

## Hurstbourne Priors

### Weather June 2010

Total rainfall for month	27.0mm	= 1.06ins
It rained on	6 days	
Rainfall June 2009	19mm	= 0.75ins
Total 2010 to date	293mm	= 11.53ins
Total 2009 to date	312mm	= 12.28ins
Min Temperature	8C	= 46F (16 <sup>th</sup> )
Max Temperature	32C	= 90F (24 <sup>th</sup> )



The Met Office has said this was the driest half year since 1953 and the second driest since 1929.

*John Smail*



**Enham Car Show & Family Day at Thrupton Motor Circuit**

**5th September 2010 from 10am - 4pm**

**A day of music and motors for all the family**

**The Enham Trust's AMERICAN CUSTOM AND BRITISH CLASSIC CAR SHOW is returning this year. It is shaping up to be a great day for all the family with some fantastic American and British cars, live music all day, stalls, plus activities to amuse the children too.**

**Come and hear the Harleys roaring up together at around 11.30am, have a ride on a Honda Gold Wing, and perhaps see a mystery local celebrity.**

**Visitor entry adults £5, accompanied children free. Car exhibitors £5 and bike exhibitors £3.**

See [www.monarchevents.co.uk](http://www.monarchevents.co.uk) for more information and advance bookings. All proceeds to disability charity Enham.



### **A DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES**

**SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**12 NOON TO 4PM**

### **Picnic and Pétanque in the Park**

Come and join in a friendly village fun event at the Recreation Ground  
Bring a picnic, refreshments and yourselves and enjoy a relaxing afternoon, lunching, mixing and playing boules.

**Free for All the Family**

For further information, call Jo ☎ 01256 893445

### **HART Wildlife Rescue's New Hospital**

The new wildlife hospital is ready for admissions at Soldridge Business Park, Medstead, near Alton, and the gates of HART Wildlife Rescue at Overton are now permanently closed.

All the charity's operations will now be run from the new unit, following the successful move of six adult and six baby hedgehogs and 14 birds. These included a couple of very tiny swifts, several baby blackbirds of various sizes and a jay. They all now stand a very good chance of survival.

HART's original premises at Dellands are now permanently closed and June and Bob Gibbs can look forward to having their house and garden to themselves, after devoting more than 14 years to caring for wildlife. Members of the public are kindly requested not to leave injured, orphaned or abandoned wildlife outside the door at Dellands but can call the new hospital for advice on 01420 562335.

For further information please contact Jackie Grey on 01264 356253 or email: [help@hartwildlife.org.uk](mailto:help@hartwildlife.org.uk)  
Web Site: [www.hartwildlife.org.uk](http://www.hartwildlife.org.uk)



### **Mobile Police Office**

The Office will **not** be in the village in August and the next visit will be on **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September** at the usual times.

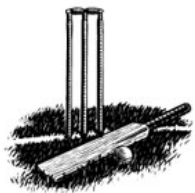
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### Ladies Coffee Morning



The **August** coffee morning will be hosted by Marilyn Smith at Copper Beech (☎ 893107) on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>** from 10.15 onwards.

### Hurstbourne Priors Cricket Club



Reports from two matches in July:

#### **Boom Boom Cady sees Priors home**

A simply wonderful display from Hurstbourne Priors, away to Colden Common, restored their promotion challenge. Deciding to bowl first seemed a bold decision by the Priors captain but he was soon rewarded when strike bowler Mark Matthews (4-44) removed Pearce with a lifting delivery. Wickets continued to fall when Mark Hamson removed Marks, thanks to a sharp catch from the ever reliable Ady Budd. With Stewart Samways (2-23) being brought on to strangle the run rate, the home side seemed to drop anchor and had no answers to Priors impressive bowling.

Rajiv Kumar continues to improve in league cricket, bowling Colden's skipper Jacobs with an unplayable delivery. The home side continued to dig in but, with ten overs to spare and the home side scoring at a snail's pace, fiery pace bowler Mark Matthews and Toby Trinder were brought on and soon ripped through the lower order. Colden Common collapsed to 116 for 10, with two overs remaining.

Priors' chase may have made Hurstbourne history, thanks to an outstanding opening stand by Steve Cady and Ashok Nautiyal. Cady's switch from bowler to batsman showed that tail-enders can bat and smashed 62 not out, in quick time, to ensure Priors reached 68 without loss, after 10 overs. His partner, Ashok showed his class and hit 7 fours in his not-out knock. Priors never looked like losing a wicket and the pair put on 120 for the first wicket to ensure the away side took 24 points with 24 overs remaining.

#### **First class Collins seals Priors Victory**

Hurstbourne Priors recent resurgence continued with an impressive win over title-chasing Old Basing. Batting first, Priors powered their way through the opening overs, with Steve Cady (30) and Ashok Nautiyal (25) repeating the same dose as the week before. Both were stumped by Dane off Curtis but the away side was very much on the back foot. Mark Hamson (30) and Will

Shahinian (35) took control of the middle overs and 200 was definitely the target.

