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### **Weekday Services**

## Wednesday 09:30 Zoom Daily Prayer

### **Emergencies:**

If you are unable to contact the Group Priests, please get in touch with your churchwarden.

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### **GROUP LETTER**



### Hello!

I am delighted to be joining the Hambleden Valley Group of Churches as the Priest-in-Charge

for this next season of life and ministry. Thank you for the prayers and messages of support over these last few months. My curacy in Slough finished well and I had time off over Christmas & New Year.

I have found this period of 'in-between' quite enlightening, in some ways easier than I thought but in other ways much more difficult. Initially I was planning a month-long trip home to Calgary over Christmas. A rare treat for a Priest! However, tighter restrictions in the province of Alberta meant it was not practical. By staying in Slough, I was able to thoroughly declutter and organize for the move from a house to a flat in St Katharine's, Parmoor without too much rush or pressure that moving inevitably brings.

As I reflected on living in the 'in-between', it was not lost on me that everyone is

living in the 'in-between' right now. The parishes have been in-between Priests. We seem to be constantly in-between rules. restrictions and Coronavirus updates, some people are in-between first and second vaccine doses, others might be in-between jobs, homes, relationships, or treatments for illnesses and the list goes on. The in-between can be insufferable when we do not know how long it will go on for. We are in good company with the Psalmists who pleaded, 'How long O Lord?' to God. How long will you forget us? How long will you hide from us?

As one who is now on the other side of one 'in-between' I can only encourage you with the enduring truth that God is faithful, He is the strength of his people. There is always work to do in the inbetween. My favourite verse in the Psalms is from chapter 27: 'I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord; be strong and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!'

**Revd Sue Lepp** 



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### **GROUP NOTES AND NEWS**

### **Zoom Christingle**





The meaning of the Christingle Service, held on Zoom, in these extraordinary times, was all the more poignant this Christmas. The future of our Church are the children and, as the computers clicked into life, it was a delight to see fervent. young faces, smiling with expectation at their Vicar, Sue Morton, herself dressed up as an angel. The children, many of whom dressed up as nativity characters, sat with their oranges, red ribbons, candles and dried fruit or sweets at the ready to make their Christingles.

The word, Christingle, means Christ Light. This year, the significance of the orange representing the world, the ribbon representing God's love and Jesus's blood shed as he died for us, and the sweets representing God's creations in the four seasons, seemed strangely analogous to the world we are experiencing today. As the children lit their candles, reminding us that Jesus is the light in the darkness, bringing hope to everyone, the analogy seemed fitting. The UK had just heard that a Covid vaccine had been approved. Scientists had worked tirelessly, overcoming an impossible task but culminating in a gift to the world, the gift of hope at Christmas. The prayers of the world were being answered.

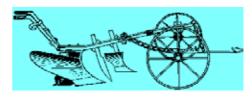
In 1747, the Christingle tradition began in Germany. The Childrens' Society brought Christingle to the UK in the 1960s. The ethos of the charity is that "Every young person deserves a good childhood," free from abuse, exploitation and neglect. The charity fights to provide children with happiness and hope, something that has become especially important this year. As the children sang "Away in a Manger" and "Sing Christingle", they were mindful of children far less fortunate than themselves.

Some of the children read and all read beautifully and meaningfully. It was a joy for parents, grandparents and parishioners alike, to see the children, on Zoom, lighting their candles. As we hear, each Christmas, in John, Chapter 1. "In him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shone in the darkness: and the darkness comprehended it not." The Hambleden Valley Christingle Service was a wonderful beginning, bringing children, families and parishioners together, before the strangest of Christmases.

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### **Plough Sunday Prayers**

Although we were not able to hold the usual Plough Sunday Service at Turville this year, our famers and land workers were still prayed for. Following the Sunday Zoom, people from the farming community took part in a simple service, with the Zoom congregation in attendance. This special plough blessing was prayed:



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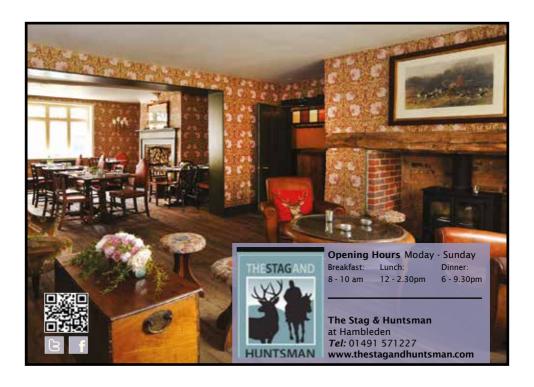
to prepare and nourish it, that it may be fruitful. By your blessing.

let this plough be a sign of all that you promise to us. Prosper the work of our hands,

and provide abundant crops for your people to share. Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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### Sue Morton



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### **One Can Trust**

A massive thank you to everyone valley wide for all the donations to One Can Trust in the 'Reverse Advent Calendar'. We are having a One Can Trust Lent Project, starting 17th February so will be grateful for further donations then.

