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Council News

The Parish Council has held its Annual Council Meeting where it elects councillors for posts of responsibilities, membership of committees and working groups. Simon Hand was elected Chair for the forthcoming Council year and Sheelagh Cohen Vice-Chair. At this meeting, the Council has to undertake a statutory review of its policies such as financial regulations and its insurance cover. This will be the last year of the current Parish Council with an election for a new Council in May 2020.

As mentioned in the last Council News a vacancy has occurred on the Council due to the resignation of Grant Woodall and there has been no request for an election so his replacement will be by co-option at the Council's June meeting. Since then Iain James has also resigned and the same process will be used to fill this vacancy. The Council would like to thank

Iain for all his work and contribution to the Council, in particular the professional way he addressed matters. Staff and Councillors wish him all the best in his future endeavours. If you are interested in becoming a Councillor, which will be for a year until the next Parish Council election, please contact the Parish Clerk as soon as possible.

In the May local elections Adam Manning was re-elected as Borough Councillor for Hamble and Netley. There are three Borough Councillors for our area and he re-joins Malcolm Cross and David Airey to represent us on the Borough Council.

The Council is greatly concerned about a recent planning decision relating to the river off Hamble Foreshore. This area is protected by policies such as Mooring Restriction Zones, more commonly known as 'Blue Areas', to protect the open nature

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The Parish Office is now open Monday to Friday
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and views in these important areas of the river that are enjoyed by parishioners and visitors alike. The Council has taken this matter up with the Borough Council Planning team as it is concerned this may set a precedent that will be to the detriment and possible loss of these areas which it was thought these policies were there to protect.

In the last magazine, it was mentioned that the Council had written to the Borough Council on a number of issues of concern such as the withdrawal of the consultation on a Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPo) for Hamble and we have now posted the responses to these on the Parish Council's website, which may be of interest. The Parish Council would like to thank the local police for using a dispersal order over the warm Easter period and their proactive approach to deterring anti-social behaviour on the foreshore and surrounding areas.

As you may have seen, at various locations in the village in May, a traffic count was undertaken which was commissioned by the Parish Council. Much of Hampshire County Council's traffic survey work and proposals have been focussed on the upper end of Hamble Lane but the Parish Council felt it was important to have more data so it can respond to future planning applications that affect the village and traffic on Hamble Lane. The Parish Council's traffic count was to assess traffic volumes within the village and specifically

about where traffic joins Hamble Lane, the time of day it does so and journey times between key points.

The Parish Council has agreed to appoint a planning company to provide advice regarding the forthcoming Cemex consultation ahead of a planning application from them to extract minerals from the former airfield. Cemex has indicated that it expects to start its community consultation in the autumn. The Council has also agreed to commission a company to undertake a community-wide consultation exercise regarding the future use of Mount Pleasant Recreation Ground.

Please come and join us on 4th June to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of D-Day and the departure of the landing fleet from the Hamble River. The event will be held on the Foreshore starting with a Parade at 11am. Access via the High Street will be restricted from 10.45 until 11.30am when the parade will have completed its route.

The Farmer's Market last month was again blessed with good weather hence was very well attended. Please remember the new village event on the Foreshore on 1st June, a Brocante style flea market together with marine memorabilia. A wide range of items will be for sale from 40 traders and enthusiasts, many of which will be happy to share their knowledge.

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Closing date: Wednesday 5th June

HAMBLE BROCANTE/FLEA & MARINE MEMORABILIA MARKET

Saturday 1st June welcomes a new event - the Hamble Brocante/Flea & Marine Memorabilia Market, to be held in the Foreshore Car Park and Quay between 9.30am-3.30pm.

The market will consist of traders and enthusiasts offering a huge array of items including furniture, silverware, objet d'art, kitchenalia, postcards, toys, jewellery (traditional and vintage), vintage clothing, retro glassware, ceramics, brass & copper, tools, textiles, coins, garden items, and to rediscover your music heritage - vinyl records, as well as various items of marine memorabilia.

If you are after something specific why not chat with one of the traders/enthusiasts who I am sure will be happy to help you track it down.

If you have any items yourself to sell there is still time to contact the organiser and join in



a perfect opportunity to sell your unwanted items. If not here, there are similar events held in other towns and villages including Romsey, Bishops Waltham, Ringwood, Alresford and Chichester - ring Jackie Edwards on 07514 680 872.

