

Dear Friends

May is one of my favourite months of the year: The days are longer and hopefully warmer and as we come to the end of Spring everything is coming into bloom with a wonderful palette of colour and scents that enhance our senses of sight, smell and touch. Spring has brought enormous changes to our environment and the promise of some relaxing days to enjoy God's creation in all its glory out of doors.

This year May has also brought enormous change for us in All Saints. After a wonderful celebration of her life and ministry in Denmead, during her final service on April 17th, Sandra has moved on to what we hope will be a long and very happy retirement. Although I feel sure God already has some plans for how she may continue to serve Him, in All Saints we are learning to manage without her gentle guidance and leadership always given with so much love and care. In this time of vacancy while decisions are being made about who our new vicar might be we have to draw on the strength and gifts of each other to keep the church thriving and continuing to build God's kingdom here in Denmead. And for that we need the help of the Holy Spirit working in each of us to release those gifts.

So we are very fortunate that this year the great festival of Pentecost falls on Sunday May 15th. Pentecost is the time when we remember how God sent the Holy Spirit to those first disciples still somewhat bereft because Jesus had returned to his Father in heaven. But the power of the Spirit enabled and empowered them to go out into the world

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teaching people about God's love for each and every one of us and using gifts of healing and preaching to build His kingdom. And so the first Christian churches were founded and grew in the power of the Spirit.

This year our Archbishops Justin and John have written to every member of the clergy inviting them to a "Call to Prayer" in the week leading up to Pentecost Sunday and they have made some suggestions about how the clergy can involve their congregations in this.

Their hope is

- For all Christians to deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ
- For all of us to have confidence to share the Gospel
- For all to respond to the call of Jesus Christ to follow Him as disciples, to live out the Gospel and to seek God's Kingdom from day to day.

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Do look out for how we are joining that call to prayer in our church. We know that without prayer our faith and life in Jesus can be empty and barren and there could not be a more important time for our prayers for our church both locally and nationally. So as we praise God for the glory of his creation let us also this month pray for the power of the Holy Spirit to be working within us and for us so that in God's time we will be blessed with a new vicar

to support our efforts to build God's kingdom. And let us pray for one another as we support each other and our Churchwardens during our time of vacancy and transition.

With love in Christ,

Sandie

All Saints Church Services

Sunday 1st May Easter 6

- 8.00am Holy Communion
- 9.30am Parish Communion
- 6.00pm Healing Service

Sunday 8th May Easter 7

- 8.00am Holy Communion
- 9.30am Family Praise
- 6.00pm Sung Evensong

Sunday 15th May Pentecost Sunday

- 8.00am Holy Communion
- 9.30am Parish Communion
- 6.00pm Informal Service

Sunday 22nd May Trinity Sunday

- 8.00am Holy Communion
- 9.30am Family Communion
- 6.00pm Sung Evensong

Sunday 29th May Trinity 1

- 8.00am Holy Communion
- 9.30am Parish Communion
- 6.00pm Taize Service

Each Thursday there is a time of silent prayer, reflection and bible reading in the Upper Room between 9.00am –10.00am. Everyone is welcome for the hour or to drop in for a short time.

Weekly Thursday Communion at 11am. A Said Prayer Book Communion Service.

Morning and Evening Prayer are said daily at 8.30am and 5.00pm respectively.

The Church is open for private prayer. If you wish to light a candle, there is a candle stand in the Sanctuary of the Chapel of Healing and Unity.

Healing Service

The next service will take place on Sunday 1st May.

A gentle reflective service, in which we ask for the Lord's healing, be it mental, emotional, spiritual, or physical.

Anyone who needs prayer for healing please contact Rev Sandie Osborne 9236 2591.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church



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MASS TIMES

Saturday Mass

Vigil: 6.15 pm

Sunday Masses

10.30 am Children's Liturgy

6.30 pm Folk Mass

Please refer to Newsletter for weekday
Mass times.



RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5:30 pm (or by
appointment)

Monday 9.30 am



Denmead Home Visiting Group

If you are lonely, sick or housebound or would just like someone to visit you we have a confidential visiting team and one of our members would willingly come, visit and spend time listening to you.

