

The Villager

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The community newsletter for Mapledurwell
Up Nately, Newnham, Nately Scures, Greywell

WILDLIFE IS EVERYWHERE & EVERYWHERE IS WILD!

Summer is most definitely upon us and the school holidays are here – HOORAH!! MUMS AND DADS – how about getting the kids to join in

big butterfly count
20th July - 11th August

Because butterflies react very quickly to change in their environment, they are excellent biodiversity indicators. This makes any decline in the butterfly population an early warning for other wildlife losses. So, counting butterflies can be described as 'taking the pulse of nature'.

HOW TO TAKE PART

Simply count butterflies and moths for 15 minutes during a bright (preferably sunny) day during the Big Butterfly Count. This is the best time of year as most butterflies are at the adult stage of their lifecycle, so more likely to be seen. Records are welcome from anywhere – from parks and gardens to fields and forests. You can submit separate records for different dates and for different places that you visit. Remember that your count is useful even if you do not see any butterflies or moths.

If you are doing your count on a walk, then total up the number of each butterfly and moth species that you see during the 15 minutes. If you are counting from a fixed position in your garden, count the maximum number of each species that you can see at a single time. For

Be part of the
big butterfly count
20th July - 11th August

"The Big Butterfly Count is about more than just counting butterflies – we'll be taking the pulse of nature."
Sir David Attenborough,
British Conservation President

Butterflies are disappearing at an alarming rate. Their decline reveals the poor health of our environment. Take part in this nationwide survey and help Butterfly Conservation restore the countryside.



Download an identification chart, spend 15 minutes in the sunshine and log your sightings at:

www.bigbutterflycount.org



example, if you see three Red Admirals together on a Buddleia bush then record it as three, but if you only see one at a time then record it as one – even if you saw one on several occasions – this is so that you don't count the same butterfly more than once.

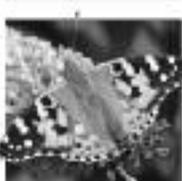
Check out www.bigbutterflycount.org for more information and to download a free identification chart – as below but works much better in colour..

You can only record your sightings online at www.bigbutterflycount.org

IDENTIFICATION CHART

Spend 15 minutes in a sunny spot. Use this chart to note how many of each species you see. Then submit your sightings, date and location at www.bigbutterflycount.org.



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 Common Blue <input type="text"/>	 Holly Blue <input type="text"/>	 Small Copper <input type="text"/>	 Ringlet <input type="text"/>	 Meadow Brown <input type="text"/>	 Gatekeeper <input type="text"/>	 Wall <input type="text"/>
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Mapledurwell & Up Nately

Baby News How wonderful to have another baby girl in the village. Ruby Grace Grist was born on 26th June. Many congratulations to Mel and Nathan!

Farewell to Rob, Alex and Amelia Barker, who have gone to Seattle for five years, we look forward to welcoming them back.

The Next Coffee Morning will be held on Friday August 9th at Lealands, everyone very welcome! Phone Jane 762 891.



FORTHCOMING EVENTS



The Up Nately Village BBQ will take place at Dell Cottage from 12.30pm on Sunday 8th September.



The Annual Mapledurwell Regatta will be held at 3pm on Sunday 8th September at the Pond, everyone is welcome. Please could the cups be returned (cleaned) to Lucy Mace at Jasmine Cottage.



Mapledurwell, Andwell and Up Nately Harvest Supper will be held on Saturday 5th October at 6pm in the Village Hall. Tickets £5 and £2 for children over five years, younger children free.

Mobile Library Service

F/borough Mobile Library, week 2
Sat 10th August
10-10.30 Greywell Village Hall
10.45-11.20 Water End Park
11.30-12 Newham Green
F/borough Mobile Library, week 3
Thurs 18th July, 15th August
09.45-10.15 Linden Spar Old Basing
Sat 17th August
12.30-13.00 Rotherwick nr school
www.hants.gov.uk/library
email library@hants.gov.uk
tel 0845 603 5631 or 01329 225 391

MAPLEDURWELL AND UP NATELY VILLAGE HALL



VILLAGERS' ROUNDERS AFTERNOON



Mapledurwell & Up Nately Village Hall Social Committee is organising a Villagers' Rounders afternoon on Saturday 14th September to start at 2pm on the Village Hall Playing Field

Spend the afternoon either playing or spectating and enjoy tea and homemade cakes. All family members welcome!

