

The Village Newsletter

Mottisfont & Dunbridge

ACORN



February 2015

Parish Council

Following the resignation of Jacquie Horne, there is a vacancy on the Parish Council. If you would like to support your community, please get in touch. We are a friendly team that meet every 6 weeks and work closely with Hampshire County Council, Test Valley Borough Council, the Police and the National Trust, to keep the roads in good order, footpaths clear and consider planning applications for the parish – to name just a few of our duties. Someone with a link to the local schools, or other community organisations, would be particularly welcome!

Our thanks obviously go to Jacquie for her hard work on the council, and we wish her well!

The date of our next meeting is 18th March, and the Annual Parish Meeting is scheduled for the 22nd April, 7.30pm in the Village Hall. The meetings are open to all, so we look forward to you joining us then.

Sue Holder

SPEEDING VEHICLES

Due to increasing concern about speeding vehicles on the B3084, the Parish Council arranged with PCSO Jo Cole to monitor speeds at Hatt Hill and Barley Hill. The monitoring was undertaken in two week-long surveys, in July and November last year.

The average daytime speed recorded in the Barley Hill survey was 31.6 mph. While the majority of drivers kept close to the speed limit, a quarter exceeded 36 mph and a hard core of drivers clearly ignored it altogether.

Speeds on Hatt Hill were much faster, but the pattern is similar: the daytime average was just under 40 mph, which is the speed limit, but one in five drivers exceeded 46 mph, and there was evidence of serious speeding at morning and evening peaks.

The new stretch of footpath on Barley Hill has made the road safer for pedestrians, but on Hatt Hill there

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Mottisfont & Dunbridge Village Hall Annual General Meeting Thursday, 19th March, 7.30pm

The Village Hall AGM is your opportunity to hear about how the Hall is run, and more importantly, to bring your ideas about how to improve this excellent facility we are so lucky to have.

The committee would welcome new faces. We have monthly meetings during the year and would love to have new blood to help run the hall.

Wine and nibbles will follow the AGM, so do come and join us!

Station traffic grows

Mottisfont & Dunbridge station saw the fastest growth in train passenger numbers across the Romsey region last year. Figures released by the Office of Rail Regulation show that Mottisfont & Dunbridge station came out on top with an 11 per cent increase, which equates to 28,854 passengers. The previous year 25,986 people used the station.

Nearby Dean also saw a 6.1 per cent increase with a total of 26,118 people using it compared with 24.616 in 2013-14.

And at Romsey itself, there was a 4 per cent increase with a total of 447,146 between 2013-14. The previous figure was 458,714.

Three Rivers Community Rail Partnership rail officer Mark Miller said it was all very good news for public transport and the rural stations in the region, which provide a vital lifeline for country villages.

Mr Miller said: "There is almost universal growth in rail travel across the area of 3.7 per cent, which is fantastic. While this is lower than the national growth figure overall of around 5.7 per cent, this is still extremely encouraging considering the density of operations and capacity limitations in this part of the country. Nevertheless, some stations are performing well above average."

Andy Simmonds

The deadline for inclusion of items in the March edition of the Acorn is 16th February.

Please email items to acornnews@mandercom.co.uk.

Mational Trust

2015 promises to be every bit as busy and exciting as last year here at Mottisfont, National Trust. In 2014 we built the new WildPlay and WaterPlay areas; completed our "StoryScape" interpretation project - which included opening new rooms in the house to our visitors for the first time and telling the story of our medieval past - and we also opened our newly refurbished café, which has been very popular indeed.

This year our new visitor facility will be built. It is a 43 week project, which includes a new visitor reception, toilets and shop at the front of the property where the previous visitor reception was located and will open in September 2015. An additional, new café in the stable yard where the shop was located

previously will then be built and open in November 2015. It's all very exciting and will look great.

Our exhibition and trails have been a big success and we will have 6 different exhibitions this year to look forward to. Our hope is that the programme offers something for everyone over the course of the year, so please do join us for the things that interest you.

On the wider estate, we completed the crown lifts for the trees along Bengers' Lane and removed a number of trees along Mottisfont Road which were leaning or posing a threat to traffic/neighbours. We've also been hedge cutting right across the estate to maintain our ancient hedges and getting stuck into our work on woodland management projects producing: 140 faggots for river restoration, besom brooms and firewood and we have also been out collecting material for charcoal.

