

Grafham Gossip

Editors' note...

We've had lots of people visiting the village website to view the *Grafham Gossip*. You should too, it's in colour! Don't forget to e-mail any gossip to: gossip@grafhamplan.org.uk



Reading Group in Grafham



Are you interested in joining such a group? These increasingly popular events sound like a lot of fun! Come along to an open meeting to be held at 2 Home Close on Thursday May 5th at 8.00pm (don't worry if you're late). We will discuss venues, times and frequency of meetings, the types of books to be read and any other considerations as they arise. If you have read a book you think other people may enjoy, please bring it to the meeting. It is anticipated that this will be a social event as well as an opportunity to share thoughts and ideas. Bring along a bottle of your favourite tippie if you like! If you cannot make this meeting, but are interested, or if you would like more information please call Karen on 810961. Looking forward to meeting everyone!

PARISH NEWS...

- Mini recycling centre: Bins are NOT to be used for any household rubbish. Please remember to recycle your glass and paper in Grafham.
- Start of traffic calming works is imminent but no confirmed start date.
- A reminder to all dog walkers that dogs are NOT allowed on the village playing field, or in the Children's Play Area. Thank you for your co-operation.
- Next meeting Tuesday 12 April 2005 7.45pm



Grafham All Saints Church

Good Friday (March 25th): Building of Easter Garden - Contact Jill Tyack (810157) for details.

10.00-12.00 Children's activities Alconbury Church.

18.00 Devotional Service at Grafham.

4th Sunday (March 27th - Easter Day):

11.00 Family Eucharist

1st Sunday (April 3rd): 11.00 Family Service

2nd Sunday (April 10th): 11.00 Eucharist.

3rd Sunday (April 17th): 8.00 Holy Communion (BCP)
11.00 Morning Prayer

4th Sunday (April 24th): 11.00 Eucharist

The date of the April Pram Service will be decided at the March Service.

Canon Jonathan Young (01480) 891695

Dr John Hare (01480) 453172

LITTER PICK

Sunday 17th April from 2.30pm

Please join in with the annual village litter pick. The more people we have helping, the less time it takes. So if you can, spare an hour on Sunday afternoon to help tidy up Grafham.



All ages welcome.

Litter pickers, bags and gloves are supplied.
Just come along to the Village Hall Car Park at 2.30pm

Babysitters

Alison Young

age: 15

Telephone: **811577**

Olivia Sinfield (studying GCSE Child Development)

age 15

Tel **811831**

Felicity Jenkinson

(studying GCSE Child Development)

age 16

Tel **812328**

Carly Mann (studying midwifery and available during Easter holidays).

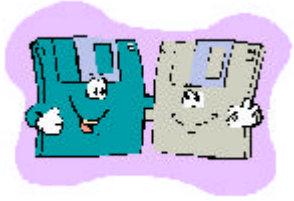
age 19

Tel **812807**



Is there any one willing to help?

The Grafham Village website is really good, but to keep it up to date and interesting we need more people involved with the running of it. With more people adding just their own little bits, the pressure would also be relieved from Rob Stead who is currently running it single handed.



Initially, a new team would:

- Customise the icons and logos used
 - Customise the logos used in the subscribe section
 - Agree structure of the site (menus, structure, modules, etc)
 - Agree what mailing lists would be useful and how they would be used
 - Decide who is/are the site Administrator/Administrators
- ### And then (at its basic):
- Decide who should update the different sections (news, news flash, web links, etc)
 - Decide who will use the mailing lists

If you are at all interested in helping to run the village website, please e-mail Rob Stead: admin@robstead.co.uk



Grafham Social Committee invites you to **MONTHLY COFFEE MORNINGS** for retired residents from 10.30 am on Wednesdays.

April 13th with Pat Watson
10 Field Close

MESSAGES...

Tim Rosier would like to know if anyone is willing to rent out a garage for the storage of a couple of Harley Davidson Motorcycles. If you are, contact Tim on **812556** or e-mail trosier@btinternet.com.

Thankyou to all those who attended the **Race Night** in February. It was a great event and well supported by villagers and their friends. In total, **£1569** was raised for the **DEC Tsunami Appeal**. Thanks also to the **Grafham Cricket Club** and everyone else who helped organise the event.



Tip of the month - Early bulbs are starting to flower as the temperature slowly begin to rise.

If you haven't yet cleaned out your planting beds, now is the time! Remove debris, old leaves, trimmings, perennials, and grasses. Apply a new coat of mulch over your planting beds to bring back the colour of a new bed, retain soil moisture and keep soil temperatures more consistent.

WELL DONE!

Congratulations to Carly Mann on achieving her Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award. Carly attended St. James Palace on 23rd February to collect her award.



Pat Brunson has now resumed **picture framing** after her move to Godmanchester.

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Registered Childminder has vacancies for children of all ages. Contact **Vicky Tucker** on **01480 810401**.

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