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It's time to celebrate!

As we enter the month of June, we have two very good reasons to celebrate:

The first reason to rejoice is the Queen's Platinum Jubilee...

We have never had a Platinum Jubilee before, and we should never overlook the simply remarkable fact of having one. Her Majesty the Queen, whose accession was on 6th February 1952, was crowned a year later in Westminster Abbey on June 2nd 1953. It is worth remembering that while we celebrate her accession 70 years ago, it is also a yearly reminder of her father's death, and amid the celebrations there is, for her at least, a note of mourning. Similarly, as we mark this unique Jubilee, it comes not long after the death of her husband, HRH Prince Philip, a man who was always at her side, and a source of great strength. We are reminded that at 96 years old, her Majesty is of significant age, and that the modern Elizabethan era is likely to be drawing to a close.

As we approach the Platinum Jubilee there is much to celebrate and much to look back on, and there is cause for great prayer and thanksgiving not so much for 70 years of reign, but for 70 years of service. The Queen's service to our nation in state, charity work, diplomacy and wider global support, and by being a fixed point in an ever-changing world, is something it is too easy to overlook or take for granted. This Jubilee is an opportunity for the nation, and our communities to say 'thank you' for all she has done, at home and abroad.

In addition the Queen holds the titles of Defender of the Faith and Supreme Governor of the Church of England; it is palpably clear that she has taken her sovereignty as a vocation – a calling to serve and to lead. She has spoken of her deep-rooted Christian faith in every Christmas message, and in a one-off Easter special during the Pandemic, with well-chosen, careful, and insightful words of comfort, joy, hope, and encouragement, all grounded in her faith and trust in Jesus Christ.



Independent of how you or I view monarchy, Queen Elizabeth II is a remarkable woman of faith, who has set an amazing example of service and commitment and is worthy of great celebrations and thanksgiving.

As the restrictions of the Covid Pandemic are receding, now is a wonderful time for us to unite as a community, rejoicing in all that holds us together, and so I commend to you the local Platinum Jubilee Street Party on Saturday 4th June 3-7pm (all the details follow later in this magazine).

The second reason to celebrate follows on Sunday 5th June as we mark Pentecost Sunday – the day where for nearly two millennia Christians have celebrated the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on God's people.



Pentecost is celebrated fifty days after Easter. For the early disciples they had encountered the risen Jesus; for forty days Jesus had spent time with them, but then he ascended into heaven and the disciples were left on their own again. The disciples remained gathered together in an upper room in Jerusalem not knowing quite what to do. Then ten days later, as they were marking the Jewish festival of Shavuot, the Holy Spirit descends upon them. The disciples hear wind and see flames on one another, and then find

they can speak different languages as they are filled with the Spirit. At first sight, some think they are drunk, but the Apostle Peter tells the crowd they are full of the Holy Spirit.

The disciples receive an amazing gift, a person, God himself comes to inhabit them. The Holy Spirit comes as love and truth to dwell in their hearts. The Spirit makes sense of the mystery of the Christ they have encountered and enables them to share that mystery with others, so that they too will believe and be transformed.

From this momentous day, the disciples filled with the Holy Spirit begin to tell others about Jesus. Travelling far and wide, they establish communities of faith, what we now call the church.

All Saints Church Services

Sunday 5th June – Pentecost and Queen's Platinum Jubilee

At both services we gather to celebrate, rejoicing in the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost – the birthday of the church. We will also include in our worship, liturgy and prayers that mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We're also encouraging everyone to wear either just red, or red/white/blue clothing!

8.00am Holy Communion (Traditional BCP Communion Service).

This week will include some singing at this service.

10.00am Holy Communion service with Kids and Youth at Ten.

This service will be live streamed to our Facebook page, and then, later in the day, added to our website.

After this service we gather for refreshments in our church hall.

Sunday 12th June – Trinity Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion (Said, traditional BCP Communion Service).

10.00am All Saints Together – *all ages gather to worship, learn, and grow together.*

After this service we gather for refreshments in our church hall.

Sunday 19th June – The First Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion
(Said, traditional BCP Communion Service).

