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Kimbolton, Hamnish, Leysters, Middleton-on-the-Hill, Bockleton



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#### WELCOME

It's been a weather dominated Christmas, with snow, wind, rain and fog! Has there ever been a worse time to be a farmer?

Despite the weather we hope that you have all managed to celebrate with your families.

The New Year brings us plenty of good news and lots of events to enjoy, as well as church and parish news and lots of adverts which will hopefully assist when winter maintenance issues arise. Welcome to our latest advertiser, Simon Donegan, a local army veteran offering help with small jobs. (Inside front cover).

But first, our front cover story.

Dry January isn't that appealing this year, so we are delighted to focus on the new landlords of the Stockton Cross, Greg Williams and Jayne Davies, who have spent the month putting together a programme of events to tempt you back to our local pub.

## GREG AND JAYNE MAKE PLANS FOR A REAL COMMUNITY PUB

The Stockton Cross has been through a rocky patch, but new landlords Greg Williams and Jayne Davies are busy making plans to develop it as a real community pub.

They came from the Market Tavern in Tenbury during the summer, and have ten years' experience as publicans.

Greg told us:

"We had been looking at pubs along the canals, as I have, in the past, lived on boats, but we loved the history and feel of The Stockton Cross".

"We want to develop a proper community pub with simple food".

"Already Sunday lunches are proving popular and in January we have been planning our events for the spring and summer. Thursdays will be Pizza nights (including take out), and we hope to develop our vinyl nights, and some community events like live music and boules."

There are also monthly charity quizzes.

"We really need local people to get behind us and support their pub". He said.

Telephone bookings only: 01568 612509 or checkout their facebook page.

From the end of February opening times will be:

Mon/Tuesday bar only 5pm to close Wed-Saturday 12-2pm 5pm-close, bar and food Sunday 12-close. Sunday lunch from 12-4pm.

All meals can be taken away by arrangement.

We will keep you up to date with developments in future magazines.

To view Roundabout online visit kimboltonhamnish.co.uk or Middleton & Leysters Parish Website www.middletonandleysters groupparishcouncil.gov.uk

Input your email address on the website to receive news on forthcoming events and local issues



## OUR SCHOOL IS A HIVE OF CREATIVITY AND VARIETY

"The end of the Autumn term was a wonderful time of creativity, excitement and Christmas madness! Classes land 2 gave an outstanding performance of 'The Nativity' to the school, parents and grandparents.

Our children made Christingles for our traditional Christingle Service held in St. James' Church. All the children, the readers, the signers, choir and soloists gave a magical performance.



During the last week of term, we enjoyed a tasty Christmas dinner, a fantastic talent show and visited Ludlow Theatre to see the pantomime 'Beauty and the Beast'. A fabulous end to the term!

Now the children have returned full of energy to start the New year. We welcome the author, Cat Weatherill into school to share her books and inspire us in our own writing and welcome back Janene from DanceFest, who will be working with Classes 3 and 4 to prepare their own contributions for a performance later this term.

Classes 1 and 2 will be enjoying PE lessons with Alex Parry from EMC and we will be sharing these exciting activities in future Roundabouts.

Everyone at St. James' CE Primary School, Kimbolton, wishes you a very Happy New Year."

#### QUIZZES AND AUCTIONS CONTINUE TO DELIGHT

The Middleton and Leysters' Quiz in November was a great success with ten teams taking part in over seven rounds, and a very close result!

Hamnish Harriers who won at the last one in April by one point, stretched their win this time to three. A great supper of lasagne and salad helped revitalise the teams at half time but not enough to topple the Harriers from the winner's spot.

£400 was raised to go towards new winter curtains for the hall...in summer we enjoy the hall's fantastic views.

Thanks go to the whole of the Parish Hall Management Committee for their hard work in making this event such a success. And there's more to come.



#### **BOCKLETON 100 CLUB**

Congratulations to the two £50 winners of the January draw. They are Marion Bemand (No 30) and Faye Jones (No 77). Well done and enjoy your winnings.

## **Quiz and Supper**

Middleton & Leysters Parish Hall Friday 11th April 2025 at 7.00pm

Come and enjoy a great supper with good company and a chance to win

Tickets £10 to include the meal but BYO drinks

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#### **BOCKLETON PARISH HALL AGM**

In April, three members of our very small committee will be standing down leaving us with too few people to run the hall and events. Unless other people come forward who are prepared to serve on the committee and help to run events, it will not be possible to plan anything for the rest of this year. While the hall is currently solvent, it relies largely upon the profits from hall-led events like skittles and bingo to pay towards the ongoing running costs such as insurance and electricity charges which are incurred whether the hall is used or not. It would be a great pity if such a valuable village resource were left unused due to lack of support.

If you can spare a few hours a month to support the hall or have ideas for interesting classes or events and are prepared either to run or help to run them, then please come along to the AGM on the 14th April at 7pm and let us know.

The Agenda is on the Facebook page for Bockleton Parish Hall and also on display on the parish hall Noticeboard.



#### KIMBOLTON COFFEE MORNINGS 10.30 - 12 The Village Hall

12th February Raffle for St Michael's Hospice.

12th March Raffle for Sight Savers

If anyone would like to suggest a charity for the raffle please get in touch. Liz Davies 615367.

KIMBOLTON VILLAGE HALL AGM TUESDAY 4TH MARCH AT 8:30PM.

#### GOOD NEWS, THANKS AND PLEASE...

We have so many people in our communities who give their time and expertise without thanks or recognition. So, for all of you a big new year THANK YOU.

