

## Dates For Your Diary

Sat 16th July	The Village Inn Grand Opening Party	from 12 noon
Sat 30th July	Cricket Club Annual Hog Roast – Village Hall	7.30pm
Mon 22nd August	September Grapevine Deadline	6pm
Sat 3rd September	Show Day – Playing Field & Village Hall	from 12 noon
Sat 10th September	Tubbs Turf 21st celebrations – Tubbs Turf	from 12 noon

### Editors' Note:

We have received so many requests to say THANK YOU to all the organisations that were involved in the setting up and running of such a splendid Jubilee Picnic afternoon. It was a fabulous, community event and was enjoyed by everyone who attended and the village also came together for another village photograph to mark the event. So... "Thank You All" The Grapevine is unfortunately in the position that our funds are running low. If anyone would be able to help with a small donation it would help us to be able to continue to go to print. If you are able to help – please contact Julie Devine.

### KINGSWOOD VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

[www.thekva.co.uk](http://www.thekva.co.uk)

Jubilee Picnic - The KVA would like to thank not only all the village organisations who worked together to make this such a truly inclusive and successful event, but also everyone who attended for leaving the field so clean and tidy! The weather was kind to us, we have received some lovely feedback and we hope you all enjoyed the day. Village Photograph - A large version of the photograph taken at the Jubilee Picnic is being framed and will be installed in the village hall shortly. Meanwhile, if anyone in the village would like their own 9x6 copy of the photograph, they can be ordered for £5 each. Please contact the KVA Vice Chairman, Tom Werrett on 07377 900103 or e-mail him at [tomwerrett1@gmail.com](mailto:tomwerrett1@gmail.com) before the end of July 2022 when the order for prints will be placed. The KVA Treasure Hunt was held and was another well attended village event. Lots of families enjoyed a breakfast roll and a fun challenge around the village and feedback was very positive. KVA would like to thank Mike Cromie for compiling the questions, and for his expert organisation. Congratulations to the overall winner Alex Kemp. More detailed results can be viewed on the website. SHOW DAY – 3<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER - KVA hope you will join us again for Show Day 2022. Music has been booked, dogs are being groomed and stallholders are getting their stock together ready for another fabulous day. The ever-popular BBQ will be serving the famous Falcon burgers while the WI will keep you topped up with tea and cake. Seb will return with the Ice Cream van too! We are thrilled that the cricket and football which proved so popular at Jubilee will return to keep the children entertained, along with a Magic Show and Punch & Judy. Produce & Handicraft schedules and entry forms will be posted through your door by the end of July, and extras will be available from the shop. (The schedule is already available on our FB page and website) We continue to hold the Classic Car show, which already has record entry numbers. If you wish to enter a vehicle into one of the 7 classes, please contact [Kingswoodclassic@gmail.com](mailto:Kingswoodclassic@gmail.com) for more information.

### FRIENDS OF ST. MARY'S AND ST. MARY'S

FOSM (Friends of St Mary's) REQUEST FOR BOOKS & HELP FOR SHOW DAY ON 3<sup>rd</sup> September. FOSM will be having our usual bookstall at the Village Show Day this year and we would be very grateful for any donations of good quality paperback novels for this. Please leave any books in the back of the Church (now open daily). Any offers of help setting up the stall or staffing it on the day would also be very gratefully received! Thank you very much, the FOSM Committee  
Many thanks to everyone who supported St Mary's fete last month. The lovely garden setting and beautiful weather ensured a great result of £3,200 for church funds. But, if there is to be another fete we desperately need more volunteers to join the planning committee (4/5 meetings a year). Please contact [fete@stmaryskingswood.org.uk](mailto:fete@stmaryskingswood.org.uk) if you can help us to keep this great village event.

### KINGSWOOD WILDLIFE AREA

Volunteers are keeping the pathways through the wildlife area cut by carefully strimming and raking the grass, keeping a close eye to avoid newts and frogs. It is a lovely place to stroll through or walk your dog away from the roads. Later in the summer we will be scything the areas of longer grass and removing the cuttings to encourage wild flowers to grow in future years. Volunteers are always needed, no particular skills required. We are a friendly group meeting on Monday mornings to care for this community area.