When both were removed after poor shots, Paul Collins and Andy Golding took up the charge and showed that age was no barrier to quick singles. Collins, in particular, repaid the selectors decision to play him and stroked the ball majestically around the ground. Golding played the support role, punishing the loose deliveries. Collins (55 not out) continued to bat well, to ensure Priors reached 209 for 5, off 42 overs.

Priors maintained the momentum after the break as the ever-improving Mark Matthews removed Venkat's middle stump in the third over. He bowled with fire and determination and was unlucky not to have more wickets in his first spell.

Stewart Samways (1-32) and Toby Trinder (2-39) made an immediate difference, with Samways trapping Dane LBW and then Shahinian milking a catch off Trinder. With the lower order in, Hamson switched back to Matthews (5-34) who stepped up his pace and was clearly too much for the Old Basing batsman.

Matthews' impressive spell ensured the game was almost over but Old Basing had different ideas and the tail wagged for many overs. With two overs remaining and 35 needed, skipper Hamson pulled out a slower ball to remove Vyas, ensuring Priors got maximum 24 points for the second consecutive match.

### CREATIVE WRITING EVENING CLASSES

Two new courses will start at Harrow Way Community School in Andover from September 21st.

Both will run for ten weeks on Tuesday evenings. Polish Your Prose, from 7 to 8pm, is for anyone who wants to write novels or short stories, followed by Write for Children, from 8.15 to 9.15pm.

The courses can be booked together or separately. The tutor will be local writer, Sally Startup.

Details on her website:

<http://www.sallystartup.co.uk>

or from The Community Education Office, Harrow Way Community School, Andover, SP10 3RH, tel. 01264 364900.

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ANDOVER  
**young carers**

**LONGSTOCK PARK WATER GARDEN  
SUNDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2010  
THESE BEAUTIFUL GARDENS WILL BE  
OPEN FROM  
2.00PM – 5.00PM  
ALL PROCEEDS TO ANDOVER YOUNG  
CARERS  
for more information please visit  
[www.longstockpark.co.uk](http://www.longstockpark.co.uk)**

### Cats Protection



As the summer has progressed, we have had more and more kittens handed in. At the beginning of the year, there was a big demand for kittens and we had none but now the cats are onto their second litters and people who have not bothered to get their pet spayed are finding it more difficult to home the kittens. We are providing free neutering for more cats than ever before but it doesn't seem to be solving the problem.

In the past week, we have had six lots of feral kittens reported to us. If we can get them by time they are six weeks old, we can tame and re-home them but, after that, it becomes increasingly difficult. We always try to trap the mother cat and get her spayed to ensure no further litters and are very grateful to those members of the public who help us with this.

We have just taken in a stray cat and seven kittens from a country area. At first, only six of the kittens were captured but when the mother was taken back to the site she called to the last one which appeared from the woodpile and was taken to be



re-united with his siblings - a happy end to the story.

DAISY is just two years old and has been in care since February. She is playful

and loves to be stroked and wouldn't mind sharing her new home with a feline companion.

Enquiries 01256 892019 or [www.andovercats.org.uk](http://www.andovercats.org.uk)  
Stories of rescued cats [cats.first@virgin.net](mailto:cats.first@virgin.net)  
Fund-raising/volunteers [cats.first@virgin.net](mailto:cats.first@virgin.net)  
Items for resale 01256-892773

*Claire Bevan*

Coordinator Andover & District Cats Protection



**STREETZ IS COMING TO  
WHITCHURCH  
26 JULY TO 27 AUGUST 2010**

**SUMMER STREETZ IS COMING TO  
WHITCHURCH AND SIX OTHER AREAS ACROSS  
THE BOROUGH OVER THE SCHOOL SUMMER  
HOLIDAYS, OFFERING FREE EVENING  
ACTIVITIES FOR 11 TO 17 YEAR-OLDS IN AND  
AROUND THE AREA.**

**SESSIONS INCLUDE DJ WORKSHOPS, GRAFFITI  
ART, DODGEBALL, AS WELL AS THE WELCOME  
RETURN OF THE OPEN ACCESS SESSIONS  
(LARGE SCREEN WII GAMES, POOL GAME AND  
DANCE MATS)**

**SUMMER STREETZ IS A BRAND, LEAD BY  
BASINGSTOKE & DEANE BOROUGH COUNCIL,  
TO MARKET A SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITY  
PROGRAMME, AIMED AT 11-17 YEAR OLDS IN  
THE BOROUGH.**

Further details and the programme for Whitchurch may be viewed at

[www.basingstoke.gov.uk/go/streetz](http://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/go/streetz)

For more information please contact: **Mike Nicholls -  
Children, Young People & Families Officer** Tel: 01256  
845338 or email: [mike.nicholls@basingstoke.gov.uk](mailto:mike.nicholls@basingstoke.gov.uk)

### Mobile Library



In August, the Mobile Library will be at the Village Hall, from 12.05pm until 12.25pm, on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> and Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

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### Hurstbourne Priors Parish Council



The Annual General Meeting, followed by the Parish Council Meeting, was held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May. The Minutes are summarised below and a full copy will be posted on the village

web site at [www.hurstbournepriors-pc.org](http://www.hurstbournepriors-pc.org).