If you would like to purchase any logs, please contact either David Chase or Ryan Scott on 340759.

Belated Happy New Year to everyone who lives in Mottisfont & Dunbridge. Thank you for all your great support in 2014 and we look forward to seeing you in 2015.

Paul Cook, General Manager.

In the garden...

The winter garden is alive with vibrant stems and scented shrubs and colourful flowering perennials; set against a backdrop of ornamental bark and beautiful views of the grounds, estate and St.

Andrew's Church. The best is yet to come, when the snowdrops and daffodils arrive...and the first signs of spring were spotted this week!

In the gallery...

This weekend we start the season with two exhibitions, Light-works: Contemporary Photography, an exhibition exploring the use of light, shade and exposure in modern photography, and, Art in Focus:

People, a mini exhibition with pictures of people in Mottisfont's art collection. Both exhibitions open on Saturday, 17th January from 11am.

Join the team, working in our "special place"

Mottisfont National Trust is recruiting for a Head Chef, Commis Chef, Catering Supervisor, Catering Assistants, Gardener and Marketing Officer. If you are interested in any of these positions, then please go to www.nationaltrustjobs.org.uk and search under Mottisfont or call Alison Broom on 344001 and she will put you in touch with the relevant recruiting manager.

Events...

Tree planting open day at Foxbury: Sunday, 15th February, 10am-3pm.

Guided snowdrop walks: Saturday and Sunday, 7th, 8th, 14th and 15th February, 10:30am, 12:30pm and 2pm. Free walk – sign up at Visitor Reception on the day.

February half term: Get the picture family trail: Saturday, 14th – 22nd February, 10am till 5pm.

For more information check out our website or just call 340757.

Keep in touch...

Our website (nationaltrust.org.uk/mottisfont/) is a brilliant way to keep up to date with what we are up to, but did you know that you can get regular updates from us? We have a Facebook and Twitter page @MottisfontNT and we have our own e-newsletter. If you would like to sign up to our email newsletter just email helen.potts@nationaltrust.org.uk and you will be added to our list.

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is no option but to walk in the road. The Parish Council wants the speed limit reduced from 40 to 30 mph and a new footpath built. We also need to deter the really irresponsible drivers.

In some parishes, Hampshire Police has trained volunteers to undertake speed checks themselves, and PCSO Cole has offered to arrange a demo. Is this something you would support? Would you volunteer?

Jeff Channing

The Broughton and Mottisfont Community Bus Committee

Charity Number: 284910



NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Broughton and Mottisfont Community Bus is run as a charity under the provisions of the law and the Charity Commission. An Annual General Meeting is held each year, to which members of the public are welcome. The 35th Annual General Meeting will be held in the Broughton Village Hall on Thursday, 5th March, 2015, starting at 7.30pm. The bus will collect people who wish to attend, starting from Dunbridge at 7pm. Those from Broughton wishing to attend and needing a lift should contact the Hon. Secretary, below.

Agenda

ITEM 1	Apologies.
ITEM 2	Approval of minutes of 34th AGM.
ITEM 3	Matters arising from those minutes.
ITEM 4	Financial report given by David Mason
ITEM 5	Chairman's report given by Peter
	Broome.
ITEM 6	Resignations and Election of Officers.
ITEM 7	Any other business (including
	suggestions for excursions in the
	summer months).

Anyone wishing to come on to the committee, or nominating someone else, should contact either the chairman, Peter Broome on 301635 or the secretary, George Vaughan on 301045. The latest date for such nominations is 23rd February.

SHED AND OUTBUILDING CRIME PREVENTION

Advice from Hampshire Police

There have been a number of shed and garage break-ins in the area, so please make sure your sheds and equipment are secure.

Many people take a great deal of trouble in securing their home and property, while leaving valuable garden tools and cycles in a shed that is unlocked. Garden crime is becoming increasingly common.

MOTTISFONT & DUNBRIDGE W.I.

At the January meeting, members and guests were entertained by Joseph Davies, who talked about his travels to various countries and the culture



and food he encountered. In particular he told us about the growing and production of chocolate.

Members attended an enjoyable evening at the Salzberg Theatre in Salisbury to see the production of 'Come Fly With Me'.