### JUBILEE CLUB

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Our May 25<sup>th</sup> meeting was our AGM and all our officers were elected unopposed, with one change. Mrs Monica Brain stood down as the Treasurer after many years of service to the job, a big thank you to Monica for all her hard work. Mrs Isobel Kelly volunteered and was proposed and voted in as the new Treasurer. The Town Hall Tea's on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May was well attended both by members & visitors. A big thank you to those helped with organisation of the afternoon. At our 8<sup>th</sup> June meeting due to the late cancellation of our visitors we had an impromptu "sing along" with our new in house trio "The Jubilee Club Trio" Keyboard and two Ukuleles. July meetings are as follows: 6<sup>th</sup> - Hugh and John Music Rock & Roll and 20<sup>th</sup> - "Ukes Stroud" Refreshments are available at all our meetings. You are very welcome to join us for any of the above events.

### TUBBS TURF

Firstly, apologies that the BBQ ran out rather faster than expected due to the lovely weather at the Jubilee Picnic!. Many thanks to all the helpers that made it possible. The short tennis also proved fun for families which was great to see. What a terrific day! We have our own celebrations on the 10<sup>th</sup> September as this year is the 21st birthday of Tubbs Turf being reformed. What an amazing transformation it has been through and is used by many now for multi sports activities. Please come and help us celebrate from 12noon. There will be a BBQ, tennis tournament, table tennis competition, fun netball, and activities for children too. Refreshments will also be on sale and of course some delicious cakes too. If anyone would be kind enough to bake us a cake we would be delighted. We will also need helpers on the day, help delivering the programmes, sponsors for the program and raffle prizes. All offers of help would therefore be very much appreciated. Please email [membership@tubbsturf.co.uk](mailto:membership@tubbsturf.co.uk) In addition, we are able to offer the Summer Tennis Camp with our local tennis coach Stephen Johnson. This was very popular at Easter so if interested please book your place to avoid disappointment. To book a place please email Stephen at [westonbirttennis@outlook.com](mailto:westonbirttennis@outlook.com). The sessions will be from Mon 15 - Fri 19 Aug and cost £7.50 for 1 session or £32.50 for 5. The age range is from 5 to 11.

**KINGSWOOD PLAYGROUP & TODDLERS**[www.kingswoodvillageplaygroup.org.uk](http://www.kingswoodvillageplaygroup.org.uk)

Playgroup (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.15 – 1pm) and Baby/Toddler group (Wednesday 9.30-11.30am) Kingswood Village Hall, term time only.

This term Playgroup children have been learning about how to stay safe in the sun as well as celebrating World Ocean Day. Our school starters are visiting the Primary School each week and we are busy preparing for Sports Day! **We have places available for September at Playgroup**, please email to enquire – [playgroupkingswood@gmail.com](mailto:playgroupkingswood@gmail.com)

Each week Baby & Toddler group provides a host of activities, toys and crafts based around a weekly theme. Check out our Facebook page: [kingswoodbabyandtoddlers](https://www.facebook.com/kingswoodbabyandtoddlers) to see what we have been up to and come and join the fun if you have a little one under school age. We will take a break for the summer, but please come and visit us on Show Day for games or with any queries.

**KINGSWOOD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH (CHAPEL)****Contact:** Jennie 07934070167 or [jennieamesbury@btinternet.com](mailto:jennieamesbury@btinternet.com)

Hello all people who read the Grapevine and thanks Julie & Lesley who faithfully let everybody know what's going on the village. On the **17<sup>th</sup> July** at 4pm on the Abbey Green we are holding a service for WATER AID along with St. Marys, to continue to help communities across the world struggling to access clean water. We continue to hold our Coffee Mornings on Wednesday from 10-11am where we collect donations for different charities bi-monthly. Our services on Sunday start at 10.30am beginning with our worship group and we have a Sunday School in the Lower School Room contact Sam:- [sammyp2016@hotmail.com](mailto:sammyp2016@hotmail.com) If you want to join on Zoom contact Jennie and she will put you in touch.

**THE VILLAGE INN**

The Village Inn (formally known as The Dinneywicks) has been refurbished and rebranded. We are delighted to have the large terrace and beer garden for those summer days or for the colder winter nights a homely snug area with open fire. We also have a sports area with TVs showing the latest live sports. Whatever the weather, or occasion we have a perfect place for you to visit. Please join us at our opening party on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July from 12 noon for music, pizza and family fun and also to see what has been happening to the place and visit the new Team.

