

Grafham Gossip

Grafham All Saints

4th Sunday (May 28th): 11.00

Eucharist



1st Sunday (June 4th): 11.00 Children's Eucharist for Pentecost

2nd Sunday (June 11th): 11.00 Trinity Sunday Eucharist

3rd Sunday (June 18th): 08.00 Eucharist

11.00 Sunday Worship

4th Sunday (June 25th): 11.00 Eucharist

Pentecost

On June 4th (Pentecost or Whitsunday) we shall be using an order of service specially compiled by Gill Ambrose, the diocesan children's work adviser. Although we are calling it 'Children's Eucharist,' adults will be equally welcome.

Contacting the Clergy:

Canon Jonathan Young (01480) **891695**

Rev. Martin Kettle (01480) **434075** mob **078 767 555 87**

Babysitters

Alison Young - Age: 16.

Tel: **811577**

Jessica Homewood - successful in babysitting course. Age: 14.

Tel: **810867**

Kirsty Elliot - successful in babysitting course.

Age: 14. Tel: **810550**

Danielle Meyer - speaks French and able to help with homework. Age: 16. Tel: **811279**

Olivia Sinfield - Grade B GCSE Child Development.

Age: 16. Tel: **811831**

Felicity Jenkinson - Grade B GCSE Child Development. Age: 17. Tel: **812328**



Issue 23 Deadline: June 23rd

Editors' note...



Summer is just around the corner! Many of you are busy working in your gardens - check out the adverts for a variety of plants available so close to home.

Good luck to everyone taking exams and to those leaving school this term.

The Editors gossip@grafhamvillage.org.uk

Thank you

A big thank you to all friends and family that came to the concert given by The Pasque Harmony Ladies Choir in honour of Ron Andrews.

It was a truly memorable evening that raised £778 for the Macmillan and Grafham Church funds.

Thank you all so very much once again from

The Andrews family

Car Boot Sale

Spaldwick Church is having a Car Boot Sale on Saturday



3rd June from 11.00

For pitches (set up from 10.00) contact john@blatch.com or phone **01480 890853**

District Councillors **Shirley Menczer** and **Peter Downes** are available at the Village Hall between 11.15 and 11.45 on the first Saturday of each month. At other times they can be contacted:

Shirley.Menczer@huntsdc.gov.uk tel. **436769** Peter.Downes@cambridgeshire.gov.uk tel. **398082**

Ellington and Grafham W.I.

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Food including vegetarian, Drink and Disco

South Pacific is outdoors, come prepared with chairs or travel rug.

Dress: South Pacific Movie Style/50s/As you please!

Venue: The Gables, 18 High Street, Spaldwick PE28 0TD

Phone Anne Lea for more information: 01480 812030



PARISH NEWS...

The Parish Council held its AGM this month. Philip Allingham was unanimously re-elected as Chair.

Unfortunately, the annual meeting of the parishioners, at which the council presents its annual report, could not be held on the same evening as the AGM, as has been the usual practice. This meeting was held on the evening of 16th May and a full report will be published on the village notice board and website as soon as possible.

During the month a letter was sent to Huntingdon District Council concerning the Parish Council's and the villagers' position on the traffic calming measures currently in place. The letter calls for:

The removal of traffic thumps in Breach and Buckden Roads
 The retention of the chicane at the north end of Breach Road
 The retention of thumps in Brampton Road.

The meeting of the AJC at which traffic calming in Grafham is to be discussed will be held on Monday 5th June 2006 at 2.30pm in Pathfinder House. Some of the parish councillors will be attending this meeting as it is open to the public.

On 1st April, we commenced a new fiscal year with a new budget. The parish council looks forward to a year in which, with your help and support, it can continue to work on the Parish Plan and help to keep Grafham a pleasant and enjoyable place for us all to live in.

Future meetings:

Tuesday 14 June 2006 at 7.30pm
 Tuesday 16th May at 7.30pm (Annual Parish Meeting)

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Recent incidents highlight the need for all of us to be vigilant:

Malt Acre, Church Road, Grafham: Overnight of Tuesday 9th May – theft of agricultural machinery, oil from tank and attempted removal of other items, gate broken. A car and trailer were seen at the premises late on Tuesday night. If you have any information please contact James Snell (details below).