We plan to hold a Jumble Sale on Saturday, 14th March at Mottisfont and Dunbridge Village Hall from 2pm until 3.30. All donations will be gratefully received, and collection of items can be arranged by phoning Cathie Wood on 340129 or Francis Jenkins on 301614.

2015 is the centenary year of the Woman's Institute, and to celebrate this a meal has been arranged in March at The Old House at Home in Romsey.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, 10th February at 7.30 in the Mottisfont and Dunbridge Village Hall. The speaker will be from Waitrose, talking about the 'History of Scottish Salmon in Retail and Supermarkets'. Guests will be very welcome.

Mary Batten

TEST VALLEY LECTURES: 'The Fire Service in Time of War' by Alan House, Wednesday, 18th February

In his popular and unusual approach to the history of the period, Alan will tell us about the role of the fire service in the years leading up to and during World War II, with particular reference to life in Hampshire.

Alan House spent 42 years working in the fire service, eventually becoming Deputy Chief Fire Officer of Hampshire. Today, he is a historian who has authored 19 books but he still remains active as a volunteer fire officer.

Join us at Broughton Village Hall at 8pm (doors 7:30pm). The entry price of £3 includes wine and snacks (free to students). More information from nick.lodge@iee.org.

Tools such as lawn mowers, strimmers, hedge cutters, and power tools are expensive items to replace and their loss may result in raised insurance premiums.

Do not leave ladders or garden tools in your garden. Lock them away in a garage or shed. Thieves could use your tools to gain access to your house. Dear Friends,

Lent this year begins on 18th February, which is just a few weeks away. I wanted to point this out for us, as this year we will be running a Lent Course based on St. Benedict and exploring our faith. This Lent Course will be held on Monday lunch times from 12-2pm, beginning on Monday 23rd February.

We will be serving soups, cheese and fresh bread, and we hope to feed not only our bodies but also our souls and our minds as we look at and ponder on God's gift of faith to his people. These meetings will take place each week at a home within the benefice. You will be able to sign up for the course using the list in each church.

Just to remind us, what is Lent? Lent is a forty-day season that initiates the most sacred part of the Christian year. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and concludes on the Great Vigil of Easter. Sundays are not included in the forty-day count because every Sunday is a joyful celebration of our Lord's resurrection.

During Lent, Christians meditate on the great paschal mystery -- the salvation God won for us sinners by the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The word Lent is derived from the Old English lencten, which means "lengthen." It refers to the lengthening of the daylight hours that occurs as spring approaches. It is in this period of transition from late winter to early spring that the season of Lent falls.

The duration of the season of Lent is based on the ancient church custom of lencten, and fasting before being baptized on the evening before Easter. This

probationary period was called the quarantine (from the Latin word for forty). The number forty occurs frequently in both testaments of the

Bible. It signifies the time that is required for discipline, testing, and separation prior to achieving a goal or new beginning. For example, we read in the Old Testament that it rained forty days and nights during the Great Flood. Moses communed with God on Mount Sinai for forty days before receiving the Ten Commandments. The people of Israel were forced to wander in the wilderness for forty years, Elijah journeyed for forty days before he reached Mount Horeb and had a vision of God, and the inhabitants of Nineveh fasted and repented for forty days in response to the preaching of Jonah.

The outstanding instances of the number forty in the New Testament are the account of Christ's ordeal in the desert fasting, praying, and being tempted by the devil, and His various appearances to the apostles and others between His resurrection and Ascension, during which He strengthened their faith and prepared them for the coming of the Holy Spirit.

Please remember to book in to the Benefice Lent Course. There will be limited numbers so please put your name on the lists that will be in each church with information of where the course will be being held. It will also be on the pew sheet.

With Blessings

Ron Corne. Rector.

