

WEATHER – JANUARY 2019

Total rainfall for month	31mm	1.22in
It rained on	5 days	
Rainfall same month last year	114mm	4.48in
Total for 2019	31mm	1.22in
Total for 2018	114mm	4.48in
Max temp	10C	50F (12 th)
Min temp	-5C	23F (29 th)

John Smail

CHURCH AND VILLAGE CLEAN UP – 6th April

The Hurstbourne Priors Annual Village Clean Up will be held on Saturday 6th April. Please meet at the Cricket Pavilion from 10.30 where we will be serving tea, coffee, hot chocolate and homemade brownies from the lovely new kitchen. If you haven't seen the first stage of the refurbishment then do please pop in to have a look.

There are a range of tasks from dusting and cleaning in the church, clearance and a bonfire in the churchyard, recreation ground and play area and general litter picking along the lanes. Please wear suitable clothing and gloves are recommended for outside tasks. We will have pick claws and rubbish bags available in the Pavilion. Cleaning products will be available in the church for those wishing to take part in 'inside' activities.

Everyone is welcome: no one is too small or too old for a useful task!

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LADIES COFFEE MORNING

The March Coffee Morning will be hosted by Fiona Obert (896996) at Bourne Cottage on Tuesday, 19th March 2019 from 10.15 onwards.



FB POCKET ORCHESTRA

Welcome the summer!

By popular demand the FB Pocket Orchestra returns to

St Andrew's Church, Hurstbourne Priors

for the third year running!

Saturday 27th April from 7.30 to 9.30 pm

Ticket Price £15 (children under 16 free)

(Includes a drink and canapés)

The FB Pocket Orchestra takes its listeners back to the hot jazz, blues, ragtime and popular dances of the 1920s and 30s and earlier.

Following the outstanding performances in the last two years, the FB Pocket Orchestra has agreed to return to St Andrew's with some new repertoire as well as some old favourites. Learn more about them at www.fbpacketorchestra.co.uk.

Proceeds from the concert are shared between the Orchestra's Outreach Programme and the Friends of St Andrew's Fund for Church and Churchyard upkeep.

Contact Jeremy Goad at the School House in Hurstbourne Priors, email: jeremy@thegoads.co.uk, mobile phone 07748107320 to secure your tickets.

HOUSEHOLD WASTE AND RECYCLING

For those residents who have extra household waste and/or recycling as a result of Spring Cleaning or any garden waste from garden clearance works please note that the Waste and Recycling Centre in Andover has changed their opening times. It is now open as follows:

Until 31st March – 09.00 to 17.00

From 1st April to 30th September – 09.00 to 18.00

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ANDOVER FILM CLUB



March's film is *Peterloo* at the Odeon Cinema, Andover on Monday 11th March 2019 at 8pm.

Written and directed by Mike Leigh, this is an epic portrayal of the events surrounding the infamous 1819 Peterloo Massacre, where a peaceful pro-democracy rally at St Peter's Field in Manchester turned into one of the bloodiest and most notorious episodes in British history. The Peterloo Massacre was a defining moment in British democracy which also played a significant role in the founding of The Guardian newspaper.

Pre-booking on line is recommended at www.andoverfilmclub.org



HAMPSHIRE COUNTRY & GARDEN FESTIVAL

On Sunday 9th June from 10am to 5pm, Bere Mill in Whitchurch will once again host the wonderful Hampshire Country and Garden Festival. Early Bird tickets will be available from 20th March from the website: www.hampshiregardenfestival.co.uk.

Last year's festival raised over £25,000 for crucial equipment for Hampshire Hospitals supporting the fantastic work the NHS does for all our residents.

This year's event promises to be bigger and better with demonstrations, talks, children's activities and a Gardeners' Question Time. Festival goers will also have an exclusive opportunity to see the newly rebuilt Bere Mill after last year's devastating fire.

ANDOVER FOOD BANK

Thank you so much for all your donations and continued support. They are, as always, greatly appreciated.

Easter appeal - They appeared in the shops only days after Christmas and the first has already come into the warehouse so yes, it will soon be time for us to collect chocolate eggs! With a late Easter and most schools breaking up two weeks ahead of the Easter weekend we need your eggs in plenty of time this year. We would love to receive them from 22nd February to 1st April which gives us time to get them distributed to local children before the break. Medium sized eggs are perfect thank you.

We are currently in need of the following items

- Tinned Rice pudding
- Tinned Fish
- Tinned Fruit

- Washing-up liquid
- Deodorant
- Tea Towels
- Small bottles of Shampoo/Conditioner

Jenny Lelean
Community Manager
www.andoverfoodbank.org.uk

HURSTBOURNE PRIORS PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council Meetings are open to any resident of Hurstbourne Priors. Anyone who wishes to raise an issue, or something which they would like the Parish Council to consider, may attend. Meetings are held in the Village Hall and start at 7.30pm.