From Jo Belshaw at One Can Trust:

'A huge thank you to the Hambleden Valley Group of Churches for your Reverse Advent Calendar donations.'

### **Gwyneth Ashcroft**

### Becoming a Churchwarden



On 10th December, several of the Hambleden Valley Churchwardens attended a service in Marlow parish church to 'Admit' us

formally and legally to our role - the oldest legal role in this country. It was a special service for those parishes in the Wycombe Deanery currently without an incumbent. Altogether, we were about 16 people including Graeme Slocombe, Deanery Lay Chair, and The Revd. Dave Bull, Rector of Marlow and Area Dean, who led the service. The Revd Dave began by expressing. most warmly and sincerely, the appreciation of the Deanery clergy to all their churchwardens, for the very varied tasks and responsibilities they bear and carry out for their churches and congregations; particularly to those present, who had been carrying out these duties in more difficult circumstances than usual - during a pandemic, at a time of Vacancy, and having to organise the process of appointing a new incumbent. Vacancy being the hardest time for churchwardens when they bear the responsibility of running their churches and parishes. There followed a beautifully designed service. We were invited one by one to light a candle and place it on a stand together with all the others, representing the light of Christ kept burning in each of our churches and congregations. The 23rd Psalm was read and Revd Dave preached

on the theme of our being both Shepherds of our flock, and sheep following Jesus too. There were prayers and the Lord's Prayer. The Churchwarden from Wooburn spoke about her parish's journey through Vacancy in a pandemic, and the process of appointing a new incumbent, ending successfully, but with challenges and anxieties on the way, helped by trust in God and prayer. The final part of the service was the legal part. Our Duties and Responsibilities to church, congregation, our clergy and the bishop, were formally read out by Revd Dave, then we together made our oath, promising to carry these out, and signed the declaration. After a blessing, more touching surprises: we were to pick up a card and small gift as we left, (a ceramic tile with a helpful quotation) then to go to Burgers where a tab had been arranged for us to have a hot drink and a cake of our choice! This we did and spent some time talking together. A good end to a serious ceremony, made human, especially for a first timer like me.

### Jill Steward, Hambleden

### Hambleden Valley Garden Club

On 17th December, Jane MacFarlane Duckworth gave a delightful demonstration on how to make a Christmas Table Decoration. She bound conifer foliage on to a straw ring base and then, with the clever use of a hot glue gun, the stems of the cut roses were sealed, stuck and skilfully arranged on the ring. Likewise, with glue on their backs sliced apples, cinnamon sticks and berries were adhered to the decoration. Jane grows bulbs and flowers from seed for her floristry in her garden and on her allotment in Hambleden. Participants enjoyed chatting with Jane about florists and flowers during the zoom session. The finished arrangement with a candle in the centre was later placed in Hambleden church.

At the beginning of January, Roger Askew gave a most enjoyable and well illustrated talk with interesting anecdotes on the Savill Gardens. The huge Windsor Forest was a hunting ground for Kings from Saxon times. The Duke of Cumberland, 2<sup>nd</sup> son of George II, was appointed Ranger and instigated an extensive planting of

trees. Eric Savill, born 1895 and badly wounded in July 1915, was interested in horticulture and landscapes. In 1932, George V offered him 5 acres, extended to 35 acres a few years later, in Windsor Great Park to create a garden. Eric Savill chose a boggy area with a stream which he eyed as landscape potential. Roger took his audience on a tour of the garden through the seasons starting with the daffodil meadow, the bog garden, early summer garden with layered plantings of shrubs, huge double herbaceous borders for late summer, the autumn wood and other themed gardens, including the recently designed rose garden. He illustrated and spoke of many notable trees and plants. There are 9 National Collections and about 15 champion trees. In order to create a high wall for growing plants, Eric Savill salvaged bricks from bomb damage in London. There are greenhouses and the amazing 'organic looking' roof of the café. The Savill Gardens are known for their strong Royal connection and diversity.

