

WEST ILSLEY NEWS

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PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council has agreed to support the Millennium Committee's Gazebo project next to the Pond and will be investigating alternative arrangements for car parking at that end of the village. We came 7th out of 12 in our category for the Best Kept Village Competition, and doesn't the village look lovely. Next meeting Monday 9th November at 7.00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

Gail Wilson-North - Clerk

TITTLE - TATTLE

Over the month I write myself a wee list of the things I need to include in the Tittle - Tattle column. Sadly by the time I come to read it, I need assistance in both deciphering and interpretation of the material.

T and L...Toby and Lou...Congratulations to Toby on his splendid catch. Or was it the other way round? Any way Louise looked drop dead gorgeous in all her ceremonial finery and he looked dead good in a very amazing pair of tartan trews topped off with a very fashionable long jacket. We wish them every happiness in their future life together.

Flowers....means that I need to let everyone know Audrey is now selling fresh flowers in the Post Office.

I couldn't remember what Gore was until I found a little entry with a name, date and weight. Congratulations to David and Jo Gore on the early arrival of Alexandre Jasmine who weighed 7lbs 4.5ozs (thank heavens we aren't into kgms yet!!). I understand from Mum that the Sept 14th arrival date meant that she and Dad (David) could have the freedom to go to the Newbury Show. I hope she can say the same in '99. Cousins Jemma and Sarah are thrilled with the new arrival.

Other newcomers to the village - Welcome to Wendy who has moved into the cottage - on - the - corner (I think it is number 28, but wouldn't stake my life on it). The grass has been mown outside Barry's pad - there could be life in there and I don't know it.

The Carlisle's have once again succeeded in gaining awards in the local competitions run by the Newbury Show. They attained 2nd and 3rd place for the Best commercial Sheep Flock and David Carlisle won the coveted Ashridge Cup for the Best Farmed Farm (Small) - in spite of the awful summer weather David obviously managed a reasonable harvest.

Does everyone notice what a good job the cricket club makes of keeping the pitch and environs so spick and span? It is most pleasant to be able to sit out and look over such a carefully tended plot of land. My little men wanted to know if they took it in turns to mow the grass because it looks such fun!

Miss Tofilees

FARMING NEWS

Harvest has been and gone and as you can see the drill is out yet again. The winter oil seed rape has been planted along with the new grass seeds and now we are in the process of drilling the winter barley. On the whole the harvest has not

been too bad with the oil seed rape letting the side down having been damaged by the strong winds in June.

The prices for feed wheat and barley are disappointing but malting barley and milling wheat are attracting a good premium with a sizeable quantity being exported to Northern Europe due to their poor harvest.

The livestock sector is something else; pigs, sheep, cattle, poultry, you name it, are all having a torrid time at the moment with prices rock bottom due to the huge quantities of imports and over supply here - BUY BRITISH!!!

David Carlisle

EVERGREENS

Wednesday 14th October there is an outing to Cardiff leaving from the Church at 9.30 am by coach. Non-members welcome £5. Tokens may be used. Names to D Wells, S Gore or A Carlisle.

Monday 26th October 2.30 p.m. pre-bazaar meeting in the Village Hall. Raffle, bingo and tea.

Anne Carlisle

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Church Services for October:-

4th October:-

All Age Service 11.00 am

11th October:-

Holy Communion 8.00 am

18th October:-

Family Communion 9.30 am

25th October:-

Morning Prayer 11.00 am

There is a fabric glasses case in the church by the door, possibly left after the pram service.

Ian Fewtrell-Smith

VILLAGE SERVICES

Mobile Library - Parks in Morlands Close between 4 and 4.45 p.m. on alternate Fridays (11th and 25th September).

Fishmonger - Parks in Morlands Close at 1730 Hrs every Friday. (Does he still?? Please let me know - Ed)

Surgery - Telephone for appointments - 248507. Emergencies and General Enquiries - 248251. Prescriptions ordered from the surgery can be delivered to the Post Office.

Noise Complaints - (01635) 519192

Environment Agency - 0800 807060

Low Flying Helicopter Complaints - (01256) 702134.

Police - (01635) 31000.

Downland Volunteers - (01635) 578394 (Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings).

APOLOGIES FOR THE LATE ARRIVAL AND EVEN GREATER PROFUSION OF PHOTOCOPYING THIS MONTH BUT THE COMPUTER HAS BEEN TO THE DOCTOR'S FOR A PROLONGED STAY!!! - ED