



Harvest

Did you know that the custom of celebrating the Harvest in church is quite recent? – about 170 years old!

As far as we can tell, its origins can be traced back to Parson Hawker, Vicar of Morwenstow, in north Cornwall. In 1843, he invited farmers and their workers into church to give thanks for the richness of the harvest. Before then, there were various customs, and celebratory eating and drinking; but nothing specifically to thank God for sustaining the farm workers through the sheer backbreaking, drudging race against the weather to get all gathered safely in. This 'new' Harvest thanksgiving rapidly spread and by 1862 was recognised officially by the Church of England. This year at All Saints we will celebrate Harvest on Sunday 1st October at our 9.30am service.

Of course, times have changed greatly in recent decades. For us, who eat food flown in from all over the world, and benefit from an all-year-round harvest, it's a chance to thank God – not least for the blessing of being born at a time and in a place of plenty, when machinery, technology, and expertise help to keep us well-fed cheaply and easily.

In a society where most of us are consumers and few are producers, it is easy to forget the terrible grip the weather had on people's lives. ▶

**it's a
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Now, if it pours with rain for day on end, it's a ruined holiday or a cancelled sports day. Then, it was the difference between a full stomach and an empty one. And, of course, this is still the experience for many people all around the world today.

And so I believe Harvest is a good time for us all to take stock; to be thankful for all that we have, to give thanks to God for his creation and care, yes - but also to think carefully about the decisions we make daily as we shop and buy produce, recognising that our spending often effects the people of the developing world for whom growing crops of sufficient quality and quantity remains a struggle. If you would like to find out more I suggest looking at www.fairtrade.org.uk or www.traidcraftshop.co.uk



On the morning of Saturday 28th October there will be a special event to view some of the fairly, traded products available through Traidcraft, with opportunity to place orders - including all sorts of

lovely Christmas cards and gifts. If you would like to find out more or come to this event please ring Angela Herring on 9226 3215.

Every blessing,

Emma

*Revd Emma Racklyeft,
All Saints, Denmead*



All Saints Church Services

Sunday 1st October 16th Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am Holy Communion
- 9.30am Harvest Thanksgiving with Communion
- 11.30am Baptism
- 6.00pm Healing Service

Sunday 8th October 17th Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am Holy Communion with Coffee
- 9.30am Family Praise – no baptisms
- 6.00pm Evensong

Sunday 15th October 18th Sunday after Trinity

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

Sunday 22nd October 19th Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am Holy Communion
- 9.30am All Age Communion
- 6.00pm Evensong

Sunday 29th October 20th Sunday after Trinity/Bible Sunday

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

Morning Prayer is said Mon-Fri at 8.30am – everyone is most welcome.

Every Thursday there is a Communion Service at 11am – this is a 'said' prayer book service.

The church is open during daylight hours, for private prayer. If you wish to light a candle, there is a candle stand in the old chapel.

Next Messy Church – Saturday October 21st at 3.30

For all families with children

- the whole family is welcome to Messy Church
- grandparents and carers included.

Join us in this fun-filled afternoon of craft, singing and eating together.

We meet in the Church Hall from 3.30pm – 5.30pm.

Further information can be found at www.allsaintsdenmead.org.uk/messy-church or from Revd. Emma Racklyeft 023 9226 2647 or Revd. Sandie Osborne 023 9236 2591.



November at All Saints

Advance Notice that in November there are several changes to our normal service pattern to be aware of:

On **Sunday 5th November** at our **9.30am** service we will be marking our patronal festival with a special **All Saints, All-Age Celebration with Communion** – do join us!

Sunday 5th November at 6pm will be our annual **All Souls Service**. A Service of Reflection, Remembrance and Thanksgiving as remember those who have died.

Sunday 12th November – This year for the first time we will be joining with the Parish Council, Scouts, Guides and other local organisations/groups for a joint Act of Remembrance in the village. This will begin with a procession through Denmead at 10.30am from the Memorial Hall to the Village Green. At the Village Green (at 10.55am) we will gather for a Christian Act of Remembrance and laying of wreaths. After the service finishes, all will be welcome to All Saints, either for Refreshments in the church hall, or for further quiet, reflection and prayer in the church. Please note there will be no 9.30am service at All Saints.



The 6pm Evensong will be as normal.

Sunday 19th November will swap to a Family Praise service at 9.30am (with baptisms).