**KINGSWOOD ABBEY W.I.**

The next meeting in the Village Hall on **Tuesday July 12th** at 7.30pm is a talk on the History of Hats by Alexandra Stanbrook. Alex will be bringing lots of hats to illustrate her talk. The Garden Party is on August 9th at 3pm kindly hosted by Ann Falcon-Uff in her beautiful garden. Garden visit to Camers in Old Sodbury is on July 6th. Book Club meets on July 7th at Jean Trueman's house to discuss 2019 Booker Prize winning book - Girl, Woman, Other by Bernadine Evaristo. Craft club is taking a welcome break after the Jubilee decorating but is planning another knitting / crochet marathon for later in the year. Thank you to all the villagers and friends who paid such nice compliments to our efforts for the Jubilee. We have been delighted to welcome new WI members in the past few months, anyone interested in finding out what we do is very welcome to join us for the July meeting. Contact Sheila Kerr: [sheilakerr1355@gmail.com](mailto:sheilakerr1355@gmail.com) for details or arrive at the Hall at 7.30 pm

**KINGSWOOD VILLAGE CRICKET CLUB**

Dynamos & Allstars cricket for 5 to 11 year olds on Friday evenings at the playing field is proving to be great fun for all. There are only a couple more sessions left of formal coaching before the summer holidays begin, however as it has been so successful we would like to continue to offer cricket to the Dynamos age and above by way of informal training and net sessions (including hard ball cricket, equipment provided) at the playing field on Friday evenings, 6-7pm through the season, so please come along and join in if you can. **Saturday July 30th**, 7.30 - 11.30pm, we are holding our annual Hog Roast at the village Hall. Tickets are £10 each for adults and £6 for under 16s. A bar will be available throughout the evening. Tickets are available from KVCC members, or you can request them at the Spar. Hope to see you there and enjoy your summer!

**KINGSWOOD DEFIB AWARENESS GROUP****Contact:** David Owen 01453 844463 [owen@kingswoodgl12.plus.com](mailto:owen@kingswoodgl12.plus.com)

With the hugely regrettable extended ambulance waiting times, it is even more essential you are aware of the location of your nearest defibrillator. The current 9 public access defibs in the village and parish are located at: The Shop. The Primary School. F+G Services Charfield Road. The Village Hall. Weavers Close. 59 Walkmill Lane. Bramley Close Flats' garages. Wickwar Road. New Road (B4058) between Wotton & Charfield. Note: there are also restricted-hours access defibs at KLB and the Wotton Sports Centre; and one by the all-weather pitches at Wotton Community Parc behind KLB – which is good for the park run and Skate Park.

**KINGSWOOD PARISH COUNCIL (KPC)****Contact:** [clerk@kingswoodparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@kingswoodparishcouncil.gov.uk) Tel: 01453 844659

**Highways** KPC is working in a new initiative with the Police on reducing speeding in the parish in connection with the ANPR cameras. We will share more information in the next Grapevine. The stolen ANPR camera will be replaced on Wotton Road. In the 2-week period it was in place it recorded 226 vehicles travelling at over 50mph, 28 of these were doing over 60mph and 4 were doing over 70mph. Once the new camera is in place, we will be working with the Police to reduce the speeding on this road which is used by children to access the school. The camera would also have registered the details of any incidents on Wotton Road. KPC has applied to Gloucestershire County Council for grant funding for a Road Safety Officers Report on highway safety issues within Kingswood. We have also applied for a mobile Vehicle activated sign (VAS) to work alongside the ANPR to inform drivers of the speed at which they are driving.

**Anti-Social Behaviour** - Can all cases of anti-social behaviour be reported to the Police at the time of the incident. It is only that way that action will be taken and a Police presence allocated to Kingswood as there will be a record of the incidences.

**The 2021/22 accounts** have been finalised and the unaudited accounts are available to view on the website. The dates for the public inspection are from Monday 27th July – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2022. Please contact the clerk if you have any queries.

**Newland Homes Community Drop-In Event** - This event at the Village Hall has been arranged for Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July from 4-7pm where you can ask questions about Newland Homes proposed plans for the development of the Orchestra Site in Walkmill Lane.

**Communication** - Report Dog fouling, Litter or Fly Tipping or Over flowing bins go to: [www.stroud.gov.uk](http://www.stroud.gov.uk) where you will find the relevant links. Report problems at the playing field/community areas to the Clerk to the Council: [www.kingswoodparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.kingswoodparishcouncil.gov.uk) Facebook: Kingswood Parish Council. Post: *The Clerk Mary Leonard, PO Box 113 Wotton under Edge GL11 9BP*

**SEPTEMBER GRAPEVINE ISSUE DEADLINE:****MONDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST**