

# Mottisfont & Dunbridge

# **ACORN**



May 2017

# MOBILE FISH & CHIP VAN

Thank you everyone who supported The Happy Fryer fish & chip van when it came to Mill Rise on Wednesday 5th April.

It was evident that this was a very popular visit. Dawn & Keith will bring extra cod supplies next time, now they know how many are likely to come.

As promised, we've arranged for the van to come again on Wednesday 3rd May and Wednesday 7th June, between 5pm & 6pm. They may not be able to come in July and August as this is their busy time on campsites in the forest. More on these dates in later editions of the

Hoping the May & June visits will be as popular as the April one.

Pat & Dave Francis

# **Village Fete Organising Meeting**

Last Tuesday of the month Village Hall @ 7.30pm Next meeting 30th May

Mottisfont Fete will be held on Sunday 13th August, 1pm - 4.30pm.

Please contact Ali on 341971, alimckay-at-ekit-dotcom or Michael Horne on 340105 if you would like a stall, or have any great ideas for this year's fete.

# Margaret and Alan's special day

Margaret and Alan would like to thank those who attended our wedding at St. Andrew's together with their cards and good wishes.

Having our friends with us helped make our service really special. We had a lovely day and the showers managed to miss us at the key moments!

Annie's Kitchen and Tea Room gave us a wonderful reception with afternoon teas and evening dinner, rounding off our day perfectly.

# All change!

A new train operator will run passenger services at Mottisfont & Dunbridge Station in a couple of months time.

First MTR has been selected by the Department for Transport to take over running the service from South West Trains on Sunday 20th August.

The new contract will last seven years, and the shake-up of the service comes at a time when a record number of passengers are using Mottisfont & Dunbridge Station.

Since 2006 passenger journeys have been rising each year and now more than 29,500 people use the station annually, according to the latest Government figures.

And a good number of passengers' onward destination is the nearby Mottisfont Estate.

The Parish Council has taken measures to improve signage for passengers heading for Mottisfont's former Augustinian priory which is now a Test Valley top tourist attraction.

This includes direction signs along Hatt Lane and along Mottisfont Footpath 9, which links Hatt Lane with Hatt Hill at Mottisfont

Full details about the new train services and how they will affect Mottisfont & Dunbridge Station have yet to be announced.

However, the current timetables are unlikely to change until the end of the year at the earliest. First MTR has promised to pump more than one billion pounds worth of improvements into train services. The new company's operating name will be South Western Trains - almost identical to the current franchise holder (Stagecoach) South West Trains.

Rail Officer with the Three Rivers Community Rail Partnership, Mark Miller, praised the outgoing train operator's input into the rail industry during the last 20 years.

He said: "Amongst many improvements, we are particularly delighted with the record numbers of passengers now using continued on page 2

The deadline for inclusion of items in the June edition of the Acorn is 16th May. Please email items to acornnews@mandercom.co.uk.



Irust

Greetings from Mottisfont Abbey! I hope you've had a happy Easter, and have been able to enjoy this lovely sunshine we've had of late.

The upper overflow car park has been dry enough to use when ational needed over the long weekend, and we have had our car parkers in, so operations have been on the whole

very smooth. We did have some problems on the first Sunday of the holidays, when fine weather brought out lots of visitors all at once, and the overflow car park was still too soft to use. The 'no parking' signs on the verges leading up to the car park entrance worked well, but visitors then parked further up into the village. I'm very sorry about this; we are preparing more signs ready for use right through the village on very busy days, to keep the village clear.

There are still plenty of quieter times, even during the holidays and at weekends, so do pop in for a stroll if you've got time. The tulips are looking spectacular, and it's always lovely to walk by the river or in the woods. On Saturday 6th May, we're showcasing the work that our countryside teams do both in and around Mottisfont and in the New Forest. so that's a great day to visit if you're free. There are all sorts of activities for the family to try as you explore what we do to look after our landscape and wildlife.

We'll soon be saying goodbye to the collections of work by Rex Whistler that we've had on loan since January, but we're excited to prepare for our next exhibition of work from the Shell Heritage Art Collection, which opens on Saturday 6th May. We'll be displaying both original artwork and posters from the Discovering Britain campaign, which was created with contemporary artists from the 1930s onwards, and which was all about the lovely places that you could explore by car. Many of them were National Trust places, and quite a few of the artists also feature in our Derek Hill Collection; the landscape images are just beautiful. We're also really pleased to have been able to borrow some early forecourt merchandise, some of the Valentine's cards that Shell sent to their female customers every year, and wonderful films voiced by John Betjeman in the 1950s, which describe some of the many exciting destinations you might want to visit.