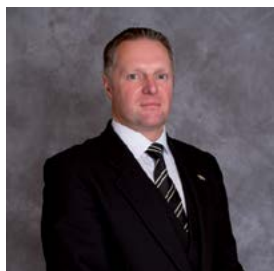


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When it was discovered the books delivered to stock the Mercury were far less than promised we made an appeal to the community to help. A huge 'Thank you' to everyone who responded so generously. The volume and quality of books far exceeded our expectations. The pre-school section is now wonderfully stocked with a lovely selection of beautiful books solely from donations.

OPENING HOURS

The library is staffed by volunteers who have done a wonderful job unpacking and cataloguing the books. At the moment the library is open Monday to Saturday 10am to 12 noon.

It is likely that afternoon opening will be available very soon. You can keep up to date with opening hours and events by signing up to alerts from the Parish Council website or keeping an eye on the Mercury's Facebook page.

Anyone over 18 can set up Mercury membership by completing a short application form, no documentation is necessary and its free of charge.

THANK YOU TO HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL AND BP

The Parish Council would like to thank Hampshire County Council for a grant which has enabled us to purchase a state-of-the-art self-service coffee machine which has just been installed at The Mercury. For only £1 visitors can chose from a selection of high-quality coffee blends or tea. You don't have to be a member to pop in for a coffee or tea everyone will be welcomed by the friendly volunteers.

BP has also given a grant of £250 which will be used to support reading or other education activities for children.

BOOK EXCHANGE

In addition to library books, The Mercury offers a book exchange – anyone can pop in and take away up to a maximum of 3 books and either swap for some previously gently read books or leave a small financial donation.

The book exchange is stocked with practically new, popular paperbacks - this could be a good place to get books to take away on holiday. Not only good value but also kind to the environment too.

From next month we will also be stocking free copies of the Mature Times on the suggestion of a local resident and are looking at options for other newspapers.

MONTHLY COMMUNITY SERVICES

Various community services are currently offered at The Mercury:-

Citizens Advice

Barclays digital skills – booking essential for individual 1 to 1

Neighbourhood Police Beat Surgery

Please pop in and speak to a volunteer if you would like any further information about any of these services.

VOLUNTEERS

The Mercury is only open because very generous people have kindly given up their time to complete the training programme and regularly staff the library for a few hours each week.

The Mercury is a service run for the community by members of the community. If you would like to join this friendly, dedicated group we would love to hear from you. Application forms are available at the Mercury or from the Parish Council Office.

- Jeanette Symes, Deputy Clerk



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Each year we put on one play with the under 18s group and this is our 5th year doing so. Past performances include Midsummer Nights Dream, Pride and Prejudice, Blue Stockings, The Glove Thief and now the brilliant Daisy Pulls it Off. Some of our cast members have performed in all five. The cast are a dedicated and very professional team. We want to stretch them, build their confidence but ultimately have fun and we certainly do that. We have fantastic support and guidance from the Hamble Players.

Daisy Pulls It Off is a comedy play by Denise Deegan. It's 1927 and Daisy Meredith is the first scholarship girl taken from an elementary school to be allowed access to the hallowed halls of Grangewood School for Young Ladies.

Enthusiastic and plucky to the last, Daisy finds herself struggling against unspeakable snobs Sybil and Monica and

their ghastly schemes to get her expelled. Aply assisted by her new best friend, madcap and self styled poet, Trixie Martin, Daisy finds herself caught up in a series of irresistible adventures including the search for missing treasure. Can they work out the mysterious clues and save the school from closure? Or will they be beaten by the enigmatic Mr Scoblowski?

SHOWING AT HAMBLE VILLAGE MEMORIAL HALL ON

Friday 12th July - 7.30pm

Saturday 13th July - 7.30pm

and Sunday 14th July - 4pm

TICKETS

Adults - £6, Under 18 - £3, Family Ticket (1+@) - £10. Family Ticket additional Adult - £5.00 (Only with a family ticket booking)

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DIGITAL SEMINARS

These seminars are free, friendly and designed to help you embrace the benefits of technology in your everyday lives. Topics range from mobile banking, through to protecting your digital footprint, combating fraud and using digital skills to help plan for retirement, plus data security for business.

