

# THE HARDINGTON AND PENDOMER MESSENGER

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## CHURCH SERVICES FOR OCTOBER

Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	Matins	St Mary's Hardington	10.45am
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup>	Harvest Evensong	St Roch, Pendomer	5.30pm
	Holy Communion BCP	St Mary's Hardington	11.00am
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup>	Holy Communion	St Mary's Hardington	8.00am
	Holy Communion	St Roch, Pendomer	9.15am
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Communion	St Roch, Pendomer	9.15am
	Family Service	St Mary's Hardington	10.45am

## DIARY OF EVENTS FOR OCTOBER

Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Art & Craft Group, Village Hall,	2.30-4.30pm
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup>	Quiz, in aid of Scout Jamboree, Village Hall	7.30pm
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup>	Benefice Choir Practice, Weavers Cottage,	7.45pm
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>	W.I. Open Meeting, Village Hall, new members welcome	7.30pm
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	Hollywood in Hardington, Village Hall	7.00 for 7.30pm
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup>	Royal British Legion Coffee Morning, W. Coker Village Hall	10.00am
	Scything, Hatherstone Wood	10.00am
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup>	Tea and Toes, Village Hall by appointment	1.00-4.00pm
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, all welcome	7.30pm
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>	Art & Craft Group, Village Hall	2.30-4.30pm
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup>	Village Coffee Morning, Ridgeway House	10.30-12.00pm
Sat 20 <sup>th</sup>	Hay Raking, Hatherstone Wood	10.00am
	Murder Mystery and meal, Village Hall, ticket only	7.30pm

## OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup> LAST DATE FOR NOVEMBER MESSENGER

Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Benefice Choir Practice, Weavers Cottage,	7.45pm
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup>	Garden Club, Village Hall, all welcome	7.30pm
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup>	Village Hall Saturday Coffee Morning,	10.30am -12noon

## WEEKLY EVENTS

Tues	Pilates, Village Hall	11.00-12.00pm
	Ashtanga Yoga, Village Hall	7.00-8.00pm
Fri	Bell Ringing Practice, St. Mary's Hardington Mandeville	7.45pm

## AROUND THE VILLAGE

**CONGRATULATIONS:** Anne and Richard Seymour have welcomed twin grandchildren, Thomas and Emily. Annie and Neil Dyer's daughter, Holly and her husband Rob have had twin boys, brothers for Gabriel. Congratulations to them all.

Happy 80th birthday to Jo-Ann Halliday on Wednesday 17th October from all the family.

**GET WELL:** John Gilmore, Stuart Ogden, Pauline Grassam and Mike Phillips have all been in hospital recently. We hope by now they are all restored to fitness.

**WELCOME:** There has been an 'influx' of new residents to Hardington in the past few weeks, so we would like to welcome the following:

James, Lyndsey and family to 2, Hill End, (apologies for being rather late with this welcome), Gloria Karby has moved in with daughter Karen and son-in-law Simon, into Hardington House, Steve and Julie Baker and their children Grace and Harry, who have moved into Orchard Cottage, Moor Lane. Katie and Mark Pollock have moved into Foxholes, Hardington Moor and Michaela and Keith are the new owners of Shepherd's Spring. We hope you will be happy in your new homes.

**CONDOLENCES:** We send our condolences to Shirley and Rod Heal on the death of Anne Barrett, Shirley's mother. Anne had lived in Hardington with Rod and Shirley for some years, enjoying the coffee mornings and craft sessions until she needed more care and moved into a care home. Our thoughts are with Shirley, Rod and family at this sad time.

**THANKS:** Rod and Shirley Heal would like to thank friends and neighbours for the cards and messages of sympathy, following the loss of Shirley's mother, Anne Barrett. Anne came to live at Forde House ten years ago and was a regular at the village coffee mornings. Due to her frailty and ill-health it had become necessary for her to be cared for in a nursing home, where she passed away on 30th August. She had, however, managed to celebrate her 95th birthday on 4th August, with family around her. Special thanks to Rev Trevor Farmiloe for his guidance and understanding.

## SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

**For the attention of all parents/carers with a child due to start or transfer school in September 2019.**

If your child is due to start school for the first time (will be age 4 before 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018) or due to transfer to a junior, middle, secondary or upper school then it is very important you make a school place application on time.

**Deadline for primary admissions 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

**Deadline for secondary admissions 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018**

To download the primary or secondary booklet for parent's, to make an on-line application and for further information please visit our website [www.somerset.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.somerset.gov.uk/admissions). Please phone 0300 123 2224 if you require a paper application form or further advice.

## COKER WEA OCTOBER 2018

For those who do not know of the WEA, this is a national organisation, which has a long history of providing quality education for adults, which can be either for gaining educational qualifications or just learning for pleasure. Our branch has been active for over 20 years and always welcomes new people to our courses and provides a varied programme to reflect the interests of local participants. Courses can vary from 1½ hours a week, for six weeks, or a half or day course, fees vary accordingly. There is no membership required. We are a group of local residents from East and West Coker, Hardington and Bradford Abbas, but people come from far and wide to attend our events.

Wednesday Oct 31<sup>st</sup> 7.30pm -9.30pm Hardington Village Hall, we have historian Joanne Cobb speaking on "Making New Worlds" to coincide with this important centenary year.

Saturday November 10<sup>th</sup> 10-4pm, Hardington Village Hall, historian Janet Ravenscroft, on a day course, "The Northern Renaissance and the Golden Age of Spanish and Dutch Art"

We are also planning to provide a short course on improving iPad skills, and in the New Year a day course on GWR (The Great Western Railway) plus a six week course on Crime fiction in the 1930's.

If you feel that you would like to know more please contact one of us. Should you wish to enroll for either course, visit the web site: - [wea.org.uk](http://wea.org.uk) or [Tel:-0300 303 3464](tel:03003033464). Vivienne Ford - [Tel:- 863954](tel:863954), Jayne Jones - [Tel: - 862385](tel:862385) or Sarah Smith -[Tel:- 862466](tel:862466).

## **ST MARY'S HARDINGTON**

### **ATTENTION PLEASE!!!**

Our church is in need of some tender loving care. We have a rota of helpers so the church is dusted and vacuumed weekly which means that at present we are needed about 4 or 5 times a year..... but we are all growing older and some new volunteers are needed. Most of us work in pairs and the job is not arduous.

There is absolutely no need to be a churchgoer. We all enjoy having this beautiful building central to our village life. Great job really...1 hour sessions, 47 weeks annual holiday, tools provided, training given, free parking, warm feeling after doing a helpful deed! Please contact Annie Dyer 01935863706 [familydyer1@btinternet.com](mailto:familydyer1@btinternet.com)

### **THE VILLAGE HALL SATURDAY COFFEE MORNING**

Good news for all the supporters, and a chance for those who have not been before. We are restarting this enjoyable event in the Village hall on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October between 10.30 am and 12.00 noon. Do come along with family or friends for a chat over a coffee/tea with cake /biscuits or a delicious bacon roll! Meet old friends and make new ones, a good place for newcomers to meet their fellow villagers. Looking forward to seeing as many of you who can make it. Any further information and offers of help please ring Vivien or Trevor on 864546. Any profits go to the Village Hall refurbishment fund.

### **VILLAGE COFFEE MORNING**

For several years we have been holding small informal coffee mornings in the village, where we meet in various homes once a month for company and a chat. The main intention is to involve newcomers, lonely and single folk, and established villagers. However over the years many of the original crowd have left the village and others have passed away. This includes Brenda the main organiser, so we are now rather depleted in numbers and feel that we need a sort of recruiting drive to attract more people.

We realise the coffee mornings are not for everyone, but there must be many local folk who would welcome the chance to meet others, have a chat, and find out what is happening in the village and beyond! The next meeting will be held at Peter & Helen Rosewell's house on Thursday, October 18 from 10.30 to 12 noon. So come along and bring your friends. (Top of High Street. Turn right to Ridgeway house – first on right). Transport can be arranged if necessary.

## RECYCLING PLASTICS

I have been making enquiries and researching recycling in Somerset and thought I would share my findings with the hope that you might find it of interest.

Somerset Waste Partnership is trying to prioritise the reduction of food waste going into landfill. Food waste is a huge problem in landfill because it heats up and produces methane, which is a very powerful greenhouse gas. Also when the food heats up in the ground it can cause fires under ground. These fires can be very serious and put extra demand on fire services. Over the last few years, there have been a number of fires in Somerset Landfill sites. The largest one was in 2015 at Dimmer Landfill near Castle Cary. There was a further fire two years later at the same site. So the next time you go to put your leftovers (which haven't been recycled by the dog/cat/rabbit/garden compost) in the bin; pause and scrape them into your brown food waste bin, which is collected weekly by your friendly local recycling collection service.

Most large supermarkets recycle plastic carrier bags and some other plastic bags. You can check the label on food bags such as bread bags and some fruit and veg bags. Many manufacturers now use the OPRL (On Pack Recycling Label) system which will tell you whether the bag is recyclable: plastic lids such as the lids on milk bottles and cartons cannot currently be recycled with your doorstep collection so it is important to remove them before putting the washed bottles in the recycling bin. However these washed lids can be taken to your nearest Lush Cosmetic store. (Lush is a cosmetic company, which makes handmade soaps, cosmetics and much more with fresh plant based ingredients.) I am more than happy to collect these plastic milk bottle and tetra carton lids and send them on to Lush if you would like to pass them on to me. (Text or call me on 07904 236878). Daphne has kindly offered to have a bag at the shop for the lids to be dropped off there if that is more convenient. Please be considerate and wash the lids before recycling. The smell of gone off milk would make it unpleasant for everyone involved! All the kerbside plastic gets sorted and sent to Viridor who have a separating facility in Rochester.

Plastic currently suitable for recycling: Plastic pots for yoghurt, soup, face cream, hair gel, plastic tubs for margarine, ice cream, laundry tabs, plastic trays (including black plastic for meat), ready meals, and plastic punnets for fruit, mushrooms etc.

Before recycling items: Remove all foil, film covers, absorbent pads and card. Rinse out any contents. Squash items to fit more in.

I feel very fortunate to live in such a lovely community here with such beautiful countryside and would like to think that by doing my best now to reduce my waste and recycle what I can, I hope that in some small way, we will help future generations.

Rose White

## **HARDINGTON WILDLIFE**

Our several wildflower areas have performed well this year in spite of difficult weather conditions. Now the foliage must be cut, left to dry on the ground and then raked up for hay - this helps to spread the seed and also assist the plants, many of which only thrive in short grass.

The National Nature Reserve has already been cut and cattle should now be grazing to tidy it up. Two of the smaller sites are best cut in October and we have tried using scythes in the past, as it is now recommended as the most efficient environmentally friendly method. However it has not been easy as the present small gang of helpers are now of an age when backs do not like scything, and the ground round the pond in Hatherstone Wood is quite rough. This year the contractors will cut the wildflowers in the recreation field and we will rake it up later. In Hatherstone Wood we will get the scythes out on September 13<sup>th</sup> and hope to get lots of reasonably fit volunteers interested in having a go. If okay, we can then rake it up on October 20<sup>th</sup>. All welcome and no experience necessary.