In February, Charles Dowding will speak on the "No Dig Method". Anyone is welcome to join these zoom talks. For more information, please phone Celia Warren, 01491 638691.

### Lizzie Arnott

### **Dementia Action Marlow**

We are a group of volunteers offering support to those living with dementia and their carers in the Marlow area. At the beginning of last year we ran a cafe club. When covid restrictions hit we met in the open air in Riley Park, and as the weather changed we met in the Hilliers Garden Centre Cafe in small groups. We continue to offer support with phone calls and group Zoom chats. We plan, as soon as Covid restrictions allow, to run social support face to face groups again. We are all trained by the Alzheimers Society Dementia as Champions.

### Jan Sambrook



We are an unincorporated volunteer group specifically set up for those people who are living with dementia and their carers. We aim to:

o provide support and facilitate social interaction by making regular contact, and arranging small 'café gatherings'.

o enable friendships between those in similar situations.

o provide a voice to improve the information, pathways, help and support available.

We have built up a friendly, supportive circle of those living with dementia and their carers. We meet up within the Covid quidelines and welcome anyone who would like to join us.

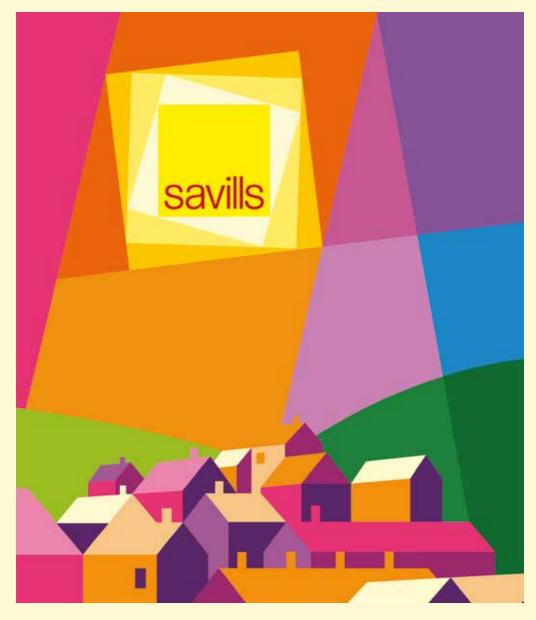
We publish an Information Guide that gathers together and lists organisations that can help locally and nationally. Divided into three sections the guide covers:

1) General Information, 2) Care, 3) Benefits.

Please get in touch with us if you would like to know more about us and would like to be contacted, meet up with us when we can, or to receive a copy of our Information Guide.

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### **Oxford Vaccine Trial**

The vaccine trial had already started in Oxford when BBC Breakfast announced they had widened the age of the volunteers to the over 70s. At last, this was something I could do to help! I filled in the on-line suitability form but heard nothing for guite a while and thought too many volunteers had applied. Finally, I was called to the Churchill Hospital on one of the hottest days of the year, 31st July, for a screening health check, to watch a film showing what was involved and to ask guestions. That all went OK and I was given an appointment two weeks later for the first vaccination and blood test. We were to receive either the Covid vaccine or a control Meningitis vaccine, expected to cause similar side effects, if any. We wouldn't be told until the end of the trial which one we had been given, and I still don't know. As I left, I was given home swab tests to do, once a week, and these have continued throughout the trial. I had to fill out an e diary every day for a week - noting my temperature, the site of the jab and any other side effects. A month later. I received the second vaccination and another blood test, and again had to complete an e diary. I had no side effects at all to report either at the time, or since, Each week, I have an on-line questionnaire to fill in about where I've been, exercise taken and any symptoms etc. I have been back to Oxford two more times for blood tests and am due to go twice more.

I have been so impressed with the whole way the trial has been run – the care and kindness of the staff, the accuracy of email reminders and the free parking! I have been kept informed of progress and relevant scientific papers by email and, finally, when the NHS offers me a vaccination, I can ask to be unblinded to ascertain if I need it, or if I was given the Covid vaccine and can continue with the trial to test the longevity of antibodies.

### Penny McLeish

### WILDLIFE

### Redwings (Turdus ilicas)

Howard Webber's beautiful painting of a redwing alongside Suzanne Birkett's notes in the December magazine alerted me that I had not seen any yet this winter. Sadly, I chanced upon a dead one in the woods here last week but I took this as an opportunity to show my daughter (and all of you via her photograph) how it acquired its name and to eulogise about the creature a little more too.