Afternoon tea will be provided at a small charge.

Please submit your proposed team members to Faye Caller on 07917 556 481, (faye.caller@hp.com). Teams of a minimum of six players with a charge of £5 per team to play.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Mapledurwell allotments available
This includes one established plot. Please contact Russell Price on 329 680 for further information.

Before lighting a bonfire – and with the hot weather (at time of writing) in mind – would you please consider your neighbours when lighting bonfires. On warm days people may be in their gardens and have their windows open so please be considerate of others and think about wind direction.

Report from the AGM of 22nd May.
New Councillor David Ellison was welcomed onto the Parish Council.

New Chair and Vice Chairman
Lorna Cuthill was elected as Chairman and Robin Best was elected as the Vice Chairman of the Council.

Councillor responsibilities

Lorna – Planning issues in Mapledurwell and tennis;
Robin – Finance & insurance and will continue to work with Matt Heywood on the Village Hall Committee;
Tom Horsey – Planning issues, and roads and footpaths, in Up Nately;
Alan Hutton – Roads and footpaths in Mapledurwell;
David Ellison – Allotments, the football pitch and the playground.

The next meeting of Mapledurwell & Up Nately Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 11th September 8pm in the Village Hall. All welcome.

The Village Hall Committee AGM will take place on Monday 23rd September at 7.30 in the Committee Room, please come and support us and let us know what kind of events you would like to see in the hall"

The Village Hall is available for hire Please contact the caretaker for prices, tel 474 432, or check out the website:

www.mapledurwellvillagehall.com

PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Note BDBC's new referencing system for planning applications post 11th April 2013, associated with transfer of planning database and website to a new system.

New applications

13/00967/HSE (Householder permission 26th June) Jasmine Dean, Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell. Partial conversion of garage to living accommodation.

13/00996/FUL (Full planning application 12th July) Greenacres Down, Lane Mapledurwell. Erection of replacement dwelling and detached double garage.

13/00937/FUL (Full planning application 15 July) Andwell Trout Farm, Andwell Lane, Andwell. Erection of two B2 light industrial units following the closure and demolition of the existing trout breeding maze raceway and the formation of a new wildlife water area following the closure and demolition of the existing trout breeding tanks.

13/00772/FUL (Full planning application 1st July) Land at Nunnery House, Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell. Erection of a detached one and a half storey 2 bedroom lifetime dwelling.

Applications pending

13/00303/FUL (30th April, following withdrawal of BDB/77742) The Gamekeepers, Tunworth Road. Erection of single storey outbuilding to rear of Public House.

BDB/77742 (and BDB/77743 listed building consent) (1st March) Ivy House, Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell. Erection of single storey side extension. Lowering of existing kitchen floor. Replacement of existing picture window with French doors. Replacement of existing door and window with matching window.

SOLVE

Save Our
Loddon Valley
Environment



LOCAL PLAN – PRESSURE FOR HOUSING AND INFRASTRUCTURE DEFICIT

I write this report at the middle of July during a frantic period of Council activity preparing the Local Plan. The Planning and Infrastructure Overview and Scrutiny Committee (P&I OSCOM) is meeting six times during this period to consider the 15-year pre-submission Local Plan; a weighty 250 pages.

During the debates, a Councillor from the West of the town attempted to add Lodge Farm to the list of sites. So far this has been resisted from all sides. Although housing numbers and locations are SOLVE's main concern, there are many other aspects to the plan which affect this and the quality of life for all of us in the Borough.

The Local Plan includes estimated costs for delivery of the Infrastructure Development Plan, currently around £200m, with more to be confirmed. The list of infrastructure projects needed to support Basingstoke's expansion is extensive; it even includes a Traveller Site to be built on BAS/121, East of Basingstoke/Pyotts Hill.

The Council is under pressure to complete a Plan in order to avoid 'planning by appeal'; pressure of their own making because of the Manydown fiasco.