With all best wishes, and hope to see you soon,

Louise

Louise Govier General Manager, Mottisfont & SW Hants Group

#### **Countryside Day** Saturday 6 May 10am - 5pm

Join us for a day in the great outdoors, celebrating traditional skills and conservation work, with fun activities for you to try. We'll be shining a spotlight on the great work our countryside team do on Stockbridge Down, the River Test and the New Forest.

#### In the gallery...

Discovering Britain: the Shell Heritage Art Collection

Saturday 6 May - Sunday 2 July 11am - 5pm Iconic landscape images that promoted escape and adventure from the 1920s to the 1950s. On show will be posters and original paintings by artists such as Paul Nash, Graham Sutherland, Edward McKnight Kauffer and Vanessa Bell, some of whom feature in Mottisfont's own collection.

The works reflect a diversity of artistic styles emerging in Britain after the First World War, and explore the British countryside through images of inspiring landscapes and historic landmarks. The exhibition also includes some of the famous Shell guides, valentine cards and film.

#### For families...

May half-term trail: My Great Day Out! Saturday 27 May – Sunday 5 June 10am – 5pm There's space for plenty of adventure at Mottisfont. Inspired by colourful travel posters in our gallery, take a journey through our grounds, and write your own adventure story. £1 donation per trail.

#### Keep in touch...

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

continued from the front page Mottisfont and Dunbridge station. We have seen a steady increase in passenger usage here since the Eastleigh to Salisbury service was introduced in 2008, and we look forward to this trend continuing."

Looking ahead, Mr Miller added: "We welcome First Group as the new franchise holders, and will work with them to deliver further improvements to our services, stations and communities. It is interesting to note that the new franchise will be known as South Western Trains, which harks back to previous company names such as The London and South Western Railway (LSWR) which ran in this area from 1838 to 1922, and we look forward to a new golden age of railways in the near future."

Andy Simmonds

At our monthly W.I. meeting, Shirley Walker came laden with many wonderful different plants suitable for hanging baskets and



pots. She demonstrated clever ways to line baskets to retain moisture. She planted containers to give eye catching arrangements.

Useful tips included:

- -adding vermiculite to lighten compost, and adding water crystal gel balls.
- a tablespoonful of washing up liquid diluted in a gallon of water will take away surface tension if baskets dry out.

Shirley sells her very reasonably priced plants at Romsey Country Markets every Friday from 10am to 11.30am.

Our next meeting, the AGM, will be on Tuesday 9th May at 7.30pm in Mottisfont Village Hall. The guest speaker will be Richard Tanner, and his subject will be 'Living with Jane Austin'.

We enjoy many interesting speakers at our meetings. Why not come along and see what we do?

Cathie Wood Vice President

### Test Villages Lecture 8pm, Wednesday 17th May, Broughton Village Hall

Speaker: Hugh Liddell, of Cottonworth Vineyard.

### The Wine Industry of Hampshire

As our climate warms, the number of vineyards around us is noticeably growing in both size and number. Geologically, this part of southern England has much in common with some of France's major wine producing districts.

Hugh Liddell is responsible for the Cottonworth vineyard, and will talk to us about the way the wine industry is developing in Hampshire, together with some of the ups and downs of being a winemaker in the Test Valley.

Because of the recent and welcome growth in the numbers attending the lecture, we shall not open the doors until 7.35pm, to give us chance to set up. On this occasion, the entrance price will be £5, and includes one glass of Hampshire wine, or some juice. Hugh will be selling additional tastings of Cottonworth's products after the talk, and will also take orders, so bring your wallets. As usual, full time students can enter free of charge.

## **COMMUNITY CAFÉ AT MOTTISFONT & DUNBRIDGE VILLAGE HALL**

To mark the completion of the refurbished kitchen at Mottisfont & Dunbridge village hall, the first Community Café was held on Saturday 22nd April.

Organised by Ali McKay with help from several other village chefs, the event was a huge success, enjoyed by over thirty villagers and others who just happened to be passing by and saw the signs.

Those who arrived early enjoyed cream teas, cakes and coffees, then at lunchtime homemade leek and potato soup, baked potatoes, pizzas and other delicious snacks were served by a small band of



enthusiastic waiters and waitresses.

Ali thanked The National Lottery who funded the kitchen refurbishment, together with all her helpers. She said plans were already in place for further Community Café events at the village hall later in the summer.

Left: some serious discussion going on at the Community Café



Dear Friends,

Spring is here, Easter is with us, and we are truly blessed with the most wonderful colours of nature: brilliant spring flowers, and even the tree

brilliant spring flowers, and even the trees joining in the symphony of life and bursting into green.

