging but was well received by the audience.

Four of us went to the Malmesbury “Studio in the Shed” and made a guest appearance on the Carnival radio. That was an entirely different experience as we had a descant, a treble, a tenor and a bass recorder, so we were each playing different parts.

In the autumn we rustled up a completely different repertoire to play at a social day in the church, with more contemporary and dance music and at Christmas there was an *al fresco* rendition of carols for the Malmesbury late night shopping.

Next year promises another new venture when a few of us will be introducing recorders to a nursery school in Chippenham, introducing the world debut of “Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star” in four-part harmony. Later in the year we are planning to play at the musical events associated with Harfest.

We now meet in the Church rooms at 7.30 during term time. If you would like to know more, contact Maggie Dyson on 01666 837358.

Hullavington Primary School

What an Amazing Day!



The Governors spent a day in School on 14th December as part of a Governors' open day. We were impressed at every turn with the sheer scope of activities and lessons that were taking place. The staff listen to the children and have a deep understanding of their interests. This allows them to design the most creative and exciting lessons that fully engage the children in their learning, ensuring successful delivery of the curriculum.

Here are a few snapshots of what we saw. We have 6 classes starting with our nursery class "Little Hoots" and working our way up with Owlets, Barn Owls, Snowy Owls, Hawk Owls and then our eldest class Eagle Owls.

Little Hoots: After a session outside investigating how the sun makes shadows and shade, left the 'camp fire' and pot of 'hot chocolate' they had built and went inside for traditional Christ-massy Activities, making cards to give to their parents.

Owlets: Our reception class, having already made their cards were using their phonics knowledge to write a message to their Mums and Dads.

Barn Owls: Held a Dance Workshop where they thoroughly enjoyed joining in, and we were amazed at both the children's talent and stamina! They also took part in Maths looking at the relationship between multiplication and division, with the children proudly showing their work.

Lunch: Katie, our amazing school cook, as always produced a tasty freshly cooked meal, which Governors thoroughly appreciated. It was also lovely to talk to the children as we ate with them.

Snowy Owls: Snowy Owls spent the afternoon in the final dance rehearsals for a performance at the School's annual Christmas Service, which took place in Malmesbury Abbey.

Hawk Owls: After lunch, at the culmination of a 6-week course on internet safety, Hawk Owls impressed the Governors with their knowledge and awareness of all aspects of keeping themselves safe online.

Eagle Owls: The children in our year 6 class were designing and constructing robots that were able to draw circles. The range and diversity of the "bots" was huge, with the class using everything from ice-cream tubs to yogurt cartons for the main body of their scribbling machines

I'd like to also share the story of this year's very special Christmas Service. We were very lucky to have Spring Dance Company visit the school. They are a Dance Company who express Faith through dance and have been holding workshops with the younger children and choreographing dances that explore the Christmas story with the KS2 children and were performed at the Christmas Service.

As part of the celebration at Malmesbury Abbey, Little Hoots sang their "Hokey Cokey Reindeer Song" and the KS1 children performed their version of The Nativity "Born in a Barn". The singing was beautiful and all the children performed their parts superbly, there was not a dry eye in the Abbey – what a perfect way to start Christmas!

The glimpses above are just a very small helping of what goes on in school every day at Hullavington and the governors are extremely proud of the whole school, leaders, teachers, support staff and children alike. We are extremely lucky to have such a dedicated team led by our fantastic Head teacher Mrs Sue Tudge.

Book Club

October - 'My Brilliant Friend' by Elena Ferrante

Some found this book hard work, but enjoyed it; in one case, going so far as to order the next two books in the series. Discussions led us to talk about regional accents, not just in Italy, but here in the UK too. The two girls are at school, in the early 1950's and the expectation for them to stay at school, learn languages, pass their exams, then marry and stay at home with the children. The boys often didn't bother with their studies, and then left to work in the family businesses. We also talked about the freedom that school-children had in this country then, going out without fear on bikes all day with friends, and life without social media.

November - 'A Man Called Ove' by Fredrik Backman

This was a slow novel to get into, 'Ove' appeared to be such a miserable old man, a 'Victor Meldrew' character, with similarities to Rachel Joyce's 'Harold Fry', but we were so pleased we stuck with it because it is a smashing book. We all fell for the stray cat, who just wouldn't take 'no' for an answer. To say more would spoil the story. Do try this book. It is a gem.