Common sense tells us that Government pressure for more houses and little money for infrastructure is a recipe for disaster. Basingstoke is not alone; Southampton, Portsmouth, Fareham, all have infrastructure deficits well in excess of £200m. A public speaker at the P&I OSCOM on 26th June said these problems were caused by 'too many people'; a wider question for all to ponder, however awkward.

Transport Consultants, Parsons Brinckerhoff Ltd, delivered an updated

report to the P&I OSCOM of 4th July. This does not change the fact that we are heading for gridlock; however, their experience shows that traffic gridlock is self limiting as people find alternatives; some say this could lead to more 'rat running'. The transport infrastructure cost estimates, identified in the pre-submission Local Plan, are currently around £63m but only £14m has been found. (This includes £8m for the Black Dam Roundabout project.)

Throughout the country, and particularly the SE, there is an oversupply of Office Space. In Basingstoke at the end of 2012 there were over a million square feet of office-space-to-let with low demand. It appears that the technological revolution, better faster communications and smaller computers has reduced the need for office space. In the UK the number of people working from home in 2012 was over 4 million, an increase of 470,000 from 2007. The new planning rules allow for conversion of unused office space into residential homes. Could we save some of our greenfields? The world of work is changing; is it time to review the development of Basing View?

The pre-submission Local Plan goes to Full Council on the 25th July with public consultation during August and September. SOLVE and Country-Watch will be commenting on the plan, in particular the Loddon Valley sites, Pyotts Hill and Redlands.

We will seek professional advice for submission to the Planning Inspector next March. Supporters are urged to submit to the consultation as new evidence will not be allowed by the Inspector after this.

www.solveloddon.org. To donate to SOLVE click 'What you can do'. Telephone contact Kate Tuck 324 043.

Peter Bloyce, SOLVE

Diary Dates

August

- 3rd & 4th Odiham Fire Show
- 6 Rowan Lodge Coffee morning
- 9 Up Nately Coffee Morning 10-12
- 10 Greywell Coffee Morning/Mobile Library, 10am
- 10 Upton Grey Horticultural Show
- 17-26 Fused Glass Studio, 10am-4pm in Old Basing (Open Studios Scheme)
- 23 Greywell Coffee Morning, 10.30
- 27 Greywell Parish Council meeting

August & September

BDBC Local Plan Public Consultation

September

- 8 Up Nately Village BBQ, 12.30pm
- 8 Mapledurwell Regatta, 3pm
- 11 Mapledurwell & Up Nately Parish Council meeting 8pm, Village Hall.
- 14 Historic Churches Ride and Stride
- 14 M&UN Villagers' Rounders 2pm
- 14 St Nicholas' BBQ on the Green, 4pm
- 20 Whitewater Movies
- 23 M&UN Village Hall Committee AGM, 7.30 in the Committee Room
- 27 Rowan Lodge's 'Worlds Biggest Coffee Morning' in aid MacMillan Nurses.

FUSED GLASS STUDIO OPENING UNDER THE OPEN STUDIOS SCHEME

Aileen Mayers will be opening her Fused Glass Studio in Old Basing for the first time under the Hampshire Open Studios Scheme this year.

You would be very welcome to visit and browse her colourful fused glass artwork including glass pictures and hangings, glass homewares including dishes and coasters, and dichroic glass jewellery.

The Glass Studio, 8 Almond Close, Old Basing, Basingstoke, RG24 7DW

Opening dates: Every day from 17th to 26th August, 10am to 4.00pm

Other times by appointment – please phone 476 732

For more details visit www.aileenmayers.co.uk

Opens Studios Schemes try to help amateur artists show their work and give people the opportunity to see and buy original and unusual arts and crafts. The artists opened their studios and homes to showcase their work and hope you will buy as well as admire, giving an opportunity to acquire an original, and to talk to the artists, jewellers, photographers, potters and makers...

www.hampshireopenstudios.co.uk

UPTON GREY AND DISTRICT ANNUAL HORTICULTURAL SHOW

Novelty Dog Show, Classic Car Display & Country Fair
Saturday 10th August, Church Field, Upton Grey
(by kind permission of Upton Grey Farms)

Open to Adults and Children. Entry forms to be received by 7th August

8.30am Marquee opens for staging exhibits; 10.30am Judging commences
1.1pm Country Fair opens; 1.30-4.30pm Tea and cakes
2pm Show in the main Marquee opens; 2.15pm Novelty Dog Show
3.45pm Presentation of cups and awards; 4pm Raffle

7.30pm - late Dancing to live band in the marquee & hog roast. Tickets priced at £25 available from Peter Haynes 862 433 Roger Clark 862 776.