In these weeks following Easter Day, our readings in church are of the resurrection appearances of Jesus, one of which is Jesus joining the disciples on the Emmaus Road. He walked with some disciples, unrecognised until he broke and blessed the bread at supper.

Our world seems to be in such a tense state at the moment, with acts of terrorism and the killing of Coptic Christians in Egypt on Palm Sunday, you might ask where is God in all of this? He is with us, walking alongside us; his message of love and forgiveness is an eternal message and cannot be destroyed. In a second we can turn to him in prayer and he with us. Such a promise!

May God bless you this Joyful Eastertide!

Ron

# Rose and Wine Evening for St. Andrew's Church

By kind permission of the National Trust, the Rose and Wine Evening for St. Andrew's Church will be held on 21st June, with entry from 6.30pm.

More details will be given in the next issue of the *Acorn*. Please save the date.

Valda White

#### **BROUGHTON BRIGHT HOUR**

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

#### **Events for May**

4th May: Revd. Christopher Walker 11th May: Mr. Chris Lloyd 18th May: Visit to URC at Hythe 25th May: Mr. Ron Caddy

Everyone welcome. Please come and join us.

Barbara Perry, Booking Secretary, 301466

#### **CHURCH SERVICES FOR MAY 2017** 7th May 14th May 21st May 28th May Easter 4 Easter 5 Rogation Easter 7 8.00 **BROUGHTON** BROUGHTON HC BCP HC CW am BOSSINGTON **BROUGHTON** HC CW HC BCP **BROUGHTON** 9.30 Family Communion am CW **BROUGHTON** HOUGHTON The Bible Uncovered HC CW **BOSSINGTON MOTTISFONT** HC CW 11.00 MOTTISFONT Family Communion Outdoors am Messy Church Club CW Bring your own chairs or rungs 6.00 **MOTTISFONT** BOSSINGTON HOUGHTON Meditation pm Evensong Evensong

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

Ascension Day, Thursday 25th May, 6pm

Hymn singing from the tower

#### **Mottisfont Parish Council**

# PARISH COUNCIL AGM

Wednesday 17th May 7.30pm in the Village Hall

All welcome!

# Would you like to represent your parish as a member of the Parish Council?



If so, please contact Sue Holder on 340130, or at mottisfont dot clerk at tesco dot net (write the address as it is spoken) before 10th May.

#### **Annual Parish Meeting Report**

Traffic speed and volume were highlighted as the biggest concerns of Mottisfont residents at the Annual Parish Meeting held on 26 April. The Parish Council has been trying to get better enforcement, and has agreed with Hampshire to provide a 'virtual footway' in Mottisfont village centre to help improve pedestrian safety. That work should be done shortly.

Louise from the National Trust reported a successful Easter opening at the Abbey, and felt that their new traffic management arrangements had worked well.

On transport, there was good news on the numbers using the station at Dunbridge: up to almost 30,000 in the last year, which is the highest ever, and the Parish Council has made a £1,000 contribution towards replacement of the village bus.

Peter and Julia Barnett have largely completed the analysis of 78 questionnaires received in response to the Parish Plan Consultation, and gave an overview of the main findings; a summary of these will be compiled and distributed to residents. The results will help set priorities for the Parish Council over the next year, and these might include setting up a website as a parish facility, publicising local facilities and events better - because there was a lot going on - seeking better cooperation with neighbouring parishes, and revisiting proposals to provide some children's play facilities.

The next meeting is on 17th May in the Village Hall.

Jeff Channing

# The Thomas Dowse's Charity What do we do? Can we help?

The Thomas Dowse's Charity is able to provide grants to individuals up to the age of 25, living in Broughton, Bossington, Mottisfont and Dunbridge.

The grants are for educational purposes, including such things as the cost of school trips, music tuition, overseas educational trips, uniform, swimming lessons, transport to educational establishments, laptops, and books.

Here are a few of the thank you messages we have received recently:

"I've recently returned from my rugby tour ... a massive thank you for your donation"

"... we are so thrilled, it will be such a help to us ..."

"Thank you very much for the donation. It is much needed and will help me so much over the next year."

"We are so pleased. He is going to have an amazing first trip. Thank you."

Applications are treated in strict confidence. Applicants must demonstrate need, but there is no means testing.

Applications for consideration at the next meeting should be received by the secretary by Sunday, 11th June 2017.

Grant application forms are available from St. Mary's Church, Broughton, Mottisfont Church, Broughton Primary School, or by email from tinastuart1 at gmail dot com.

