

Imaan HYDER - 9 on the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 Friedrich SAUNDERS - 9 on the 9<sup>th</sup>  
 Max LUNN - 8 on the 18<sup>th</sup>  
 Edward KILBY - 9 on the 21<sup>st</sup>  
 Hannah COBBLE - 7 on the 24<sup>th</sup>  
 Grace POMPHREY - 11 on the 24<sup>th</sup>  
 Holly DENNY - 8 on the 28<sup>th</sup>  
 Natalie COOK - 11 on the 31<sup>st</sup>  
 Daisy MANSFIELD - 5 on the 31<sup>st</sup>



**Coffee at the George**

Everyone is welcome of any age and from all the villages to a social coffee morning on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 10.30am in The George Inn, St Mary**

Bourne - £1.50 for a cake and a cuppa. If you need a lift contact Kerry Meaden on ☎ 01264 720402 for Longparish or Hurstbourne Priors, Win Coventry on ☎ 01264 738199 for St Mary Bourne, and Marion Scull on ☎ 01264 738306 for Stoke.

**The Lunch**

This month's *The Lunch* is on **Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> May, 12.30pm** at St Mary Bourne Village Centre.

It's for everyone who can come, of whatever age, and the suggested donation remains only £2.50 for adults – children dine free. Just arrive! If you need a lift, phone Chris Smith on ☎ 01264 738110 by noon on the Tuesday.



**Village Agents**

Lyn and Val are still regularly available at 'The Lunch' and at 'Coffee at The George', so if you need any information or leaflets, just pop over and talk to us. If you have anything you would like to talk over on a confidential basis, just let us know and we can arrange to talk to you

elsewhere. If we do not immediately have an answer we will find out for you using the resources we have access to. We are also quite happy to talk if you see us in the Village Shop, or just walking around the village, or at the Mobile Library.

In the near future we are hoping to get someone to come along and do a short demonstration on the 'Better Balance' programme. This is about doing simple exercises to help with balance and hopefully prevent falls.

We will both be available at 'The Lunch' and 'Coffee at the George' this month, so hope to see you there. If you have not been to the coffee mornings, why not pop in? You can get a cup of tea or coffee with a plentiful supply of cake and biscuits for only £1.50 and there is always lots of conversation going on!

Looking forward to warmer days and hoping for a lovely summer.  
 Val Kennett

**Guided Tour of St Peter's Church**

Come on a GUIDED TOUR of St Peter's Church, led by the Vicar, on **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 7 to 8pm.**

Find out more about YOUR Church, its social history and architecture. The latest 'Pevsner' *Buildings of England* says that St Peter's has "a surprisingly fine interior, with its ambitious late C12 work in the nave ... But it will not fall into place." And of the Font, c1150, "One of the largest and most splendid of the English Tournai marble fonts ... On the top...an oriental motif." All are very welcome, no need to book, just come for 7pm. And it's free, too.  
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**Parish Consultation - Friday 20 April 2012**

The first Parish Consultation (about what local residents value in our community and what they would like to change or improve upon) attracted around 200 interested people to the Village Centre where they were asked to comment on the following topics: Leisure & Clubs; Village Centre facilities; Village Shop; Church; Housing; Parish Infrastructure (parking, roads, power, sewers, water table, broadband, mobile connections); Crime; Village Agents; School; Surgery; and Businesses.



If you missed this event, don't worry. More consultation is planned. Check the parish website and notices about venues! Or contact Katie Dixon [katiebdixon@btinternet.com](mailto:katiebdixon@btinternet.com) if you have views about any of the topics or anything else on your mind. We want to hear your views!



Photos: Oliver Dixon  
 50 youngsters, primary and secondary ages, completed questionnaires.

**St Mary Bourne Parish Council**

invites you to attend

**The Annual Parish Assembly  
in the Village Centre at 7.30 pm  
on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2012**

All electors of the parish are invited to attend. This is the meeting at which your views, comments and ideas concerning the parish can be expressed.