A supply of electrical cable has been stolen from builders and two Horse Tackle thefts occurred on the night of May 5th.



These are the first reported incidents in the village for some time.

In Brampton on May 5th two young males tried and succeeded in distracting an elderly lady by using a water scam with one at the back of the property and the other getting into the property and doing the burglary.

There will be a Neighbourhood Watch Evening on Tuesday 18th July at 7.30pm in the **Village Hall** when the Police will be in attendance and will show a short video on "Distraction Burglary" followed by a talk on other matters of local concern. Please keep this date free and I look forward to seeing you there.

Several houses now have new occupants and if anyone would like a window sticker please let me know and I will get one to you.

Jamie2701@aol.com or mobile: **07951 069565**

The Mobile Library (route H103) visits **Breach Road, Grafham from 11.35 to 11.55** on **alternate Wednesdays**.
 Visits are on: 14th June, 28th June.

For renewals or enquiries call **0845 045 5225**

<http://hipweb.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/mobiles/index.html>

Web site: www.grafhamvillage.org.uk **E-mail:** gossip@grafhamvillage.org.uk

Letters to the Editors

Should bonfires be banned in the village?

We have only managed a few family barbecues this year so I found it very upsetting a little while ago when we had to abandon one because of smoke from a neighbour's bonfire. No sooner does the warm weather appear than the bonfires begin. There is nothing worse on a hot summer evening than keeping all the windows shut - often through the night and into the next day too. We now have a garden refuse collection in Grafham, so there is no excuse for burning garden rubbish.

Do you feel the same? Does anyone have a solution?

Grafham Resident

E-mail your response or any other letters to gossip@grafhamvillage.org.uk

Plants for sale

I have a large selection of hardy perennials, penstemons, aquilega, campanula, grasses, hardy geraniums and many more.

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Grafham Social Committee

invites you to a **Coffee Morning** for retired residents at:

10.30 am on Wednesday June 14th with Jean Futter at **2 Thorpe Cottage, Ellington Thorpe**



Grafham Bookworms



HOST : Christine

Batter DAY/ DATE:TIME: Tuesday 6 June 2006 8PM

VENUE: Hill Farm Cottage, Church Road, Grafham (last house on the left before you go splash)!

RSVP : 01480 812356

Book currently being read and to be discussed :

Seven Years in Tibet – Heinrich Harrer

Next book: ISBN 014141439831 **Vanity Fair by William Thackeray**

The GB's would like to welcome more ladies & gentlemen from the village to the GB reading club.

If you like reading, can spare just a couple of hours once every 4 - 6 weeks, why not come along and join us for an informal & lively discussion in relaxing and pleasant surroundings.

Venues rotate between participating members (not essential for each member to host a meeting.)

Our main aim is to increase the number of local enthusiastic readers to attend these discussions.

Grafham Gen

The Ellington Windmill once stood near the garages at Windmill Close, Ellington, but originally this Post Mill had come from Easton and had stood in a field called Mill Hill.

The exact date of erection is unknown but between 1840 and 1847 she was moved, by Easton wheelwright Mr Rowlatt, about half a mile to Ellington for Mr James Measures, Miller and Baker of Ellington, Huntingdonshire. The Red Mill as she was called ceased work in 1910.

In 1935 Mr Ambrose Harding of Madingley purchased the mill from Mr Arthur Measures for £25. The mill was dismantled, restored, re-erected and still remains a fine landmark near to the American Cemetery. Why not pay her a visit?



Sam Malt



Grafham Annual Summer Fun Day

Will take place this year on:
Sunday September 10th
12pm to 4 pm



All the usual fun activities plus lots, lots more this year!



Put the date in your diary now... more will be revealed later!

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The next events on offer are:

KSSC in conjunction with Collette Worldwide Holidays are offering the following exciting trips:

Depart Thurs 14 Sept 2006 Mozart's Musical Cities **Salzburg, Vienna & Prague** 10 days trip includes personal tour guide, return flights from Heathrow and coach sightseeing tours. Plus 15 meals i.e. 9 breakfasts & 6 dinners and all transfers. **Total price £1,449 p/p**

Beijing & Xian Depart Sat 10 March 2007 Visiting the **Great Wall, Peking Opera, Wild Goose Pagoda, Terra-cotta Warriors & Rickshaw Tour**. 8 days inclusive of personal tour guide, flights from Heathrow and coach sightseeing tours. Plus 16 meals i.e. 6 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 5 dinners and all transfers. **Total price £1,066 p/p.**

Forthcoming London theatre shows – please note there is no transport available for theatre trips.