For dates, times and to book any of the events visit:

events.uk.barclays/homeevents or events.uk.barclays/seminars

PC PETER WOOLCOCK

We're sad to report that Peter Woolcock, who was the last resident village policeman in Hamble, has died.

We send our condolences to Peter's partner, family and friends.

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TUESDAY 4th JUNE 2019 at 10:45 am.

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DadsVDads started in Hamble last year with just 6 players wanting to have a kick about and has since grown to over 50 members, some play every week, while others play when time allows. National Dads V Dads has enabled over 600 dads to get a game.

Local organiser, Steve Fletcher started the project as he wanted to be a role model to his kids and to meet new people after he

moved to the area.

Once it started he realised that he wasn't the only dad that felt socially isolated and that playing sport was a good way to meet new people.

Other benefits of playing regular sport are it improves both physical and mental well-being but most importantly its about having fun and meeting like minded people.

The good news is that you don't need to be a dad to join in but having a dad bod is an advantage.

As the project continues to grow, Steve is hoping to include other sports such as rugby, fishing and cycling and to even start a MumsVMums group.

For more info, contact Steve Fletcher by email at dadsvdadssouthampton@gmail.com or visit dadsvdads.com

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During the nesting season our focus changes as we reduce the amount of shrub clearance; however, there are many alternatives; path repair is a priority as without a firm obstruction, free surface access to the Common is restricted to those with high mobility. We also plan to carry out maintenance of public seating on the Hamble waterfront. Unfortunately, the

advent of the holiday season brings with it a significant increase in rubbish that needs to be cleared before it becomes hazardous to wildlife.

Regardless of the task we welcome volunteers and, although, the tasks can be arduous, there are roles for a wide range of abilities. Furthermore, we appreciate that many people cannot spare the time for the whole task so please do not be put off if you can only be with us for a short while.

BEACH CLEANS

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THE NORMANDY LANDINGS IN 1944

Stan Rickeard was born in Netley in September 1925. He was amongst the first cohort at the newly built Hamble Secondary School which opened in 1937. After leaving school in 1940 Stan started training on an Electrical Work Scheme with Air Service Training in Hamble. He joined local sea cadets in 1942, and then volunteered to join the Royal Navy in 1943; and was posted to Gosport in early 1944.

As you may know, D-Day was originally planned for the 5th June 1944, so many of the vessels including those from Hamble departed on the 4th June 1944. The ships met at a rendezvous point nicknamed 'Piccadilly Circus', south-east of the Isle of Wight where, due to the bad weather, all the vessels had to wait until Operation Neptune (D-Day) could commence early on the 6th June 1944. Operation Neptune was the codename given to the amphibious aspect of Operation Overlord, which was the codename given to the Allies plan to secure a foothold in Europe.

Shortly after D-Day Stan completed his training and started working as a seaman performing general duties on a Landing Ship Tank (LST). Their vessel, LST 199, was based in Portsmouth and it was used to deliver tanks, troops and equipment to Juno beach near Courseulles-sur-Mer in Normandy. The upper deck of the LST was loaded first using a large lift which had to be constructed every time the upper deck was loaded. The lift had to then be dismantled before the lower deck could be loaded with the tanks, which had to reverse on so that they could be driven off forward. All the vehicles and equipment had to be chained to the decks for the journey. The return journey

time varied depending on weather and tides. When the tide was right, the LST would accelerate towards the gently sloping Normandy beach, and as the hull started to touch the ground, they would drop the kedge anchor at the rear of the ship which would be used to help re-float the LST for the return journey. The bow doors were then opened, and a ramp was lowered. The tanks would leave first, and then the vehicles and equipment on the upper deck would be off-loaded. Stan recalls the overpowering stench of the fumes from the tanks revving their engines.

The LST was used to deliver vehicles, cargo and troops directly onto shore where there were no docks or jetties. There were several different models of LSTs, but their average size was about 110-metres long, 15-metres wide, and they all had a special keel that allowed the ship to be beached and to stay upright. Each one could transport around 18 tanks on the tank-deck and other vehicles, supplies, or troops on the upper deck. They could travel at a maximum average speed of around 10-12 knots. Whilst the original LSTs were developed in the UK shortly after Operation Dynamo (the evacuation of Dunkirk) in 1940, the vast majority of the fleet of over 1,000 were built in the USA. The special keeled boats were not very stable in the open sea, but they had to be sailed across the ocean in convoys to reach the battle fronts around the world.

