

# GRAPES

SPRING 1993



## AGONY RUN 1993

This year's Agony Run will be held on Father's Day, Sunday June 20th. Last year a cheque for £680 was presented to Dorothy House, bringing the total raised for local charities to just under £6000.

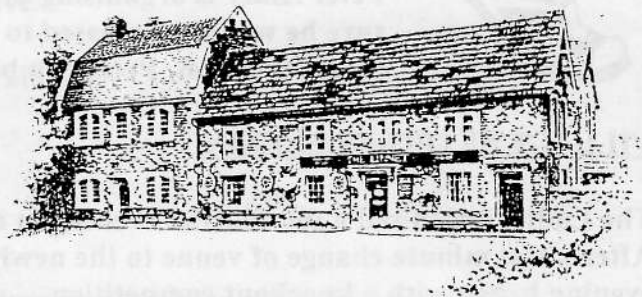
This year's charity is the SPECIAL BABY CARE CENTRE at the Royal United Hospital in Bath.

A Steam Organ has been booked and it is hoped that there will be Morris Dancers on the day. Preparations have already begun, and the success of the day is due to the army of helpers who contribute during the run up, and on the day itself. If you want to help please contact Mike Truman or myself.

We are looking for major sponsorships to cover the printing and medals costs, together with prizes for the Raffle and stalls.

This is a FUN day so invite your friends and relatives for the weekend, preferably making sure they bring their running shoes.

One problem always faced is ensuring that the event gets a large enough field of runners, so you should consider encouraging groups at work, schools, scouts, etc. to compete. Race programmes will be sent to all previous entrants over the last three years.



If you are training please make sure you are clearly seen, especially at night.

*Kevin Crumpler (870906)*

## A PAINTING OF YOUR HOUSE

Mike Truman has recently started taking commissions for pictures of houses. If you would like a picture of your house please contact him on 870 607.

# GREAT HINTON

# Great Hinton Village News .....

## EDITORIAL

You will have noticed a change in the format of this edition. Previously Min Squibbs edited/collated the Grapevine for several editions, but I can personally say from experience that it is all too easy to take the Grapevine for granted. On behalf of the Village I extend thanks to Min and Joan who helped continue the tradition of this Village magazine.

Its contents are only as good as the initial copy or news that is received and I will always be grateful to hear your stories or interesting news. Please do not worry about typing it out.

Reviewing the articles this month it certainly seems that the Ladies have got themselves well organised, and claiming Equal Rights I feel that the menfolk should be excused from the washing up occasionally. Does anyone have any ideas?

*Kevin Crumpler*

### AGONY RUN -RAFFLE



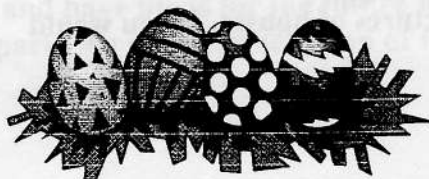
About 20-25% of the Agony Run proceeds are derived from the Raffle and we have been well supported in the past by local companies and villagers.

Peter Alker is organising this year's efforts to collect prizes and I am sure he would be pleased to hear from you if you have any offers or ideas for prizes. Peter can be contacted on 870588.

### VILLAGE SKITTLES EVENING

The Ladies organised a fun Skittles evening in early March, to which the men were invited. After a last minute change of venue to the newly decorated Old Crown in Devizes, the evening began with a knockout competition. Ruby won a bottle of wine, and Joe played consistently to win some cider.

After a hearty ploughman's supper, washed down by Farmer's Glory, a game of 'Killer' commenced. Following much encouragement, Sylvia Double was a worthy winner of £6.



# Great Hinton Village News .....



## THE VICAR

So lawnmowers have come out of hibernation early this year. Like many around, the lawn at the Vicarage has needed a very early cut this year. The miracle of Spring has become evident already, with flowers in full bloom in gardens and on village banks.

Easter eggs have also put in their early appearance and no doubt we have been working out the best bargain! The egg has been one of the symbols of Easter for many generations. This apparently inert object has within it the germ of life which in due time will burst forth for all to see.

On Good Friday, Jesus' dead body was lovingly taken down from the cross and placed in a private tomb and a large stone was rolled across the entrance. To all appearances a sad resting place for a dead loved one. But here too the germ of life was present, and three days later it had burst forth. *JESUS WAS ALIVE*. To all who are willing to accept that on the cross Jesus died for their sins, He offers a share in His resurrection life. Easter is not really about eggs and baby lambs.

It is about a glorious new hope beyond the grave.