10.00am Holy Communion with Kids and Youth at Ten. *This service will be live streamed to our Facebook page, and then, later in the day, added to our website.*

After this service we gather for refreshments in our church hall. Our Youth at Ten group will also host their Bake-Off competition – so food for us all to enjoy!

Sunday 26th June – The Second Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion
(Said, traditional BCP Communion Service).

10.00am Morning Worship.
We gather to worship, pray, and learn. This service often includes an update on an area of ministry or latest news from a Mission Partner.

Morning Prayer is said daily at 8.30-9.00am – everyone is welcome. On a Monday, Wednesday, and Friday we also live stream this service to our Facebook page, and later in the day, add to our website.

Private Prayer - The Church building is open from 8.30am to dusk each day for private prayer.

If you wish to light a candle and pray there is a candle stand in the Chapel.

Pentecost is the birth-day of the global church. The start of a new era.

Pentecost is every bit of a gospel event as Jesus' ministry and miracles, death, and resurrection. The Spirit's coming grants us assurance, hope and identity as much as a bloody cross or an empty tomb. The gift of the Holy Spirit is part and parcel of Christ's work on behalf of His people.

Happy Birthday All Saints!

The Holy Spirit didn't come just once, and that was it! Rather, the Holy Spirit is with the church today. The Holy Spirit continues to fill Christians today, inspiring them, encouraging them, helping them to love, and giving them boldness to pass on the good news of Jesus.

This Pentecost Sunday, All Saints will celebrate Pentecost – a bit like a birthday – we will share cake and sing Happy Birthday. I'm also encouraging everyone to wear something either red, a symbol of the fire and the Spirit, or to wear red/white/blue to mark the Jubilee.

With every blessing,

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Mass Times

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Sunday Family Mass: 10.30am (including Children's Liturgy)
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The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Please join the village celebrations as we host a Platinum Jubilee Street Party (organised by Denmead Parish Council) on Saturday 4th June 3-7pm along the Hambledon Road outside the main village shops. There will be all sorts on offer including face painting, magic shows, live music, and dancing!



At All Saints we will be hosting a huge picnic area - so feel free to bring along your own picnic and enjoy our gardens. There will be activities and crafts for children, outdoor games, a prayer space to give thanks for the Queen's reign, and several local community groups hosting different stalls. There will be archery at the back of the church hall and an adventure bouncy castle for children to enjoy. Inside our church there will be several floral displays in red, white, and blue so you're welcome to pop in and enjoy. Outside, the church building, porch and front garden will be covered in stunning Jubilee bunting and the front fence will also be adorned with Jubilee crowns designed by children at Denmead Infant School. So lots to see and enjoy – a day of celebration and community.

Church Flower Club Kicks Off Jubilee Celebrations

It was a very happy start to the celebrations in Denmead for Her Majesty on 4th May when the members of the Church Flower Club met for a Platinum Jubilee Tea Party in the Church Hall. The hall had been transformed into a sea of red, white and blue with Union Jack bunting and matching balloons and the tables looked splendid with colourful napkins, jars of flags and delicate china. Before the refreshments we were wonderfully entertained by the fabulous David Lindsay who recited a selection of humorous poetry and prose and then led the singing of some patriotic songs kindly accompanied by his wife Anne and, of course, no such occasion would be complete without a fine rendering of Jerusalem and God Save the Queen!



Having worked up an appetite with lots of singing and much laughter, tea was served and we were treated to a very tasty selection of sandwiches and savouries, delicious scones topped with homemade jam and clotted cream together with a delicious selection of cakes baked by the flower club committee.

It really was a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon and our thanks go to all the club members who came along to support the event, the organising committee for their hard work beforehand, David and Anne Lindsay for their terrific talents and Revd Jack Williams for his time and company.



We had hoped to begin the Prayer Course this summer, however, for several reasons we've realised this isn't going to work. So instead, we have postponed the course to the Autumn Term.

It will now run on a Sunday evening 6 - 8pm and the dates will be:

4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th September and 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 23rd October.

The Prayer Course is an eight-week journey through the Lord's Prayer helping us all to learn and grow and deepen our faith.