Then at **6pm** please join with us for a special **Songs of Praise** service. More details will follow...

Sunday 26th November will remain as normal, with no changes to the service pattern!

Denmead Baptist Church

Denmead Baptist Church is a small, friendly fellowship which has worshipped in the village since 1717 and has been at 'The Cornerstone' since 2014.

Our weekly Sunday services start at 10.30am, they are informal and incorporate a worship band, children's activities and bible based teaching for the adults and young people. We also enjoy many social activities together.

For further information, please go to:

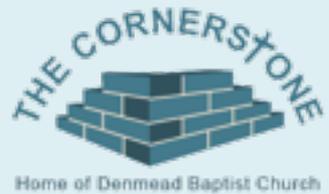
Website: www.denmeadbaptistchurch.org.uk

Email: admin@denmeadbaptistchurch.org.uk for room bookings/enquiries

'The Cornerstone', 22 Mead End Road, Denmead,
Waterlooville PO7 6PZ

We look forward to welcoming you to our church.

Noah's Ark
parent and toddler
group runs on
Wednesdays,
10-11.30am.
£1 adult
50p per child



Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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.

*The Church of the Sacred Heart
and St Peter the Apostle*

*356 London Road, Waterlooville,
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DABS 2017

Youth Group... The Black Holes!

The Stars, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Comet, Rockets, Astronauts, Black Holes.... these were the names of the various age groups at this year's DABS. The theme was 'Starship Discovery'.

It was based on the stories of the apostle Peter and the four T's... Turning; Trusting; Tripping; and Training... which Peter demonstrated throughout his life with Jesus.



This year's Youth Group (Black Holes) launched themselves into the theme.

Lively games of indoor hockey followed by a BBQ soon gelled the group together and they went on to make a film about Peter, involving guards, chains, prison, an angel, escape, joyous reunions, and walking on the water – yes, really!

They visited Winchester Cathedral where they learned about the history and current practices of that magnificent place of worship, and of course they had to re-enact penitential pilgrims crawling up the steps.

The last day was spent at



the Winchester Science Centre which included a presentation in the Planetarium which helped us to focus on the wonder of God's creation. By the way, did you know that spaghettification is the process by which (in some theories) an object would be stretched and ripped apart by gravitational forces on falling into a black hole?... something else we learned during the week.

So, in addition to *get spaghettified* written on our graffiti board, other comments included: *sweets, teamwork, fun, beach, Winchester Cathedral...* *cool, sweets all day, I'll miss DABS...* and on that note we'll end this report. We all had a wonderful week and can't wait until next year's DABS!

Leaders: Gill Barge, Maggie West, Simon Cottam, Wendy Jenkins



Home Visiting Group

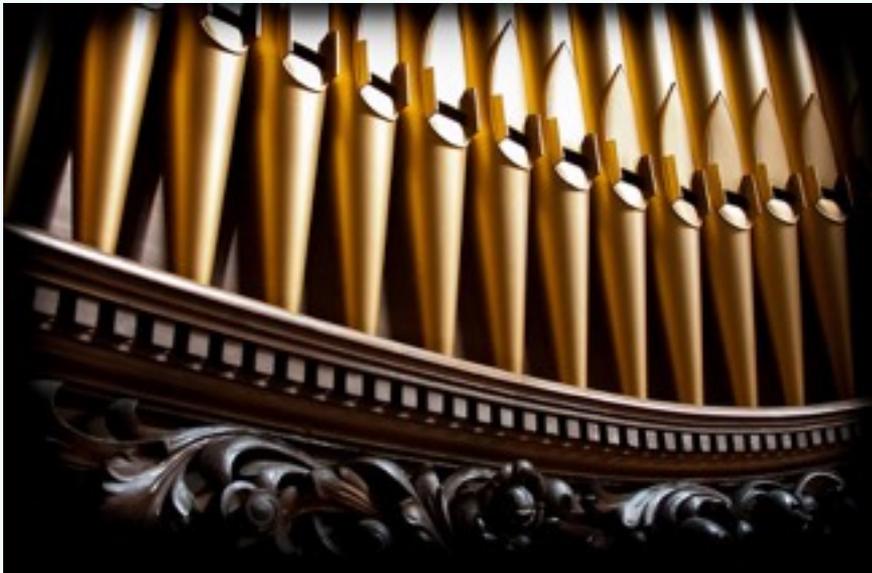
If you are lonely, sick or housebound or would just like someone to visit you we have a confidential visiting team and one of our members would willingly come, visit and spend time listening to you. Please phone us on 9226 8757. If the answerphone is on leave a message and we will phone you back.