**Refreshments will be available at the end of the meeting.**

For further information please contact the Parish Clerk: Derek Kane ☎ 01264 738039  
email: clerk@stmarybourne-pc.gov.uk  
website: www.stmarybourne-pc.gov.uk



St Peter's Women's Fellowship meets on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2.30pm** at 'The Cottage', High Street, St Mary Bourne. Eve Lind-Smith will show further pictures of her tour of Namibia from last year. The Women's Fellowship is very pleased to welcome you!

**Charity Quiz Night**

*in aid of Alzheimer's Research*  
**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30pm**  
at The George Inn in St Mary Bourne.

Teams of 4 to 6. Entry £3 per person.

• Raffle • Individual Prizes • Home-made Fayre for sale. Please come along with your friends and support this charity. It was great fun last time. For further information or if you need a lift contact Rosie Shepperd ☎ 01264 738999



**'The Film' at St Mary Bourne Village Centre**



**(PG) - 100 minutes**

Outside a movie premiere, enthusiastic fan Peppy Miller (Berenice Bejo) literally bumps into the swashbuckling hero of the silent film, George Valentin (Jean Dujardin). The star reacts graciously and Peppy plants a kiss on his cheek as they are surrounded by photographers. The headlines demand: "Who's That Girl?" and Peppy is inspired to audition for a dancing bit-part at the studio.

However as Peppy's star rises, the introduction of talking-pictures turns Valentin's world upside-down.

**Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May - 7.45pm**

**Hall and Licensed Bar open from 7pm**

Tickets **£5** in advance by ☎ 01264 738 **164** &

01264 738 **214** - or **£6** at the door

and coming in the autumn • **My Week with**

**Marilyn • The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel •**

**Salmon Fishing in the Yemen**

**An Evening with 'Buddy Holly'**

*in the St Mary Bourne Village Centre on*  
**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm**

*This event is to be a BYO Food & Drink evening*  
*at £20/head, with tables of 10.*

*Only two tables left. The money raised will be*  
*shared between Andover Young Carers,*

*St Peter's Church and*

*St Mary Bourne Primary School.*

Details from Bridget Culley on ☎ 01264

738214 or [bridget@bculley.orangehome.co.uk](mailto:bridget@bculley.orangehome.co.uk)

**Open Farm Sunday**

at Trinley Estate on **June 17<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 4pm**

Do you know... Where your food really comes from?

How many jobs a farmer does every day? What technology is used on a modern farm? How many insects and birds there are on a farm? How farmers play a vital role in caring for the countryside?

**Come and meet Andrew (BBC Farmer of the Year)**

**and his team at Trinley.** You can discover the answers to these questions and so much more by visiting our farm on Open Farm Sunday. There are so many exciting



[www.farmsunday.org](http://www.farmsunday.org)

things you and your family can do - from tractor and trailer rides, to farm walks and nature trails and even discovering how worms are a farmer's best friend. You will have the chance to see some cows with their calves, go pond-dipping, hold

an owl, learn about natural beekeeping, climb into the combine, see the vintage tractors, a blacksmith at work, learn more about birds, butterflies, bushcraft, wild flowers, low tree climbing, wood turning, hurdle making and much much more... We also have plenty of hot food, refreshments & ice creams. **This year we will be holding a special farm church service which begins at Trinley at 11am.**

Free entry and parking - Sorry no dogs - For directions visit our website [www.trinley.co.uk](http://www.trinley.co.uk), Trinley Estate, Finkley, Andover SP11 6AH - ☎ 01264 738287

## The Queen's Diamond Jubilee



Now that we have a programme planned, we look to you to make the weekend of events a big success. We are looking for people to run stalls, bric-a-brac or similar, on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup>** at the Recreation Ground. We hope you will join in the Cavalcade. The theme is events and fashion from the past 60 years. Perhaps you were a Mod in a mini, a Rocker in leathers, a Hippy in Beads or an 80s Power Dresser? Maybe the space race was your passion?