Sinatra at the London Palladium Theatre (nr. Oxford Circus Station) **7 October** 2.30pm Tickets **£32**

The Classic Story of Dirty Dancing on stage at the Aldwych Theatre, London EC2 **17 November** 5.15pm Tickets **£37** (instead of £56!)

Forthcoming MK Theatre shows:

Tuesday 1 August 7.30pm **Strangers on a Train** Tickets **£20**

Thursday 28 September 7.30pm **Slavas Snow** direct from New York! Tickets **£22**

Thursday 22 June 7.30pm **My Fair Lady** Tickets **£32**

Wednesday 26 July 7.30pm **Rick Mayall New Statesman** Tickets **£24**

All KSSC profits are split between the Keech's Cottage Hospice for terminally ill children and the MS Society. If you would like flyers or a brochure on the overseas trips please contact the KSSC organiser Tina for more information preferably on 01767 640111 Ext. 3729 or 07711 01295.



GRAFHAM CRICKET CLUB



What a start to the season! Our first league game against Mowsbury Park at Mowsbury Park in Bedford played in a steady downpour throughout most of the match, a cricket ball that resembled soap without a rope, and an out field where water sports would have been a more sensible option. Nevertheless despite the conditions this was an enthralling and captivating match to all who played in it. Grafham won the game off the penultimate ball in the last over. Mowsbury Park scored rapidly, but lost wickets equally as rapidly, reached a total of 138.

The key decision of the day was winning the toss, and putting Mowsbury Park into bat. This decision was made by our stand in skipper for the day: club vice captain; Gareth Harris. The key performance of the day for Grafham was played by John Fozzard. John took 5 wickets for 33 runs off 10 overs; scored 44 runs, and took one acrobatic catch, which at one point looked as though John had learned how to defy gravity. Grafham took a more measured approach to scoring runs than Mowsbury. There were several partnerships, John Fozzard with Adam Dighton, Andy Page with John Fozzard. The final match winning partnership was Damian Grimes and Peter Elliott. Grafham scored 141, and bagged the maximum of twenty points.

The second game of the season was on the following Saturday, again at Mowsbury Park, but this time against St Andrews. The start of the match was delayed by a torrential downpour, and was limited to 28 overs per team, from the normal 40. Our regular Team Captain Adrian Love, proceeded to lose the toss, and St Andrews put Grafham into bat. We made a credible 110 for 9, with Duncan Palmer excelling with the bat, scoring 43. St Andrews reply was held back by tight controlled bowling from Adrian Love, and Adam Dighton, which only allowed St Andrews to score 31 runs in 14 overs, but more importantly in terms of the match, there was no wickets taken. Duncan Palmer when he came on as a change bowler took two quick wickets, momentarily raising our hopes, but it was not to be. St Andrews scoring accelerated, and surpassed our total with three overs to spare. This time we took two batting points from the game.

Home fixtures in June are : **3rd June 2006** against Roxton 2nds; **17th June 2006** against Mowsbury Park. We hope you will come and watch us, against two excellent opponents, Mowsbury as you can see from above have a point to prove.

Chris Dighton Club Chairman **01480 811862**

Grafham Cricket Club will be running a free junior cricket evening for both boys and girls from ages 7 and above. This will start on Wednesday the 7th June and run every Wednesday night from 6pm until 8pm, the final evening will be on the 19th of July. The cricket evening will take place on the village playing field at Grafham; the coach in charge will be Adam Dighton of Grafham Cricket Club, who holds an ECBCA level 1 cricket coaching certificate. Also attending will be other senior members of the club, to assist and talent spot! I hope to see you there!

Any queries or questions about the evenings can be addressed to me; **Adam Dighton** on **01480 811862**



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Join **Grafham Wildlife and Conservation Group**

on the first and second Sunday of the month to carry out woodland conservation. For more details, contact **Sam Malt** on **810844** (daytime) or **811654** (evening).

