

Sparsholt Community Newsletter

SPARSHOLT VILLAGE SHOP

******NEWS FLASH SWEETIE FRIDAY AFTERNOON IS BACK on 14th October******

Sweetie Friday is back up and running. Bring your little ones after school on a Friday and let them welcome in the weekend with a bag of sweets.

Adults don't feel left out, now that the nights are drawing in and the clocks are going back, why not pick up a bottle of red (we recommend the Domaine Mas Bahourat Merlot at £8.99) for yourselves and pair it with the 'Recipe of the Month' - a warming 'Sausage and Bean Stew'. Of course, all the delicious ingredients are available at your trusted village shop! The recipe and method are up at the shop for you to take a photo of as you buy the ingredients.

WARMING SAUSAGE AND BEAN STEW



Halloween

Don't forget Halloween is fast approaching, the village will transform into a spooky scene. Make sure you are stocked with your doorstep treats for all those trick or treaters. Nearer the time the shop will have pumpkins for carving.

Village Christmas Market

Please also add to your diaries the Village Christmas Market which will be held in the hall on Sunday 4th December. It is always a jolly affair with some great products to tick off on your Christmas present list.

If anyone would like to have a stall at the market, please contact Janette or Katie by email (sparsholtvs@gmail.com) or telephone (776988)

Christmas Trees

Order forms for Christmas trees will be in the shop soon.

New Book for sale in the Shop:

History of Sparsholt College

A Place of Transformation, The history of Sparsholt College, Hampshire, from 1899, written by John Lander, a Sparsholt College governor, has just been published.



While the College has been located on the edge of the village from 1914, soon after Hampshire County Council bought 251 acres of Westley Farm, its links with the local community started before then.

Different generations of the Twentymen family came from Cumberland to farm Westley Farm from the 1890s until 1914 and, until much later, Moor Court Farm, and they made themselves very much part of the local community. Village residents provided accommodation for female students in the very early days, an English cricket captain might have had a link with Sparsholt's cricket club, an unsuccessful attempt was made to buy Moor Court Farm, and one longstanding member of Sparsholt College's staff, and his wife, gave unstinted service to the village community.

These are just examples of the close relationship between the College and the village that are recorded in the book.

Copies, priced at £12, can be acquired from the Sparsholt Village Shop or direct from the author - email address; jandplander@btinternet.com

Sparsholt School

Sparsholt C of E Primary School

Open Mornings for Year R intake 2023

09.30-11.45

Tues 18 Oct

Wed 2 Nov

Wed 16 Nov

Please come and explore our wonderful school



Sparsholt Church of England Primary School | Sparsholt | Winchester | Hampshire | SO21 2NR
01962 776264 | adminoffice@sparsholt.hants.sch.uk

School Fund Raising

On Saturday 24th September a group of 20 mums from Sparsholt School took to the Brecon Beacons and embarked on a grueling trek to raise money for their school.

The super mums completed a challenging 22km route, taking in 4 peaks and many steep ascents and descents which form the Brecon Beacons Horseshoe Trail.



There were blisters, sore knees and heavy legs but they did it, and all with smiles on their faces too.

So far they have raised over £3000 for their school which will go towards supporting a number of key projects, one of those being the installation of a new kitchen learning space, so that the children can have practical food tech lessons.

It's not too late to support them. If you'd like to make a donation, take a look at their GoFundMe page <https://www.gofundme.com/f/mums-go-mountain-mad-brecon-beacon-trail?>

Around Sparsholt



Photos: Howard Annessley

The Henry Beaufort School

The school celebrated its 50th Anniversary in July with a wonderful service in Winchester Cathedral led by the Dean Catherine Ogle. The school’s Samba band started the event which led the procession of the children with banners, and this was followed by readings based on the school’s motto Pride, Happiness, and Ambition. The Bishop of Basingstoke David Williams gave an inspiring sermon and wished the school well for the next 50 years.

The service concluded with a preview of Matilda; the school is performing this Roald Dahl classic in January 2023 at The Theatre Royal Winchester (Tuesday the 17th -Thursday the 19th). Please visit their website to book tickets.

It was a wonderful evening for all the students and parents who attended.

The school celebrated the student success in GCSE’s in August. The school is delighted to announce that we have maintained our consistently high academic outcomes. 32% of all grades achieved were grade 7-9. In the core subjects Maths (83% of students attained a grade 4 or above), English Language 84%, English Literature 83%, and Science 80% (Biology 97%, Chemistry 95%, and Physics 94%.

Miss Hearle, Headteacher stated “This has been a hard-won success story for our students, and we are so proud of not only what they have achieved but how they have worked to achieve these superb results.

“Well done Year 11, you are superb role models for us all. “

We look forward with great expectations to our 51st year in providing inclusive secondary education.