Come as an astronaut! If you were impressed by Concorde, then dress up as a Concord Pilot. Perhaps you are a computer geek, then come as Bill Gates. Now is the time to get out your old gear and dress up! Do your own thing - just join in the fun!

We hope you will support the Monday Evening Dance with live band 'The Difference'. This is a ticket-only event. Tickets at £5 per person will go on sale from the Parish Office on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please support the organisers of all the events. **See posters for details of all the events & competitions.** Printed programmes will be available from mid-May.

### Programme of Events

#### Sunday June 3<sup>rd</sup>

- **Celebration & Thanksgiving Service**  
St. Peter's Church, 10.30am
- **Gymkhana** at the Egbury Road 'Black Garden Field' from 9am, running throughout the day
- **Open Gardens** with Garden Quiz from 2 to 4pm
- **Peal of Bells** from St. Peter's Church. A quarter peal to commence at 2.45pm for 45 minutes
- **In the Village Centre** • Afternoon Teas from 3 to 5pm
- Displays of photos & children's paintings - From 4pm:
- **Crowning the Carnival Queen** • Presentation to the winners of *Limerick Competition* • Presentation to the winners of *The Best Decorated House Competition*

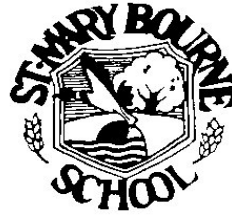
#### Monday June 4<sup>th</sup>

- **The Beer Race**, starting at the White Hart Stoke at 11.30am, via The Coronation Arms, Bourne Valley Inn, finishing at the George Inn
- **The Grand Cavalcade**, assemble at the Village School at 2pm to leave for the Recreation Ground at 2.30 pm
- **Events at the Recreation Ground** to include • Hog Roast • BBQ • Tug of War Competition • Children's activities • Display of Vintage Vehicles and much more!
- **Children's Disco** in the Village Hall from 5.30 to 7.30pm
- **The Diamond Jubilee Dance** in the Village Hall from 8 to 11.30pm - Dance to *The Difference*, **Ticket only Event**

#### Tuesday June 5<sup>th</sup>

- **Street Party** at the George Inn 12noon to 4pm - bring your own food - there will be activities for the children.

For further information about any of these events contact Ray Randall ☎738727 or Lorraine Cousins ☎738089 email: [smbscrapbook@live.co.uk](mailto:smbscrapbook@live.co.uk), or see the posters advertising the events.



### Can you help? A request from the Primary School.

As part of the Jubilee celebrations the Village Primary School is trying to chronicle the Queen's 60-year reign through photographs.

We are looking for 60 volunteers aged 0 to 60 who we can photograph and conduct a very short interview with. With 1226 people living in the Parish (2001 census) and the only qualifying factor being age, we are confident that we can cover every year, but **we do need you to volunteer.**

If you live in St Mary Bourne or have any connections to the village we would love to hear from you.

Please contact Jan Torkington at the school on ☎ 01264 738336 if you can help with our project.

### Queen for the day

A reminder for local girls aged 6 to 11 to apply to be **Queen for the day** and lead the parade through the village on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June. Anyone aged between 6 and 11 who would like to dress up as Her Majesty or her attendants (including boys who wish to join in) and help lead the procession through the village is encouraged to apply. **Application forms** are available from the Village Shop or the School Office.

### Diamond Jubilee

#### Competition for the Best Decorated House

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize £40 Gift Voucher
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £30 Gift Voucher
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize £20 Gift Voucher

Join in the Celebrations, get out the bunting and decorate your house. Application Forms from the Village Shop or by email to [smbscrapbook@live.co.uk](mailto:smbscrapbook@live.co.uk) Completed applications to Lorraine Cousins, 1 Hirst Copse, by **5pm on Wednesday May 30<sup>th</sup>** Judging will take place on Saturday June 2<sup>nd</sup> Presentation to the winners will be at 4.30pm at the Village Centre on Sunday June 3<sup>rd</sup>.