Redwings are from the thrush family and breed in forests known as taigas just below the Arctic Circle. Their nests are usually on the ground and the young fledge after two weeks enabling the parents to have two broods.

They migrate south in large numbers from Scandinavia, Russia and Iceland on clear nights in the early hours, with those who have chosen us as their destination of choice, arriving in October and staying until March. The BTO describes them as somewhat nomadic because ringed birds have overwintered in the UK one year but subsequent winters been seen in Portugal, Greece or even Iran. A very few pairs actually breed in the UK in the Scottish Highlands but climate change may threaten that. I have often encountered new arrivals in Waitrose car park in late autumn, which for me heralds the arrival of our winter. Redwings are slightly smaller than our resident song thrushes, strikingly similar but they have a chunky cream stripe above the eye and orangey-red feathers under their wings and in patches on their flanks. They are very sociable birds and venture on feeding forays in large flocks

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searching mainly for berries and worms but they also love the windfall apples in your gardens. Their full repertoire, as with our other song birds, doesn't reach fever pitch except during the breeding season so we will never hear it unless we happen to be on an arctic expedition and get lucky! Goodness, our gardens are quiet at the moment apart from the alarm calls of blackbirds at dusk. The arrival of the dawn chorus signalling our feathered population swinging into full reproduction mode will certainly lift my spirits during these crippling restrictions of pandemic life.

### Sarah Ronan

#### **HAMBLDEDEN**

### Lady Hambleden's 90th Birthday



15th December 2020 marked an important date in the calendar of Hambleden Village, as villagers turned out to celebrate the 90th birthday of one of its most famous residents

Unable to have the party they had hoped for... representatives of the village were still able to present Lady Hambleden with a magnificent bouquet of roses (her favourite flower) which was presented to her by former employee, Bessie Webb... and to

join in singing Happy Birthday as they gathered around her cottage gate.



Hambleden. Ladv who has been integral part ofHambleden community for more than 65 years, came to Hambleden from her native Italu in 1955 and has remained ever since. Formerly residing at The Manor House

she moved into the centre of the village in 2013 and delights in now living right in the heart of the village. She was surprised and clearly moved by the thoughtfulness and generosity of villagers who gathered to pay tribute on this special day. As well as the bouquet she received a large card which had been personally signed by local residents and friends.

### Jacqueline Elliot

### Carols that never happened

For over 40 years the Armstrong family have hosted a carol party in their home in Pheasants Hill. Last Christmas, anti-Covid regulations prevented it. Instead of sending no donation to the choir's chosen charity, the family asked those who would have been invited to send a donation nevertheless. As Director of the Choir, I received contributions amounting to £895 which is now in the hands of one of our favourite charities, Sight Savers.

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### **FAWLEY**

Thank you, all who contributed.

### **Christine Wells**

P.S. But oh! How we missed the mince pies!

### Hambleden WI January 2021

A Happy New Year to you all. 2020 was a dramatically different year for us all and the early part of 2021 will probably see us similarly restricted. Nevertheless, staying safe is the key objective and as a WI we need to stay as connected as possible whether that be by telephone or e-mail or Zoom. Your committee is here to help in any way we can, so please feel free to call upon us.

Our monthly committee meetings continue to be via Zoom. We are so sorry that at present we are unable to hold the afternoon tea meetings that we had planned for January but rest assured, as soon as government guidelines allow us, we will get these going. Likewise, the monthly walks cannot go ahead and will be greatly missed but Inger is ready and waiting to resume these as soon as we are able.

So, what can we do? Denman College, continues to increase its range of on-line courses and Ruth has introduced us to on-line Blue Badge Tours of London, details of which Sarah will send out to you all. You will also be hearing from either Jan or Inger directly by 'phone. Whilst we cannot meet face-to-face, we can still keep in touch

We managed a little festive cheer last month with our raffle and our quiz. Sally-Ann, Jan and Claire ensured that this all ran very smoothly. Thank you to those who took part. Prizes will be delivered to your door! Well done, all.

We look forward to all meeting up just as soon as we are able. Stay safe and let's look to a happy and healthy time ahead. The days are getting longer and spring is around the corner.

Our website is www.hambleden-wi.org if any readers want more details.