# Why are email addresses written so strangely in the *Acorn*?

Every month, former resident of Dunbridge Jon Butler kindly puts a copy of the *Acorn* onto the web site www.theacorn.org.uk. Computer programmes known as bots may then find it and scour it for email addresses, which are collected and sold, resulting in an increase in unwanted emails (spam).

Disguising email addresses by replacing the @ sign with the word "at" and replacing the dots with the word "dot" is an attempt to make it less likely that the bots will find them, without making it difficult for people to work out what the correct email address should be.

Simples!

#### STOCKBRIDGE MUSIC

Our 2017 season takes us on to a new level altogether. Our events include:

**16th September:** Delmege String Quartet. In October 2014 the Delmege String Quartet performed in Stockbridge.

They were then students at the Royal Academy of Music, and they played a wonderful programme of Haydn, Mendelssohn & Beethoven. "Four young string players giving a performance of the highest quality".

It will be a wonderful experience for us to learn how they have advanced in three years, almost certainly adding to their expertise of musical interpretation and ensemble playing.

**14th October:** Florilegium Ensemble - one of the top Baroque ensembles. Further details will be available later in the year.

Further information can be found at www.stockbridgemusic.uk.

Tim Lowden Music Director

### Whist Drives at Mottisfont Village Hall

The latest Whist Drive season is now over. Aaah!

We plan to resume in September. Yay!

Gordon



# **Walking Group**

I think it may be necessary to trial a slightly different approach rather than the set second Friday in the month walk.



We will still go out but vary the days/frequency.

If you would like to come along, please give Cathie or me a ring and suggest a best day; even weekend walks would be O.K.

Our next Friday walk on 12th May will still go ahead in the Hinton Ampner area as planned. There will be a car share, leaving Dunbridge at 9.30am

Gordon & Cathie 340129

## **Stockbridge Music: La Serenissima**

#### St Peter's Church, Saturday 22nd April

Louis-Gabriel Guillemain was a sad individual. At the age of 65, after a troubled life in debt, he decided to end it. It took him fourteen self stabbings to achieve success. However by his death in 1770, he'd written many significant works, including a Capriccio for solo violin played here by Adrian Chandler, the founder and Director of La Serenissima. In Chandler's virtuoso hands, this music twisted and turned, at times the bow bouncing on and off the strings.

Guillemain had learned this revolutionary use of the bow from one of Vivaldi's pupils, Giovanni Somis, whose music we also heard in this concert, named aptly by Chandler The Vivaldi Legacy. Huge contrasts abounded in a sonata by Somis, from percussive violin sounds to stately grace.

Chandler is a world authority on Renaissance music, having explored painstakingly museums, libraries and churches all over Europe for previously unperformed works. La Serenissima's size varies according to venue. With him here to form a quartet of consummate professionals were Vladimir Waltham on cello, harpsichordist James Johnstone, and another world authority, Lynda Sayce, on the theorbo. Miss Sayce told us that this long necked instrument from the lute family that has no less than fourteen strings originated in Italy, and with its added bass notes was developed to accompany early operas. It flourished in Europe but never took on here, until the revival of authentic baroque music performance over the last 30 years.

Vivaldi wrote so much more than The Four Seasons and other well known choral works. Rewardingly we heard three of his sonatas. A memorable moment during a Largo in one of them was when violin and cello threw the same melody gently back and forth.

His music for violin requires huge stretches on the finger board. But so does that composed by one of his pupils, Johann Georg Pisendel whose Sonata for violin ended this concert. The packed church marvelled at how Chandler mastered the extremes of bowing and finger work. This is teasing music where you never quite know what's going to happen next.

However special mention must be made of the young French-English cellist Vladimir Waltham, still in his twenties, but already established as a concert performer in Europe. His playing in a Sonata for Cello and Continuo by Vivaldi was outstanding. The cello sang, every sequence thought through, the suspensions uplifting. With sensitive accompaniment by theorbo and harpsichord, this was an exceptional performance. How fortunate that Adrian Chandler has now included him in his group of fine musicians.

James Montgomery

#### STOCKBRIDGE COMMUNITY CINEMA

# Friday 19 May at 5.00pm and 7.30pm *Moonlight (Cert 15)*

The tender, heartbreaking story of a young man's struggle to find himself, told across three defining chapters in his life as he experiences the ecstasy, pain, and beauty of falling in love, while grappling with his own sexuality.

3 Academy Awards for Best Film, Best Supporting Actor and Best Original Screenplay

#### Sunday 21 May at 2pm and 4.15pm The LEGO Batman Movie (Cert U)

In the irreverent spirit of fun that made "The LEGO Movie" a worldwide phenomenon, the self-described leading man of that ensemble, LEGO Batman, stars in his own big-screen adventure. But there are big changes brewing in Gotham and, if he wants to save the city from The Joker's hostile takeover, Batman may have to drop the lone vigilante thing, try to work with others, and maybe learn to lighten up.