After unloading the LST, Stan and the rest of the crew would have to wait until the next high tide before returning to Portsmouth. Sometimes the crew had time to disembark on to the beach for a break or kick-about with a football. The

LST usually returned with casualties and their attending medical staff or prisoners of war who were accompanied by their guards. Some of the crew, and their LST, had previously seen action in the Mediterranean Campaign in Anzio, Salerno and Sicily. Because of the vital cargo they carried, every LST was a prize target for U-boats and E-boats and the enemy land-batteries.

After September 1944 Stan, his crew and their LST were released from active service in Normandy and embarked for action in the Far East. In December 1944 Stan's LST was loaded with some much smaller Landing Craft Tanks on the upper deck, and other supplies on the lower deck, and they headed for India. They reached Calcutta in early 1945 where they started transporting troops and equipment from various ports in India to the shores of Burma. The return journey took a few days. Stan recalls hearing about VE Day whilst travelling somewhere in the Indian Ocean where, after a quick celebratory toast with his crew mates, they just continued their work as the war in the East was not yet complete. In September 1945, 2 days before his 20th birthday Stan was in Singapore where he witnessed the official surrender of Japan to Rear Admiral Louis Mountbatten.

Shortly after Singapore, the stern of

their LST was blown-in by an acoustic mine, so the crew were redeployed to a minesweeper. Stan spent most of 1946 minesweeping around Borneo before he was discharged in 1947. Alongside various Campaign medals Stan was also awarded a Burma Star for his service in the Far East. And the Normandy Brooch, and the Chevalier de l'Ordre National de la Légion d'Honneur for his service in Europe. These commendations have resulted in Stan and his comrades having the 'Honorary Freedom of the City of Southampton' which entitles them to "March through the streets of Southampton during ceremonial occasions with swords drawn, bayonets fixed, and drums beating, bands playing and colours flying".

After leaving the Royal Navy Stan Married Gwen in 1951 and they moved to Bitterne, where they raised three sons. Stan started working at Thorneycroft in Woolston as an electrical draughtsman. He changed jobs several times but was always involved with electrical work. He retired in 1989, and Stan and Gwen moved back to Netley in 1994. Stan is an active member of the Hound Local History Society.

*Front Cover Picture: Stan Rickeard,
Courtesy and © Ken Skinner*

**Hamble Parish Council are commemorating the
75th D-Day Anniversary with a Parade and Service followed
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Tuesday 4th June 2019, 11am on Hamble Foreshore

The event is supported by:

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HAMBLE-LE-RICE FLOWER CLUB

As usual, Carole Norman did not fail to amuse us at our monthly meeting in May. What a great sense of humour! I hope you all enjoyed!

Our meeting in June will be another demonstration. On Monday June 10th Christine Evans will depict 'From Ice to Fire.' A very intriguing title which will no doubt inspire us all.

So now plans are well underway for our first Flower Show on Sunday 8th September. The schedule has been drawn up with six classes, ranging from opportunities for novices to the more experienced flower arrangers. There is also a class for children up to the age of 15, which will hopefully encourage the grandchildren to be creative!

Entry forms are now available from Christine and Judy - the closing date is July 20th. Certificates and Rosettes will be awarded but the Big Award is for the People's Choice so put the date in your diaries and come and vote for your favourite!

Classes for learning flower arranging will continue in the Autumn term so if you missed out this summer, do contact Christine and reserve your space for next term.

Did any of you spot and take home a Lonely Bouquet at the beginning of May? I do hope you enjoyed the flowers. This year we surpassed ourselves; posies could be

found all round Hamble and neighbouring villages. This event happens annually and Flower Clubs all around the country participate, to bring a little joy into people's lives.