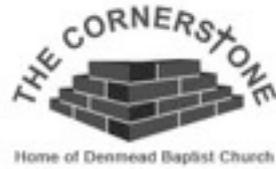
Please phone us on 9226 8757. If the answerphone is on leave a message and we will phone you back.

Bereavement Group

There is a monthly 'Tea and Friendship' afternoon for anyone recently bereaved. This is an informal time when people can meet others, have tea and make friends. we meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month between 2-4pm in the church hall. For more information please phone the Church office 9226 8757 or Merrill Partridge 9226 6159.

A thousand visitors a month can't be wrong!

Come and experience for yourself our spacious and comfortable



Cornerstone Community Lounge

An ideal venue for a variety of occasions:

- Hold your celebration or corporate events here. Hold your class or interest group meeting.
- Choose from a delicious menu to suit your requirements and budget. Or just come in and visit us to see what we have to offer. Why not pop into our cosy coffee shop and ice cream parlour.



Treat yourself and your family to hot and cold beverages, freshly made hot or cold snack, Italian Gelato or a slice of cake. Our friendly staff will be happy to serve you.

Denmead Baptist Church is a small, friendly fellowship who have worshipped in the village since 1717. In 2014 we purchased the Mead End Public House, to convert it to a community centre. Since then we have found that our facilities are very popular with many groups and individuals.

Our Sunday services are informal and incorporate a worship band, children's activities and Bible based teaching for the adults and young people. We enjoy social times and together have worked hard to enable The Cornerstone to be established.

Our regular activities are listed on our website at:

www.denmeadbaptistchurch.org.uk

Contact us via E-mail at admin@denmeadbaptistchurch.org.uk

Telephone on 023 9307 8372

Visit us at 22 Mead End Road, Denmead, PO7 6PZ, for more information.

Lent and Easter at All Saints

Lent Lunches

These lunches raised £896 for the Rocky Appeal. Sincere thanks to Mrs Brenda Wright who has overseen the organisation of them for many years. She and Mrs Violet Day and many helpers have made Fridays in Lent a special time for good soup, fellowship and remembering the needs of others. They have now stood down from this role so a new team will be sought next year.

Good Friday

The Walk of Witness ended at the Cross outside All Saints, following which many people attended the last Lent Lunch.

Sunrise Service

About thirty people attended The Sunrise Service on the Village Green at 6am on Easter morning. The weather was poor and the clock had gone forward but it was followed by a good breakfast in the Church Hall.

Easter Lilies

Once again many, many thanks to all who donated so generously to the cost of the Lilies in memory of loved-ones, and to those who arranged them.

They enhanced the church on Easter Day. I hope everyone found them uplifting after the flowerless Lenten days.

Children's' Society Box-Opening Day

Please note that this event, usually held in April, will this year will be held on Saturday 25th June in the Church Hall from 10 to 12.

Edna Goodman

From the Registers

Baptisms

1st May Tommy Dognini
15th May Eden Ann Maggie Boazman

Funerals

1st April Trevor Simmons
5th April Joyce Churchill
6th April Reginald Charles Bucksey 'Reg' aged 84

Messy Church

Our next Messy Church takes place on the **Saturday May 21st**. Any family from the village is welcome to this fun-filled afternoon of stories, craft, singing and eating together.

We meet in the Church Hall from 3.30pm – 5.30pm. Further information Rev Sandie Osborne 9236 2591.



Denmead Rowans Support Group

Coffee Morning & Craft Sale

Opening of the

GREEN ROWANS COLLECTING BOXES

May 14th, 10am to 12 at All Saints Church Hall

Entrance £1 – Free coffee and biscuits

All profits to your local hospice.

More information from 07947 611699

Registered Charity 299731



Beetle Drive in aid of the Rowans Hospice.

Our Beetle Drive on March 23rd was a huge success with 12 active and lively tables, a well supported Raffle and more players than we can remember having in the past. As a result we were able to create a "profit" of £145 to support the excellent facilities at The Rowans Hospice.

Thank you to everyone who came and, we believe, enjoyed a fun evening's entertainment. We have been encouraged to look ahead to the Autumn and have booked the Memorial Hall for the evening of September 28th 2016. Make a note!