Mike Bickerton

## **HARDINGTON AND PENDOMER W.I.**

The September meeting began with a minute's silence in memory of Brenda Bickerton who was a long-standing W.I. member and will be greatly missed following her death in August. The following guests were welcomed to our meeting – Susan Beatson, Roz Patten, Gloria Karby, Angie Mead and Wendy Whetham. Members were reminded of upcoming events in the W.I. calendar, which included the Annual Carol Service at Wells Cathedral on 12<sup>th</sup> December; The Somerset County Federation Annual Meeting at Westlands Entertainment Venue on 20<sup>th</sup> October when Jenny Bond, broadcaster and journalist will be the afternoon speaker, and the Autumn Ramble at East Coker on 11<sup>th</sup> October. With the business part of the meeting finished, our guest speaker Jo Lang was introduced. Jo is a Specialist Physiotherapist in Pelvic Health and gave us a very informative, graphic and amusing talk on our pelvic floor. She is very passionate about her job and told us that we “should look after our insides as much as our outward appearance such as hair, skin, nails etc.” By the end of the evening we were much more knowledgeable on how to achieve this! Jo works in Taunton and gives many talks to groups in the area – she made the comment that “our toilets were the best village hall toilets she had seen”! Pauline Rook, well known Somerset Photographer specialising in rural life, is our speaker at our next meeting on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30 p.m. This meeting is open to non-members. Tickets now available from Daphne at Springfield Stores - £5 to include Ploughman's Supper.

## **HARDINGTON PLAYERS Murder Mystery Supper Saturday 20 October 2018**

Tickets are now on sale for The Hardington Players Murder Mystery Supper at the Village Hall at 7.30pm on Saturday 20 October 2018. We will serve a delicious 3 course supper interspersed with short scenes on stage to set the scene and help you identify the murderer. There will be a bar for wine and soft drinks. The Hall will be laid out with two long tables so it should be a sociable evening as well.

Tickets cost £15.00 and the menu and tickets are available with Daphne at Springfield Stores. If you are unable to get to the shop then please telephone or email [annelunt@btinternet.com](mailto:annelunt@btinternet.com) Tel: 07769 678208. Please note that tickets are limited and menu choices need to be in by Saturday 13 October. The proceeds from the evening will go to Akamba Aid - see below

Anne Lunt

Akamba Aid Fund (AAF) is an independent charitable trust based locally in Somerset and established with the aim of enabling the poorest rural communities in Eastern Kenya to have access to the essentials of life that we take for granted. The Players have raised money for this charity in the past and with the support of the village raised enough money a few years ago to build a classroom. Two of our members - Tanya and Stewart Ogden spent a working holiday in Kenya helping build water wells. Next year AAF hopes to start building a brand new Secondary School in quite a remote village called Ivonangya. The students from the village and surrounding area find it very difficult to access education at Secondary level, the nearest being 10 kms away and with no bus route. As funds become available it is planned to build the school in three phases. Our donation will go to supporting this build, hopefully starting next year.

### **JUNIOR PRODUCTION, HARDINGTON PLAYERS**

As there will be no 2019 village pantomime, we would like to continue to support the talent and enthusiasm of the younger members of our community by putting on a Junior Production. This will be directed by Clare and Tanya and take place in March 2019 - date TBC. At this stage we are looking for potential expressions of interest and will confirm details of what the production will be once we know we can cast! Rehearsals are likely to begin in January 2019 and will include some Sunday daytime rehearsals and weekday early evening rehearsals (6-7-30pm) all to be confirmed. We would love to welcome previous Junior Players and any new young people in the area to be part of this production. If you think you would like to get involved, please can parents/carers email Tanya: [tanyaogden15@gmail.com](mailto:tanyaogden15@gmail.com) to let us know. We will then follow up with more information. Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you.

Tanya Ogden and Clare Middleton

## **VILLAGE MEMORABILIA**

As some of you might be aware we are collecting together any photographs from the villages of Hardington, including Pendomer and Lyatts, the people, and events from the past, in order to produce collages printed on canvas to be displayed in the Village Hall. If anyone has any such photographs that we could borrow to scan for this project we would be most grateful. Please have a look and place them in an envelope clearly labelled with your name, and individual photos could also have your initials on the reverse in light pencil. Please leave them with Daphne at Springfield Stores for us to collect. All will be returned to you. Thank you, Karen Dodge, Trevor and Vivien Cherry.