Just moved to the area or fancy an interesting afternoon watching and learning more about flowers? Please come along. You will be very welcome. Just come to the Memorial Hall on the second Monday of the month at 1.30pm (except August!) For more information do feel free to contact one of the following people:

Sheila Barker, Chairman
02380 453718
Christine Wright, Vice Chairman
07764 219193
Jeanette Smart, Hon Secretary
07813 326997
Judy Raponi, Hon Treasurer
02392 554157

THE BURSLEDON AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

Tuesday 4th June - Plant Sale and Auction. doors open 7pm for setting up, auction at 7.45pm. Membership £10 from January, Visitors £2 per meeting. Meetings are on the first Tuesday each month at St. Paul's Church, Oak Road, Pilands Wood,

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HAMBLE LADIES GROUP

It has been a while since I posted anything in the magazine so here is an update of what we have been up to over the last three months.

In February, Peter Ashburn, a local man, came along to tell us about his interest in Orchids, both wild and cultivated. His talk concentrated mainly on wild orchids and he showed us a wonderful slide show of orchids found in and around Hampshire. Noar Hill in Hampshire is what they call an 'Orchid Hotspot' and well worth a visit as there are 12 or 13 different species in this area alone.

Apparently 1 in 4 of all flowers in the world is a orchid. An interesting piece of trivia. The close ups of some of the orchids showed some very exotic, weird and wonderful flowers with many of them mimicking bees, wasps and flies. This attracts the insects which bring pollen with it.

He also showed us orchids from Hampshire, Kent and Dorset, Ireland and the North of England. There is an orchid in Dorset called the Sawfly which is a Mediterranean plant and experts cannot work out how it has managed to find its way to a quarry there.

This was a very interesting evening and the group thoroughly enjoyed the talk.

In March, Bug Wrightson came along from the Hampshire Search and Rescue Team together with his beautiful Springer Spaniel Oppo and gave us a very interesting talk explaining what they do, why they do it and why they use dogs.

What they do - they search for vulnerable and missing people throughout Hampshire, Dorset and Kent and they have 3 top operational dogs at the highest level; of which there are only 14 in the whole of the country. They have 9 support people who do everything the dog doesn't do. These people also help with training the dogs. There are 20 in the whole team who are all volunteers and Bug explained that they

had 95 calls in the last year spread over the South Coast. They train twice a week. There is no government funding and they raise their own funds through collections, applying for grants and donations. They received a grant from Test Valley Borough Council to provide an Instant Support Vehicle with all the equipment needed and at the moment they need to raise another £7,000 to buy this.

They use dogs because of their noses, of course, which are absolutely fantastic and can search for a vast range of things. A dogs sense of smell is amazing - 10,000 to 100,000 times better than us. In addition, they have 4 legs and great stamina which enables them to run around all day long.

Bug told us how much he loved volunteering and working with Oppo who was a family dog but after having him for 2 years decided to join Search and Rescue. The whole process of training takes about 18 months and only 10% of people and dogs who start get through. It is a very big commitment but such a worthwhile thing to do.

We certainly got the impression that Bug and Oppo enjoyed their volunteering and should be congratulated for what they do.

Unfortunately, due to circumstances out of our control, we had to cancel our meeting in April but we are hoping that Debbie Phillips will come along to our social evening in June to give us a demonstration of her Creative Paper Skills.

On 14th May Sgt Antony Waghorn visited us to talk to us about the very emotive subject of missing, abducted and exploited children.

He started by telling us that he joined the police force 18 years ago and was stationed at Shirley where he eventually became one of the drivers of the Blues and Twos which he absolutely loved. After doing that for 13 years he transferred to the Missing and Exploited Children team which, although

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very stressful, he also loved.

He explained that from past experiences and mistakes made by the police force over the years they have learnt a lot about dealing with the terrible problem and are making headway in getting results and putting perpetrators behind bars.

He gave us a few examples of what some children have gone through and you can understand how stressful it can be dealing with this day in and day out.

The internet has a lot to blame for children becoming involved in this terrible crime. He couldn't stress enough how important it is to monitor what children are doing on the internet which can be quite a difficult to do as children can be very clever at keeping things from parents and grandparents. They can get drawn into all sorts of horrible things and get groomed by very clever people. As mentioned before, a very emotive subject but it was good to hear that progress in tackling the problem is very positive.

Missing children was another subject he covered, telling that this was also a terrible problem they deal with. If a child goes missing 3 times in 90 days then there is good reason for this and are possibly being groomed and exploited. Trafficking

of children is another problem involving children under 17 coming into the UK from war torn countries and these are extremely vulnerable and desperate people who are used for all sorts of exploitation which can be anything from sexual, working without pay, forced marriages, home slavery, working in nail bars or car washes for pittance but because they are so desperate to stay in the UK they just do as they are told and suffer at the hands of ruthless people.