Meanwhile please come to our Craft Fair and Box Opening in the Church Hall on May 14th. For a £1 entrance donation, there will be many stalls and "free" tea/coffee and biscuits.

Frank Jarvis

Denmead Conservative Branch

We have arranged a three course Dinner to Celebrate the Queen's Official 90th Birthday and also Prince Phillip's 95th Birthday on Friday 10th June at Barnards Restaurant 7 for 7.30p.m. Tickets are limited so early application is needed.

Please contact Margaret Raffle 92 268096 or Janet Nobes 92 255981 janet.nobes@tesco.net for an application form and more details.

Janet Nobes. Acting Secretary.

ASC = All Saints' Church	Contact	B.Wright, 9223 3248
CH = Church Hall	Contact	B.Wright, 9223 3248
HR = Heath Room	Contact	C.Taylor, 9242 8122
MH = Memorial Hall	Contact	Mr R Bainbridge MBE, 9225 6132
OS = Old School (Community Centre)	Contact	Tony Daniells, 9224 7947
PC = Denmead Parish Council	Contact	

WW = White Wings House
 GM = Green Meadows Home
 TKC = Turvey King Court
 KGF = King George Field
 SHQ = Scout Headquarters
 BC = Baptist Church
 HVH = Hambledon Village Hall
 HYH = Hambledon Youth Hut
 DJS = Denmead Junior School

D = Daily
 W = Weekly
 F = Fortnightly
 M = Monthly
 Events occurring Daily and Weekly are only mentioned once - i.e. in the first week of the month.

Please note:

- The times stated here may be the times for which the halls are booked. Please check other publicity for the times of the event.
- To ensure the correct details are shown for your organisation's event included in these Diary pages, please email your meeting times and details to Gill Barge (denmeadbarges@aol.com) or send them to her at Fairview, School Lane, Denmead PO7 6LY. Thank you.

Sun 1	CH	Flower Club Plant Sale Preparation	7.00pm	
	MH	Karate	5.00pm	W
	OS	Junior Brass Band	9.15-10.15am	W
		Denmead Brass Band	10.30-12.30am	W
Mon 2	CH	FLOWER CLUB PLANT SALE	10.00-11.30am	
		<i>Quality local plants at bargain prices!</i>		
		<i>All proceeds in aid of Denmead flower Club charities Further details</i>		
		<i>secretary@denmeadchurchflowerclub.co.uk</i>		
		Slimming World	5.30 & 7.30pm	W
	OS	Smart Fitness-Circuit Training	6.00-8.00pm	W
		Table Tennis	7.00-9.00pm	W
		Bridge Club	7.00-10.00pm	W
		At the Forest Of Bere Denmead Knit & Bitch	7.00-9.00pm	W
		All abilities are welcome		
Tue 3	CH	All Join in Together	11.00-Noon	W
	HR	Coffee Tea & Chat for all (and Thursdays)	9.30-11.30am	2xW
	MH	Denmead Pre School	9.00-3.00pm	D

Village Diary

		* Wednesday *	9.00-12.30pm	
	OS	Old Schoolhouse Pre-School	9.00-3.00pm	D
		* Friday*	9.00-Noon	
		The Old Schoolhouse Creative Play	9.30-11.00am	W
		- fun for the under fives		
		Tuesday Pilates Class	5.30-7.30pm	W
		Body Focus	7.00-8.00pm	W
		Denmead Horticultural Society, talk	7.30pm	
		Downland Singers	7.45-10.15pm	W
		Denmead Brass	8.00-10.00pm	W
	SHQ	Busy Bees Pre School	9.00-3.00pm	D
		Fri	9.00-Noon	
		Spitfire Scouts	6.30-8.30pm	W
Wed 4	CH	Pilates Class	10.00-11.00am	W
		2 nd Denmead Rainbows	4.15pm	W
		1 st Denmead Brownies	5.45pm	W
	BC	NOAH'S ARK Parent & Toddler Group	10.00-11.30am	W
		- in The Cornerstone, Mead End Rd		
	MH	Denmead Afternoon WI	2.00pm	M
		Denmead WI Belles	7.30pm	M
	OS	Zumba Gold	9.30-10.30am	W
		Table Tennis	10.00-Noon	W
		Creative Quilters	10.00-Noon	F
		Tai Chi	1.30-2.30pm	W
		Patchwork Pals	2.00-6.00pm	W
		Smart Fitness-Circuit Training	6.00-7.00pm	W
		Breakaway Quilters	7.00-10.00pm	W
		Parish Council – Highways & GP	7.30pm	
	SHQ	Concorde Cubs	6.30-8.00pm	W
		Church Car Park Mobile Library	1.30-4.00pm	W
		At the Forest Of Bere Denmead Knit & Bitch	10.00-Noon	W
		All abilities are welcome		
Thu 5	CH/HR	POLLING STATION	All Day	
	UR	Exploring Christianity	7.30pm	W
	OS	POLLING STATION	All Day	
		Zumba	9.30-10.30am	W
		Table Tennis	9.00-11.00am	W