Church

Date	St. Stephen’s Church, Sparsholt
16 th October	8am – Holy Communion (BCP)
23 rd October	10am - Morning Worship
30 th October	6pm - All Souls Service (if you would like the name of one or more of your departed loved ones to be read out during this Service, please call Sally Wesley on 01962 776476 or email on sally.wesley@btinternet.com)
13 th November	10.55am – Remembrance Sunday Service starting on the Memorial Green, then in the Church
20 th November	8am – Holy Communion (BCP)
27 th November	10am - Morning Worship

Sparsholt 100 Club Draw

The Harvest Festival Supper was a good fun evening, and the guests enjoyed an excellent supper. The winners in the Draw were as follows.

- £150 Wendy Dean #33
- £50 Ian Fog #61
- £50 Buddy Delve #44
- £50 Sarah Higham #56.

The Christmas Draw will take place in December the date and venue to be advised. Thank you to everyone who supports the Sparsholt 100 Club.

Parish Council

Next Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting is on **Thursday 20th October 2022** at 7.30pm.

Council meetings will take place in the Mosaic Room at the Memorial Hall Sparsholt.

We still have a vacancy for a councillor if you might be interested, please come along, and observe or contact Sue Wood or John Little for more information.

Hedgerows – time to trim back

Following the recent rain hedgerows have been putting on quite a lot of growth. In the interests of pedestrian safety, can you please make sure that any hedges that you are responsible for that border public footpaths and/or roads are trimmed back.

HAM GREEN

Many thanks to Howard Annesley for rebuilding (with a little help from me) the cycle barrier at the Dean end of the footpath and also for extending the barrier at The Green today. Photos attached. Thank you also to Farmer Oz for carting our equipment down the field to the Dean end in his machine and also to Mark for supplying the no-cycling badges which you can see have been fitted to the barriers in a prominent position.



Roy Broadhead and I fitted metal mesh tree guards to 8 of the 15 new trees planted last year which will provide long lasting protection against animal damage. Unfortunately, the special pliers supplied to clip the sides of the guards together were faulty so we will have to return later in the month to complete the job. Apologies, forgot to take a photo.

Please note that our next work session has changed to Saturday 5th November instead of the Sunday as we will be making a presentation in thanks to Terry following his retirement as leader and he can not make the Sunday. I am sure Hugh will enjoy an appropriate day for a bonfire!

Malcolm Hewson

Work Programme

Saturday 5th November 2022

Trim and top cut hedges (Butterfly and New Hedge Areas). Clear residual weeds.

Hack out ground level stumps around the new sweet chestnut tree behind bench in Picnic area. Clear growth around the beech tree and cut back the encroaching tree on corner of Picnic area.

Check and repair rustic benches and log pile habitats.

Trim sides of upper footpath.

Ring and remove ivy in chosen areas. Burn stored brush.

Saturday 3rd December 2022

Cut back growth along the hedge on side of the Car Park.

Clear around the deadwood bench and hedge for clear view by leaning tree on the lower footpath.

Coppice old Hazel selectively along the lower footpath; stack ready for fencing & burning.

New Hedge area: reduce some tree branches for more light and clear around the spindle trees. Ring and remove ivy in chosen areas.

Sunday 8th January 2023

Carry out any necessary work in the area across the road from the car park along Burrow Road. Collect brush for dead hedging or burning.

Continue to ring and remove ivy in chosen areas.

Annual Volunteers get-together at Memorial Hall - TBC

Saturday 4th February 2023

Check all new hedges, clear bases and weed. Remove small Sycamores.

Clear the area behind Ham Green Cottage, as needed.

Check and reinstate posts that mark the key points on the information leaflet for HG Common.

Sunday 5th March 2023

Tasks to be decided. Last bonfire.

Lainston House



Autumn is, without doubt, the favourite time of year for many of the team here at Lainston House. The trees turn the gorgeous colour of orange that we have adopted as our corporate colour, and Kitchen Gardener Stef reaps the rewards of summer work by harvesting and integrating the root veg from the kitchen garden into sumptuous dishes across the hotel outlets.

We take time to reflect on summer 2022 and all the wonderful days we've shared with our guests outside during events, hosting cooking courses, showcasing weddings, and guiding leisure guests around the grounds. It is a magical place, and with the seasons changing before our eyes it is now the time to slow the pace, get the fire on and enjoy the Autumnal adventures around the property.

Between now and Christmas we have a lot to be excited about. As well as celebrating our first anniversary as an accredited B Corp, we are excited to share a number of events that you are welcome to come and join. There is a lot in the pipeline for 2023 as well, keep an eye on the website for Lainston Live schedule 2023. We hope to see you at Lainston House in the coming weeks.

Season Cookery School – classes:

Cooking classes arrive thick and fast during December at Season Cookery School.... A great chance to get an early present sorted, or to hone those skills ahead of a busy festive season!

- 2nd: Love to cook: Christmas entertaining
- 3rd: Love to cook: Christmas leftovers!
- 9th: The art of cooking: Plot to plate
- 11th: The art of cooking: Steaks

Follow us @SEASON_COOKERY, or contact lainstonhouse@exclusive.co.uk



New Year's Eve Packages available

Leave the cooking to someone else this year and join us for a NYE package to welcome in 2023 in style. Arrive from 1pm on the 31st for early check in and enjoy cream tea in the drawing room. Relax during the afternoon or explore the grounds at your leisure.