The next meeting is on Wednesday, 27th March.

There is no need to tell us that you are coming unless there is something which it may be helpful for us to have looked into before the meeting. In which case please email the Parish Clerk: Richard.waterman150@btinternet.com or telephone myself on 01256 896672.

Clare Read, Chairman

TAKE PART IN TEST VALLEY 2020, BOROUGH OF CULTURE

Test Valley Arts Foundation are pleased to announce plans for an exciting new borough-wide arts and culture project for 2020.

The independent charity which has invested over £1million in the arts in Test Valley since 1991 aims for Test Valley 2020 to celebrate and promote the borough's rich and diverse arts scene whilst also seeking out opportunities to 'fill the gaps' and create new events in areas which are less active. From workshops to music festivals, arts trails to plays, the programme will represent and connect with a diverse range of audiences throughout the region.

The foundation are now seeking to connect with organisations, clubs, schools, parishes, venues and individual artists who would like to take part in the project. Test Valley 2020 will offer support and help to promote the full range of activities. Opportunities will also be created for new arts initiatives.

Please contact the Foundation whether you already have plans or ideas for 2020, or simply want to know more about how to get involved.

To register your interest you can:

- contact the project co-ordinator Rebecca Maddox - rebecca@testvalleyarts.org
- visit www.testvalleyarts.org and fill in the online form
- come along to one of the following launch events for any interested participants:

- **Friday 8th March 1-3pm** at King Johns House, Romsey
- **Monday 18th March 5.30-7.30pm** at The Lights, Andover

These events are free to attend but places are limited so please book via the website:

www.testvalleyarts.org

We would also like to invite you or any of your interested members to attend one of these launch/networking events to hear more about the project, share your ideas if you have them and meet

others who want to take part. There are two date options - both events are free to attend but places are limited so please book to let us know you're coming.

Friday 8th March 1-3pm at King Johns House, Romsey: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/test-valley-2020-cultural-network-launch-romsey-region-tickets-55580680311>

Monday 18th March 5.30-7.30pm at The Lights, Andover: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/test-valley-2020-cultural-network-launch-andover-region-tickets-55579927058>

PROPOSED WASTE INCINERATOR SITE

The Parish Council have been made aware that a US owned company, Wheelabrator, is proposing to build a Waste Incinerator at the Raymond Brown site on Southside Road, Longparish, just before the A303 Junction. The owners are classing this development as a National Significant Infrastructure Project so it does not need to go through the ordinary planning process. Instead Wheelabrator are seeking a Development Construction Order from the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy.

The proposal appears to be for 450,000 tons of residential, commercial and industrial waste to be processed at the site every year. There were two consultation meetings in February but these appear to have been poorly advertised.

Those wishing to learn more about this proposal, and wishing to comment, can do so on their website: wtharewood.co.uk If you click on the list of options and select consultation there is a link to the proposal document and a submit comments form. This is the first stage of the consultation and comments must be submitted by 22nd March, 2019.

The Parish Council will be looking at this in detail but it is a concern that this site is only 3km from the centre of the village and pollution – both chemical and odorous must be considered. The junction at Bullington Cross is also a concern given the number of traffic incidents recently.

MAY FAIR 2019



HURSTBOURNE PRIORS MAY FAIR

BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY MAY 6th

Contributions for the following stalls and offers of help before and on the day are **NEEDED** to ensure the success of our main annual fundraiser for Village amenities

Tombola	Bric a Brac	Cakes
Nearly New	Books	Kids Area
Bottle Stall	Produce	Teas in the Village Hall

Collection can be arranged for large items nearer the May Fair

For all offers of help or items please call

Jim Vyse on 07970 533764 or email: jimvysearks@gmail.com

PUT THE DATE IN YOUR DIARY NOW!!

**YOUR VILLAGE
NEEDS YOU**



Pippa, the little girl featured last month, has been lucky enough to find her forever home and is settling in nicely.

We'd like to say a thank you to Pets Corner on Salisbury Road who have set up a permanent donation point for us. You can now leave any much-needed donations there or at Pets at Home.

This month a new fosterer jhas joined the team. All of our fosterers are volunteers. Not only do they have the important job of caring for our cats but they also help to find them their new homes.



This handsome chap is Timmy, he's about 2 years old and has a lovely fluffy coat. He will need regular grooming to keep his coat free from matts. He would love a garden to explore once settled and could live

with a family with older children.

Did you know? Humans and cats have identical regions in their brains that are responsible for emotions.

Homing Enquiries: 0345 260 1501 or andover.cats.org.uk
Fund-raising and volunteers: 07733 242196
or email: coord@andovercats.org.uk
Items for resale: 01256 892773

HARE RAISING!

Brown hares can reach speeds of up to 56 km/h (35mph). The fastest a human has ever run was Usain Bolt in the 2009 World Athletics Championships when he reached 44.72km/h (27.8mph) for a short period. He'd never have beaten a hare!