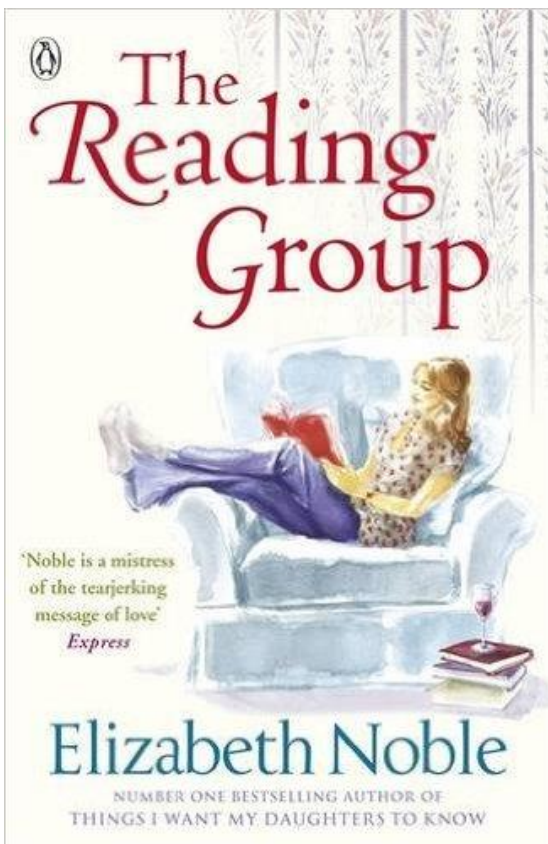


WEATHER APRIL 2016

Total rainfall for month	79mm	3.11 ins
Rained on 12 days		
Rainfall in April 2015	29mm	1.14 ins
Total for 2016	415mm	16.33 ins
Total for 2015	244mm	9.60 ins
Max. Temperature	20C	68F (21 st)
Min. Temperature	-2C	28F (27 th)

Bookworms
28th June - 7.30pm
44 Hurstbourne Priors

The Reading Group by Elizabeth Noble



MOBILE LIBRARY
Monday 13th June
Village Hall
11.00am



Homing Enquiries
 0345 2601501 or
andovercats.org.uk
 Fund-raising and volunteers
 07733 242196 or email
coord@andovercats.org.uk

We are beginning to get reports of feral cats beginning to breed. These cannot be taken into care and unless kittens are handled very early in their life they will never become tame. All we can do is neuter and return. If you have feral cats on your property please let us know before things get out of hand.

Please note that our helpline telephone number has changed to 0345 260 1501. This is the number for all calls relating to cats. If there is no reply leave a message and we will get back to you ASAP.

Lou Lou, last month's cat, has gone to be companion to an elderly lady in a lovely rural home.



This is **Blossom** who was found straying in Andover. It is thought her owners moved house and left her behind. She is a confident, friendly, affectionate cat, good around children and could possibly live with another cat.

LADIES COFFEE MORNING



Ladies, come along to the June coffee morning which will be hosted by Ann Yeaman at Paddock View, Hurstbourne Priors (☎ 896432) on **Wednesday 15th June** from 10.15 onwards.

Dog Fouling

Please can those exercising their dogs on the Recreation Ground and children’s play area please make sure that they clean up any mess made by their dogs. It is unpleasant and unhygienic at the best of times but totally unacceptable now that the cricket season has started. It would be a shame to prohibit dogs from the Recreation Ground during the cricket season.



BDBC DECISIONS IN RESPECT OF PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS

APPLICATION	PC RESPONSE	BDBC DECISION
T/00109/16/TCA Application to crown reduction of oak tree at Chapmansford Farm House	No objection	Granted

Upcoming Events and News from the Gill Nethercott Centre

**SYLVANIAN FAMILIES SHOPPING WEEKEND
18/19 JUNE 2016**



The Sylvanian Families shop is having a weekend away from London and is coming to the Gill Nethercott Centre & Silk Mill, Whitchurch, Hants on Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th June.

Free entry to the Silk Mill
Open 10.00-4.00p.m. on both days.

For further information on the weekend, please contact Rose Timbertop on 01256 895511 or visit our website www.sylvanianstorekeepers.com or www.facebook.com/sylvanianshop or follow us on twitter @sylvanianshop .

Steady and Strong

New Course starting Tuesday 31st May

Sessions are designed to improve functional movement, strength, flexibility and mobility.

The course starts on Tuesday 31st May from 1pm to 2pm and runs for 6 weeks and costs £21. To book your place contact Julie Hewson 01256 302249.

Parish Council Meeting and AGM

The Parish Council meeting and AGM that was scheduled to take place on Wednesday 25th May will now take place on **Wednesday 8th June**. It will be held in the Pavilion and start at 7.30pm. As with all Parish Council meetings it is open to anyone who would like to attend, or has something that they would like the Parish Council to look into.

**HURSTBOURNE PRIORS PARISH COUNCIL
PLANNING APPLICATIONS
14 APRIL 2016 TO 22 MAY 2016**

APPLICATION	PC RESPONSE	BDBC DECISION
16/01152/FUL Application for 2 dwellings on land on Winchester Road, Whitchurch	No objection	Pending
16/01432/ENS Request for scoping opinion in respect of proposed works at Vitacress site at Lower Link Farm	No submissions	N/A

Coach trip to Windsor and Virginia Water**Tuesday 14th June**

Join us for a varied and interesting day out in Windsor where you can choose what to do for the day. Visit the historic castle which has been home to British Monarchs for over 1000 years. Tickets can be bought on the day at £10.80.