Contact Peter/Roger for more information



THANK YOU

Grateful thanks from the Parish Council to St Swithun's Church Warden, Monica Wardrop, and VCC, for the welcome and hospitality they provided for the Parish Council meeting held in St Swithun's on Tuesday 2nd July.



St Swithun's Nately Scures.

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Some facts and fiction (see the leaflets available in the Church and also the Parish Website).

St Swithun's is one of the smallest churches in England, perhaps 38 feet long and 16 feet wide. Dating from around 1175, it has largely escaped over-zealous Victorian 'improvements'.

It is interesting for its memorials: one of brass, erected about 1661, remembers John and Mary Palmer who lived in the village for some 10 years; others – including four of marble, each shaped to recall playing card suits – commemorate the lives of various members of the Carleton family who, as Barons Dorchester, have been Lords of the Manor here since 1787. James, 7th Earl of Malmesbury, is a grandson of the last Lord Dorchester.

Tradition has it that the little mermaid carved on the left side of the church door as you enter is there because a Nately Scures man went to sea and fell in love with a mermaid; he was due for shore leave but promised to marry her when he returned to sea. Instead he married a local girl but was snatched away by the mermaid who swam with him down the Lyde to the Loddon, then to the Thames and so to the open sea.

A more prosaic explanation may be that when the church was built the mermaid was carved at the door to remind church-goers how Nature spirits (and mermaids are thought to represent water spirits) and superstitions had no place in Christian worship and should be left outside. The carving by the door copies the rather worn original, which is preserved in the nave.

The two bells hanging in an open bell-cote (dating from 1865) were cast in 1651: one bears the legend 'Fear God', the other 'Love God'. The significance of the year is unclear but it may coincide with the arrival of a new Lord of the Manor, Sir Edward Griffin, about that date.

Next Parish Council meeting To be held in September, date and venue tbc. Please see September *Villager* and Website.

www.parihofnewnham.org

www.facebook.com/Newnham-Nately-Scures-Water-End-Parish-Council

CLUBROOM

The Clubroom is for hire from £12 per hour inclusive. Tables and chairs may be borrowed for use at your own venue for £3 and 50p respectively – hirer collects. Call Rosemary on the Clubroom booking line 07435 782 122.

Find us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/NewnhamVillageHall>



The Clubroom Committee AGM was held on 2nd July at 7.30pm. If anyone would like a copy of the Annual Report, please contact the Treasurer, Peter Brown pbrown129@btinternet.com.



ST NICHOLAS' NEWNHAM BBQ ON THE GREEN

Everybody is warmly invited to a BBQ on Newnham Green on Saturday 14th September starting at 4pm

We have volunteers to run the BBQ, the Drinks Tent, and organise Rounders. We would love more people to come forward to offer to run their own 'fête style' stalls and please contact Charlie MT (762 492) if you would like to help.

All the food and beverages will be provided, and to help us with catering numbers please contact Charlie MT, Carolyn Peck or Sarah Laird to let us know if you are coming. The suggested donation for main course followed by ice cream, is £8 per adult and £5 per child. Beverages are not included so please bring cash on the night!

All profits will go towards upgrading the new microphone system in St Nicholas' Church and to the general maintenance of the churchyard and Oppé Garden.

We ask that everybody brings their own tables, chairs, tents, plates, cutlery and glasses. We do very much hope that as many of you as possible, together with your family and friends, will be able to join us.

Rowan Lodge Nursing Home

Well I can't believe we have finally had and are still enjoying an real British Summer! Temperatures hitting 30 degrees, all of our residents being glued to Wimbledon with strawberries & cream and, of course, overjoyed at the win.

Such a busy month for us, getting ready for our Fête, metres of bunting being made and our fabulous staff and families entering with enthusiasm our own Rowan Bake-off for our cake stall.