### Jo Martin

### News from the Parish Council

We need a new Parish Councillor for the North Ward of the Parish of Hambleden. The North Ward covers Frieth, Fingest, and Skirmett villages and the smaller hamlets of Parmoor and Rockwell End. If you would like to be involved in trying to improve services and facilities and the future planning of our Parish, please speak existing Councillor, or contact: Lorna Coldwell - Clerk to the Parish Council Fmailclerk@hambleden.org.uk Tel: 01494 881 483 We meet on the second Monday of every month at 7.30pm in either The Village Hall - Frieth, The Parish Rooms - Hambleden or The Village Hall -Skirmett, although meetings are currently via Zoom. Please think about offering your services.

Whilst out walking around the parish can all dog owners please ensure that dogs are kept under control and on leads where needed around livestock, and that everyone is sticking to the permitted footpaths. There has unfortunately been an increase in litter in the parish too – please take it home if it can't be disposed of properly.

Lorna Coldwell, Clerk Hambleden Parish Council 01494 881 483 www.hambleden.org.uk

### **FAWLEY**

### **Fawley Carol Service**



After much reading of the new Tier 4 rules, Fawley Village's unique Church Carol Service (locally known as "Fawley's got Talent") went ahead: abbreviated and in plein air. It was so good that the "Village" decided that ALL future

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### **CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 2021**

### New Pattern of Worship February 2021

As we gather together to worship God across the Hambleden Valley, here is our pattern of services for February. No booking is necessary for the services via Zoom. Our administrator Jenny Neagle can assist with any queries. 07769 599616 or hambledenvalleyoffice@gmail.com

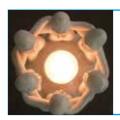
You are warmly welcome to join us!

Sun 31 Jan	9:30	Sunday Zoom	Zoom
Wed 3 Feb	9:30	Daily Prayer	Zoom
Sun 7 Feb	9:30	Sunday Zoom	Zoom
Wed 10 Feb	9.30	Daily Prayer	Zoom
Sun 14 Feb	11:00	Valentines Sunday Zoom	Zoom
Wed 17 Feb	9:30	Ash Wednesday Daily Prayer	Zoom
Sun 21 Feb	9:30	Sunday Zoom with Guest speaker – Jo Belshaw from the One Can Trust	Zoom
Wed 24 Feb	9:30	Daily Prayer	Zoom
Sun 28 Feb	9:30	Sunday Zoom	Zoom

### **Footprints**

A Service of Remembrance for anyone who has lost a child at any age or stage of life This will take place the week before Mothering Sunday and will be on Zoom on Friday 5th March at 7.30pm. More details to follow.

Please register with Jenny Neagle 07769 599616 hambledenvalleyoffice@gmail.com



### Hambleden Valley Prayer Group

We have formed a contemplative listening and confidential prayer group, forming a circle round the valley with God at the centre. If you would like prayer please send a request to the email below:

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carol services should be held in the churchyard. There was ample space for all to attend in their family "bubbles" distanced from others. The weather was kind but Collas mince pies were available at the gate and fire pits helped keep us warm. Suzannah Shaw, who always braves the elements to play for our nativity, kindly played the keyboard, power and light were laid on by Jack Paxman and his "Lighthouse Events" company, and between carols, villagers sang, recited or read whatever they felt appropriate.





The small children clubbed together to perform their own version of the "Twelve Days of Fawley Christmas" and a very good dance, Guy Andrews read the chilling tale of Bluebeard but had us all laughing, and Michael Temporal-Darrell sang "The Foggy Foggy Dew" - again not what most would expect at Christmas but his voice is so beautiful he could sing a shopping list and we would all be enraptured. As it was, he "acted" this so well, we were again all laughing. Then his friend, and fellow opera singer, Honour, stepped in and thrilled us with her rendition of a White Christmas. Our teenagers read the bible readings and the entire village sang its heart out as we always do. Relative newcomer, Julia Ogilvy, who has sustained us since March with Friday prayers

in the churchyard topped and tailed the service and it was a wonderful evening. A good sum of money was donated to help with church costs and we are grateful to warden David for helping with the arrangements.

### Judy McAlpine

### **FRIETH**

### Frieth CEC School



What a strange start to the term we have had here at Frieth CEC School! On Tuesday, we joined the rest of the Nation's schools in the surprise move to online learning. Our provision has been highly successful, with all classes receiving over an

hour of 'live' teaching from their class teachers each day, as well as lessons online and follow up work. The children of Critical Workers, such as medical and education staff, have been welcomed back into school to carry out their online learning under our care and supervision, while their parents continue their important work to keep our country running at this difficult time. The school continues its plans to convert to 'Academy Status' and is currently seeking the views of parents and its local community about its plans. Please see the 'Academy Status' section of our website, or contact the school office for more information.