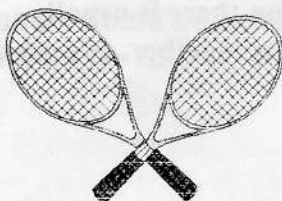
Thanks be to God. A very Good Easter to you all.

*David Hart*

## VILLAGE FETE

This will be held on the 17th July in Audrey Plummer's garden with the proceeds going to Dorothy House Foundation.

## TENNIS COMPETITION



Pat Putt is organising a Doubles Tennis Competition for the benefit of Dorothy House. Partners will be drawn and entry is £3 per person payable to Pat by April 14th.

Games to be played during the early summer months with the Final on June 26th. Pat will try to make her court available for the early rounds. Please contact Pat on 0380 870214.

*Pat Putt*



# ***Great Hinton Village News .....***

## **TABLE TENNIS TALK**

The current season draws to a close with the village's teams' hopes of honours having



dwindled over the past month. Great Hinton 'A', who had secured a slender two point lead over the Grittleton Cricket Club and Butler & Tanner 'B' to lie second at the halfway stage of the season, have suffered some disappointing results in recent weeks. Although the runners-ups spot could be theirs at the end of the twenty match season, it seems likely that a revitalised Butler & Tanner team will claim the second promotion place behind Trowbridge Snooker Centre 'A'.

The players from the Trowbridge Snooker Club 'A' continue to dominate the division. They have secured a big lead having remained undefeated throughout their league programme. Their cup form has also been consistently good and they defeated both village teams en route to the Divisional KO Cup Final, albeit with the help of generous handicaps.

Great Hinton 'B' have continued to gain confidence throughout the season and their improvement saw them gain a draw in the second keenly contested derby match of the season.

The season has again finished somewhat disappointingly, having promised so much at the Christmas break, but the Great Hinton teams will undoubtedly be striving for team success again in 1993/94.

However, Simon Crumpler ensured that the village was not left completely empty-handed, after becoming runner-up in the Cadet Final, during the West Wilts Championships. He lost narrowly in the exciting final to Chris Macey, which is just reward for effort and perseverance during the season.

*Stuart Wickham*

## **SAFARI DINNER**



Another Safari Dinner will be organised in the early summer on Saturday the 22nd May, when the evenings are lighter. You only have to prepare one course for surprise guests and then enjoy two other courses at unknown destinations. In addition there is usually pre-drinks and wine & cheese where everyone gets together. It's good fun, and the more the merrier.

## **LADIES CLUB - WINING & DINING**

In December the Christmas Dinner was held at The Linnet and the menfolk were guests at a Gourmet evening in February. Both functions were enjoyed by all.

# *Great Hinton Village News .....*

## 100 CLUB

It was decided that the 100 Club would run from March to February in order to avoid requesting money just before Christmas. There are 77 members compared to 78 in the previous year. This will raise just over £450 for Hall Funds.

The draw will take place on the last Tuesday in every month, with the following prizes;

First Prize    £13

Second Prize £9

Third Prize    £6

Fourth Prize £5

Plus a quarterly prize of £16 in May, August,  
November & February

The interest on the invested funds will provide for a special prize of £30 in November, just in time for Christmas.

The luck winners in March were;

First Prize    £13    Richard Andrew

Second Prize £9    Mrs. Nicoll

Third Prize    £6    Mrs. L. Ghey

Fourth Prize £5    Mr. J. Hallam

If you want to enter then please contact Jean Hallam who will issue a number at a reduced cost for the remainder of the year.

*Jean Hallam*

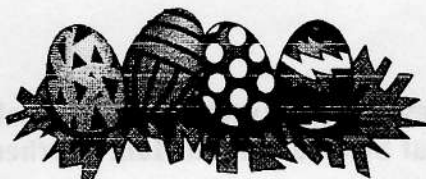


At the recent Hall Committee it was voted to spend up to £150 on materials to construct and site a new notice board by the public telephone. This would include a map of the village to assist visitors.

John Probert has kindly offered to made up the board.

## GREAT HINTON MEMORIAL & COMMUNITY HALL COMMITTEE OPEN AGM

This will be held on Thursday, 29th April at 8.00 p.m. in the Village Hall. New committee members would be welcome. Wine and cheese served afterwards and a contribution will be requested for this.



# ***Great Hinton Village News .....***

## **WHIST**

We are coming to the end of another enjoyable season, which will finish in May. There has been on average 7 tables during the year, with up to ten tables on odd occasions.



This activity brings in a regular revenue to the Village Hall Fund and I am sorry that more local people do not feel able to assist on the odd evening.