### **HARDINGTON AND PENDOMER COMMUNITY**

Some of you may already be aware that a new Facebook Group has been set up, "Hardington and Pendomer Community". Its purpose is to allow all villagers of Hardington Moor, Mandeville and Marsh as well as Pendomer who have access to Facebook! to share information, in a similar way with other villages. For example if you are a local business and would like to share your page or a promotion, please do so. Similarly should you need to find out some local info, we hope someone within the group can answer your question. This group is set up in the spirit of community support and we hope our membership will mainly be made up of Hardington and Pendomer villagers and other friends connected to our local community. For those of you not used to Facebook, this will be a "closed group" so any new members will have to ask to join the group. Posts can only be viewed within the group's membership. We do hope as many of you as possible will join the facebook group and that this will become another constructive way of sharing information and communicating within our community.

Karen Clotworthy

### **HARDINGTON ARTS AND CRAFT GROUP**

Our meeting dates for October are Wednesday 3rd and Wednesday 17th October between 2.30pm and 4.30pm in the Village Hall. If we are to continue as a group in 2019, we need new members! I am stepping down as co-ordinator at the end of this year, so hopefully someone will be willing to take this on. We are all complete amateurs, but enjoy meeting up and keeping our hands busy whilst having a good chat. Do come along just to give us a try.

Shirley 863937



## HARDINGTON STREET FAYRE AGM 3rd October 2018

Firstly, a huge thank you to everyone for their support with this year's Street Fayre. The 2018 Fayre made a net profit of **£4,030**, which will be donated 50/50 to the Parish Church and the Village Hall. The AGM is being held on Wednesday **3 October** at 19.30 in the Village Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend and put forward any ideas for discussion. A bar will be open. The main items for discussion are:

1. Review of the 2018 Street Fayre event
2. Discussion of any suggestions/ideas for the 2019 Street Fayre
3. Establishment of the Committee to organise the 2019 Street Fayre

We would like to continue to support the village in 2019 and future years but in order to do so we are in need of a couple more people to join the committee. We are also seeking a new Chairperson to take the committee forward as we pass on our very grateful thanks to the amazing, tireless work and enthusiasm of Nats Cole, our outgoing Chairperson, who is stepping down now that she has moved to Merriott and is starting a family. If you would like to get involved please come along on the 3rd or get in touch via our email ([hardingtonvsf@gmail.com](mailto:hardingtonvsf@gmail.com)) or Facebook page or speak to one of the committee (Martin Tizard, Jack Clotworthy, Andrew Middleton, Emma Tyrrell, Dy Catford, Caroline Sweetland)

### VILLAGE HALL

#### Events in the Village Hall in October.

Thanks to all of you in the village who supported our first "Hollywood in Hardington" movie of the season. Nearly 60 people watched "The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society" and enjoyed refreshments in the form of wine, beer, tea, coffee and cake. Our next movie will be "Lean on Pete", a heartwarming tale of a young lad who befriends an ex-race horse. Tickets will be available soon for the film, which will be shown on Friday, 12th October.

"Teas and Toes" continues to be very popular so ring Elaine (863026) early to book your appointment 1-4 pm on October 15th.

We are looking forward to hosting the Players Murder Mystery dinner on Saturday, 20th October. Come along and enjoy a delicious 3 course dinner, a few drinks and, of course, be entertained by our very talented village thespians. Tickets are £15 per head and available from Springfield stores now.

The next big event will be the village Firework display on Saturday 3rd November on the community field. There will be a bar and BBQ to enjoy as you watch the display. Tickets will be available soon. £5 in advance, £6 on the gate. Family ticket £12 in advance, £15 on the gate.

## FLOWER & CRAFT SHOW REPORT

Fine weather on the day of the Flower Show helped to attract a good number of visitors, many of whom praised the high quality of the entries despite the adverse conditions endured by gardeners this summer.

Overall entries were around 10% lower than in previous years, which was not as bad as some committee members were expecting, so may I thank all exhibitors for their efforts, whether they entered many or only a few items. Without you there would be no Show!

The prize winners were:

Juniors: Emily White (4 yrs & under), Madeleine Carty (5-8 yrs), and Amelie Griffiths (9-13 yrs).

Adults: Rosemary Richards (Overall Champion and Flowers & Plants), Richard Brooks (Fruit & Veg), Jim Lefeuvre (Photography), Shirley Heal (Handicraft), Cecilia Dack (Floral Art), Sue Phillips (Cookery & Preserves and WI Cup), and Robin Carpenter (Men's Cookery).

