

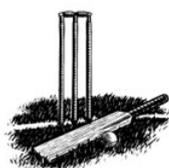
## Hurstbourne Priors

### Weather June 2012

Total rainfall for month	153mm	= 6.20ins
It rained on	<b>15</b> days	
Rainfall June 2011	81mm	= 3.18ins
Total to date 2012	423mm	= 16.65ins
Total to date 2011	391mm	= 11.45ins
Min Temperature	10C	= 50F (24 <sup>th</sup> )
Max Temperature	27C	= 80F (28 <sup>th</sup> )

**John Smail**

### Hurstbourne Priors Cricket Club



The weather has reduced the number of matches played so far this season but Priors are still about the middle of the league table. The latest match was against Tadley.

### Swing Twins make it Three out of Three

A devastating display of left arm swing bowling from Martyn Page and Prashant Thakur ensured Hurstbourne Priors made it three on the bounce.

Bowling first, Priors made a decent start with pace man Mark Matthews clean bowling Irfan. Priors' Mr Consistent, Stewart Samways, followed up with two quick lbw's, despite taking a tumble in his first over. Tadley struggled to adjust to the Priors wicket and every bowler made it difficult. Priors' selection committee's decision to play two left arm swing bowlers then made a huge impact. Firstly, Thakur (2-15) removed Watta with Sandeep Naik snaffling a catch at mid wicket. It was then senior pro Page (4-3) who tore the away side apart. Two of his victims were removed to rasping swinging deliveries and the third to an outstanding catch by the leaping Tony Blyth. Thakur then followed up by removing Gregory when Carter dived acrobatically in the gully. Tadley were all out for 73 in the 32nd over.

Priors' chase was difficult as Tadley showed that bowling was their strength. Priors reached 20 when Carter was bowled by a spinning delivery from Irfan. Naik (16) And Ashok Nautiyal (23 not out) took control of the situation and played some delightful shots to take the pressure off. When Naik was removed, all rounder Mark Matthews entered the arena and powered a quick fire 16, including a monster 6, to ensure Priors got 22 points.

**Mark Hamson** Team Captain

*Fixtures for August: 4<sup>th</sup> Dinton (Away), 11<sup>th</sup> Hursley Park III (Home), 18<sup>th</sup> Compton & Chandlers Ford (Home), 25<sup>th</sup> Ramsdell (Away).*

### Village Pub Night at the Hurstbourne Inn

Mureen and Adrian invite the village and everyone living near by to the Village Pub Night on: **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> August**

The meal will be Thai katsu chicken curry with rice followed by lychees with vanilla ice cream - £9.95

### Ladies Coffee Morning



Come along to the August coffee morning which will be hosted by Anna Bye at Number 1 Hurstbourne Priors (☎ 892005) on **Wednesday 22nd**, from 10.15 onwards.



### Celebrations Continue

2012 has been a year of celebrations. In Whitchurch celebrations continue on **8th September** when the Town Hall and the Methodist Church are opening their doors from 10a.m. to 4p.m. as part of the 2012 Heritage Open Days and the 200 years celebration of the Methodist Church building. This is a rare opportunity to visit these buildings 'out of hours' and to see their architecture and objects displayed inside. Both buildings are free to enter.

Inside the Church will be a special exhibition put together for its 200th Anniversary which includes a children's trail. Refreshments will also be available. The Town Hall contains old maps, historical documents, photos of past mayors and the Millennium tapestry not often on general view.

### Mobile Library



The Mobile Library will be at the Village Hall, from 11.05am until 11.35am, on **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August**.

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### Cats Protection



We have managed to recruit two new fosterers but are still looking for more. We currently have twenty-seven cats in care but there are always many more strays that we are unable to help. If you are going away please make sure that your cats are well cared for either in a cattery or in their own home. Cats left at home alone may wander off looking for their owners so it may be best to confine them to the house with a litter tray. We have many lost cats reported to us but they rarely seem to match up with the ones we find.

We shall be occupying the Whitchurch Charity shop from August 17<sup>th</sup> to the 30<sup>th</sup> so please come and support us, bringing any unwanted bric-a-brac for resale.



ANGEL is a middle-aged, friendly cat looking for a new home. She is used to a quiet environment and tends to bully other cats so needs to be the only pet.