		Senior Citizens' Luncheon Club	12.30-1.30pm	W
		Citizens' Advice Bureau	1.00-3.00pm	W
		Rimor Fitness	5.30-6.30pm	W
		SHQ Bere Forest Beavers	6.15-7.30pm	W
		The Cornerstones Denmead WI Belles	7.30pm	
Fri	6	CH Mother & Toddler Group	9.30am	W
		Chair Exercises	2.00pm	W
		Youth Move	5.15-6.15pm	W
		OS U3A Art Class	10.00-Noon	W
		Denmead Drama	4.00-7.30pm	W
		Denmead Dogs at Play	7.00-8.00pm	W
		Rose Dog Club	7.30-8.30pm	W
		SHQ Vulcan Scouts	7.00-9.00pm	W
		Phoenix Explorers	7.00-9.00pm	W
Sat	7	CH District Advice	10.00-Noon	M
		MH Bootcamp Fitness Class	9.30am	W
		ABS Fitness Class	10.30am	W
		OS Southern Arts Academy	9.45-11.15am	W
Mon	9	CH Zumba Fitness Class	9.30-10.30am	W
		Breathe Again	11.30am	W
		HR Hall Committee Meeting	7.30pm	
		MH TS Alacrity	7.00pm	W
		OS Mumbaba - Mothers & Tots Singing Group -Parents/Carers & Tots Singing Group	9.30-10.30am	W
		SHQ Merlin Cub Pack	6.30-8.00pm	W
		At the Forest of Bere Denmead Knit & Bitch	7.00-9.00pm	W
		All abilities welcome		
		The Royal British Legion	8.00pm	M
		Meeting - Hambledon & District Branch		
Tue	10	CH Exercises After Stroke	2.00-3.30pm	W
		3 rd Denmead Brownies	5.45pm	W
		Gold Star Dancing	8.00-9.00pm	W
		OS Denmead Evening WI Craft Evening	7.00-9.00pm	M
		At the Chairmakers Worlds End - Probus Club	12.00-3.00pm	M
		Monthly lunch and talk by guest speaker		
Wed	11	CH Meet & Eat	12.30-2.00pm	M
		British Koi Karp Society	7.30pm	M

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	MH	Floral Workshop	7.30pm	M
	OS	Denmead Art Group	10.00-Noon	F
		Pilates	10.30-11.30am	W
		Parish Council - Planning	7.30pm	
Thu 12	CH	Jiggly Wigglers	9.30-11.30am	W
		Keep Fit	2.00pm	
		1 st Denmead Rainbows	4.15pm	W
		2 nd Denmead Brownies	5.30pm	W
		CH&HR Guides & Rangers	7.00pm	W
	HR	Coffee Tea & Chat for all (and Tuesday)	9.30-11.30am	2xW
	OS	Southern Arts Academy	5.00-9.00pm	W
Sat 14	CH	Rowans Box Opening	AM	
		Gin Tasting Session	1.00-8.00pm	
Mon 16	HR	DHS Committee Meeting	7.30pm	M
Tue 17	HR	Mothers' Union	7.30pm	
	OS	Denmead Reading Circle	2.15-4.15pm	M
		Chapter Reading Group	2.30-4.00pm	M
Wed 18	CH	Flower Club	2.00pm	M
	MH	Evening WI - Annual Meeting	7.30pm	M
	OS	Parish Council – Main Council	7.30pm	
Fri 20	CH	Denmead Village Association	7.30pm	
Sat 21	CH	MESSY CHURCH	3.30-5.30pm	M
Mon 23	HR	Koi Carp Committee Meeting	8.00-10.00pm	
Wed 25	CH	Bereavement Group	2.00-4.00pm	M
	OS	Parish Council- Amenities	7.30pm	
Sat 28	OS	FILM NIGHT – 'BRIDGE OF SPIES' (12A) -doors open at 7.00pm; tickets £5	7.30pm	M

COMING SOON

DABS (Denmead Activities & Bible School)

Tues 9th - Fri 12th August at Denmead Junior School.