Anyone passing the school after dark will have noticed their over-bright illuminations, seven days a week all year, even in school holidays. A myriad people and organisations have petitioned all those concerned about reducing this, for environmental and financial reasons. In December, thanks to their badgering Richard Waterhouse, the new Business Manager at the school has replaced them with sensors and much reduced lighting. Well done all you local badgers!

Meanwhile Paul Phillips is doing an excellent job laying the school car park hedge.

More good news is that the new tarmac at Kimbolton Church has been completed and looks very smart.

#### HAVE YOUR SAY ON HOW OUR VILLAGE LOOKS

The Parish Council would like to reach out to Kimbolton and Hamnish for ideas for a parish two tone colour scheme when painting the street furniture (bus shelter, notice boards etc).

#### NOW THE 'PLEASE'...CAN YOU HELP?

Covid put a stop to the cleaning rota in Hamnish church and several people feel they are now not able to continue.

So, if anyone is interested in going on the rota please phone:

Sally on 07508346531 or Des Hall on 07895433666 Or 01568760665.

With some new 'blood' they can work on a regular cleaning rota.

#### HAMNISH GARDENING CLUB

Hamnish Village Hall at 7.30pm. Visitors are very welcome - entry £5. Annual membership £20.

February 18th Alun and Jill Whitehead from Aulden farm will give a talk entitled 'Wales, from the valleys to the mountains and the gardens in between'. This talk should encourage journeys west and the competition is for 'a house plant'.

March 18th our talk is called 'One step at a time, the evolution of Grove Garden near Presteigne.' The competition is 'Spring has sprung'. Hopefully it will have but who knows what the weather will be! Our full programme for 2025 is on the Kimbolton with Hamnish website under 'Clubs'.

#### KIMBOLTON WI

Our WI is coming to the end of another successful year. The next meeting, on13th February, will be the AGM. Rachel Palmer will be stepping down as President and Jackie Payne as Secretary. March 13th we will be at the Fisherman's Arms for dinner to celebrate 2025 being our 92nd year.



#### 2025/26 PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

10th April - Breath works and Mindfulness - Gail Calthrop.

8th May - Magic and Music - John Mosedale

12th June - Fundraising Event

10th July - Leominster History Walk (7pm start)

11th September - Leominster Museum Visit (7pm start)

9th October - The History of Estée Lauder - Jane Sampson

13th November - Practical Wet Felting Session - Caroline Gilbert (CLAN)

4th December - Christmas Party

8th January 2026 - Regenerative Farming - Richard Thomas

12th Feb - AGM

12th March - 93rd year meal - venue to be confirmed.

All meetings are held at Kimbolton Village Hall with a 7.30 pm start, unless otherwise stated. New members and visitors are always welcome. £ 5.00 charge for visitors to include refreshments.

St Michael's Church, Bockleton Tenbury Wells

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#### KIMBOLTON RIFLE CLUB

This club is running every Wednesday night until Easter in Kimbolton Village Hall and is achieving some good scores. More information from Des Hall on 07895433666



#### AND FINALLY.....

Once again thank you all for your news and your views and to all of you who deliver our magazines each time. If you could help to deliver please ring Rachel Palmer on 07968 233387. If you are already delivering and could do with help or if you aren't receiving your copy, please ring her too.

As ever we love to hear from you. Our addresses are: edteamkimbolton@gmail.com (contributions) Judie Welsh advertisingkimbolton@gmail.com (advertising) Rachel Evason

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## EASTERN PARISHES CHURCH SERVICES FEBRUARY & MARCH 2025

Sunday 2 February  Candlemas	09:00 Holy Communion 09:15 Holy Communion 11:15 Holy Communion	St Mary, Middleton-on-the-Hill St Peter, Pudleston cum Whyle St Luke, Stoke Prior
Sunday 9 February	09:00 Holy Communion	St Dubricius, Hamnish
, ,	09:15 Holy Communion	St Leonard, Hatfield
	11:00 Holy Communion	St Andrew, Leysters
	11:15 Holy Communion	St Mary the Virgin, Humber
Sunday 16 February	09:00 Holy Communion	St Michael, Bockleton
,	09:15 Holy Communion	St John of Jerusalem, Ford
	11:00 Morning prayer	St Mary, Middleton-on-the-Hill
	11:15 Holy Communion	St Peter, Pudleston cum Whyle
Sunday 23 February	09:00 Holy Communion	St James the Great, Kimbolton
	09:15 Holy Communion	St Mary the Virgin, Humber
	11:15 Holy Communion	St Mary, Hope-under-Dinmore
	11:15 Holy Communion	St Bartholomew, Docklow
Sunday 2 March	09:00 Holy Communion	St Mary, Middleton-on-the-Hill
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Lent III	09:15 Holy Communion	St Mary the Virgin, Humber
	11:00 Morning prayer	St Andrew, Leysters
	11:15 Holy Communion	St Mary, Hope-under-Dinmore
Sunday 30 March	10:00 Holy Communion	St Michael, Bockleton
Mothering Sunday	10:00 Holy Communion	St Bartholomew, Docklow

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#### **CALENDAR**

#### **FEBRUARY**

12th Kimbolton coffee morning 10.30-12.

St Michael's Hospice

13th Kimbolton WI AGM 7.30pm Kimbolton VH

18th Hamnish Gardening club 7.30pm 23rd Leysters' Auction Duke of York.7.30pm

#### **MARCH**

4th Kimbolton Village Hall AGM 8.30pm

7th Bockleton Quiz 7.30

12th Kimbolton coffee morning 10.30–12 Sight Savers 13th Kimbolton WI dinner Fisherman's Arms Docklow

18th Hamnish Gardening club 7.30pm

#### **APRIL**

11th Leysters and Middleton-on-the-Hill quiz and supper. 7pm

14th Bockleton Parish Hall AGM 7pm

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