Thank you to all our friends, staff, families, local villagers and everybody involved

who made our Fête day (Saturday 20th July) such an amazing success. The sun shone as I had guaranteed quite bravely that it would, but thankfully not as scorchingly hot as it has been, so many people arrived, the home was truly alive. Great to see the farm animals, lots of little people with their faces painted, Coconuts being won on the Shy, the Barbecue was burning all afternoon and enjoyed by all. Our other stalls and games were busy all afternoon and great Saxophone music in the background to entertain us! Everybody has been so generous I have never seen such a super Tombola... thank you all.

The funds we have raised will be split between charities that are close to our hearts here at Rowan.



Hope to see some of you at our usual coffee morning, we will also hold our own 'Worlds Biggest Coffee Morning' in aid of the amazing MacMillan Nurses on Friday 27th September when they will be happening all over the country, so we do hope you will come along and have a coffee with us in aid of a very worthy cause.

Greywell

Coffee Mornings & Mobile Library

Saturday 10th August
Coffee from 10am,
Mobile Library will be
outside the Village Hall 10-10.30.

Coffee Morning Friday 23rd August,
10.30-11.30am.



ST MARY'S GREYWELL

August Family service to which all are warmly invited to the cool interior of St Mary's, 10.30am on August 25th for an informal service of worship followed by refreshments.

Ride and Stride 2013, Saturday 14th September, see facing page.

Harvest Put it in your diaries now - 22nd September for the Harvest Sunday; 10.30am Harvest Service at St Mary's and 12.30pm for Harvest lunch at the Village Hall. (Tickets will be on sale at the start of the month.)

VILLAGE HALL

To hire the Village Hall contact helenjsullivan@gmail.com.

Marquee hire (within Greywell) mike@cmburn.side.fsnet.co.uk.



North Hampshire Downs Mothers' Union

Future meetings and events

On Friday 20th September we shall be at the MU Deanery Overseas Service at 12 noon in Winchfield Church, followed by lunch in Winchfield Village Hall. Everyone is welcome to join us for this, and for our next meeting on 26th September (changed from 19th) at 8pm in the RAF Church Hall.

On 26th September we shall have a Bring and Share Supper followed by our AGM. Also, we shall be gathering all the knitted garments for the charity, Children in Distress in Romania, so if any of you have any, do ring Jane Seymour 702 466 and she will pick them up.

To hear more about Mothers' Union projects, call Sue Murphy 01252 845 011.

Hook Child Contact Centre

In June, Caroline Scull brought us up to date on our main local project, the Child Contact Centre, which runs in Hook twice a month. This allows the

children of separated families to meet their non-resident parent in a safe and friendly environment and form good relationships with them. This is a really valuable service which helps to heal some of the hurt suffered by children when parents separate.

'The whole aim of the Child Contact Centre is enabling non-resident parents, and grandparents, to bond with their kids, to introduce new partners and reassure the resident parent that normal access is possible.

'We have moved a lot of families on in the last few months from the Centre to meeting in the community and then normal contact in the new homes, and thank you to everyone who prays for these families as well as our volunteers from the Mothers Union and our benefice.

'Sometimes reassuring the resident parent has taken months, even years, but two sessions ago we had the fastest rapprochement ever seen! The Mum was extremely nervous as she waited with her nine-month-old baby for the Dad to arrive, but within a very short period they had both relaxed, were enjoying the baby and catching up with their news. They continued this in the car park along with the friend who had brought the Dad and cancelled the next session as they had made arrangements for a family afternoon out!

'We wait to see how this progresses and ask you to please pray for this young family, to pray for the Centre and all the families and volunteers on the first and third Saturdays of each month.'

WHITEWATER MOVIES

New date Friday 20th Sept.
Film to be announced.



NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 27th August

advertisement

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DOG WALKING AND BABYSITTING

Hi, I'm Natasha MacCallum, I'm 16 from Greywell. I am available to babysit at any time over the summer!



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PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

New applications

13/01455/LDCP (12th July)
Marlow Lodge, The Street, Greywell. Application for a Certificate of Lawful Development for proposed solar panels.