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY									
	1st February Presentation of Christ CANDLEMAS	8th February 2nd before LENT	15th February Next before LENT	22nd February LENT 1					
8.00	Broughton HC CW	-	Broughton HC BCP	-					
9.30	Bossington HC BCP	Broughton HC CW and Sunday Club-	Broughton Family Service Mottisfont HC BCP	Broughton Family Communion CW and Sunday Club					
11.00	Houghton Family Service	Mottisfont Family Service	Houghton Family Communion CW	Mottisfont Family Communion CW					
6.00	Mottisfont Evensong	Houghton Evensong	-	Houghton Evensong					

Ash Wednesday, 18th February, 7.30pm at St. Mary's: Holy Communion with the "Imposition of Ashes"

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

BROUGHTON BRIGHT HOUR

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

Events for November

6th November: Members Meeting 13th November: Rev'd Vanessa Cole 20th November: Mr Peter Ponting 27th November: Rev'd Nona Harrison

Everyone welcome

Barbara Perry, Booking Secretary, 301466

St Andrew's Organ

The organ builders have been very busy reassembling the organ - fascinating to watch - and everything should be complete during February, so watch for another message from me in the March Acorn.

Andrew Cooper (acOrgan Builders), who is doing the work has said that he will endeavour to fit in a time during his schedule to give us a recital, sort of 'the proof of the pudding is in the eating'.

That's a kind of thank-you from me (and the Church) to all who have encouraged and contributed to this massive project in any way.

Valda White

Re-cycling candles

Have you any unwanted used candles?

There is a local source for reconstituting them which you could use. Contact Braishfield Benefice Office c/o Sarah Boothman on 878020, who can receive them for Jumbulance.

Broughton Boys' Charity Bike Ride Challenge

A group of friends from Broughton (Alec Welland, Angus Robson, James Turner, John Hendy, Pete McAllister, Roy French & Tim Jenner) have signed up to the Help for Heroes Big Battlefield Bike Ride in June 2015, with the aim of raising £20,000 for the charity.

The challenge will see the friends embark on a cycle ride covering 350+ miles through France following a World War II theme. Starting in Paris the route will pass through Évreux, Lisieux, Caen, (taking in the D-Day beaches) Bayeux and Cherbourg, before heading back to London. The challenge will see the

St. Andrew's and Southampton City Food Bank

A food collection point has now been established within our Parish Church of St Andrew's as part of the wider work of the Church to provide the much needed essentials of life to those in need within the Southampton area.

We are asking everyone to consider donating one item per month from the list below to support the vital work of the Southampton City Mission, which is a registered charity, in alleviating basic hunger within the City and its environs.

The Church is open throughout the day, and the collection point is just inside the door. Donated items will be collected regularly and passed on to the Basics Bank on your behalf.

To give you an idea of what kinds of food are good to donate, please look through the list below. Please buy smaller portion bags, as food is given out based on meal portions.

Thank you so much for helping in this way. Every single item will be well received and put to good use!

St. Andrew's PCC

Suggested foods

Stewed steak, rice pudding/custard, minced beef, tinned fruit, chicken in white sauce, vegetarian foods, curries, peas, ravioli, carrots, spaghetti Bolognese, sweetcorn, meatballs, other miscellaneous vegetables (tinned), baked beans with sausages, cereal, especially Weetabix (ideal for single people as it can be split to make more parcels), Irish stew, pasta sauce, chilli con carne, packets of noodles/savoury rice, macaroni cheese, pasta, spaghetti hoops, rice, tuna, tea, sardines, coffee, salmon, hot chocolate, pilchards, UHT milk, soup (particularly the chunky soups), flour, baked beans, sugar, potatoes (tinned or packet of mash), conserves, tomatoes, treats (crisps, chocolate, biscuits, crackers, seasonal foods), squash.

boys cycling alongside ex-service personnel many of whom have suffered serious and life changing injuries.

As part of their fundraising efforts, they are organising a May Ball which will be held on 9th May at the Middle Wallop Air Base. Tickets for this Black Tie event go on sale in January and include reception drinks, 3-course meal, an auction and entertainment by Rufus Stone. Tickets are limited, so please contact Bev Jenner on 301075 or Sarah Hendy on 301106 as soon as possible. There is more information at www.bmycharity.com/bbbbbr15.

What's on at the Mill Arms

Pizza night is here! From 30th January we'll be making pizzas every Friday night 6-9pm, eat in or takeaway.



14th February: don't forget Valentine's Day. We'll have a special 3-course menu available – details to follow on the website.

26th February: Quiz night. It's only a bit of fun! £5 per team entry, winner takes all.

20th March: (a bit of forward planning!) Just after St. Patrick's Day, the Shamrock Keys are back after their successful debut at the pub. They bring their own brand of Irish music – jigs, reels and drinking songs.