### Stoke, Binley and Woodcott

#### Diamond Jubilee Celebrations

The Stoke Village Fund is combining with the White Hart Pub to stage celebrations for the Diamond Jubilee on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June.**

The final details are yet to be completed. However, the day looks like it will start about lunch time with a hog roast and BBQ and plenty of entertainment for all the family throughout the afternoon, including cake stalls, sports day races, face painting and a few other surprises too.

So, please put the date in your diary and help support the village make this a weekend a memorable one.

Jonny Rees-Davies



## THE CHILDREN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE GYMKHANA

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2012

At 'Black Garden' Field, Egbury Road  
St Mary Bourne, Andover (SP11 6DQ)

*By kind permission of the Hirst Family*

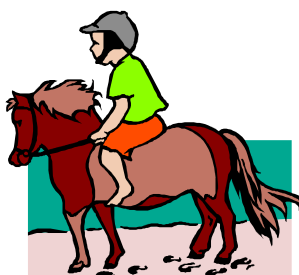
- **First Aider and Vet on call - Open to All**
- **Children's Classes Ages 12 and Under**

For all enquiries contact the organiser:

Kerry Wilson ☎ 07860 350 300

Email: [wilsonkerry@btconnect.com](mailto:wilsonkerry@btconnect.com)

Schedules available from local feed merchants and stockists including St Mary Bourne Village Shop, Scats, Calcutts and Park Farm, or by email from the secretary Jane Ball



**Entries Close:  
Friday 25th May**

Supported Charities for 2012:

- Brain Research • Andover Young Carers
- Riding for the Disabled

Refreshments will be available from • Bourne Valley PYO Barbecue • Ali's Kitchen & • Mr Softee

## The 23<sup>rd</sup> Bourne Valley Tennis Tournament

in aid of St Peter's and other churches in the Bourne Valley will be held on **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2012**

Save the date! For more information contact Robert Childs on ☎ 01264 738400



## St Mary Bourne Junior + Parent Tennis Event

**When?** • afternoon of Saturday June 16<sup>th</sup>

**Where?** • St Mary Bourne

**What?** • adult and child doubles tennis event

**Ages?** • children: 7 to 14 years of all abilities

**Opportunity?** • a fun event aimed primarily for kids to play tennis together

**Aim?** • for children to play tennis for their enjoyment

**Fee?** • £10 parent and child entry with all proceeds to St Peter's Church, St Mary Bourne.

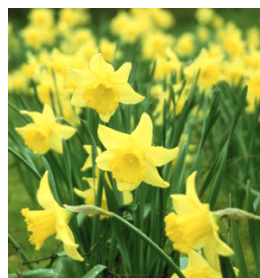
This event has successfully been run on a trial basis for the last two years and we are now looking to expand it.

Limited spaces (first come first served). Please contact John Banks on [jwrbanks@aol.com](mailto:jwrbanks@aol.com) or Mike Case on [Mike.Case@red-top.co.uk](mailto:Mike.Case@red-top.co.uk).

Please mark the email 'tennis'.



JB



**Daffodil Sunday - 1<sup>st</sup> April**  
Binley House & Sladen Green  
*in aid of Andover R D A* Thanks to wonderful sunshine and marvellous support from many people, (donations of plants, cakes, raffle prizes, help with teas etc), Daffodil Sunday Open Gardens at Binley on April 1<sup>st</sup> raised the magnificent sum

of £1,423. Crowds of people enjoyed wandering around the grounds of Binley House and Sladen Green which looked their best with daffodils and other spring flowers in full bloom.