13/01430/FUL (9th July)
Greywell Pumping Station Deptford Lane. The temporary installation for six years of two containers housing ultraviolet (UV) disinfection plant at Greywell Water Treatment Works.

No objection

13/01116/CA (24th May)
The Old Cottage, The Street. Proposed works to trees in a conservation area.

13/01009/CA (14th May)
Old Post Office, Deptford Lane. Application for works to trees in a conservation area.

Church Notices

From the Parish Registers...

We gave thanks for the birth of

Emily Jones at St Nicholas' Newnham on Sunday July 7th

We celebrated the marriages of

Emma Roberts and Tom Ford at St Stephen's Up Nately on Saturday June 29th

Laura Burt and Graham Johnstone, also at St Stephen's Up Nately on Friday July 19th.

We gave thanks for the lives of

Mike Bryan of Up Nately on Friday July 12th at Basingstoke Crematorium
Ellen Ifould of Heatherside Rest Home, Nately Scures, buried at Worthing Road cemetery, Basingstoke on Thursday July 25th.

The ashes of Donald Ash, Mary Maunder and Barbara Wooldridge were all laid to rest in Greywell churchyard during July.

Mid-Week Holy Communion

Our next service will be on Thursday 15th August at 11am. We'd love you to join us – please call Jane Leese (765 547) to find out where this one will be held.

Sing UP Everyone appreciated the singing of our United Parish singing group at Evensong on June 30th and we will be practising in future on the first Monday evening of each month – the next one being on August 5th at Mapledurwell church at 7.15pm. With two weddings coming up to rehearse for we'd love to be joined by anyone who enjoys singing – why not come along and have a go!

Help Hoima You will remember that during Lent 2012 the UP responded most generously to the appeal I made for donations towards the building of staff accommodation for the Azur Clinic in Hoima, Uganda. I heard this week that the first block of four units is currently being inhabited by the head of paediatrics, a laboratory assistant, a midwife and another member of the clinic's staff. It is hoped that a second similar block will be able to be built soon.

Martin East As many in our Parishes know, Martin has been a curate-in-training in our Benefice for the last three years. Previous to that, he was with us during his theological training for three years, and previous to that he was churchwarden in Odiham. So we have a great deal to be thankful for and to thank him for. From September 1st this year, Martin will be on secondment to the Benefice of Hartley Wintney as they are in great need of additional clerical support. My colleagues and I would like to put on record our great thanks and appreciation for all Martin has given in his many roles in this Benefice and for the many gifts and qualities he has shared with us. Peter Dyson

DIOCESAN CONFERENCE & A MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOP OF WINCHESTER

As some of you will know our new Bishop of Winchester, Tim, has quickly set to work tackling some of the challenges facing our diocese today. He has recently written to the churches about the Diocesan conference to be held this September, which Peter Dyson and I will both be attending, which is charged with 'rediscovering the mission of Jesus'.

'Together', he writes, 'we will be discussing and setting key strategic priorities for the next 10 years. Our aim and our ambition is to become a mission-shaped diocese, as we work out our strategic priorities for living out the mission of Jesus across our communities.' There will be guest speakers, including Bishop Tom Wright and also a recorded message from Archbishop Justin Welby.

If you would like to know more please refer to the diocesan website www.winchester.anglican.org/diocesan-life/the-three-ps, where you can also respond to questions and make your contribution to the discussion.

The Bishop asks congregations to pray for the conference and for the church using these words:

*Lord Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer,
You are the strength of your people
and the source of their radiance.*

*Send your Spirit upon us;
reach out from on high
and take hold of us.*

*Instruct us in the ways we should go,
and lead us into the abundance of
your riches.*

*We wait in hope on you O God;
our hearts rejoice in you,
for we trust your holy name.*

Amen (Inspired by Psalms 18 – 34)

HAMPSHIRE & IOW'S HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST RIDE & STRIDE 2013 SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER

Individuals, groups or families, please consider a fun ride or walk around our local churches and countryside – raising money for your local churches. Why not visit all five? This year the Ride and Stride is on Saturday 14th September. Contact your local rep, or Libbie Bromfield 702 978, for more details.



Family Bromfield Ride and Striding about 10 years ago outside St Mary's Mapledurwell

Celebrating 25 years of support to Hampshire & the Island's historic churches 1988-2013.