This course is for everyone – for those who have lots of faith, for those who have a little faith, and those who are exploring and asking questions - all are very welcome.

The sessions will be held in church. Each week we will provide refreshments and a selection of treats - cakes, biscuits, fruit, and other delights!

To find out more about the course go to: www.prayercourse.org/home

Or you are welcome to give Revd. Emma a ring/email:

ADVANCE NOTICE

THE BAND OF HER MAJESTY'S ROYAL MARINES CONCERT

Continuing our successful concert run we are delighted to be able to welcome back The Band of her Majesty's Royal Marines for their annual concert at All Saints Church Denmead on Wednesday 23rd November.

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First Denmead and Hambledon Repair Café takes off!

It was all hands to the pump on Saturday April 30th, as the Denmead and Hambledon Repair Café opened its doors for the very first time. Our eight wonderful volunteer repairers fixed over 25 repairs, including a vacuum cleaner, a leather coat, a hammer, and a table lamp, while Rich sharpened several knives, shears and a lawnmower blade to perfection.



What a fantastic way to prevent waste and build skills...not forgetting the opportunity to share tea and cake while waiting to meet your repairer.

By the time you read this, the first Repair Café in Hambledon Church will have taken place, hopefully with equal customer satisfaction!



The next date at Denmead Community Centre is June 18th from 1-4pm and Hambledon Church, July 16th from 10-1pm.

We'll advertise beforehand what repairers we'll have on site (see our Facebook page Denmeadhambledonrepaircafe) so do come along with anything you'd like repaired. All we ask is a donation!



If you would like to volunteer, either as a repairer or one of the support members, then please contact us via our Facebook page or email: dhrepaircafe@gmail.com



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Walks from Denmead

This walk which starts at Denmead Community Centre initially goes through woodland before picking up the Wayfarers Walk footpath that takes it to its farthest point just above Bury Lodge on the edge of Hambledon. The second leg of the walk is on a footpath leading to the B2150 on the hill just outside Hambledon before continuing back to Denmead finally emerging on Uplands Road at the west of the village.

WALK DETAILS:
Distance 6.4Km (4 miles),
Duration 1h 45m,
Stiles 0,
Walk Grade EASY (2/5)

Park at Denmead Community Centre and on leaving the main car park go L, walk to the end of School Lane then R heading back toward the village centre. After about 70m cross the road and walk around the gate before starting up the wide track leading into Harts Copse. Stay on this path through the first part of the wood then cross the gap into the second section, High Wood, at the end of which bear R where the path heads downhill. A narrow path leads to the Wayfarers Walk footpath.

On reaching the latter turn L, go through the metal gate and stay on this path for some distance to a second gate. Go L at the lane then



Wayfarers Walk footpath leading from Harrowgate Lane toward Hambledon

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almost immediately R into Harrowgate Lane.

About 50m along this lane pass through a gate on the L and head diagonally across the field. On the far side of the field pass through a gap in the hedge before turning L, stay on this path along the lower edge of the field as far as the lane. Here go R and after 100m turn L. Go the short distance as far as the telegraph post then again follow the green WW sign to the R. The path passes along the perimeter of two fields and at the end of the second go L then R heading for the lane at the same time passing an interesting item mounted on a tree stump in woodland to the L.

Turn L into the lane which soon starts to go downhill and when the double bend is reached bear L. This footpath winds its way south and after about 400m drops downhill toward the main road. Listen and watch before quickly crossing and walking downhill on the uneven but raised surface of the verge. After about 75m go through the gate on the LHS then continue uphill toward woodland passing paddocks either side. A short, steep climb leads to a field which is crossed in the direction indicated on the yellow FP sign – it is usually a clearly marked route. On reaching the far corner of the field go through the gap in the hedge.

After passing through the gap go L and keep to the LH perimeter of the field, but head across to the R just before the ground rises ahead. Cross a short wooden bridge after which the narrow FP continues steadily uphill eventually emerging onto Uplands Road. On entering the latter go L then immediately R and head down Thompsons Lane. Turn L at the bottom of the road into



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Denmead Flower Arranging Workshops

Workshops are held on the second Wednesday of each month in Denmead Memorial Hall.