Lunchtime Organ Recital

by

Elizabeth Le Grove

All Saints' Church, Botley



Wednesday October 11th 12.30pm

Free concert – retiring collection

What's on This Month, and Where

Venue Abbreviations:

ASC = All Saints' Church

CH = Church Hall; HR = Heath Room; UR = Upper Room;

Contact Church Office 9226 8757

MH = Memorial Hall

Contact Mrs S Thomas 9235 5993

DCC = Denmead Community Centre

Contact Mr R Bainbridge MBE, 9225 6132

PC = Denmead Parish Council Contact Tony Daniels, 9224 7947

SHQ = Scout Headquarters

BC = Baptist Church (Cornerstone, Mead End Road)

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.

- Times shown refer to hall bookings - please check with organisers for exact times of their events.
- Diary entries should be sent to Gill Barge (denmeadbarges@aol.com) at least one month in advance of publication.

Sun	1	ASC	HARVEST FESTIVAL – ALL WELCOME	9.30am		
		DCC	Junior Brass Band	9.15-10.15am	W	
			Denmead Brass Band	10.30-12.30am	W	
		MH	Karate	5.00pm	W	
Mon	2	CH	Zumba Fitness Class	9.30-10.30am	W	
			Breathe Again	11.30-12.30pm	W	
			Slimming World	5.30 & 7.30pm	W	
		MH	Denmead Pre School	9.00-3.00pm	D	
			*Wednesday *	9.00-12.30pm		
				TS Alacrity	7.00pm	W
		DCC	Old Schoolhouse Pre-School	9.00-3.00pm	D	
			Friday	9.00-Noon		
			Free Legal Advice Session	9.30-11.30am	M	
			Water Colours	10.00-Noon	W	
			U3A Board Gaming	2.30-4.30pm	M	
				Smart Fitness-Circuit Training	6.00-8.00pm	W
				Table Tennis	7.00-9.00pm	W
		Bridge Club	7.00-10.00pm	W		
SHQ	Busy Bees Pre School	9.00-3.00pm	D			
	Fri	9.00-Noon				

Village Diary

		Merlin Cub Pack	6.30-8.00pm	W
		At the Forest Of Bere Denmead Knit & Bitch	7.00-9.00pm	W
		All abilities are welcome		
Tue 3	CH	Zumba	9.30am	W
		Exercises After Stroke	2.00-3.30pm	W
		3 rd Denmead Brownies	5.45pm	W
		Denmead Horticultural Society	7.30pm	M
	HR	Coffee Tea & Chat for all (and Thursdays)	9.30-11.30am	2xW
	MH	Archery	7.00pm	W
	DCC	The Old Schoolhouse Creative Play - fun for the under fives	9.30-11.00am	W
		Upholstery	9.30-12.30pm	W
		U3A Art History	2.00-4.00pm	M
		Tuesday Pilates Class	5.30-7.30pm	W
		Allsorts Dog Behaviour & Care	5.00-7.00pm	W
		Downland Singers	7.45-10.15pm	W
		Denmead Brass	8.00-10.00pm	W
	SHQ	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 -at The Cornerstones, Mead End Rd	10.00-11.30am	W
	MH	Denmead Afternoon WI	2.00pm	M
		Denmead WI Belles	7.30pm	M
	DCC	Zumba Gold	9.30-10.30am	W
		Table Tennis	10.00-Noon	W
		Pilates	10.30-11.30am	W
		Denmead Art Group	10.00-Noon	F
		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	
		Kettle Fit	7.15-9.00pm	W	
		Parish Council –Planning	7.30pm		
	SHQ	Concorde Cubs	6.30-8.00pm	W	
		At the Forest Of Bere Denmead Knit & Bitch	10.00-Noon	W	
		All abilities are welcome			
Thu	5	CH	Daisy Tinies	10.30-12Noon	W
			Keep Fit	2.00pm	W
			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	9.30-11.30am	2xW
			(Tuesdays too)		
		MH	Karate	6.30pm	W
			Badminton	7.45pm	W
		DCC	Table Tennis	9.00-11.00am	W
			Zumba Toning	9.30-10.30am	W
			Citizens' Advice Bureau	9.30-11.30pm	W
			Senior Citizens' Luncheon Club	12.30-1.30pm	W
			Southern Arts Academy	5.00-9.00pm	W
		SHQ	Bere Forest Beavers	6.15-7.30pm	W
Fri	6	CH	Mother & Toddler Group	9.30am	W
			Chair Exercises	2.00pm	W
		DCC	U3A Art Class	9.30-Noon	W
			Denmead Drama	4.00-7.30pm	W
			Kettle Fit	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