Registration leaflets will be available nearer the time.

Denmead Horticultural Society

In April Toni and Les Brannon talked about the work of the Coppice Craftsman. Toni explained how the Hampshire Coppice Craftsmens Group supports coppice workers and that their website is a good place to find local suppliers of coppice products. She also told us about National Beanpole Week which promotes the use of British hazel beanpoles for use in the garden rather than imported bamboo.

Les explained how important coppicing is for wildlife. Hazel is cut every 6 to 7 years and this lets light in for the violets, bluebells and primroses to regenerate. Coppice is also the ideal habitat for dormice and insects such as the pearl bordered fritillary. Deer can be a problem as they enjoy the fresh shoots but protective fencing for the first year or two allows the new rods to establish. Many hardwood trees can be coppiced – chestnut is used for post and rail fencing, oak for swill baskets and its bark for tanning; ash for dibbers, garden lines and rakes, and hazel is used to make spars for thatching, hurdles, beanpoles and pea sticks. Our meeting went on much longer than usual as there were many questions and we were fascinated as Les showed us how to make a besom broom from birch. Les and Toni will be demonstrating and have their products for sale at our summer show.

PLEASE NOTE that the talk by Maddy Harland on 3rd May, 7.30pm is at the Community Centre instead of the Church Hall. Maddy is the editor of Permaculture Magazine and her subject is Forest Gardening – using nature's principles to create a multi-layered edible and wildlife-friendly garden. Visitors (£2) and new members welcome.

Liz Williams (9226 9642)

Denmead Afternoon Women's Institute

Our April meeting included a talk from our Secretary/ Treasurer Pam Pilbeam on "Cycling in Australia". She read parts of the diary of a young man, who after successful treatment for bi-polar disorder, decided to make a journey by cycle from South to North Australia. He started from Flinders St Station in Sydney and rode 5 thousand miles finishing in Adelaide. As much of his route was along deserted roads he carried 50 kilos of supplies of water, dehydrated food and muesli bars. Pam illustrated her talk with some of his photos taken during his ride. The competition for a humorous cycling picture was won by Janet Pearce with Edith Gunston second. Joan Spooner won the flower competition with Angela MacNee and Rosemary Simpson joint second.

Future plans include taking part in the Group Round of the County Quiz and the Group Round of the Skittles Competition.

We continue our monthly lunch dates at various venues in the area. This month we will visit The Horse and Jockey

In June and July we will be catering for two coach parties with a cream tea at the Community Centre. This is our main fundraising to enable us to continue our monthly meetings with a variety of speakers

This month's meeting is our Annual Meeting when we elect our Committee and Officers for the coming year. Our WI Advisor, Pat Wallace will be present and give a talk on an aspect of her work. There will be no competition

Joan Downing (9226 5458)

We welcome all ladies to our meetings held on the first Wednesday of the month at the Memorial Hall from 2 to 4pm. The WI gives ladies the opportunity to make new friends, learn new skills and hear talks on a variety of subjects as well as meeting socially. If you have recently moved to the village or recently retired this is the ideal way to make new friends or renew old acquaintances. If you are unable to attend during the day the Evening Institute would welcome you to their meetings at 7.30pm on the third Wednesday in the month.

Denmead Village Association

The chairman, Peter Ambrose, opened the March meeting, advising the members that we are still awaiting Winchester's decision regarding the planning application for Carpenter's Field. However, he has joined the Parish Councillors in discussions regarding the flooding in Edneys Lane, White Horse Lane and Kings Pond and will keep the members advised of progress. He then introduced our speaker, Lt Cdr Brian Witts, MBE. Brian is curator of HMS Excellent, on Whale Island.

