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Summer 1992

GREAT HINTON VILLAGE NEWS

The Eighth Great Hinton Agony Run

On the Tuesday before the event there were 30 entrants and just as many bottles for the bottle stall. If the event had to be cancelled then I had the consolation prize for each entrant !

By Sunday, after a few phone calls to 'Rent- a- Runner' the field had increased and over two hundred bottles/cans had been received.

Last year's concerns of our announcer, Mike Truman that rain and PA systems connected to the mains did not mix were completely unnecessary this year. At the sound of the starting whistle of Vic Bush, the runners departed from the village and the various stall holders started doing a brisk business.

A quality field ensured that the first three runners all finished within 15 minutes, led by the course record holder Chris Tweedie in 14 min 25 sec, albeit a full minute down on his record. A further 20 runners crossed the line before Judy Farr led the ladies home completing the course in 19 min 15 sec.

Ensuring that his name would appear on the Village cup again, Russell Crumpler knocked 25 seconds off the Villager record, finishing in a very creditable 17min. 15sec. Alison Fennell took the first Lady Villager's medal finishing in 29 minutes.

The aim of the day was to support the Dorothy House Foundation and at the Ladies Fete a cheque for £680 was handed over, with just over £500 being raised for Village Funds. This will ensure necessary maintenance is carried out to the Village Hall.

The success of the event depends on the generous gift of time and money from the villagers and a hearty thanks goes out to everyone concerned. A special thanks goes to Bill at the Linnet who paid for the medals, which provide a tremendous challenge and reward to the younger age groups. Lloyds Bank (Richard Clark) covered all the printing costs of the event and Kepak Meats (John Puff) provided the first prize for the Raffle. Many other donations were received from local businesses.

This event will feature on next year's calendar. If you would like to help and/or have any suggestions for making this an even more successful day then contact either Mike Truman or Kevin Crumpler.

Thank you everyone... You did a GREAT job again !

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Kevin Crumpler

THE RESULTS :-

Winner Overall - Chris Tweedie	14.25 minutes
First Female - Judy Farr	14.30
Boys 13 - 16 - Russell Crumpler	17.15
Girls 13 - 16 - Sarah Fields	19.29
Boys 10 - 12 - Chris Rutherford	17.00
Girls 10 - 12 - Francesca Richards	25.15
Boys 6 - 9 - Oliver Smith	20.45
Girls 6 - 9 - Jenny Williams	29.45
Boys under 6 - Robert Tweedie	30.15
Girls under 6 - Xanthe Smith	32.45

VILLAGERS:

First Male - Russell Crumpler	17.15
First Female - Alison Fennell	29.00

We have received the following letter from Mrs. Jean Hemmings of Dorothy House :

"Terry Mears has asked me to write to acknowledge the wonderful gift of £680.00 which Denise Heals collected on Saturday, which I understand was raised at the Great Hinton Agony Run.

"Do please thank your Committee for this gift, and accept personally our thanks for all you do for us."

100 CLUB

Further winners in the 100 Club are as follows :-

	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>
1st	Mrs. Felstead	Mrs. J. Propert	Mrs. C. Burch
2nd	Mr. R. Mead	Mrs. F. Gotelee	Mr. F. Gotelee
3rd	Mrs. M. Gilbert	Mr. G. Miles	Mr. C. Blake
4th	Mr. K. Crumpler	Miss H. Dix	Mrs. J. Bush

Quarterly Prize: Mrs. D. Young

ANNUAL SPASTIC FLAG DAY.

The amount collected this year was £44.26. My thanks to all who gave so generously.

SANDY SALMON.

GRAPEVINE

The Grapevine needs a new production team, before or after the Christmas issue. The Committee would like to hear from any villager interested in taking over this newsheet.

BEST KEPT VILLAGE

The result of the countywide final round judging, where we were competing with the four winners of the District Council heats, has just arrived, and as you will see below Great Hinton came third. Congratulations to the winning village Seagry, which is near Chippenham.

First	Seagry
Second	Berwick St. James
Third	Great Hinton

At first this appears a disappointing result, but we should recognise the scale of the achievement, which is very appreciable, and this should encourage us all in next year's competition.

Well done girls and boys for the most excellent and original posters you entered. The judges' remarks were most complimentary and you came second in the Children's Poster Competition. The posters are on display in the village hall for all to see.

The judges stated that they were impressed by the evident community spirit in the village, the general high standard and congratulated us on an excellent result. We shall receive in due course the C.P.R.E. Certificate and a cheque for £30 which will help with the Parish funds. As winners of the District heat we shall also receive their certificate.

May I, on behalf of the Parish Council congratulate you all on the interest and enthusiasm shown, as always, in keeping the village to such a high standard, resulting in a most pleasant environment for us all to live. A special thanks to those villagers who worked very hard on all our behalf to make sure the key public areas were of a high standard e.g. painting the village hall, weeding and planting flower displays, cleaning the telephone box and bus shelter, litter picking etc.

I think it would be fitting to close by quoting the final remarks of the judges for the District heat, where we were awarded 99 points from a maximum 100 points. Quote: "Very hard to fault this very smart, clean and pretty village. Excellent."

VICTOR BUSH.



