

around..... Longparish

LONGPARISH CRICKET CLUB



This season has not started well. It was felt throughout the Club that the year 2000 was going to see an upturn in our fortunes and that we had a team good enough to win matches and keep clear of relegation. Unfortunately, this has not been the case. Although the batsmen have been making more runs and the bowlers taking more wickets, performances have been inconsistent. Up to the end of June only one League win was recorded and the outlook was poor.

Then, on July 8th, we had a great victory over Hythe and Dibden, a team in the top half of the table, and suddenly things began to look better! Dave Rowlands, Simon Smith and Paul White were the main run-getters and the latter pair put on 92 in 11 overs, both making half-centuries, and took the total to an impressive 182 for 7. The bowlers, amazed at having such a total to bowl at, took early wickets and put the Hythe batsmen under severe pressure. Paul Blackmore, Richard Boote and Simon Smith all bowled well, but in the end it was skipper, Spencer Haines, who destroyed the visitors' batting with his slow bowling, taking 5 for 41. It was a really encouraging result and on the following Saturday the players set off to play Fareham at Gosport full of confidence after seeing in the Advertiser that Longparish was a "heady" 14th in the league table. The Andover Advertiser is an essential for local cricket lovers. We can read the details of scores, results and individual performances without reference to any of the corruption that is apparently rife in the professional game. It is true, of course, that professionalism is now becoming part of the local cricket scene. Many of the Southern League sides contain one or more paid cricketers, usually from abroad, and this can

apply even to teams in the Hampshire League. Whether this trend is helpful to local cricket I cannot say, but I can positively assert that up to now none of our Longparish players have received any bribes or illegal offers!! But it is an interesting thought!!

Allen Snow



Hampshire Historic Churches Trust

**Sponsored Bike Ride
& Walk**

9th September 2000

This event is held annually and raises money to assist with the cost of repairs to Historic Churches in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight. Last year over £31,000 was received of which nearly £29,000 was issued in grants and loans. If anyone would like to cycle or walk around a number of churches in the Deanery or Diocese and raise sponsorship for doing so, please contact John Collins on 01264 320300 for sponsorship forms and more information.

I see quite a number of people cycling around the village in the better weather, keeping fit. What about travelling further afield and raising some money for a good cause? Last year there were no riders or walkers from Longparish - how about this year?

St Nicholas will be open on that day with refreshments for the participants, as it has been over the past 9 years. Over this period we have had, on average, 19 visits each year, which those who man the church feel is well worth opening for.

John Collins

Bunty Bassett

The family of Bunty Bassett would like to thank all the people who sent cards and letters to support us during the last few months. In addition we would like to thank everybody for their contribution to the Countess of Brecknock Hospice Trust, in memory of our mother. We understand that this will exceed £500. Please accept this as our personal thanks to you all.

LONGPARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL

The summer term drew to a close with the usual frenzy of activity, both in and out of doors. On the academic front, the years 2 and 6 received the results of their SATs tests, and once again, the school performed significantly above the national average in both age groups. The rest of the pupils didn't escape, as years 3 to 5 also took tests to familiarise the children with what now seems to be a permanent feature of school life.

Extra curricular activities continue to keep parents buzzing to and from school in an endless procession! French Club has proved popular, as has cycling proficiency, which has enabled the older children to learn to negotiate our country roads in a safer fashion. Many thanks to Mrs Barter and Mrs Lindh-Fitt for their many hours of patient tuition, twice a week, this term.

Bash, the tennis coach has had a ready supply of Wimbledon hopefuls attending his sessions every Friday, and cricket has also been on offer on Wednesdays. Grateful thanks too, to the Wills family for allowing the school to use their swimming pool once again. The children have greatly benefited from so many regular sessions, finding the pool frequently warmer than the weather!

To round off the term, and the academic year, FoLS organised a wonderful barbecue in the middle of July - and despite lowering skies families turned out in force in defiance of the weather gods. The years five and six visited the Cathedral in Winchester for a leavers' ceremony to mark the significant rite of passage onwards to secondary school, reinforced by a slightly more secular treat from the staff, a visit to 'Breakers' in Andover.

As always, it's the generosity of parents, with their valuable time and effort that makes Longparish the happy and bustling school that it is. That was acknowledged by the children and staff when they held a 'helpers' party as a way of saying 'thank you for all you've done this year'.

What with an end of term concert, a thanksgiving service and various school trips, an exhausted group of teachers, staff, parents and especially children, welcome the holidays with relish. I wonder how long it will take before the little darlings get bored!