7pm Champagne and canapés will be served in the drawing room before dinner

8pm Dinner is served in the Avenue.

Enjoy our 6 course tasting menu with paired wines

After dinner retire to the Cedar bar for drinks

Midnight Toast in the New Year with a glass of fizz

On New Year's Day, wake refreshed and enjoy a full English breakfast served from 7am – 11am. Checkout is later on NY Day, a very leisurely 12pm.

Total price based on a cosy room and 2 people sharing is £725

Wreath making:

On Saturday December 10th and Thursday December 15th we offer the perfect experience to fill you with festive spirit. Join expert florists in our beautiful 17th Century Dawley barn to create wreaths to take home and be proud to hang on your front door! Once you've worked your crafty fingertips and brought your wreath vision to life, it's time to relax and enjoy some well-deserved indulgence with our festive afternoon tea. Timings: 11am-1pm & 1.30pm–3.30pm on both days - £99 per person

The Avenue - Chef's table



Why not let us do the entertaining this December? The Chef's Table in the Avenue offers a unique experience to see into the kitchen while you relax at the table. Six seasonal dishes form a surprise tasting menu are prepared for you by The Avenue's chefs. Using quality ingredients from our very own kitchen garden, local fish from the south coast, game from Hampshire and the finest shellfish from Scotland - you will be in for a culinary treat! Adding to this interactive dining experience, instead of a traditional menu being present at the table, the chefs personally present and describe each dish to you. A premium wine tasting option is available as an accompaniment. Limited evening available during December.

Six-course tasting menu

£90.00 | Wine pairing

£75.00 | Premium wine pairing £95.00

Winchester



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YOUR COUNCIL NEWS

Winchester City Council news link

<https://us12.campaign-archive.com/?u=ff5fd525cec7b271e07954336&id=eafa2dfae4>

Solar Farm Planning Application



Novus <https://www.novus-rs.co.uk/projects/> are in the process of submitting a planning application to WCC for a Solar Farm.

See <https://planningapps.winchester.gov.uk/online-applications/centralDistribution.do?caseType=Application&keyVal=RJL3YVBPOQ200> where you can make comments on the application for screening advice

HAMPSHIRE

Suicide Prevention

Hampshire Public Health have created a new guide to sit alongside the others in the mental wellbeing suite of guides, which is specifically on suicide prevention.

We have been asked to share the link across the community

<https://documents.hants.gov.uk/public-health/suicide-prevention-employee-guide.pdf>

Sport in Mind



Sport in Mind – the charity that uses sport and physical activity to improve the lives of people experiencing mental health problems". Sessions take place every week, all year around. For activities in North and Mid Hampshire see...

<https://www.sportinmind.org/Handlers/Download.ashx?IDMF=53915756-af68-4518-ab0d-596974b13f84>

Sebastian's Action Trust



Sebastian's Action Trust supports families of seriously-ill children, walking alongside them from diagnosis, through treatment and beyond.



They provide emotional, practical, and social support to families who have life-limited or life-threatened children, without a single penny of statutory funding. They help the whole family in the community, in the family home and at two centres (Basingstoke and Crowthorne).

Here for families of seriously-ill children. Always.

To find out how to support them, please visit;

<https://sebastiansactiontrust.org/support-us/>

or email us at fundraising@sebastiansactiontrust.org

SPARSHOLT COMMUNITY CONTACTS

Parish Councillors

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SPARSHOLT COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUP

Contact email address for volunteers and requests for support - supportgroup@sparsholtparish.org

Police Contacts

PCSO 15075 Michelle Wilkinson – 07901102292
PCSO 13466 Kerry Crourear – 07976962677
PC 28364 Victoria McCallum – 07795454351

The Winchester Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team email address is winchester.rural.police@hampshire.police.uk

WEBSITES

Sparsholt Parish: <http://www.sparsholtparish.org/>
Sparsholt Shop: http://www.sparsholtparish.org/Our_Shop
Downs Benefice: <http://www.downsbenefice.org/>

VILLAGE CALENDAR

The Calendar can be viewed at:
<http://www.sparsholtparish.org/Calendar>

Please send updates to:
sparsholt.newsletter@sparsholtparish.org

Sparsholt Oil Syndicate

Please contact John Wesley johnr.wesley@btinternet.com if you would like to join the Sparsholt Oil Syndicate and benefit from bulk purchase pricing.

Neighbourhood Watch

Sparsholt Neighbourhood Watch coordinator is Andrew Osmond.
Please contact: security@sparsholtparish.org

New to Sparsholt or if you have a New Neighbour

If you are new to Sparsholt or have a new neighbour, please let Sally Wesley know so that a Sparsholt Welcome booklet can be delivered sally.wesley@btinternet.com

Copy Deadline for November 2022 Edition

This is your newsletter so please contribute items of interest, news of events, offers to help and/or photographs. The deadline for the July 2022 edition is **4th November 2022** please submit all items to sparsholt.newsletter@sparsholtparish.org