He is obviously passionate about his subject and took us through the history of HMS Excellent in great detail, starting from 1805. Gunnery training, such as it was, was provided on the hulks of old vessels, and HMS Excellent became available. In 1830 HMS Excellent was commissioned as the first naval gunnery training school. Once training was introduced, more and more naval battles were won. In 1853 Whale Island was acquired by the Royal Navy for £1,000. HMS Warrior was built in London, but was too large for the docks and dry docks so Portsmouth dockyard was extended and the spoil dumped on Whale

Island; in the late 1880s the first buildings were erected there. From then on more and more facilities were introduced until in 1914 all training stopped as the men were required on boats. Then, WRNS were sent to Whale Island but billeted ashore. Whale Island had its own zoo! The animals were brought back from various expeditions and included polar bears, pigeons, lions and monkeys.

Whale Island remained as a gunnery school until it became a naval training establishment. It was decommissioned in 1984 after missiles took over from guns in naval warfare.

At 7.30pm on **Friday 20th May (not 13th as printed elsewhere)** David Bridges, a National Trust guide will tell us about the Restoration of Uppark Gardens. Meetings are held in All Saints church hall and all residents are welcome to attend. The membership fee is £2 a year, payable to the treasurer, Mrs Janet Nobes, 8 The Smithy, Denmead, PO7 6YS, telephone 92 255981. She has available for sale various items of interest relating to Denmead.

Gloria Jarrett, Secretary

Q *I have been offered a gadget to save money on energy bills, it seems quite a good deal - should I agree to this?*

A Rising costs of gas and electricity mean many people are looking for ways to reduce their bills. Some people have been targeted by people offering to sell bogus energy-saving devices. In many cases these do not save energy and are unsafe.

Below explains how you can spot an energy-saving gadget scam and what you should do if you've been caught out.

The energy-saving gadget scam usually happens when someone phones or turns up on your doorstep. They say they are from either your energy supplier or a partner. They claim that for around £99 you could buy a plug-in gadget that could slash up to 40 per cent from your electricity bill.

The scammers appear credible. Many will already know your details, such as who your energy company is and part of your credit or debit card number.

In reality, the gadget doesn't give any practical savings. Tests have also shown that many are unsafe and could result in fire or even electrocution.

If someone tries to sell you an energy-saving gadget:

- don't buy it
- report them to Action Fraud - the person may be committing a criminal offence.
- Report a fraud using the online reporting tool at www.actionfraud.police.uk or by phone on 0300 123 2040. If you wish to report the fraud anonymously, you should use the phone number, as online reports are not anonymous.
- If you've been scammed and have bought the gadget don't use it or stop using it immediately
- if you gave the person your debit or credit card details, contact your bank and ask them to stop your card.

It is highly unlikely you will be able to get your money back, even if the bogus salesperson or company is caught and convicted. However, you can help stop them scamming

other people by reporting them to Action Fraud.

Report a fraud using the online reporting tool at www.actionfraud.org.uk or by phone on 0300 123 2040. If you wish to report the fraud anonymously, you should use the phone number, as online reports are not anonymous.

For more information or contact details of your nearest CAB, go to the Citizens Advice public website at www.citizensadvice.org.uk – please note you can also use the webchat option in most enquiry areas during working hours.

***For more information contact
Winchester District Citizens
Advice Bureau, at our Bishops
Waltham office, (Well House, 2
Brook Street, Bishop's
Waltham, SO32 1AX, 01489
896376) or Denmead
Outreach at Denmead
Community School, School
Lane, Denmead, Thurs 1 –
3pm.***

Denmead Evening W I

In April we:

- Learned how to do Quilling; the Craft Group will meet again for part 2 of the tuition on 10th May
- Met at The Bake House for a monthly Meet & Eat
- Learned the highs and the lows of the Famous & Infamous of Portsmouth.
- Hosted a meeting of the Bere Forest Group (Berewood, Cowplain, Lovedean, Stakes, Denmead Afternoon & Denmead Evening WIs) when we were entertained by 'Miranda's Music'.
- Joined an Open Day event at the Community Centre where information on the WI and its activities was displayed.