Since 1988, Hampshire and the Islands Historic Churches Trust (HIHCT) has helped more than 300 churches and chapels of all denominations with grants and loans in excess of £540,000, for essential repairs, renovation and restoration.

Our main annual fund raising event is the Ride & Stride. This year's sponsored Ride & Stride on Saturday 14th September will mark 25 years of fund-raising towards the upkeep of some 900 historic church buildings in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight. Please join us in celebrating this special occasion.

HIHCT is run entirely by volunteers Registered Charity No 299633

www.hihct.org.uk



From The Rectory

Up Nately, RG27 9PL

01256 765 547 reverendjane@hotmail.co.uk



Dear Friends

Roland and I were married on July 14th 1973 so we have now been married for 40 years. I can remember my parents' ruby anniversary very clearly and I am sure they were quite old! Oh dear... In typical Jane and Roland fashion we

haven't had a big party but invited our special people – immediate family and a few very close friends – to join us for a lovely dinner at a local hostelry.

We were married in the United Reformed Church where I had grown up. We were both 22 years' old and we had been engaged for two years. For most of that time my mother had been busy planning the big day and my father must have been writing lots of cheques. The guest list (lots of extended family and my parents' friends, just a few of ours), the venue, the menu, the flowers, the printing, the outfits, the transport... mum was a great organiser and wanted to be sure we had a really good start to our married life.

And it was a lovely day. I remember an early morning visit to the hairdresser, arriving late at the altar because the photographer took so long outside the church, singing 'Praise my Soul the King of Heaven', lots more photos, speeches and telegrams (remember them?) at the reception, then the photographer returning with the 'proofs' of the pictures he'd taken so guests could make their choice on the spot. Finally I got changed at the hotel into my 'going away outfit' and we were taken by taxi to Heathrow for an evening flight to Guernsey. It was a memorable and long and tiring day!

Compare that with our Katy's wedding to Ben just after Easter this year. They were both 10 years older than we were, had been living together for seven years and finally decided to get married in December last year. So in the space of four months they organised their big day and were married in their parish church in Manchester. The guest list comprised immediate family, a few folk that Katy has known all her life, and lots of their friends, many of whom rallied round making cakes, driving cars, taking photos, putting up bunting, arranging flowers, playing the organ and singing in the choir.

Greetings messages were posted on Facebook, and photographs arrived on line and on CDs for us to choose at our leisure. Katy and Ben spent their wedding night in the same hotel as all the family and joined us for breakfast the next day. The result was a cacophony of joy and happiness. We did make a contribution towards the cost of course, but I have no regrets at not being asked to arrange it all!

Times change... Of course I know everyone's circumstances are different. Some of you have been married even longer than we have and are still enjoying every minute together, while others may feel trapped in a loveless relationship. Some of you are happily single, by choice; others sadly, through circumstance. Some of you will be in gay relationships and may be hoping to be married once the law is changed.

But love is a constant and continues to bring people together and I think all but the most cynical of us hope to find love and a special person to share our life. Certainly Roland and I are happy and thankful for the years we have had together... and now we can look forward to growing old together!

With my love to you all

Jane

Rev Jane Leese

Church Services

August 4th

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Nately Scures
9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Mapledurwell
11am	Morning Service	Greywell

August 11th

8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Up Nately
9.30am	Family Service	Mapledurwell
11.15am	Matins	Newnham
11am	Holy Communion (CW)	Greywell

August 18th

8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Greywell
9.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Mapledurwell
11am	Family Service	Up Nately
6pm	Evensong	Nately Scures

August 25th

8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Newnham
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Mapledurwell
9.30am	Matins (Patronal)	Up Nately
10.30pm	Family Service	Greywell

BENEFICE CHILDREN'S SERVICE

This year's Benefice Children's Service will be held at Herriard church on the 29th September. The plan is to hold the service at 12 noon and then share a picnic together afterwards. We will explore the idea of how we are the church and there will be lots of fun and activities involved. More information will follow next month but please put this date in your diaries, as it would be lovely to see as many of you as possible. Any queries, please contact Lynn Power 861 433.

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