Antony's talk was extremely thought provoking and it is sad to know that there are children being treated so appallingly.

11th June, as mentioned above, is our Social Evening. A relaxing get together to chat and catch up with strawberries and cream and a little fizz if you are lucky and Debbie Phillips with her Creative Paper demonstration.

And then we are already into July and we are off to Highclere Castle for our annual outing. We have a few seats left for this trip so if you interested give me a call on 02380 453626.

Our meetings start at 7.30pm and are held in the Priory Centre, Hamble.

- Bobby Conduit

HAMBLE LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

This year is the centenary of Hamble River Sailing Club and the Society's Chairman, Ian Underdown, will be giving an illustrated talk about its history in recognition of this important occasion for the Club. New research has enabled its full story to be told and there can be very few sailing clubs in the country that can boast such a successful history.

The Club was formed just after the First World War and by the 1960s was one of the premier dinghy sailing clubs in the country. In 1972 six of the 13-man Olympic sailing team were club members of which two brought back medals. Members



Retired fishing boat skipper, Captain Bob Williams, starting an early club race from the Bugle Inn's garden

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To accompany this talk a new booklet entitled 'Hamble River Sailing Club 1919 - 2019' has been written with over 40 pictures and will be available at the meeting. Why not come along to the Roy Underdown Pavilion on Thursday 6th June at 7.30pm to

be amazed and fascinated by this pictorial history of HRSC. As usual new members and visitors are welcome and HRSC current and former members are particularly welcomed! Our meeting fee is just £2. If you would like more information please contact our secretary, Janet Flack, telephone 8045 7189.

FROM THE COUNCIL'S RECORDS

100 YEARS AGO - Resolution Re Pipeline ... to strongly oppose the application of the Anglo Petroleum Company, to the Board of Trade, for permission to lay a pipe line about 2,000 ft in length, or under, the surface of the foreshore and bed of Southampton Water ...
JUNE 1919

100 YEARS AGO - Caravan on Common ... It was decided to write to the Estate Bursar of Winchester College, and ask if he would give instructions for the caravan to be removed.
JUNE 1919

75 YEARS AGO - Requisition of Land on Foreshore ... It was reported that the American Authorities had commenced a large amount of work on the Foreshore Mudland between the Main Hard and the Oyster Hard which was freehold property of the Parish Council without any notice of Requisition ...
JUNE 1944

75 YEARS AGO - Requisition of Hamble Green ... it has become necessary to requisition the whole of Hamble Green, formal notices of Requisition will be sent in due course, but in the meantime Military occupation will take place at once ...
JUNE 1944

50 YEARS AGO - Induction of New Vicar ... Induction of Canon Woodhall as Vicar of St Andrew's Church Invitation to Chairman, Councillors, Clerk The majority of members would attend ...
JUNE 1969

50 YEARS AGO - Planning List ... F.H. Bourne Ltd - Construction of Yacht Harbour, erection of Clubhouse, construction of Car Park following reclamation of land by dredgings deposited ... Hamble Manor Hotel - Extension of 74 bedrooms and construction of new 'in' access ... Ferryside - Change of use from private residence to residential Guest House ...
JUNE 1969

25 YEARS AGO - Planning ... Plans for the RAF Yacht Club inform EBC Planning that the Council object to the extended footpath and the height of the building. Could the Hound, Hamble and Bursledon Local Plan be brought in, in its entirety, with parishioners views being taken into consideration ...
JUNE 1994

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY IN JUINE

Saturday 1st

Brocante/Flea & Marine Memorabilia Market

A market of traders and enthusiasts offering a huge array of items. See page 5 for full details.

9.30am-3.30pm, Hamble Foreshore and Quay

Tuesday 4th

D-Day Commemoration

Join us on the Foreshore to commemorate the 75th anniversary of D-Day and the departure of the landing fleet from the Hamble River.

Starting with a parade at 11am.

Thursday 6th

D-Day Talk: From Nowhere to Normandy

An illustrated talk on D-Day by Richard Folkes. Lecture will start at 6.30pm, followed by supper and sing-along. £15 (£3 of which donated to Blind Veterans Charity). Call 023 8045 0300/0301 to book by 4th June.