The meeting commenced with the Chairman's Report which summarised the various activities of the Parish Council during the year. This was followed by the Financial Report, giving the results for the year to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010 and the Budget for the year to March 31<sup>st</sup> 2011. The precept for the coming year was set at £5,000.

Councillor Mr Peter Smail was proposed and elected chairman, there being no other nominations. As there were no nominations for Vice Chair, the post remains vacant.

**Parish Council Vacancy** - Notices have been displayed in the village and, unless there were any other nominations, it was hoped to co-opt Mrs Sarah Wyatt-Tilby at the next meeting.

**Disruptions to Power Supplies** - A letter had been received from Mr Tacchi apologising to the residents affected by the work undertaken by Scottish and Southern Energy. Mr Tacchi very much hoped that, as construction at Testbourne was drawing to an end, the disruption would be minimised. As several kilometres of cable have been buried, there should be less disruption to supplies in future.

As two trees on the Longparish Road need to be trimmed, this may result in a further power cut. The Parish Council has been assured that Scottish and Southern Electricity will inform residents when this is due to happen.

**New Footpath from Whitchurch to Hurstbourne Priors** - Every house in the Parish received a letter and map from Mr and Mrs Tacchi stating that the new footpath is now open.

**Village Clean-up** - Mrs S Wyatt-Tilby was thanked for organising the Village Clean-up. Eight people turned out to help and enjoyed Bacon Butties and a hot drink at the Hurstbourne Inn.

**Planning** - BDB/72495 - Variation of Condition 1 of Planning Permission DBD/64658, to allow continued siting of mobile home for a further period of one year, Dipper Barn Farm, Manor Farm Lane, Tufton, Whitchurch. The Parish Council had **NO OBJECTION** to this Planning Application.

New Barn Farm - Cllr Mr K Watts reported that this Planning Application went to appeal and the Inspector granted permission, despite the Borough Council's recommendation of refusal. Further development at New Barn Farm was being carried out and no doubt will result in further retrospective planning applications.

The Vitacress Planning Application was due to be heard in July and the Planning Applications for the Clock Barn and Old Dairy had been approved.

**Borough Councillor's Report** - Cllr Mr K Watts spoke about the car parking at Whitchurch. The Old Hotel Site had been bought for redevelopment; in the mean time, the owner had made the site a pay and display car park. There had been some opposition from residents and a temporary stop notice had been issued by the enforcement officers at Basingstoke and Deane.

The review of yellow lines in Whitchurch was held in November 2009 and the results should be published sometime in June 2010. The Royal Mail Delivery Office closed and the promised service of pick-up and delivery points did not happen.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Mr Watts for his continued support and for his report.

**Footpaths Report** - All the Parish Footpaths were said to be walkable.

**Village Hall Report** - Cllr Mrs M Smith reported that bookings for the summer were looking healthy and included a party, art classes, a lecture and a musical event. She further reported that the Village Hall Floor was an ongoing problem and the Committee was in discussion with the Flooring Manufacturer, Contractor, Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council and the Commercial Flooring Association. It was feared that this could prove to be a costly exercise.

**Recreation Ground Report** - Cllr Mr Selbie reported that the Cricket Club had started well at the start of the season but unfortunately did not finish as high up the league as they would have liked. The Fixtures for the 2010 Season were looking good and in line with 2009. There were more private bookings coming in as the year progresses. The Clerk was asked to write to Mr John Perkins to thank him for the excellent job he does as bookings secretary.

The Yearly Rabbit control had been carried out and it is hoped that the Cricket Club would pay the Church share of the bill again this year.

**Parish Councillors' Reports** - Cllr Mrs M Smith reported a suggestion had been made for a Welcome Reception to be held for new residents. The Parish Council was not opposed to this suggestion. Cllr Mrs Smith also suggested there should be a list of the Village Committees available - Village Hall, May Fair, Recreation Ground and Parish Council for example. This was thought to a good idea.

Cllr Dr J Chalk suggested that the late Jean Baverstock's memorial bench be placed in the bus shelter on the B3400, as there is no seat. The Clerk was requested to arrange for it to be anchored to the Bus Shelter base when Brian Pearce comes to do the base for the shed behind the Village Hall.

**Members of the Public** - The Parish Council was asked about the sports grant of £200 to Holly Croxford each year. The Chairman explained the Parish Council had been supporting Holly with her travelling expenses for several years, as she competed in competitions up and down the country. It was suggested that Holly and her parents be invited to the July Parish Council meeting to give an update on her progress, as it would be nice to meet her in person.

**Date of the Next Meeting** - 28<sup>th</sup> July 2010 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.