Tina Nowell, Headteacher



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### TURVILLE

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### **Turville Bellringers**

We are now a stalwart band of 6, which is handy as there are 6 bells in Turville, the latest being hung and inaugurated as recently as 2019 kindly donated by Mike Spracklen our "coach".

Since lockdown, we have had many changes, being unable to ring from March being the main one. But resourceful as we are we found an online site "Ringing Room" and now ring virtually - an extraordinary feat that challenges the mind if not the body as we were wont to do. (Learning the app alongside Zoom was also a challenge to some of our band).

In June, we were allowed back in the tower to ring every other bell (to ensure we were 2m apart). We cast lots as to who were the lucky three allowed to ring each time - in face coverings of course. We managed to ring for a wedding before having to stop again in September.

During lockdown, we lost four ringers due to house moves, but managed to recruit two who have stayed with us despite barely having rung actual bells before. One of our band created the RACK (Ringers Answer to Covid Kit) a marvellous invention that mimics the pull of rope versus bell and enables new ringers to learn the technique of hand and backstroke. Anyone is welcome to try once we are Covid safe again – so do make contact

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if you want to experience ringing a bell safely.

Bell ringing is not just an ancient, historical art but was seen as sport in the Middle Ages, (with links also to the pub as methods started out as drinking games). It took place in church as that was the only place where rings of bells were found. As well as keeping the body agile bellringing keeps the mind fit with the numerous combinations needed to be learnt in conjunction with the skill of handling the bells, which in our tower can be as heavy as a small car.

We have been taking it in turns to ring just one bell on a Sunday morning to remind people that a church service is taking place, albeit on Zoom, and to give our arms some exercise so that our beautifully defined arm and shoulder muscles do not disappear.

When we are allowed to ring again we look forward to demonstrating the new methods (tunes) we have learned, and encouraging new people to join us. Towers need at least two people per bell to cover for when others cannot be there to ring. Anyone from 7-70 can learn to ring – even on the heaviest bell, you don't need to be musical or even that fit, but it will tone your body and mind and it costs nothing (unlike expensive gyms and music lessons). If you are good at mind games that helps too (to be explained later) – otherwise sheer enthusiasm will do.

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Take a look at our website at hambledenssc.co.uk for more information.

The **Social Club** is situated in the centre of Hambleden Village, to the left of the Post Office/Shop. The club is a members club which allows us to provide alcohol and soft drinks at low prices, for consumption by our members and their guests. The Social Club offers fruit machines, pool table, darts, TV, comfortable seating and a friendly atmosphere!

**Membership:-** £25 per year or £13 for OAPs and Students **Opening hours:-** 8pm - 11pm (Tuesday – Saturday)

You can also hire the Social Club for meetings during the day and functions in the evening. Please contact **Pat Eldridge 01491 576067** for more information.

We are lucky to have this facility in our wonderful valley, please do pop in and take a look for yourself!



### CHURCH AND VILLAGE ACTIVITIES AND CONTACTS

### **Hambleden Valley Group of Churches**

**Priest-in-Charge:** The Revd. Sue Lepp, 07930 520562, revdsuelepp@gmail.com

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Barney's Toddler Group: Frieth Village Hall, Usually 2nd Fridays during term time 1.30-3pm with Café in last half hour. Revd Sue Morton 01491 639286 or Sarah Hunt sarahhunt76@hotmail.co.uk

#### Website:

www.hambleden-valley-churches.org.uk

### Fawley (St Mary the Virgin)

Churchwarden: David Napier, 01491 574230, david napier@btopenworld.com

## Clerk to Fawley Parish Meeting and Village Hall booking:

Mr Ross McDonald, 07769 971252 r.mcdonald2007@yahoo.co.uk

### Fingest (St Bartholomew)

### Churchwardens:

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### Frieth (St John the Evangelist)

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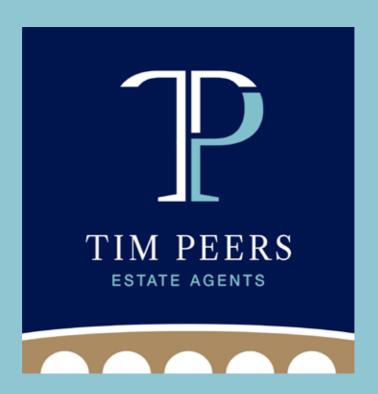
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