Also in April we held our annual Spring Fair – thank you to all our visitors from the local community who came to support us, hopefully everyone enjoyed the morning and lots of people perhaps found some bargains or won a prize. Some of our funds are used to provide a Bursary for one of our members to take an educational course at the WI Denman College, near Oxford. The

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draw has already taken place and one lucky member is currently studying the college brochure to decide on the course which is most relevant to her.

In May we will:

- Continue our Quilling craft on 10th
- Hold our Annual General Meeting on 18th when members will receive reports of our year's activities, and a new Committee will be formed for the next 12 months. The programme for our regular monthly meetings will be published in a forthcoming edition of The Chronicle.
- Gather at The White Hart for a Meet & Eat on 20th

Visitors are welcome to join in any of our activities and would find fun and friendship. The WI is the largest womens organisation in the UK and has been inspiring women since its inception 100 years ago. Our regular monthly meetings are at Denmead Memorial Hall on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm. Perhaps if you're unable

to make the Evening WI why not try the Denmead Afternoon WI which meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month. More information is available on www.hampshirewi.org.uk or www.thewi.org.uk

Irene Woodings, 023 9226 3465

District Report

West of Waterlooville

Taylor Wimpey development is nearing completion of Phases 3 and 4 with 372 units occupied. Phase 5, is the final phase of the residential development. The bridge that will connect the Taylor Wimpey and Grainger development is expected to be completed in late 2016, in the meantime a safe route for children has been established to Berewood School.

Negotiations are underway with regards to Phase 3 of the Grainger development which is a significant site which has a long edge that abuts the town park. Public Art in West of Waterlooville - Berewood School has begun a two year programme collecting Acorns and growing new oaks.

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The ambition is to grow 700 trees which is the number required to build a ship in times gone by. These trees will be planted around the development. The next phase will be repotting of the oak saplings that have grown over the winter, to take place in March/April 2016.

Local Plan Part 2 (LPP2) - of which the Denmead Neighbourhood Plan forms part of the Winchester document, is being submitted to the Planning Inspectorate to ensure that it is found to be sound in Planning Law. At the last Public Consultation 327 comments were received and these have been catalogued and forwarded to the Inspectorate for consideration.

Silver Hill Following the council's decision to withdraw from the Development Agreement, the developer (SW1) has now filed for a legal review of the council's actions leading up to the Notice to withdraw decision. Over the past 12 months a large amount of Officers' and Council time has been spent on this development. All the Planning Conditions for the 2009 planning application have now been satisfied, however the application failed to go unconditional on three points, that of Funding provider, Affordable Housing and Compulsory Purchase Orders (CPO's) have not been met. The commencement date (Planning Permission) has now run out along with the CPO's. The developers are challenging the Judicial Review in the Court of Appeal in May 2016 in a hope to clarify in Law the extent on which the 2009 planning application can be varied.

STOP PRESS (6th April 2016) The developer has withdrawn the Appeal, this news has to be confirmed.

Mike Read, District Councillor for Denmead

Waterlooville Probus Club

Waterlooville Probus Club provides a meeting place for retired or semi-retired, professional or business, ladies and gentlemen. We meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 'The Chairmakers', Worlds End, Hambledon, PO7 4QX.

The next meeting will be on 10th May 2016 starting at 12.00 noon. We meet for a drink and a chat with fellow members and after a 3 course lunch, our guest speaker Terry Fearnley will give a talk on 'HMS Alliance & the Submarine Museum'.

If you would like further information on joining Probus please contact Peter Quine on 079 2662 0530 or by e-mail to peterpia1989@outlook.com

A Band for Charity Events

Charity-based bookings now being taken by "Vintage Sounds" for autumn and Christmas.

To book the band for charity-gigs to perform the wonderful "Hits Of Yesteryear" from Elvis to Buddy & from Everlys to Cliff etc etc. in October, November or December 2016 please phone Gerry on 01489 575400.

To book the band in other seasons please write to Roger Wellstead c/o Sarisbury Green Community Centre, SO31 7BH.

"Vintage Sounds" Band performs Free-of-Charge DIRECT to charity members such as alzheimers, blind & stroke groups and many other deserving support-groups.

V.S. also performs free-of-charge in aid of macmillan cancer support at church organized "open" gigs .