## **RECYCLING COMES TO GREAT HINTON**

After many months of discussion, thanks to the pressure brought by the Parish Council and me, the District Council has agreed to put a 'mini-bank' by the bus shelter outside the village for a trial period. The worry is that it could be susceptible to vandalism at such a remote location, but if villagers let the Parish Council know immediately (Vic Bush) if there are any problems, I am sure we can keep things under control. The recycling bins will cater for three types of glass, cans of all types and paper. Please wash steel cans, remove labels and crush them to make more room. Think globally, act locally !

*Councillor Adrian Fox*

Assuming the amount of material collected justifies the cost and there is no vandalism then the WWDC will consider installing permanent environmental friendly colour bins, with any necessary screening which the Parish Council has proposed.

*Vic Bush - Parish Council*

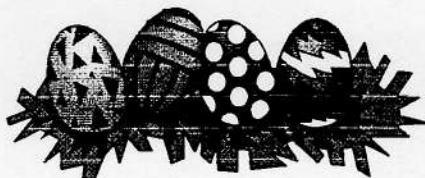
## **FLOWERS**

We should all be grateful to the villagers who plant and maintain the various flower beds around the village, such as in front of the Village Hall. It has been proposed that spring flowers are planted in the verge on the western approach into the village. This has been favourably received at a recent meeting of the Hall committee and will be reviewed in the Autumn.



## **BARN DANCE**

After continuing success with this event Reg Hutchings will be calling again for the 1993 function on Friday, 22nd October at Steeple Ashton Hall. Further details later





# Great Hinton Village News .....



## Cookery Corner

Have you a favourite recipe for the Grapevine Readers so that we can make this a regular feature?

Also, any household hints or gardening tips ? If so, please let me have them before the next issue of the magazine. Meanwhile I will pass on a couple of my favourite recipes given to me by friends. Both can be made in advance.

### CHICKEN BAKE

(Can also be made with pre cooked Chicken)

2 Tablespoons Oil

4 Boneless, skinless Chicken Breasts (cut into bite size pieces)

Large Onion, finely chopped

1 x 10 1/2 oz Can Condensed Chicken or Mushroom Soup

4 Tablespoons Chicken Stock

3 Tablespoons Double or Single cream

2oz. Grated Cheese - approx.

Large Packet Cheese & Onion or Plain Crisps (lightly crushed)

Pre-cooked - Leeks, Broccoli, Carrots, Celery, Frozen Peas or Corn (use all or any combination. It is recommended not to use Courgettes)

Salt, Pepper & Parsley

Stir fry Chicken (if using uncooked) for about 5 minutes. Move to a large mixing bowl with slotted spoon. Cook onion, add to the chicken with the soup, stock, cream, parsley and stir well. Then add chosen vegetables and blend it gently. Transfer to a large shallow oven proof dish. Season. (Note: can be frozen at this stage). Mix cheese & crisps together and cover chicken mixture. Cook at 190 C (375 F, Gas Mark 5) for approximately 35-45 minutes until bubbling and brown on top. Exact amounts are not important for this dish.

### RASPBERRY PUDDING

Frozen or fresh Raspberries

Castor sugar to sweeten

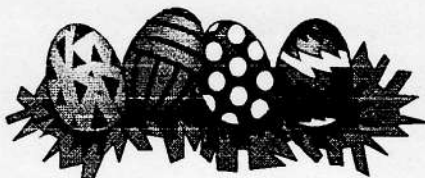
1/2 pt. Plain yoghurt

1/2 pt. Double Cream - Whipped

Demerara Sugar

Put Raspberries in dish (still frozen). Add Sugar. Add Yoghurt to Whipped cream and cover raspberries. Sprinkle generously with demerara sugar and leave in a fridge overnight.

*Anne Truman*



# ***Great Hinton Village News .....***

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

The annual open Parish Council meeting which was held on the 24th March, was well attended and included our local County & District councillors, namely Gareth Roberts and Adrian Fox and P.C. Mark Newberry, our local community policeman. The Chairman gave a report on the main Parish Issues which had arisen over the past year, which included;

**Semington Crematorium** - building is now imminent and assurances have been received that the very stringent planning conditions would be strictly adhered to and hopefully there would be minimal adverse effects on the environment and nearby inhabitants.

**Road Safety** - there had been a good response from the residents to the removal of hazards which were restricting the already narrow village roads, e.g. overgrown trees, hedges, etc. The growing season will soon be here and it is necessary to maintain this improvement. *Note.* Village residents should watch their vehicle speeds and a 15mph maximum speed is recommended.

**Recycling Bins** - already reported elsewhere.

The Chairman concluded his report by thanking the many parishioners involved in organising the various village activities.