The coach leave Whitchurch at 9.30am and returns around 6pm.

Tickets cost £16 and can be bought at the GNC or Library.

Coach Trip – Day trip to Brighton**Tuesday 12th July**

Join us for a lovely summer's day trip to Brighton where you will have plenty of time to enjoy the delights of this interesting and quirky city.

We will be leaving at 9.30am and taking advantage of the light evenings arriving home around 7pm

Tickets cost £19 and payment is required at time of booking as places are limited. Please contact Sarah Castle at the Centre on 896270 or the Library to book.

Post Natal 'Core Strength' class**Starts Monday 13th June 1pm – 1:45pm**

The course runs in 6 week blocks and costs £40

Babies are welcome and changing and feeding facilities are available.

Over 60's Fitness Class**Starts Monday 13th June 2pm – 2:45pm**

An exercise class for all abilities and levels of fitness, designed to improve balance, mobility, coordination and strength in a social and relaxed class. No equipment needed – just bring your selves and a sense of fun!

£40 for a 6 week course.

For both classes contact Lucy Baille to book on 078824 26845

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Our June film is Truth starring Cate Blanchett and Robert Redford. In the months before the US 2004 presidential election, Mary Mapes and CBS national news anchor Dan Rather face questions following the airing of a report that President George W. Bush, then seeking re-election, had in the early 1970s received preferential treatment from the Texas Air National Guard. Cert. 15.

Monday 13th June, ODEON Andover, 8pm. Admission £6.50.

Hurstbourne Priors – Parochial Church Council

The Hurstbourne Priors Parochial Church Council (PCC) would like to appoint a volunteer as its Secretary. The most significant part of the work is to take the minutes of the PCC meetings, which occur every two months. In addition, the Secretary is the point of contact for information (nearly all now by E mail) sent from the Diocese and this would need to be passed on to those best able to deal with it.

If anyone would like to talk about this or have more information, please contact Jeremy Goad by E mail to jeremy@thegoads.co.uk or by phone at 01256 893211.



Farrant Singers Concert

Choral concerts at St Andrews are like the London bus service. You can wait for months and then two come at once. Hot on the heels of last month’s concert by Vox Cantab, on Thursday 12th May, we were entertained by the visit of the Farrant Singers, the longest established chamber choir in Salisbury, who often sing the services in place of the regular choir in Salisbury Cathedral.

An appreciative audience was offered a programme of sacred choral written over seven centuries by European composers from seven nations, linked by four settings of the Nunc Dimittis. Starting with Gregorian plainsong and the Crux Fidelis of John IV of Portugal, the choir took us on a musical journey up to the 20th century settings of psalms by Howells and Elgar, Valiant for Truth (from Pilgrims Progress) by Vaughan Williams and the final setting of the Nunc Dimittis by Charles Wood. Particular thanks are due to Sarah Milne, on her recovery and return to the choir for organising the concert.

After the concert the audience and choir enjoyed refreshments in the Village Hall, for which thanks are due to Jeremy and Phillida Goad. A retiring collection in aid of St Andrew’s churchyard raised over £500.



Fun and Games for all the family with a tea party on Hurstbourne Priors Recreation Ground on Saturday 11 June from 3 – 5.30pm.

You are invited to come and celebrate Her Majesty’s 90th birthday. We have planned an afternoon of fun and games for all the family featuring the Great Paper **Aeroplane Challenge**: Can you make a paper aeroplane that can fly the length of the church? We will provide paper and anyone can have a go!



Cake competition – Make a birthday cake fit for a Queen and bring it to the cricket pavilion by 3pm on 11 June. There will be a prize for the most suitable cake and then the cakes will be eaten for tea.



Flower arrangements with a birthday theme – bring your flower arrangements to the Church at 3pm on 11 June. There will be prizes for the best arrangements and the winners will be announced at a special Family Service for the Queen’s birthday at 9.30 on 12 June. You are welcome to turn up on the day, but it would be helpful if you could email fenella.williams@btopenworld.com or telephone 01256 892081 to give us an idea of numbers for catering.



Meditations - @thecrossroads

Revd John Scott has restarted his programme of meditations on the last Saturday evening of the month at St Andrew’s Hurstbourne Priors. On April 30th the meditation at 8.00 pm was entitled “**Resurrection: In the Silence of History**”. John led us into three short periods of Meditation, each of which also included a projection of a painting starting with Piero della Francesca’s stunning Resurrection. The first two included music by Biber, Vaughan Williams and the last was essentially silent, but ended with music by Taverner. A useful hand-out provided poems by George Herbert and R S Thomas, and a fascinating series of quotations about the Resurrection from several writers including Stanley Spencer and Tom Wright. After a busy week, I find these meditations a wonderful opportunity to be calm, peaceful and thoughtful as a result of John’s careful preparation and the peaceful atmosphere of the church. I would urge any who feel that they need some “time out” to come to the next planned meditations:

- 25th June – The journey: a Celtic meditation
- 24th September – Painting the Bible: the art of Marc Chagall and Stanley Spencer



NGS OPEN GARDEN

Jane and John Huxford invite you to a garden opening on **Sunday 12th June** and **Wednesday 15th June**.
2 Church Cottages, Tufton, Whitchurch, RG28 7RF
from **1.30 to 5pm** - Teas, Plants for Sale
Admission: Adults £3.50, children free (dogs on leads)