The next will be on Wednesday June 8th at 7:30

The demonstrator will be Christine Teuten who will be showing us how to make a wedding table arrangement.

Visitors are welcome.

Please call Maureen Judd for more information on (023) 9226 2342.

It is with regret we have to report the sad loss of our long term member Ena Uwins at the age of 92.

She was always enthusiastic and a very accomplished flower arranger. Ena was a long time committee member. Her last post was as our Secretary.

She will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

Maureen Judd - chair DHS Flower Arranging Workshop.

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Here are the regular activities that take place at the various venues in Denmead.

If you spot any incorrect entries, please send updates by email: chronicle@allsaintsdenmead.org.uk

Church Hall Regular Bookings

Mondays

- 09.30-10.30 – Zumba (weekly, term time only)
- 11.30-12.30 – Breathe Again (weekly) *temporarily suspended*
- 13.30-20.30 – Slimming World (weekly)

Tuesdays

- 09.30-10.30 – Pilates (weekly, term time only)
- 11.30-12.30 – Fit & Fifty Plus (weekly) *temporarily suspended*
- 14.00-15.00 – Positive Strokes (weekly) *temporarily suspended*
- 17.30-19.00 – 3rd Brownies (weekly, term time only)
- 19.30-21.30 – Denmead Horticultural Society (monthly, 1st Tuesday)
- 20.00-22.00 – South Hants Koi Club (Oct. to Apr. only, monthly, 2nd Tuesday)

Wednesdays

- 11.00-12.30 – Memory Café (monthly, 2nd Wednesday)
- 12.00-16.00 – Flower Club (monthly, 3rd Wednesday)
- 14.00-16.00 – Bereavement Support Group (monthly, 4th Wednesday)
- 17.45-19.15 – 1st Brownies (weekly, term time only)
- 19.30-21.30 – Guides Mentoring (Ad hoc/ alternate month)

Thursdays

- 09.15-10.15 – Mrs G's Pilates (weekly)
- 16.15-17.15 – 1st Rainbows (weekly, term time only)
- 17.30-19.00 – 2nd Brownies (weekly, term time only)
- 19.00-21.00 – Guides & Rangers (weekly, term time only)

Fridays

- 09.15-11.15 – Little Stars (weekly, term time only)
- 14.30-15.30 – Gentle Chair Exercises (weekly) *temporarily suspended*
- 19.30-21.30 – Denmead Village Association (alternate monthly, 2nd Friday)

Saturdays

- 15.30-17.30 – Messy Church (monthly, 3rd Saturday) *currently on hold*

Heath Room regular bookings

Tuesdays

- 09.30-11.30 – Coffee & Chat (weekly)
- 14.00-16.00 – Mothers' Union (monthly, 3rd Tuesday)
- 19.30-21.30 – Denmead Horticultural Society Committee (monthly 2nd Tuesday)

Wednesdays

- 10.00-12.30 – Craft & Chat (weekly, term time only)
- 19.30-21.30 – Guides Mentoring (Ad hoc / alternate month, term time only)

Thursdays

- 09.30-11.30 – Coffee & Chat (weekly) **currently on hold**

Saturdays

Denmead Community Association (The Old School) Regular Events

Mondays

- 08.30 - 15.30 Old Schoolhouse Pre-School – Term Time Only
- 09.30 - 10.30 Better Body Club
- 11.00 - 13.15 Yoga with Allison
- 10.00 - 12.00 Watercolours for Improvers
- 11.00 - 13.00 Italian classes – Tertulia
- 14.30 - 16.30 U3A Board games – fortnightly
- 19.00 - 21.00 Evening Table Tennis – contact annandmalcolm.davies@virgin.net
- 19.00 - 22.00 Denmead Bridge Club

Tuesdays

- 09.00 - 15.30 Old Schoolhouse Pre-School - Term Time Only
- 09.30 - 10.30 Better Body Club
- 10.00 - 12.00 Denmead Unsung Gardeners (DUG)
Contact the Centre for more Information.
- 09.30 - 12.30 Upholstery Class
- 10.30 - 12.30 Creative Writing
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- 13.30 - 15.00 Afternoon Social Club (Monthly 2nd Tuesday)
- 14.00 - 16.00 Art History 2 (Monthly, 1st Tuesday of the month)
- 18.00 - 19.00 Pilates Class
- 19.00 - 21.00 Denmead WI – monthly
- 19.00 - 21.00 Art Group