Congratulations to you all and my thanks go to all the committee and other volunteers who helped in setting up the hall and then dismantling it so efficiently as well as to the WI ladies for the refreshments and to Martin at the Royal Oak for donating the star raffle prize.

A small surplus was made, which will be added to Flower Show funds and put towards the purchase of some trestle tables to replace those that are in danger of collapsing.

Finally, if anyone can spare a few hours of their time either in the days leading up to the Show or even on the committee itself, please let me know.

Rod Heal (Tel 863937 or email at [rodheal48@gmail.com](mailto:rodheal48@gmail.com)).

### **World Scout Jamboree 2019: Hardington Village Quiz**

Our next fundraising event is a Quiz on Saturday October 6<sup>th</sup> in the Village Hall. Doors open 7.30pm for 8pm start. Tickets, available from Daphne at Springfield Stores or on the night, are £7 per person to include cheese and biscuits at 'half time'. People can come as a team or make up tables of 6 on the night. There will be a bar through the evening, which will also sell soft drinks. A raffle will be drawn on the evening. We are looking forward to seeing lots of people for a fun evening! Donations of raffle prizes can be left with Daphne or myself, [janepwoodcock@gmail.com](mailto:janepwoodcock@gmail.com) or 07956 909939. Thank you again for all your support.

Jane and Toby Woodcock

## **THE PARISH CLERK WRITES...**

### **The September Meeting...**

The only planning application this month was for the carrying out of work to various trees for an area covered by a tree protection order at The Walled Garden, Rectory Lane. The SSDC Tree Officer was happy that the work was necessary and there were no objections.

A new Tree Preservation Order covering an area of land owned by The Cottage, Moor Lane has now been confirmed by SSDC.

The PC confirmed that they were happy with the developer-proposed name of "Nursery" for the new road in the Moor End development. The suffix would be decided later, although "Gardens" was suggested.

It was agreed that a new, much larger litter bin will be purchased in order to combat the on-going problem of over-flowing litter at the Community Field. The other on-going problem of dog faeces was also discussed. The PC feel that if this continues to be a significant problem then they will have to consider making the field a dog-free zone.

Following The Hardington Players request for the PC to jointly fund the replacement of the Village Hall stage track and curtains, which currently look very shabby and are difficult to operate, the PC approved a payment of a 50% deposit for the project.

There are currently two vacancies on the Parish Council; if you are interested please contact myself or a member of the Parish Council for further details.

The next scheduled Parish Council meeting will be at 7.30 in the Village Hall on the 16<sup>th</sup> October and the public can speak for a limited amount of time at the start. The agenda for the forthcoming meetings and minutes of past meetings can be found a few days beforehand on the village website [www.hardington.net](http://www.hardington.net) and copies are posted on the village notice boards. You can contact me at [hardingtonclerk@rocketmail.com](mailto:hardingtonclerk@rocketmail.com), by telephone on 01935 862073, or in writing at Grove House, Pendomer, Somerset, BA22 9PH. Nancy Chapman, Parish Clerk

## **LORD'S LARDER**

The Lord's Larder food bank is a local 'bank' of non-perishable food operated by volunteers from churches in and around Yeovil. Last year over 82,000 items of food were distributed via 60 different agencies to help more than 5,000 local people.

There is a box for donations in the church or I can collect directly from you if this is easier.

Annie Dyer 01935 863706 [familydyer1@btinternet.com](mailto:familydyer1@btinternet.com)

**AND FINALLY:** Items for next month's Messenger can be emailed to the team at: [hardingtonmessenger@rocketmail.com](mailto:hardingtonmessenger@rocketmail.com). Please send your contribution as an **attachment** to an email in a Microsoft word (.doc or .docx) document, preferably in Calibri 16, in as simple a form as possible.

## **The Royal Oak....**



### **Steak night every Wednesday!**

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trimmings for just £10.00**

**Plus Sirloin, Rib eye and Fillet also available.**

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*Our next Theme night is...*

*Friday 19<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October*

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