Thankfully, there is nothing untoward to report.

It's holiday time again so please let your Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator know when you are going to be away and where your keys are housed in your absence. I have one or two keys left with me earlier in the year which you may have forgotten, please do collect them.

Your village co-ordinators are: Mrs. A. Plummer, Mr. M. Leary, Mr. Harbour, Mr. West and Mr. Davies at Peppercorn Orchard.

LADIES CLUB

Our Fete was a great success, we raised £350.00 for the HTV appeal, and we managed to get Anne and her cakes on TV !!

Many thanks to everyone who helped and spent their money, and especial thanks to Audrey Plummer for the use of her beautiful garden. So enjoy the rest of the summer and come along in September to hear Mr. Llewelyn talk on Garden Debris Decorations !

Everyone welcome, especially new members.

CHERRY MUNDAY.

LADIES CLUB PROGRAMME FOR 1992/93.

September 16th: Decorations from Garden Debris: Douch Nurseries

October 21st: Mrs. Hayes, Herbalist

November 5th: Bonfire Night

November 16th: Carole Clarke, "Pretty Cards"

December ? 16th: Christmas Dinner - Carols - Dates to be arranged

January 20th: Mrs. Smith "Steeple Ashton"
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February 17th: Gourmet Evening

March 17th: No Speaker - Any ideas ?

April 21st: A.G.M. and Bring and Buy

WHIST

Whist will restart on Tuesday 8th September. Any volunteers to help run a Drive please contact Richard Andrew (870 691). Everyone welcome at a friendly evening of whist.

dates to remember

BONFIRE NIGHT - NOVEMBER 5th

BARN DANCE - OCTOBER 30th

SPORT

TABLE TENNIS TALK.

The 1992/3 season is fast approaching, with Great Hinton again fielding two teams in Division Three of the West Wilts. League. Practice sessions have been held throughout the summer which means that our players should be well prepared for the opening matches.

The "A" teams remain unchanged from last year with Robert Horspool, Marc Pardey and Ernie and Stuart Wickham hoping to improve on last season's seventh place. Great Hinton "B" have lost the services of Mark and David Goodship, who join Hilperton for next season. An addition to the team is Ralph Hall who is one of the most improved juniors in the area.

It is hoped that the club will gain the team honours that narrowly eluded them last year, although competition will be even tougher with several new clubs entering, including the Twelve Bells, Trowbridge and Trowbridge Snooker Centre. This continues the welcome trend which has seen increases in the number of players over each of the past three seasons.

The club would be very glad to hear from anybody interested in playing, whether competitively or not. This includes young players of all ages, as coaching sessions will continue in Westbury in conjunction with the West Wiltshire League. Please telephone me on Trowbridge 764718 if interested.

STUART WICKHAM.

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JODY MUSTART WROTE THE FOLLOWING POEM FOR THE BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION:

GREAT HINTON

My village is the best,
And it beats all the rest,
It's tidy and it's clean,
And the windows gleam,
It stands in the country
and looks bright,
It makes the other villages
look a sight,
We've got a pub called the Linnet
We've got no rubbish
because we bag it and bin it,

There are a lot of pretty
houses and some are old,
If they were for sale they
would surely be sold,
The fields of gold and green
can far away be seen,
Great Hinton has such grace to see
It really is the place to be.

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HONEY FOR SALE NOW.

Orders for Christmas presents taken - 1 lb. jar and
cut comb available - Min 870 634.

BARN DANCE.

The Hall Committee are organizing another Barn Dance this year on Friday 30th October at Steeple Ashton village hall from 8 - 11.30 p.m.

The dancing will be led by Reg Hutchings with music provided by "Norman and Friends". Tickets are £4 each to include supper - bring your own booze (liquid refreshment) as usual.

Contact Diane on 870 519 or any Committee member.

DELICIOUS RECIPE FOR DEVIL'S FOOD CAKE:

6 oz. plain flour
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon baking powder
1 teaspoon bicarb. of soda
pinch of salt
2 oz. cocoa
 $7\frac{1}{2}$ fluid oz. water
4 oz. margarine
8 oz. sugar
2 eggs

Blend cocoa and water and set aside. Blend sugar and margarine until light and soft. Whisk eggs till frothy and add to fat and sugar and beat well. Stir in flour, bicarb. and baking powder alternately with cocoa and water. Divide the mixture between two well greased tins and cook for 30 - 35 minutes, 350° F.

CONTINUING MY REMINISCENCES OF GREAT HINTON :-

It seems strange we have a Parsonage Farm and Church Farm but no Church !

I can remember when wiring the only thatched cottage now remaining in Great Hinton in 1950 - in order to be able to place the wiring over the bedroom ceilings I had to cut a trap door opening. On climbing into the roof space there was the perfect skeleton of a cat that I suppose must have become trapped - as soon as I touched it, it fell into a heap of dust.

I can also remember when Hinton had two chapels.

CHRIS NOAD.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Steeple Ashton & District Local Branch

ANNUAL SUMMER FETE

Saturday August 15th

Commencing at 3pm

At The Manor, Steeple Ashton

Cream Teas

Super Magic Show for Children

Many Stalls- Raffles etc etc