- 14.30 - 15.30 Chapter Reading Group (Monthly 1st Tuesday of the month)
- 19.45 - 21.45 Denmead Brass Band Rehearsal
- 19.30 - 22.00 Downland Singers
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Wednesdays

- 09.00 - 12.00 Old Schoolhouse Pre-School – Term Time Only
- 10.00 - 12.00 Jiggly Wrigglers
- 10.00 - 12.00 Denmead Art Group (Fortnightly)
- 10.00 - 12.00 Wednesday Table Tennis – contact annandmalcolm.davies@virgin.net
- 13.30 - 14.30 Shiyong Tai Chi
- 19.00 - 21.00 Breakaway Stitchers and Quilters
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Thursdays

- 09.00 - 12.00 Old Schoolhouse Pre-School - Term Time Only
- 09.30 - 10.30 Zumba
- 09.30 - 11.30 Table Tennis – contact annandmalcolm.davies@virgin.net
- 10.45 - 11.45 Diddi Dance
- 12.00 - 13.30 Lunch Club for over 70's
- 15.00 - 17.00 Italian Classes – Tertulia
- 19.00 - 21.00 Table Tennis – contact annandmalcolm.davies@virgin.net

Fridays

- 09.00 - 12.00 Old Schoolhouse Pre-School – Term Time Only
- 10.00 - 11.00 Bible and Bubble – baby yoga
- 09.30 - 12.00 Art Class
- 10.00 - 13.00 The Messy Hands Crafters (first Friday of the month)
- 18.30 - 20.30 Farlington Dog Club (Denmead)
- 14.00 - 16.00 U3A Table Tennis (Beginners) Monthly 3rd Friday

Saturdays

- 09.00 - 11.30 Southern Arts Academy (Term Time only)

Denmead Film Nights

- Doors open at 19.00 (Typically the last Saturday of the month)
- A warm welcome is extended to all.

Sundays

- 09.00 - 12.30 Denmead Brass Band
- 19.30 - 22.00 Board Gaming – monthly

If you are interested in joining any of the groups please contact Denmead Centre on 023 9225 6132

War Memorial Hall Diary - June 2022

Weds 1st	Pre School	9.00am	Daily
	Afternoon WI	2.00pm	Monthly
	Denmead Belles	7.30pm	Monthly
Wed 8th	Floral Wkshp	7.30pm	Monthly
Sun 12th	Karate	5.00pm	Weekly
Wed 15th	Evening WI	7.30pm	Monthly

Further Details Available from:

Church Hall and Heath Room

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War Memorial Hall

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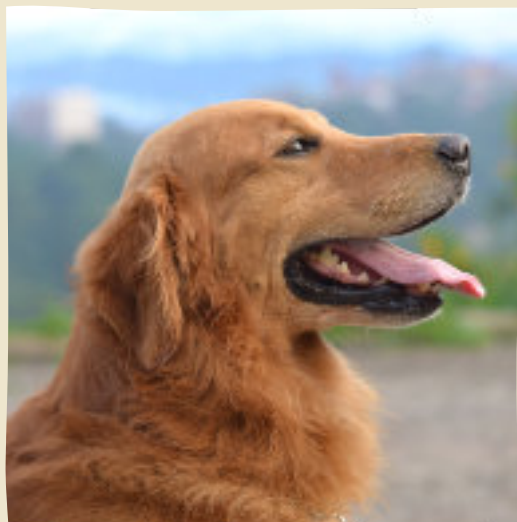
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Lesley Rose, Advice Services Manager for Citizens Advice Winchester District gives advice on what to do if you think you've been treated unfairly when applying for a job.

Q I recently applied for a job at a local pub which offered National Minimum Wage. I had an interview and at the end the manager asked how old I was. After telling her I was 25 she told me she would be in touch, but it would be unlikely I'd get the job because they wouldn't be able to afford to pay me the required wage. She said she'd prefer to hire someone younger. Is this legal?