Jane Wyatt

Friends of Longparish School 100 Club

Draw		results
April		
1.	Mrs Lesley Green	46
2.	Lewis Dawnay	102
3.	Mr & Mrs Ellicock	59
May		
1.	Mr John Woodcock	28
2.	Mrs Linda Blundell	68
3.	Mrs Brigitte Graham	17
June		
1.	Mrs Rist	3
2.	Mrs Lesley Green	46
3.	Mrs Sandra Jones	4
July		
1.	Mrs Jacqui Healey	22
2.	Mrs Joan Gibbs	24
3.	Mr & Mrs Burnett	77

Brigitte Graham

Longparish Playgroup

Come and enjoy

Cream Teas

On Sunday 30th July

3 – 5.30p.m.

at Queen Anne Cottage

2, Forton, Longparish

Cream tea £3

Under 5s free

5-11 years £1

LONGPARISH FETE

SATURDAY 5th. AUGUST

REMEMBER THE NEW VENUE
FOR THE NEW MILLENNIUM
LONGPARISH CRICKET FIELD

As there is no home game on the 5th. August the Longparish Cricket Club has kindly agreed that we may hold the Fete on the Cricket field.

- All the usual stalls and side shows.
- Inter-Pub Tug of War (together with supporting beer tent!)
- Pet Dog Show.
- Pony Cart Rides.
- Visit to a Working Model Railway (a short walk away or perhaps by Pony Cart ride).
- Grand Draw.
- Teas.
- Punch and Judy.
- Gosport Silver Band
- And much more.

Stall holders will be very grateful for contributions. A flysheet was sent to all Longparish residents with the July Hill & Valley, and this is a reminder of contact numbers.

Attic	Jonathan & Alice Evans	720702	Produce	Wendy Ellicock	720386
Books	Michael Lloyd	720229	Old	Catherine Sweet	720550
	Stuart Bevan	720412	Jewellery		
Cakes	Pippa Sawyer	720315	Grand Draw	Jan West	720289
Bottles	Ron Burnett	720451	Teas	Daphne Bevan	720412
Gifts	Olive Newlove	720304	Helpers	John Newlove	720304
Kitchen	Marion Collins	720300		Stuart Bevan	720412

St Nicholas Wives Group

The next meeting will be the barbecue at Lower Mill House on August 10th at 7 p.m., by kind permission of Mr and Mrs Dinesen.

Gloria Goodliffe

TODDLERS' SERVICES AT LONGPARISH

Now that we have our super new children's area in church, we shall be starting monthly services for under school age children and their mums, dads, grandparents, carers etc. These will be held in St. Nicholas Church on the 3rd Mondays of most months, starting at 2.15p.m. and finishing in good time to collect from school. Our meetings will include bible stories, singing and making music, craft activities and refreshments. Do come and join us!

The first service will be on Monday, September 18th and the topic will be The Tractor and the Supermarket Trolley – a harvest theme.
Nona Harrison 710215

(Kids' Page missing)

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Donations for the Children's Society from collecting boxes in Hurstbourne Priors and Longparish raised £100.08 during 1999.

The Society is very grateful for the support it receives from our Parishes. To continue its work in 2000 it needs all the help we can give. Thank you to everyone taking boxes again this year. If you do not already have a box and are willing to have one, please contact me.

Daphne Bevan – 01264 720412

LONGPARISH PARISH COUNCIL

At its meeting on Monday, 10th July the Council was very pleased by the difference made by the hours of work that Clive Kent and his helper had spent bringing the cemetery under control. Parishioners had sent letters of appreciation, and it was decided to accept Clive Kent's offer to take over the maintenance of the cemetery for the rest of the year. Dave West had made a good job of tidying up the lime tree. Good maintenance is expensive, but it was felt that the village wished to see a higher standard kept up. Jeremy and Philip Barber had cleared some graves of young trees, including a largish holly which had a bees' nest underneath! They were thanked for their hard work. The revised cemetery regulations are now on the notice board in the cemetery. The cleaning of the War Memorial has been started since the meeting.

The new Pig Bridge for walkers and riders is now open. This is not intended for cars and must not be used by them.

The Village Design Statement is still with Test Valley. It was suggested that a draft be put on the Longparish.org.uk website, so that local people might have a further opportunity to comment.

Residents are asked to note that in a conservation area, which means most of Longparish, no tree can be felled, nor large branches lopped without permission from the planning authority. When you send in an application it will be dealt with by an arboriculturist who advises the Planning Officers.

M.J.Darrah