December - 'The Paying Guests' by Sarah Waters

Over the holiday period it was difficult to find time to read, but a few of us finished this book. Some found it rather dreary, but we all agreed that Sarah Water's description of the post WW1 house in the London Suburbs was spot on.

Comments included: 'I can still smell the dust and gloom of the house and then the riot of colour that the lodgers brought in', 'I did enjoy the book. I thought that it had a good sense of just how narrow the world must have been for bright young women at that time.

Book for January:

'The Signature of All Things' by Elizabeth Gilbert.

'From the moment Alma Whittaker steps into the world, everything about life intrigues her. Instilled with an unquenchable sense of wonder by her father, a botanical explorer and the richest man in the New World, Alma is raised in a house of luxury and curiosity.'

New members are welcome to join our small group which meets on the afternoon (from 14.00), of the second Tuesday in the month in the side room in the Village Hall. The books are supplied by the mobile library and there is no obligation to read all the choices. Discussion is informal and relaxed while we enjoy refreshments. No membership fee, just a small charge per attendance to cover the hall booking.

'Film of the Book' evenings are still proving popular, everyone is welcome to attend. You do not need to be a member of the Book Group, £2.00 including refreshments.

Usually (subject to change) held on the first Monday evening in the month in the side room at the Village Hall.

For more information about **Book Group** and **Film of the Book**, please contact:

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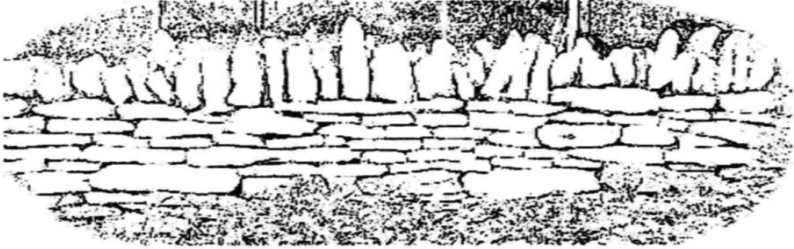
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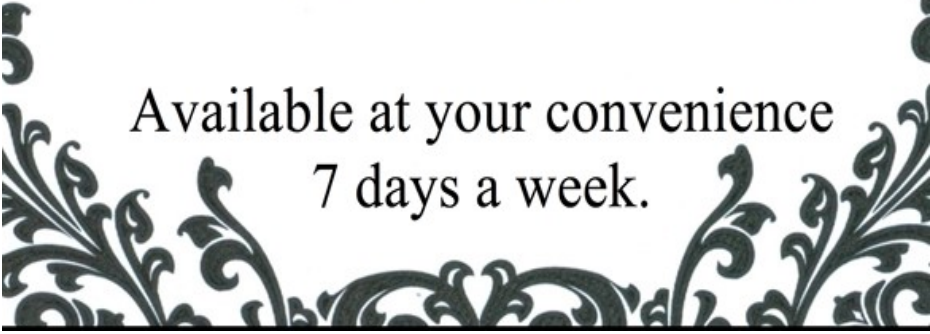
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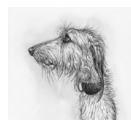
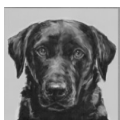
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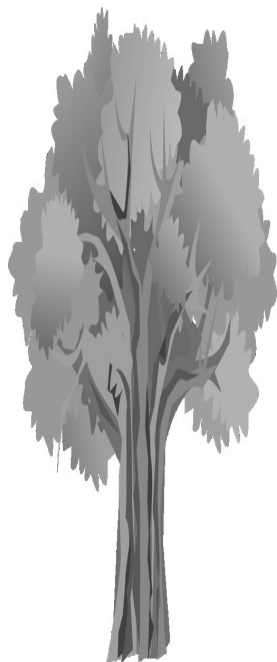
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Side Hall	£12	£14	£23
Both Halls	£25	£30	£50

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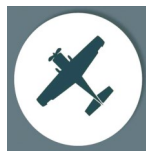
Up to 24 people	nil	nil	nil
25-49 people	nil	£5	£9
50-99 people	nil	£10	£14
100+ people	nil	£12	£27
Consumption of alcohol (see note 3)	nil	£10	£13

Notes

- 1 The Hall is hired on a session basis, there are 3 per day:
AM 09.00—13.00, **PM** 14.00—18.00, **Eve** 19.00—23.00
- 2 Booking fees for Commercial / Government use are by arrangement.
- 3 Temporary Event Notices (TENS) are required by law when alcohol is sold on the Hall premises. It is the sole responsibility of the hirer to arrange for the TENS and to declare his/her intention to apply for one when booking the hall.