A Nobody should be asking you how old you are in a job interview. Being 25, you're entitled to the National Living Wage. On the Citizens Advice website there are full details of the wages people are entitled to by law. But these rules shouldn't mean employers avoid hiring people because of how old they are. That's known as 'direct age discrimination' in the Equality Act 2010.



You're also protected by the National Minimum Wage Act 1998, which says employers can't not hire you (and they can't fire you) because your age means you're entitled to a higher rate. We have a lot of information on our website about what to do if you're being treated unfairly when applying for a job. If you've been discriminated against, there are steps you can take to either get compensation or convince the person to give you a job.

Make a note of what happened as soon as you can - noting down exactly what you were asked and any other remarks the interviewer made. This will be useful as evidence later. Next, you should write a letter of complaint to the employer. Keep a copy of this letter for your own records. There's advice on the Citizens Advice website on what this letter should include and you can also speak to an adviser at your local Citizens Advice to get help writing it.



If the letter doesn't get an outcome you're happy with, you could take the employer to an employment tribunal. You'll need as much evidence of discrimination as possible. Evidence should include the job advert, the job description, your notes about what was said at the interview and any contact you've had with the employer since - like your complaint letter.

Remember that you only have three months minus one day from the date that the 'discriminatory act' (in this case, the comments in your interview) happened to start tribunal proceedings. You do this by contacting the government organisation Acas and telling them that you intend to bring a claim.

Nobody should have to worry about being discriminated against when job hunting. For more advice on your rights when searching for work, visit www.citizensadvice.org.uk/work or call Citizens Advice Winchester District on 0808 278 7861.



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The Strawberry Coast

- Denmead Horticultural Society

Our May talk by Dr Mary South about Hampshire's Strawberry Coast was well illustrated with photos of the heyday of strawberry growing and gave us an insight into the horticultural history of our area. Although the tiny wild strawberry was gathered locally it wasn't until American varieties arrived in the 16th century that larger fruits were bred and strawberry growing became a source of income for many families.

The Enclosures Act in the mid-1800s meant that wealthy landowners could acquire large areas of what had previously been common land and forest to build a mansion and establish a park around it. One such landowner was William Garnier of Rookesbury Park but, aware that this would displace many people making a living in the forest, he built 24 back-to-back houses each with 3 to 4 acres of land and advised his tenants to grow strawberries - this is the origin of Hundred Acres near Wickham.

The trade prospered with the development of the railways and many areas of South Hampshire were now growing strawberries which were distributed to Southampton, Portsmouth, Salisbury and London. Botley station, opened in 1841, was the first to ship strawberries but Swanwick station built in 1888 became the main station for the trade. These stations were built with very long platforms to accommodate the strawberry trains with roads alongside for the horses and carts to queue.



Botley station c1907

The strawberry baskets known as chips were woven from thin strips of



pine in Winchester prison and later in a factory behind Swanwick station. A gallon basket could hold 9lbs of fruit and each family had their initials on the baskets. Strawberry picking was labour intensive with workers paid 6 pence an hour or a penny farthing per basket. Now the occasional PYO farm is the only reminder of this former trade.

The Wildlife of Portsdown Hill is the subject of our talk by Richard Jones on Tuesday 7th June. He will tell us about the flora, fauna and insects of this chalk downland on our doorstep. Our July talk is an Introduction to Garden Design. Talks are at 7.30pm in the Church Hall, visitors welcome to attend for £2.

DHS Website:

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The Afternoon Women's Institute

Denmead Afternoon Women's Institute has continued its monthly lunch dates with the Annual Meeting held in May where our Officers and Committee were elected. The competition at this meeting was for 'an item from schooldays' and was won by Rosemary Simpson; the flower competition was won by Joan Downing.

The speaker for June will be Sue Essex who will talk about her work as "A Housemother in India" and so the competition will be for an item with an Indian connection.

In August some members will visit Buckingham Palace for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Exhibition.

We invite all ladies to our meetings held on the first Wednesday of the month

(unless otherwise stated) from 2-4pm in the Memorial Hall. We have monthly talks and demonstrations, with a relevant competition, on a wide range of subjects so there is something to suit all tastes and interests including social issues, music, dance, history, computing and travel.