Kaye and Richard

WALKING GROUP

Funnily, our monthly Friday walks always coincide with a lovely warm sunny day!!! Why not come along and try one? Roughly about four miles then a nice country pub for lunch and then two, three or four miles afterwards.

The next ones are -Friday 13th February, 13th March and 10th April. We usually set off between 9.30am and 10am.

Gordon 340129

Whist Drives in Mottisfont

Commencing at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The next sessions will be on: Friday 27th February, Friday 27th March, and Friday 24th April.

£2.00 per person includes refreshments, and there's a fantastic raffle.

Can't play or need a refresher game? No problem, it can be done. Call John & Frances Jenkins on 301614 or Gordon & Cathie Wood on 340129

Art Group

We meet every Thursday at the Village Hall between 2pm and 4pm.

No skill required, just come along and draw or throw some paint around. You will be surprised at the result!



Refreshments provided.

Gordon 340129

Healthwatch Hampshire

Healthwatch is the new independent consumer champion created to gather and represent the views of the public. It exists in two distinct forms - local Healthwatch and Healthwatch England at national level. The aim of local Healthwatch is to give citizens and communities a stronger voice to influence and challenge how health and social care services are provided within their locality. Local Healthwatch has taken on the work of the Local Involvement Networks (LINks) and also represents the views and experiences of people who use services, carers and the public on the Health and Wellbeing Boards set up by local authorities. It provides information and direction to people about local health and care services, how to access them, and how to find their way round the system.

Local Healthwatch reports concerns about the quality of health and social care services to Healthwatch England, which can then recommend that the Care Quality Commission take action. Every voice counts when it comes to shaping the future of health and social care, and when it comes to improving it for today. Everything that local Healthwatch does will bring the voice and influence of local people to the development and delivery of local services.

People need to feel that their local Healthwatch belongs to and reflects them and their local community. It needs to feel approachable, practical and go-ahead, to act on behalf of local people.

We're helping you to shape and improve the services you use, engaging with people in your community. If you haven't met us yet, please get in touch!

We are an open and inclusive organisation. We want to make it easy for you and your community to join us and take part. Ask us what we're doing and we'll always tell you what's happening. You can hold us to account.

We're here to help services to improve and to notice the bad and the good things they do. We use your evidence to build a true picture of your local services. Healthwatch has the power to visit NHS and social care funded services to speak to patients and staff and see how the service is provided.

Healthwatch Hampshire is a Social Enterprise, a Community Interest Company. That is, a company that acts for the benefit of the community. Our strategic direction is set by a Board of Directors. We currently have three Executive Directors and two Non-Executive Directors. On a day-to-day basis our work is led by employed staff and volunteers. Have you thought about being one of those volunteers? Contact John Perry on 301466 or at wheeltapper@toucansurf.com for more information,

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Recipe of the month:

Chicken liver and cranberry pâté This recipe serves 4 people.

Ingredients

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 2 shallots finely chopped
- 3 sprigs of thyme, leaves only
- 1 garlic clove, crushed
- 1 pinch freshly grated nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon ground allspice
- 1 orange, zest only
- 400g chicken livers, trimmed
- 50ml brandy
- 100ml double cream
- 120g butter
- 50g fresh/frozen cranberries 80g butter, for sealing the
- pâté tops



Kate Buchan, Head chef at Kimbridge Restaurant

How to make it

Heat the oil in a medium pan. Add the shallots and thyme and cook gently for five minutes or until soft. Add the garlic, spices, orange zest and a good pinch of salt and pepper, and cook for a further two minutes.

Add the chicken livers to the pan and fry for 6-8 minutes, or until just cooked through. To test, remove a piece of liver from the pan and cut it open. It should be moist, but no longer bloody. Transfer the chicken livers to a food processer, and blend until smooth.

Add the brandy to the pan to deglaze it, then add the cream and bring to a simmer. Cook for two minutes, stirring in any residue from the pan. Pour into the food processor and blend again until smooth. With the motor running, gradually add the cubed butter and blend until smooth.

Pass the mixture through a fine sieve into a bowl. Add the cranberries, and then place the mixture into ramekins. Smooth the tops down by gently banging the ramekins against a work surface, then place in the fridge while you prepare the butter for the top.