To hire the Hall, please contact Paul Hadley on 01666 837096 or Bob Fenner on 01666 837320. Full details of hire are on the village website www.hullavington.info. Villagers who would like a one-off event in the hall should book min 3 months in advance.

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Income

Advertising Fees	£1,005.00
Donations	<u>£587.89</u>
TOTAL	<u>£1,592.89</u>

Expenditure

Printing Costs	<u>£2,180.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>£2,180.00</u>
Less Loss for the Year	<u>£587.11</u>
	<u>£1,592.89</u>

Balance of Current Account at 31.12.2017	£1,817.71
Less Loss for 2018	<u>£587.11</u>
Balance of Current Account at 31.12.2018	<u>£1,230.60</u>

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Many thanks

Liz Greenman (Treasurer)

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No. 085	Bill Matthews	£25

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“Meet the Villager”

***A light hearted chat with a ‘local’
about their time in Hullavington***



Our first brave participant is
Carolyn Samuel

My memories of growing up in Hullavington are very happy, almost idyllic. My older brother, younger sister and I were brought up in a household with my mother's parents and sister.

We had great freedom to wander around visiting friends, old and young and as long and as we were home for mealtimes, all was well. My brother spent most of his time across the road on the farm.

Hay-making time was a highlight travelling to the fields on the empty haycart with a bottle of my mum's home-made lemonade and sandwiches. We would stay in the fields all day playing with my sister rescuing the baby mice and on one occasion rats, much to my mother's horror!

At this time there were five farms in the village moving cattle twice daily to the fields and back again for milking with the inevitable mess on the roads. One farm in the Street had a flock of geese in the drive which frightened us all as they chased anyone who dared to go towards the gate with their squawking and flapping wings. We had a butcher, baker and a Co-op van visiting two to three times a week. Most people grew their own vegetables and kept a few chickens. My grandfather kept pigs as well.

When my own children were small, Mr Brock at the lower end of the village delivered my weekly shop into my kitchen, much to the delight of my children who then had the large cardboard boxes (very little plastic!) to play with and make into cars, bird hides and beds for dolls and teddies. In the early sixties Mere Avenue and then Parklands were built which brought a new dynamic to the small village.

Over the years, Hullavington has had much more building and my feeling is that it has made the village a lovely place to live. It is good to have so many young families to attend the excellent village school, joining in with Church activities, Genesis singers and all the amenities on offer.

As an old villager this has made me feel so happy that our wonderful, caring village can continue to thrive in today's environment.

Guilty pleasure? - Buying too many shoes!

Who would play you in a movie of your life? — Dame Judi Dench

If you could change one thing in the village? - Speed of traffic

Dream dinner party guest? - Charles Dickens

Advice to teenage self? - More self-belief

Cat or dog? - Cat

Happiness is? - Spending time with family, especially grandchildren

Weekly Events and Coming Soon....

- Mon:**
 - Short Mat Bowls 19.30 VH (VH = Village Hall)
 - (1st) Film of the Book VH
 - Refuse Collection
- Tues:**
 - Jolly Tots (term time) 10.00 VH
 - (2nd) Book Group 14.00 VH
 - Recorder Group 20.00 Church
- Weds:**
 - Yoga, Level 1, 10.00, Yoga Extra Gentle 11.30 VH
 - (2nd) Poetry Group 14.00 VH
 - (2nd) Parish Council 19.30 VH
 - (3rd)Women's Institute 14.00 VH
 - (4th) Film Group 19.15 VH
 - (Last) Golden Threads 14.00 VH
- Thur:**
 - (1st) Stanton Rainbows 17.00 VH
 - (Alt) Short Mat Bowls 14.00 VH
 - Art Group 14.00 VH
- Fri:**
 - Coffee Morning 10.00—12.00 Church
 - Little Lights 10.00—11.00 Church
 - Village Voices Choir 14.00 VH
- Sun:**
 - Mount Zion Church 10.30 & 18.00 VH
 - Church Service 11.00 St Mary's Church

February —14th Valentine Supper (p.52), 15th Film Club Extra (p.31), 21st Quiz Night Pub (p.52), 27th Film Club "The Mercy" (p.31)

March — 9th Harfest Cake Stall and Rita's Quiz (p.24), 15th Film Club Extra, 22nd start the "Big Spring Clean" (p.22), 27th Film Club "King of Thieves" (p.31)