Enquiries: 01256-892019 or [www.andovercats.org.uk](http://www.andovercats.org.uk)  
Items for resale: 01256-892773

**Claire Bevan**

Coordinator Andover & District Cats Protection

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### Rotary Club Xmas Shoe Box Appeal



The Rotary Club of Basingstoke Deane has commenced this year's Shoebox scheme and is appealing for people who want to donate Christmas shoeboxes full of presents for disadvantaged children, in Montenegro, Albania, Rumania and Tanzania whose families live in extreme hardship and poverty.

HERE'S WHAT TO DO:

- Cover a shoe box (maximum size 13" x 8" x 6") and lid separately with decorative paper.
- Choose age range and sex: 1-3, 4-7, 8-11, 12-15 BOY or GIRL
- Fill box with items such as learning toys, games, balls, jigsaws, modelling clay, sticky tape, writing/drawing paper, crayons, playing cards, small clothing items. School use items, toiletries (e.g., soap, toothpaste + brush, hair

brush/comb). Sports magazines, books.  
**Please avoid:** Food, liquids, sweets, swimwear, toilet rolls, military type toys, sharp items, batteries, large items of clothing and anything breakable or needing a battery.

- Stick a label on box or mark box with age and sex chosen by you.
- Secure box with strong elastic band with £1 coin sellotaped to lid to help with cost of transporting
- Finally, deliver by 15 OCTOBER LATEST to either: Alan Gibson Garage, A30, Old Basing or Basingstoke Gazette Office, Pelton Road, Basingstoke.

#### Gill Nethercott Centre

#### The Scarlets and Friends

August 4<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm to 4.30pm

An afternoon of music, songs and readings.

Teas and homemade cakes served by dinner-suited waiters.

Admission: £4.00 - includes refreshments.

All proceeds to the Stroke Association.

Tickets from Gillian 892837 or Linda 895490

### Bullington Cross Wind Farm Proposal

In the 2 days that EDF ran the event in the Parish Hall, Whitchurch just over 200 people from Whitchurch and the surrounding area saw the material on the proposed Bullington Cross wind farm.

The presentation consisted of maps of the area showing the proposed location of the 17 turbines with the expected noise generated and a computer simulation of how the turbines would be seen from any given point in the area.

The next stage is to review and take into account the written comments given by those attending and prepare the planning applications. It is understood that this will be complete by the end of the year, although any number of issues could delay this.

The planning process then will take as long as the local authorities take. Given approval by all, the only thing that would stop the project happening is a call for a judicial review, the grounds for which are that the process is flawed. Should any one or more of the local authorities refuse permission, EDF can appeal against the decision.

Whilst it might seem that the proposal will not affect Hurstbourne Priors, the turbines **will** be visible from the village as they are over **125 metres high** and there will be **17** of them. It has also been admitted that the turbines will generate a significant noise level which will be heard from the village in certain conditions

More details on the proposed scheme are available at: <http://www.bullingtoncrosswindfarm.co.uk>.

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### Whitchurch Silk Mill Events



#### Sculpt with Shaun

7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> August

11.00 a.m. - 3.30 p.m. Drop-in sessions - no booking required.

Make fabric sculptures with Shaun. All materials provided. £8 per person

#### Button Making Demonstration

9<sup>th</sup> August 10.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

And 23<sup>rd</sup> August 10.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

Piet van den Beuken, designer and owner of Roelofs & Rubens Ceramics, believes it is time for something new on the old Welsh dresser. She produces handmade and hand painted blue and white tableware, decorations and tiles with unique contemporary designs, using only English earthenware and materials sourced in the UK.

She also makes buttons - come to the Silk Mill today to see her at work painting some of them. She will have a large selection of her beautiful items on sale.

#### Flotsam & Jetsam

14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> August 11.00 a.m. - 3.30 p.m. Drop-in sessions - no booking required.

3-D beach pictures from beachcombing. If you have any from your holidays bring them along. £8 per person

#### Pod Partners

21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> August 11.00 a.m. - 3.30 p.m. Drop-in sessions - no booking required.

Make felt pods or pouches with little people or creatures. All materials supplied.

£8 per person

### HART Wildlife Rescue



**Perhaps mistaking the brush for their mum these three, orphaned hoglets take comfort in a clean dustpan while their cages are cleaned out.**

Photographer: Rod Kirkpatrick F Stop Press

Mucking out is one of the messiest and smelliest jobs at a wildlife hospital and the arrival of dozens of baby hedgehogs over the past few weeks

means carers are being swept off their feet.