Village Diary

	MH	Bootcamp Fitness Class	9.30am	W
		ABS Fitness Class	10.30am	W
	DCC	Southern Arts Academy	9.45-11.15am	W
		Table Tennis	10.00-Noon	W
Sun 8	MH	Archery	9.00am	W
Mon 9		At the Forest of Bere - The Royal British Legion Meeting	8.00pm	M
		- Hambledon & District Branch		
Tue 10	DCC	Southern Heart Support Group	10.00-Noon	M
		Afternoon Social Club	2.00-3.30pm	M
		At the Chairmakers - Worlds End Probus Club	12.00-3.00pm	M
		- Monthly lunch and talk by guest speaker		
Wed 11	CH	British Koi Karp Society	7.30pm	M
	MH	Floral Workshop	7.30pm	M
	DCC	Parish Council - Amenities	7.30pm	
Thu 12	DCC	U3A Table Tennis	2.00-4.00pm	F
Mon 16	DCC	Mumbaba - Mothers & Tots Singing Group	9.30-10.30am	W
		-Parents/Carers & Tots Singing Group		
		Pilates	11.00-Noon	W
Tue 17	HR	Mothers' Union	7.30pm	M
	DCC	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	Denmead Afternoon WI	2.00pm	M
		Denmead Evening WI	7.30pm	M
	DCC	Parish Council – Main Council	7.30pm	
Fri 20	CH	Denmead Village Association	7.30-9.30pm	
Sat 21	CH	MESSY CHURCH	3.30-5.30pm	M
	DCC	FILM NIGHT – ‘GOING IN STYLE’	7.30pm	M
		-doors open at 7.00pm; tickets £5		
Wed 25	CH	Bereavement Group	2.00-4.00pm	M
	DCC	Parish Council- Planning	7.30pm	
Sat 28	DCC	BEER FESTIVAL	7.00-11.30pm	

CAB



Lesley Rose, Advice Services Manager for Citizens Advice Winchester District, gives advice on flight compensation.

Q I've just got back from a week-long holiday to Greece. My outbound flight was cancelled with an hour's notice, but I got the replacement flight provided by the airline. Can I claim compensation?

A If your flight is cancelled at short notice you are legally entitled to a full refund or a replacement flight.

If the replacement flight delays you arriving at your destination, you can also claim compensation directly from the airline operating the flight - unless it was cancelled due to extraordinary circumstances, like bad weather.

The amount you can claim depends on when your replacement flight departed and arrived, how far you were travelling, and when the flight was cancelled.

Start by contacting the airline's customer services department and explain you'd like to claim compensation for the delay.

They will ask for your flight details and booking reference number, and explain your next steps - either writing a letter or filling in a form on their website. You'll need to enclose copies of any tickets and receipts. Make a copy or take a screenshot of the form.

If the problem isn't resolved after 8 weeks, you can take your complaint to the Alternative Dispute Resolution service the airline is a member of, or if that doesn't work, the Civil Aviation Authority.

For further help contact the Citizens Advice consumer service or visit www.citizensadvice.org.uk



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 Centre, School Lane, Denmead, Thurs 1 – 3pm.

Alternatively, call the Adviceline on 03444 111306

Citizens Advice Winchester District is an independent charity offering free, high quality advice to everyone in our community.

Denmead Rowans Support Group.



We would like to extend grateful thanks to Janine from Discover Wine for hosting our Tasting Evening. She introduced us to 6 different drinks. Each drink was accompanied by local food. Kay from the Heath Farm shop supplied delicious sausages, beef burgers and casserole beef, which were all cooked served by our volunteers. Denmead Poultry, the lovely farm shop on Hambledon Road, donated beautiful large fresh eggs, to add to the range of tastes on offer. The shop also gave a large basket with a selection of the goods they have for sale.

The Stoney Ridge Band kept us entertained with their selection of folk music from around the world.

Thank you to everyone who came to our event to support your local hospice.

For more information about your local support group please contact Trish on 079476116990 or patricia.bailey333@gmail.com



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w: www.rowanshospice.co.uk
Registered Charity no. 299731

Bereavement Support

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 All Saints Church office 9226 8757 or Merrill Partridge 9226 6159.

Denmead Evening Women's Institute

In September we enjoyed two social events, our monthly Meet & Eat Lunch when we met at the Harvest Home, and we also celebrated our 52nd birthday with cake and refreshments and much enjoyed musical entertainment by a very talented Miranda who is a great singer and provides her own accompaniment by playing a fantastic selection of instruments.

Our October programme will again include our monthly Meet & Eat on 5th when we plan to visit a local café or hostelry in the village. Wednesday, 18th, will be a busy day as the Bere Forest Group of which we are a part are holding their Autumn meeting at the Memorial Hall which should be a fun afternoon playing New Age Kurling. Our own monthly meeting will be held in the evening at the same location when Mrs T Robinson will give us a talk on the History of the English Canals, accompanied by a Painting Demonstration. On Wednesday, 31st, some of our members will be attending the Hampshire Federation Autumn meeting at The Anvil in Basingstoke when we will hear more of county future plans and meet many familiar faces from other Hampshire WIs.

Any ladies who would like to join us at any of these events to see what the WI is all about would receive a very warm welcome. Guests can attend up to 3 meetings free of charge prior to joining. Our regular meetings are on the third Wednesday of each month at 7.30 pm at Denmead Memorial Hall (second Wednesday in December). If you are unable to attend in the evening then Denmead Afternoon Institute would welcome you to their meetings at 2.00 pm on the first Wednesday of the month at the Memorial Hall.

More information is available on www.hampshirewi.org.uk or call Irene Woodings (023 9226 3465)

COMING SOONA DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES Our **AUTUMN FAIR on 18th November** at All Saints Church Hall from 10.00 am to noon. This is an opportunity to find some Christmas gifts, crafts and bargains, try your luck at our superb raffle or tombola, and meet your friends for coffee and a chat.

Denmead Community Centre

Denmead Film Night

Going in Style, Saturday 21st October – Desperate to pay the bills and come through for their loved ones, three lifelong pals (Michael Caine, Morgan Freeman, Alan Arkin) risk it all by embarking on a daring bid to knock off the very bank that absconded with their money. To reserve your tickets call 92 256132.



Beer Festival

The Charles Church 19th Annual Beer Festival will be held on Saturday 28th October. Tickets are £9 and include both a free drink and an etched glass tankard; tickets are now on sale from the Centre and other Village outlets. Book early as this event is always a sell-out!

If you would like to receive our electronic newsletter detailing the events and activities held at the Community Centre, just visit our website www.denmeadca.com and click "join the email list".

Denmead Conservative Branch

Our Autumn Sale will be held on Saturday 4th November at All Saints Church Hall, Denmead from 10am to 12 noon.

Stalls include Home Made Cakes and Preserves, Nearly New Fashions, Bric a Brac, China and Glassware, toys and games, books, CDs and DVD's and much more

Please bring donations of items for the stalls to the Church Hall from 8.30a.m.

Tea and Coffee, sausage and bacon butties available all morning.

There is also a Surgery in the Heath Room to meet your Councillors, County Councillor Patricia Stallard, and your District Councillors Caroline Brook, Patricia Stallard and Mike Read.

Please contact Janet Nobes, 8, The Smithy, 92 255981 janet.nobes@tesco.net or Mike Read, 92 257565 mike.read.mr@gmail.com for more details.

Janet Nobes, Acting Secretary

Denmead Horticultural Society

In September Ben Cross talked to us about the alstroemerias he grows at his family's nursery in Walberton. They prefer cool and dry conditions, have a flush of flowers in spring and autumn and can be stressed by too much summer heat. In the glasshouse they are grown in 2m x 30m beds with hot water pipes running along the row for winter protection and irrigation pipes for water. Ten per cent of the plants are replaced each year but they can last 20 years. The flowers grow from a rhizome



and are pulled not cut which stimulates new growth and removes any disease. Pests are dealt with as naturally as possible with aubergines at the end of each row to attract whitefly away from the flowers. The glasshouse is heated by a wood chip boiler and the potash rich ash is used to improve fruiting of raspberries. Ben brought lovely bunches of alstroemerias, aubergines and raspberries for us to buy and made us very aware of the superior quality of local fresh flowers as opposed to chemically treated, much travelled, imported ones.