If you have recently retired or moved to the village the WI is the ideal way to make new friends or renew old friendships as well as learning new skills. We sit informally around small tables and introduce new attendees to other members with the tea break giving members a chance to socialise over cake. Visitors are welcome to "try us out" or if you are unable to attend an afternoon meeting then the Evening Institute would welcome you to their meetings at 7.30pm on the third Wednesday.

Joan Downing

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HAF A Happy Holiday

Total funding worth approximately £10m will be allocated to the County Council by the Department for Education to continue running the HAF scheme (Holiday Activities & Food), which offers healthy food and enriching activities to eligible children during the school holidays – a time when some families struggle with the extra costs, such as food and childcare. In Hampshire, there are over 33,000 children who are potentially eligible for free HAF places.

The HAF programme will continue to make free places available to eligible children for the equivalent of at least four hours a day, four days a week and for six weeks a year. This covers four weeks in the summer and a week's worth of provision in each of the Easter and Christmas holidays. Organisations will also be able to offer additional places to fee paying families.

To support the three-year programme, the commissioning process is changing from termly grant awards to service contracts which will offer more certainty to providers as well as allowing provision to be secured for a full year. Organisations are being invited to join

the framework of providers who will have the opportunity to respond to a 'mini competition' to run the activities between now and 2025. These could be schools, childcare providers, community organisations, as well as sports coaching and outdoor education providers.

Families wanting to find out what is on offer locally should search the Family Information and Services Hub - <https://fish.hants.gov.uk/kb5/hampshire/directory/home.page>

Pack a Picnic

Events are taking place across Hampshire as part of The Big Lunch Jubilee celebrations. There will be music, entertainment, fun activities for children, and on Saturday 4th June Staunton Country Park will also be live-screening the national event – the Platinum Party at the Palace. More information can be found about these events and other Jubilee celebrations across Hampshire, on the County Council's dedicated Queen's Platinum Jubilee webpage - <https://www.hants.gov.uk/platinumjubilee>

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Summer Season Well Underway at Denmead Bowling Club



Denmead Bowling Club's open day in April attracted around 40 people to pop in and have a go with some very positive feedback. We also hold regular taster days but if they are not convenient then taster sessions can be arranged with our coaches by contacting Mike Wright (mj.wright16@btinternet.com).

Our summer season is now underway with Ladies', Men's and mixed matches taking place along with club competitions. We have social events throughout the year with coffee mornings on the second Thursday of each month starting at 10am. As well as Playing Membership we also have Social Membership which allows you to engage with our social activities such as our craft afternoon every Thursday at which members can enjoy friendly company while producing useful items for charitable causes. Through the summer we hold fun afternoons such as our annual Ladies v Men Match followed by a BBQ. During the winter months, as well as short mat bowls, we hold social events such as quiz nights with a fish and chip supper, Christmas draw night with a sing along plus many others.

Further details including contact and membership details can be found on our website: www.denmeadbowlingclub.co.uk

Recycle it!

Rowans Hospice Staff and Volunteers recycle the following items to prevent land fill waste and protect the environment and as a means of fundraising:

- Toners and Ink Jet Cartridges
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Jubilee Schools Fayre

Denmead Infant & Junior School PTAs are delighted to invite you to our Summer Fayre on Saturday 9th July, 12 – 3pm. We're really excited to bring this event back after two years and hope you will be able to join us for a terrific Jubilee-inspired afternoon at the Junior School.

The PTA volunteers are already hard at work behind the scenes to bring you all the traditional favourites - games, bouncy castles, go-karts, face painting, the Scout Trolley run, an exciting programme of arena entertainment, craft stalls, food and drink. We've kept entry to the event completely free for children and just £1.50 for adults. Many of the activities operate on a ticket basis, so look for the sales desks when you arrive, however there will be some attractions that require cash payment. All funds raised will be shared equally between both schools to fund resources for the children. We look forward to welcoming as many of you from the local community to make this year's fayre the biggest and best ever!

Useful Local Contact Numbers

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