It's just been too wet for the adults - there's a lot of sickly ones around - they're just not strong enough to care for their young and we have been inundated with orphans.

Hedgehogs like it to be damp so they can forage for slugs but it's just too sodden for them to find food - some of their nests are getting flooded too.

They like to nest in messy gardens and their babies are often discovered when people tidy up. If people find baby hogs they shouldn't touch them unless they are completely sure the parents are not returning and don't feed them bread and milk - it's an old wives' tale. Bread is too bloating and they're lactose intolerant so cow's milk is bad for them.

Eight hoglets were brought to the centre at Medstead, near Alton, in one day last week.

For more information about hedgehogs and the work of HART Wildlife Rescue, visit [www.hartwildlife.org.uk](http://www.hartwildlife.org.uk) or telephone Jackie Grey on 01264 356253.

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### 10<sup>th</sup> Andover Scout Group

These past few months the Cubs and Scouts have been preparing for the Summer Camp at Ferny

Crofts. For most of the children this is the highlight of the scouting year, a week away full of activities, trips and camp fire singing.

The Beavers have been equally busy, with 5 going for their Chief Scout award this summer, a visit to Linkenholt in June and a very successful 'Bring a Friend' which brought numbers up to near maximum. This is in addition to the full schedule of activities for badges that go with being a Beaver, Cub and Scout.

***Cubs say the funniest things: Asked to share one thing with the pack, one replied "I like coming to cubs, it gets me away from my parents for a couple of hours"!***

**Help Required** - All activities enjoyed by the children and the experiences they gain come as a result of the hard work and commitment of the Leaders and Assistants who are desperately in need of help. If you would like to get involved we would like to hear from you. Enthusiasm and commitment is the only experience required, although a liking for camp fires and sleeping in tents would probably be an advantage! We can give all the support and training required and guarantee a worthwhile experience.

Still not sure? Why not help out at a session and see for yourself what Scouts is about? If you are interested in getting involved and would like more information on the role please contact Neil Hedger (Group Chairman) tel: 01264 736429, mobile: 07817 159396, [n.hedger@btinternet.com](mailto:n.hedger@btinternet.com) or Hugh Doherty (Leader in Charge) tel: 01264 352469 [doherty.doherty4@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:doherty.doherty4@yahoo.co.uk)

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### Naomi House Open Day and Fete

15<sup>th</sup> September 2012, 11 am - 4 pm

Naomi House Children's Hospice, Sutton Scotney

Parking at Forest Edge Kart Club, Barton Stacey, SO21 3BF

The Naomi House and Jacksplace open day and fete will take place on 15th September.

The hospices will be throwing open their doors and inviting the public to come along to look around the buildings and gardens, and enjoy a fun packed day for the whole family.

With a free park and ride service to Naomi House and a unique opportunity to look around the hospices, it's an event not to be missed.

There are lots of activities during the day, with highlights including a free prize draw, pony rides, bouncy castles, a barbecue & café, birds of prey, dog display teams, clog dancers, and a children's interactive quiz around the hospices.

A fleet of vintage buses will be available to transport people from the free park and ride at the Forest Edge Kart Club, Barton Stacey, SO21 3BF and take visitors to the stunning grounds of Naomi House.

Doors open at 11.00am and last entry is at 4.00pm. Entry costs just £2 per adult, 50p for children and under 5s can visit for free.



*Wessex Children's Hospice Trust, known as Naomi House and Jacksplace, provides support to children and young people with life-limiting conditions from across central southern England. The charity offers care that includes planned and emergency respite stays, end of life and bereavement care. This support is available 24 hours a day, 365 days of the year.*

### A few one liners...

I started out with nothing and still have most of it left.

Only dead fish go with the flow.

Smoking is one of the leading causes of statistics.

I saw two dogs walk over to a parking meter. One said to the other, "How do you like that? Pay toilets."

Why is sliced bread the benchmark against which all ideas are measured?

Children - You spend the first 2 years of their life teaching them to walk and talk. Then you spend the next 16 years telling them to sit down and be quiet.

Where in the nursery rhyme does it say Humpty Dumpty is an egg?

### Cold Callers



Recently, a cold caller was in Abbots Ann touting for work tarmacking drives.

These people cannot be trusted and their work is invariably very poor quality and the price quoted

is never, ever what you pay- you'll always pay more!

Please tell everyone to politely but firmly decline their services and call the POLICE AT THE TIME.

### Some Reminders of the Jubilee