**Finance** - reported the Parish Council precept would be as for the previous year.

**Results of the Wiltshire Constabulary Survey** - PC Newberry introduced a video presentation which provided the results and changes now taken by the police following their customer satisfaction survey. It was satisfying to know though, most people thought the police gave a reasonable service, changes have been made in line with the public constructive comments received.

**Neighbourhood Watch Update** - PC Newberry spoke of the value of neighbourhood watch in helping the police and reported that the police were intending to provide more support. A good debate was held, emphasising the trauma experienced by victims burgled and the need to make burglary a high policing priority. Gareth Roberts reported a further £6million had been made available in the County to provide some 60 additional police who are to be assigned to community policing. The other major point made, was the need for everyone to liaise with the Watch co-ordinator, e.g. Sandy Salmon when you are going on holiday.

**W.W.D.C Plan** - Adrian Fox gave a brief outline of the plan which includes a policy to maintain the heritage and character of small villages by strictly limiting any further development. This policy includes Great Hinton.

*Victor Bush*





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## **DESERT CORNER**



Joan Barker has provided a recipe for EASY PEASY RICE PUDDING.

2.5 oz. rice  
1.5 to 2 pints milk  
1 oz. butter  
2 tbsp. sugar  
some single cream

Start with a buttered 2 pint piedish, rice,sugar (and a vanilla pod or cinnamon stick for a change). Add 1 pint milk brought to boil, and put into a gentle oven for 1 hour at 275 F, 140 C or Gas Mark 1. Then stir the pudding and add half to 1 pint more milk. After 2 hours stir up again and then add some single cream, and a little butter at the end - 2.4 to 3 hours.

Some prefer nutmeg to a vanilla pod or cinnamon stick - why not try them all! Easy!

*Joan Barker*

## **AGONY RUN DAY - BOTTLE STALL**

This has proved to be very successful over the last two years and has raised significant funds. If anyone would like to run this stall then please contact Mike Truman or Kevin Crumpler. You only have to be a persevering, arm twisting, hard working persuasive person. The rewards are a lot of satisfaction on the day.



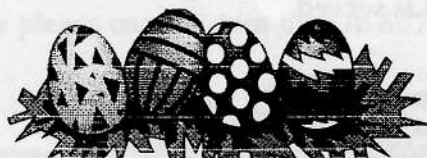
## **KEEVIL SCHOOL**

Brian Lewis retired(!) after eight years as Head Master of Keevil Primary School at the end of the Spring Term, and was presented with a full whisky decanter and glasses, an art book and a picture of the school. This was from the generous donations of staff,parents, governors and friends. The children presented him with a huge mural of the school playground with each individual child featured in it.

Good luck Brian in your new role...perhaps we could have some recipes in the future !

## **LADIES CLUB - NEXT MEETING**

The AGM will be held in the Hall on the 24th April at 8.00 pm. There will feature a Bring-n-Buy Stall.



# Great Hinton Village News .....

**NOW IS THE CHANCE TO  
DISPLAY YOUR SPORTING  
TALENT!!**



September/  
October  
1993

**£1,000**

**PLUS-  
Lots of  
Super  
prizes!**

**of Prize Money to be Won!**

## WE ARE NOT WIMPS IN GREAT HINTON

This is an inter village competition in West Wiltshire, organised by Sally Evans, with the following sports;

Kwik Cricket	Sat 4th September
Unihoc	Sat 11th September
Touch Rugby	Sat 18th September
Table Tennis	Sat 25th September
Swimming	Sat 2nd October

Each team is mixed across several age groups. Our problems would be as follows;

Touch Rugby - 2 girls under 10 yrs  
Swimming - 1 boy, 1 girl under 10 yrs  
                  1 male, 1 female over 65 yrs

I understand Keevil are entering a team which means we must show them who is best! If you can help then please give me a ring on 870906, as we must enter by the 7th May.

## CRYPTIC CORNER

CM XL I/VI    and    L to G 169/1022, pace improving. (Answers next issue)

## THE DAWN OF A GREEN ERA

The Bill Irons' red decor has changed to green decor inside the Linnet, together with a collection of Toby Jugs. An old cash register is a feature but shillings and pence are not taken in exchange for food or beer.

Martyn and Carol have already spent almost 13 years in the trade, of which 3 1/2 years were in a small Somerset village. They are

keen to continue the tradition of the Village Pub, including the support of the Agony Run, and have plans for the future which include window boxes and an aviary in the front car park. An excellent selection of food is served.

## THE LINNET

*Martyn and Carol Tilley*