Sadly, however, the much-publicised public appearance of the Romsey Naturist Society failed to happen. Their coach driver lost his way and ended up at Slade Bottom where cold winds and young nettles prevented their open-air performance of "Let it dangle in the daffs".

However, their organiser, Mrs Dorothy Spiggot OBE, has very generously donated £20 and promises to return next year if the date remains the same. *Elizabeth Maclay*



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## An Evening of Music

in St Peter's Church, St Mary Bourne  
**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2012 at 7.30pm**

This concert with well-known local musicians Harriet & Nigel Dickinson and Thomas Wharton will repeat its previously successful formula of one hour of superb musicianship.

Works to include Brahms and Beethoven.

Tickets are **£6** (in advance) or **£7** (at the door)  
For tickets and information contact Michael Widén on ☎ 738250 or Nigel Dickinson on ☎ 738206

## The Parish Scrapbook

- [www.stmarybournescrapbook.org](http://www.stmarybournescrapbook.org)
- **email: [smbcrapbook@live.co.uk](mailto:smbcrapbook@live.co.uk)**

As in previous years I would like to record in the scrapbook the first 'sounding' of the cuckoo and also the first sighting of the swallows. Back in 1977 May Taylor put together a scrapbook of the Silver Jubilee Celebrations (see the scrapbook website). This year I will be producing a scrapbook for the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations. In 2002 we were not producing scrapbooks of village events so we missed out on the Golden Jubilee. I would like to produce a retrospective book for that event and would be very grateful if I could borrow and scan any photos that you have from the Golden Jubilee Celebrations. I promise to take great care of your photos and return them to you. Please contact me at the above email address or phone me on ☎ 01264 738089. In this Diamond Jubilee year you may be interested in the following website: [www.queen-victorias-scrapbook.org](http://www.queen-victorias-scrapbook.org).

*Lorraine Cousins*

## Summary Report - Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2012

The full parish council, 33 members of the public and HCC Cllr Tom Thacker attended the meeting. David Peart was officially welcomed as a newly-elected Councillor.

**Affordable Housing (AH), Update** - The Chairman B Culley had been verbally informed that access across school land would not be granted for a possible AH development in Swatton's Field. The Clerk would ask for written confirmation of this decision.

**Report from Affordable Housing Consultation** (16 & 17 March 2012): The response to a question that the parish council should provide affordable housing within St Mary Bourne parish to those with strong local connections was: Yes 47 - No 12 - Undecided 1. Three proposed sites (Bells Field, Swatton's Field and land North of Egbury Road) had received results as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup> choice:	North of Egbury Road:	23 votes
	Bells Field:	15 votes
	Swattons Field:	9 votes
2 <sup>nd</sup> choice:	North of Egbury Road:	10 votes
	Bells Field:	13 votes
	Swattons Field:	6 votes
3 <sup>rd</sup> choice:	North of Egbury Road:	8 votes
	Bells Field:	5 votes
	Swattons Field:	15 votes

A more detailed breakdown of the Report (including all residents' comments) is on the parish council website, can be viewed in the Parish Office, or e-mailed on request to clerk@stmarybourne-pc.gov.uk. Following discussion on the proposed sites, three councillors were in favour of Bells Field and three in favour of land North of Egbury Road. The vice-chairman's casting vote was for Bells Field. This will be communicated to the Rural Housing Enabler as the Parish Council's preferred site for AH development. Cllr Randall expressed thanks to all the members of the AH Committee for their work and to the landowners who had offered their land for affordable housing. A letter to the Parish Council from the owner of Bells Field was read out expressing his doubts about its future availability for community benefit if it was not considered suitable for affordable housing.

**Hirst Copse, Shared Ownership Scheme** - Detailed information has been supplied by B&DBC Cllr Mitchell. The Chairman suggested that an interest group of Hirst Copse/Stevens Green residents and councillors should arrange a meeting with B&DBC Cllr Mitchell to take matters further.