Also last month we went on a bat walk in Creech Woods with members of the Hampshire Bat Group. They hadn't done a survey there before and were pleased to detect five species of bat which will be added to the county records. We were each given a bat detector to use and told to which frequencies we should tune them to pick up the different echo location calls. The species identified were noctule, common pipistrelle, one of the myotis species, serotine and brown long-eared.



On Tuesday 3rd October Mark Porter's talk is 'From Vine to Wine'. He will tell us about the vineyard he planted in his garden at The Down House, Itchen Abbas and the trials and tribulations of growing grapes and turning them into

wine. New members and visitors (£2) are welcome to the talk, 7.30pm at the Church Hall.

Our Pumpkin Show is on Tuesday 24th, 7.30pm at the Church Hall and all are welcome to come and see the giant pumpkins being weighed. Schedules are in Parkers and even if you haven't grown a pumpkin you could buy one to decorate or have a go at the set recipe.

On Saturday 21st we are once again helping with the apple crushing and pressing at the Denmead Apple Day, 10am to 3pm in the village centre. Bring your apples along to be turned into juice and have a go at the apple recipes baking competition, details from Discover Wine. There will be lots of stalls as well as live music, a bar and food.

Liz Williams, 023 9226 9642

Denmead Horticultural Society Flower Arranging Workshop

At this month's workshop the members were all given the same material and flowers for their display. It was a really interesting evening to see how people put their own interpretation on the objects and flowers they were given.

Next month on October 11th Rhona Doyl will demonstrate an arrangement using only leaves.

You are welcome to visit our workshop in the Memorial Hall at 7:30 for more information please call Trish on (07947) 611699 or Email patricia.bailey333@gmail.com



Denmead Afternoon Women's Institute

August was a busy month for the institute. After our outing to Jane Austen's House and the Watercress Line we had a stall at the Horticultural Society Village Show and took part in the Group round of the County Skittles competition.

Our September monthly meeting included a talk by Gwen Appleton, on the traumas of the travel trade, entitled "I don't wish to complain dear but....". Gwen explained that having been on a number of Single's holidays she was approached by the general manager and asked to become a host for the company. Her first job was a weekend in Birmingham followed by late spring holidays in Italy. She hosted a number of holidays in Gambia, St Lucia and the Greek Islands before deciding to go freelance. Her favourite holidays were cruising the waters of Croatia with the same family-run boat. The competition for a holiday souvenir was won by Rosemary Simpson with Edith Gunston second. Joan Downing won the flower competition and Diane Pye was second.

This month we host the Autumn Group meeting which will be a social afternoon including New Age Kurling.

We will continue our monthly lunch dates meeting at the Harvest Home on Monday 23rd of this month and a visit to Havant and South Downs College next month.

This month we will welcome Julie Gallaher to our meeting. She will give a talk about "Nuisance phone calls, odd emails, doorstep callers and junk mail". The competition will be for a poem or limerick about junk mail.

Joan Downing (9226 5458).

We extend a warm welcome to all ladies to our meetings held at 2pm on the 1st Wednesday in the month in the Memorial Hall, Hambledon Road.

WI offers monthly talks and demonstrations on a variety of subjects as well as participating in Group or County activities. WI is the ideal way to learn a new skill and make new friends, especially if you are new to the village.

If afternoons are not suitable Denmead Evening institute would welcome you at 7.30 on the third Wednesday of the month.

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 October meeting will be held on the 10th October 2017, from 12.00 noon to 3.00 pm. We meet for a drink and a chat with fellow members and after a 3-course lunch, our guest speaker Madeleine Salvetti will give a presentation entitled 'Famous and Infamous People of Portsmouth'.

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

APPLYING FOR A SCHOOL PLACE

To parents of children born between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014
From 1st November you may apply for a school place!

Admission to school is not automatic, you need to apply for a school place for your child by: Monday 15th January 2018.

How to apply:

Apply the easy way, on-line at www.hants.gov.uk/admissions

We welcome all enquiries and invite you to visit the school:

Denmead Infant School Open Morning

Thursday 5th October 2017 - 9.15am to 10.30am

Denmead Infant School Open Evening

Wednesday 15th November 2017 - 7.00pm to 8.00pm

If you would like to see our school in action, please contact us on 023 9226 2717 to arrange a visit.