Arrive 5.30pm, Royal Southern Yacht Club

Monday 10th

Hamble-le-Rice Parish Council Meeting

All Council meetings are open to the public to attend.

7pm, Mercury Library and Community Hub

Tuesday 18th

Hamble Village Memorial Hall AGM

Come and enjoy cheese and wine while finding out about the work of your community hall. RSVP to the Chairman, Michael Davies, hall@hvmh.org.uk 7.30pm, HVMH

Tuesday 24th

Hamble Parish Planning Committee Meeting

Considering the Council's response to applications in or affecting Hamble. 7pm, Mercury Library and Community Hub

Listing of an event does not constitute endorsement. Details believed to be correct at the time of publication.

At The Mercury Library and Community Hub

Monthly

Citizens Advice Drop-in Sessions, 1st Wednesday, 10am-1pm

Next Session: 5th June

Barclays Tea and Teach ,2nd Wednesday (by appointment only)

Help with digital skills. Contact the Parish Office to register your interest. Next Session: 12th June

Neighbourhood Policing Team: Hamble Beat Surgery, Friday 7th June, 11am-12:30pm

Come along and meet the team, ask questions and pick up valuable crime prevention advice.

Phonics and Reading Group, Every 3rd Saturday, 2-2.45pm (next 22nd June)

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Regular Events

| Weekly | What | Where |
|---|---|---|
| Monday | Monday Club | 1.30pm, Hamble Club |
| Monday (except Bank Hols) | Hamble River Singers Community Choir (Contact basschickbev@gmail.com) | 7.30pm, HRSC Rooms |
| Monday | U-Tone Circuit Training | 8.15-9.15pm, Memorial Hall (Rear Hall) |
| Monday (except Bank Hols) | Forever Fit: 60+ fitness exercise to music. 4 week block £16. (Call Julie: 07952 983 349) | 10.30 - 11.30am, Follands Sports & Social Club. |
| Tuesday | Parent & Toddlers Group | 9.30-11.30am, Memorial Hall |
| Tues & Thurs | Pilates | (Tues 12-1pm) (Thurs 10-11am) Memorial Hall |
| Tuesday | Puppy Classes (contact Annette 023 8045 3490) | 6-9pm, Memorial Hall |
| Wednesday | Yoga | 10-11.30am, Memorial Hall |
| Wednesdays & Fridays | Fantasy Allstars Cheerleading Classes at Hamble Sports Complex | 6-8pm Wed (12+), 5-6pm Fri (3-8years), 6-7pm Fri (9-11years) |
| Wednesday | Chairfit: 60+ Seated exercise to music. 4 week block £10. (Call Julie: 07952 983 349) | 11.15am-12pm, Roy Underdown Pavilion. |
| Wednesday | Cherubs (Contact: Father Graham Whiting 023 8045 2148) | 10.30am - 12pm, St. Andrews Church. |
| Wednesday | Acting Up For class times contact: 07519 754829 | Memorial Hall |
| Thursday | Walking Netball | 10-11am, Hamble Sports Complex |
| Friday | Village Market | Memorial Hall, 9.30-10.45am |
| Bi-Weekly | What | When |
| Tue 11 th & 25 th | St. Andrew's Cafe @ The Priory Centre | 10.30am-12.45pm |
| Monthly | What | Where |
| 2nd Monday | Hamble Flower Club | 1.30pm, Memorial Hall |
| 4th Monday | RAF Association Ichen & Hamble branch (Contact: Steve Rawlings 02380 740771) | 12pm, Hamble Club |
| 1st Tuesday | Bursledon and District Gardening Club | 7pm, St Pauls Church, Bursledon |
| 2nd Tuesday | Hamble Ladies Group | 7.30pm, Priory Centre, St Andrew's Church |
| 1st & 3rd Weds | Hamble Conservation Beach Cleans | 10am, Hamble Point Car Park |
| 2nd Wednesday | Hamble Conservation Task | 10am, Hamble Point Car Park |
| 4th Wednesday | Informal Bereavement Support Group (Contact: Heather Smith 02380 452988) | 2pm-3pm, The Priory Centre |
| Last Saturday | Place 2B Café (Coffee, Cake & Conversation) | 10am-12pm, Priory Centre |



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