**Village Shop, Lease & Insurance** - After discussion, the parish council could not resolve the matter of a new lease and would seek further advice. The valuation of the building for insurance purposes can wait until a new lease or form of rental agreement has been agreed.

**Whitchurch Jubilee Cycle Trail** - The parish council discussed concerns about the proposed route and a response received from the route's organiser. HCC Cllr Tom Thacker and the parish council agreed they were concerned about safety issues on a route which included Egbury Road, Jamaica Farm and Dirty Corner.

**Queen's Diamond Jubilee, Update** - The programme of events over the Jubilee weekend will be published in May & June editions of Hill & Valley (see page 3) and on the website. More local groups and clubs should be encouraged to take part and individual help is needed to organise and run some events. For information on any aspect of the

Jubilee celebrations, please contact Ray Randall, 738727 or Lorraine Cousins, 738089, email: smb Scrapbook@live.co.uk

**Bourne Meadow Toilets, Update** - The clerk had received information from B&DBC that the average cost of running such facilities was £15,000 a year. The clerk would ask for a further breakdown of these figures. The parish council could then resolve whether to retain the toilets if/when B&DBC decided to stop any financial support.

**PC's website** - Cllr David Peart will investigate how to maintain an independent PC website in view of reduced future support from B&DBC.

**Planning** - There was **no objection** to

- demolition of existing dwelling - **The Green Lodge, Stoke Road (BDB/76049)** - an application for a replacement dwelling (BDB/76048) was considered at the Planning Committee Meeting on 24 April 2012.
- installation of solar panels to south east elevation (amendment) at **The Forge, Stoke Lane (BDB/75994)**

**Update on Binley Bottom** - The B&DBC compliance office had informed the clerk that an on-site inspection would be arranged soon as the situation seemed to have worsened.

**The Parish Annual Assembly** will be held on 1<sup>st</sup> May. Councillors should provide the Chairman with reports on their respective areas. Invitations will be sent to county and borough councillors and representatives of local and parish organisations.

Full parish council meeting minutes can be viewed at [www.stmarybourne-pc.gov.uk](http://www.stmarybourne-pc.gov.uk) or at the Parish Council Office. Next PC Meeting: **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2012, 19.30**

## Summary Report - Planning Committee Meeting Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2012

The Planning Committee had **no objection** to

- erection of three bay oak framed garage / carport at **Lower Wadwick House, Wadwick Bottom (BDB/75996)**
- erection of single storey side extension forming garage and porch at **1 Batsford, School Lane (BDB/76007)**

Planning Committee meeting reports can be viewed at [www.stmarybourne-pc.gov.uk](http://www.stmarybourne-pc.gov.uk)

Details of all Planning Applications for the Parish can be accessed on the B&DBC website:

[www.basingstoke.gov.uk/planning](http://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/planning) or by contacting the Parish Council Clerk ☎ 01264 738 039

Next Parish Council Planning Committee Meeting: **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2012, 18.30**

## Summary Report of recent Local Planning Authority Decisions

The Local Planning Authority granted

- the erection of replacement agricultural barn at **The Black Barn, Stoke Road (BDB/75529)**
- the demolition of existing dwelling and barns and erection of replacement six bedroom dwelling (amended scheme to that approved under BDB/72810) at **Slade Bottom Farm & Binley Farm, Slade Bottom Road, Stoke (BDB/75450)**
- the removal of condition to allow use of the caravan site between 1 November and 1 March at **Wyke Down, Picket Piece (BDB/75819)**
- the erection of single storey extensions following demolition at **Goodyears, Gangbridge Lane (BDB/75815)**

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The Local Planning Authority part **granted**, part **refused**

- an application for Certificate of Lawfulness for use of building as a self-contained independent dwelling at **Mayfield Farm Annexe, Binley** (BDB/75431)

The following planning applications were **withdrawn**

- the erection of side extension with accommodation in roof space and erection of two storey rear extension at **Buckets Down Farmhouse, Upper Woodcott** (BDB/75114)
- the installation of 2 no. stand-alone solar panels at **Sladen Green, Binley** (BDB/75730)

**Mobile Library**

St Mary Bourne: Village Shop - 10.15 to 10.45am  
 Stoke: Stoke Gate - 11.00 to 11.30am  
 Binley: Hurdlers Arms - 11.40 -12.10

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2012**

**Mobile Police Office** 

PCSO Ben Howard will be on the Recreation Ground again on **SATURDAY 26<sup>th</sup> May 2012 - 10am to 12noon**

**Mob: 07554 775450** ☎ **08450 45 45 45** or ☎ **101**

Email: paula.deery@hampshire.pnn.police.uk



To raise awareness about potential crime and to help prevent crime - Neighbourhood Watch provides email alerts and police updates to many in the parish.

If you are interested in receiving these messages please provide your email address to Peter St Quintin, e: [stq388@btinternet.com](mailto:stq388@btinternet.com), or call Peter on ☎ 01264 738388.



**ST MARY BOURNE AND DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY 2012**

**Garden Competitions**

ENTER YOUR GARDEN IN OUR TWO COMPETITIONS!

**Once again the annual garden competitions are being judged in June. Entry is FREE and the best first-time entry will win a £10 prize!**

Judging will take place during the week commencing **11<sup>th</sup> June** when everything is in full bloom and looking its best.

**NOTE THE DATE ! PREPARE YOUR GARDENS !**

- **The Ilynne Brittorous Challenge Cup** for the best garden, whatever the size, where the owner has no more than 10 hours per week paid help.
- **The McClenaghan Salver** for the most attractive frontage (flower borders / window boxes combination) as viewed from the road.

Entries to Mrs Meryl Cradduck, Prosen House, St Mary Bourne (☎ 01264 738386) **by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June.**

**Bishop of Mityana visits St Mary Bourne**



We welcomed the Rt Revd Stephen Kaziimba, Bishop of Mityana (centre of photograph) with his son and chaplain, Isaac, and wife Margaret to St Peter's on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April. Bishop Stephen preached on the need to keep to the scriptures and celebrated Holy Communion. His visit was an immense privilege and he was very warmly received.

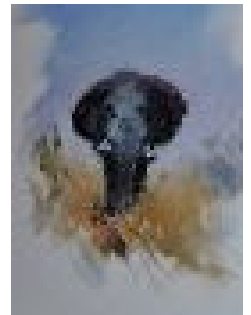
*Martin Coppin*

**News from the Village Shop**

A very successful Pip McGarry evening held in the Village Centre on 30<sup>th</sup> March saw funds raised for the Village Shop reach **£2,000**. A special thanks to all those involved, especially to Lisa who produced some wonderful food, and the team behind the scenes. Pip McGarry very kindly donated all the proceeds from the auction to the Village Shop and 30% off all the sales on the night. On behalf of everyone at the event we would like to thank him for giving up valuable time to show off his amazing talent.



Pip McGarry (right) with successful bidder



The Quiz night on 21<sup>st</sup> April in support of the Village Shop was a great evening, well-attended, good fun and with excellent food. We hope, after expenses, to have raised about **£600**. Thanks to everyone who came. *Shall we arrange another?*

The shop goes from strength to strength with your continued support and we would like to thank all our loyal customers. If anyone is interested in volunteering or becoming a member of the Friends' group please pop in and see Lisa.

*Tom Struthers*

**HURSTBOURNE TARRANT HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

The next meeting is the AGM on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May**, 7.45pm at the Royal British Legion, Hurstbourne Tarrant. This will be followed by a talk entitled "Wigpowder, Matches and Wine - the Excise at Work" by Phoebe Merrick, to which visitors are most welcome.

*Michael Bateman* - ☎ 01264 736688