Melt the butter for the top in a pan. Add a sprinkling of mace to the butter, then pour evenly over the ramekins. Set a bay leaf and a few cranberries into the butter to decorate, and chill for minimum of two hours, or for the best result, overnight.

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Healthwatch Hampshire Westgate Chamber, Staple Gardens, Winchester, SO23 8SR.

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KIMBRIDGE RESTAURANT

What's on in February

- ▶ 1st: Sunday Lunch roasts with gravy and vegetables, £9.45.
- ▶6th: Fish Fryday homemade battered cod with tartare sauce. 12noon till 3pm, £8.95.
- ▶7th: Saturday is family day. Children under 12 eat free from the children's menu when eating with an adult
- ▶8th: Sunday Lunch roasts with gravy and vegetables, £9.45
- ▶ 13th: Fish Fryday homemade battered cod with tartare sauce. 12noon till 3pm, £8.95
- ▶ 14th: Saturday is family day. Children under 12 eat free from the children's menu when eating with an adult.
- ▶ 14th: St. Valentine's Day Evening 4-course meal, including a glass of wine. 6pm till 10pm, £24.95. Menu: Kimbridge cocktail; spiced sweet potato soup, asparagus Parma ham and rocket salad with balsamic dressing, or haddock and smoked salmon pâté with granary toast; chicken breast stuffed with goat's cheese and caramelised onion, supreme of salmon on a bed of stir fried vegetables and noodles tossed in oyster sauce and topped with sesame seeds, pork belly on a bed of spring onion mash with apple and sage jus, venison casserole in a cranberry and Cumberland sauce, or roasted vegetable and feta wellington on a creamy pesto sauce; strawberry and champagne torte, tangy lemon cake with a lemon syrup and custard, or chocolate and Baileys cheesecake; coffee and chocolate mint.
- ▶15th: Sunday Lunch roasts with gravy and vegetables, £9.45
- ▶ 19th: Chinese New Year, the year of the sheep. Eat-as-much-as-you-like hot buffet. 6pm, £12.95, including a quiz with prizes. Buffet includes: prawn crackers, spring rolls, prawn toast, sweet and sour chicken, Hoisin and Chinese 5 spice spare ribs, spiced lamb and cashew nut curry, vegetable chop suev, egg fried rice, vegetable chow mein.
- ▶ 20th: Fish Fryday homemade battered cod with tartare sauce. 12noon till 3pm, £8.95
- ▶21st: Saturday is family day. Children under 12 eat free from the children's menu when eating with an adult
- ▶22nd: Sunday Lunch roasts with gravy and vegetables, £9.45
- ▶24th: Painting with Marina. This month: how to paint a Lenten rose in water colours. 10am till 1:30pm, £25.00, to include all materials.

Sunday to Thursday: 10am - 5pm. Friday and Saturday: 9am to 5pm www.kimbridgerestaurant.co.uk kimbridgerestaurant@gmail.com 340556 / 340777

Mottisfont Social Club

Mottisfont Social Club welcomes families and offers a friendly face and reasonably priced bar. We have a range of giant games for children, and for the adults there is a choice of a snooker table, pool table, 5 dart boards, skittle alley, adequate parking and a garden for the warmer weather.

The club is very well situated in the heart of the village and members can take advantage of the premises as a free venue for their birthday parties and family celebrations - come in and ask for details.

Can you help?

Mottisfont Social Club is looking for new committee members. Do you have ideas about how the club could improve its facilities or events? Well, put them into action by joining the committee! Contact Tracy Sheppard or any other committee member to find out more.

Membership subscriptions

Just a gentle reminder that annual membership subscriptions are now due.

Club Opening Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday: 7pm till 11pm

Did you know...

...that the *Acorn* has its own web site? At **www.theacorn.org.uk** you can find the latest edition of the *Acorn*, and links to various local organisations.

Our thanks go to Jon Butler for maintaining the site!

Julia and Peter

The Dowse Trust

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

The next meeting of the Dowse Trust will be held on 19th March and applications must be received by the secretary either by post or email by 9th March (all applications have to be circulated to trustees prior to the meeting for their consideration). Application forms are available at St. Mary's Church Broughton, Mottisfont Church, and from Broughton Primary School, or by email from the secretary, tinastuart1(spam-foiler)@gmail.com (leave out the spam-foiler!).

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