This is a fund-raising film for the Friends of Stockbridge Primary School.

#### Wednesday 24 May at 4.30pm and 7.30pm Lion (Cert PG)

A five-year-old Indian boy gets lost on the streets of Calcutta, thousands of miles from home. He survives many challenges before being adopted by a couple in Australia. 25 years later he sets out to find his lost family.

All films showing at Stockbridge Town Hall, SO20 6HE. Doors open 30 minutes before the start time. Tickets £5.00 from Garden Inn and John Robinson in Stockbridge, or online via our website www.stockbridgecinema.org.uk.

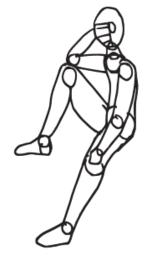
# **Art Group**

We meet at the Village Hall on Thursday afternoons between 2 & 4pm.

Come along and get your creative side active!

Some excellent work is produced.

Gordon 340129



# So what's been going on at Annie's in April?

Well, we have gone through a lot of preparation for Easter and the re-launch. During that time we have repainted the tea room to enhance the architectural beams of the Tea Room Barn, and the counter has also been repainted. We have added more tables and chairs so that there is now a choice of seating options, either relaxed in one of our bucket chairs or sofas, or seated at a table.

The cakes are still delivering their gorgeous promises with Victoria sponge, red velvet, walnut and chocolate available.

The new bar has also now been installed in the restaurant; the solid oak top is still settling in as the oak was still a little green. Daily we see new splits in the oak and the joints move a little, but it will all settle down eventually.

Outside we have done a little bit of landscaping. Still too early for summer bedding yet, but some new shrubs have been planted at the front and in the courtyard.

The Easter weekend went well, and the relaunch with the Mayor and invited guests was superb. Everyone was impressed with the changes at Annie's.

Also we had a food review of our new seafood menu; the food critics were blown away and could not believe the quality of food they were being served. Their review can be read in the local press in May.

#### So into May

Launch of our early evening menu begins with children eating for 99p with every full paying adult from 5.00pm - 9.00pm; now that's got to be a good idea!

The new seafood menu is available every Friday and Saturday night; booking is advisable. Come and enjoy some of the best seafood in the area and raved about in reviews.

Also the new tapas and evening lite bites menu is up and running. Sit in the courtyard in a little early evening sunshine and enjoy a glass of wine and a selection of tapas.

Check out the website for further information:

www.annieskitchen.co.uk enquiries@annieskitchen.co.uk Kimbridge Lane, Timsbury SO51 0LE

#### MOTTISFONT SOCIAL CLUB

The club is involved in many competitive leagues:

**Mondays**: Snooker and Ladies' Darts

Tuesdays: Billiards and a new Ladies' Darts team

playing in the Eastleigh League

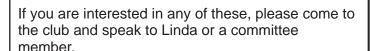
Wednesdays: Pool League, which is run by the

club

Thursdays: Crib League, and also there is Bingo - don't forget the club opens at 5pm Fridays: Men's Darts League, and don't forget the club

opens at 5pm

**Sundays**: Skittles League also run by the club.



#### WHAT'S ON AT THE CLUB

**Saturday 3rd June:** The Kate Fryer Memorial Skittles Evening, in aid of Romsey Hospital. 8pm start.

**9, 10 & 11 June:** The Mottisfont Social Club **Beer Festival** will be held over the weekend. A weekend of fun with music, hog roast and different beers to try. More information to follow.

#### Post Offices in the area

Here are some of the Post Offices in the area around Mottisfont. For a more comprehensive list, see www.postoffice.co.uk /branch-finder.



#### Lockerley

Lockerley and East Dean War Memorial Hall, Butts Green, Lockerley, SO51 0JG Monday & Thursday 9:30am – 1:30pm

#### Sherfield English

Hill Farm Caravan Park, Branches Lane, Sherfield

English, SO51 6FH

Caravan park: Tel: 01794 340402 Monday to Friday: 8:00am – 5:00pm Saturday: 8:30am – 4:00pm.

#### **Broughton**

West View Stores, High Street, Broughton,

SO20 8AX Tel. 0345 6112970

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 09:00-17:30

Wednesday: 9:00am - 4:30pm Saturday: 9:00am - 12:30pm

#### **West Tytherley**

West Tytherley Village Stores, West Tytherley, SP5 1NF

Tuesday, Friday: 9:30am - 1:00pm

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