

June 25 for June 29

Whist: Tonight, Friday June 29, in the Village Hall at 7.30pm, our usual fortnightly whist drive with raffle. Refreshments included.

Coffee Morning: The next St John's Church coffee morning will be Tuesday, July 3, at 10am in the Church.

100+ Club Draw: The July draw will take place at 11am during the St John's Church coffee morning

Bingo: The next bingo event will be Friday, July 6, at 7.30pm, in the Village Hall. Cash prizes, raffle and licensed bar. All proceeds to Moggerhanger Village Hall charity. For further information contact Betty 01767 640734, Jackie 01767 640790 or Carolyn 01767 640727. Please note this event is open to all, you don't have to be a Moggerhanger resident to join in.

Garden Party: You are invited, by Miss F Matthews, to a garden party at Village Farm, 4 St John's Road, Moggerhanger, on Saturday July 7, at 2.30pm. There will be various stalls, a raffle and cream teas served. At 3pm the Sandy Singers will provide entertainment. Proceeds will go to support Guide Dogs for the Blind, The Salvation Army and Macmillan Cancer Support.

Olympic Scarecrows: Moggerhanger and Chalton will be hosting their very own Scarecrow Olympics, to celebrate the Olympics coming to London this summer. This will take the form of a competition and will last for two weeks from July 14 until July 29. The rules are simple. Your scarecrow must be dressed to resemble a competitor of any Olympic sport, any country, as an individual or as part of a team. They can be made of straw, newspaper, or any other suitable material. Prizes will be awarded in the following categories; Judges favourite creators aged 17 years or under; Judges favourite creators aged 18 years or over; Judges favourite entered by a business or organization; Spectators favourite. There is an entry form in the village magazine or contact Glyn Adams if you wish to take part (email: glyn.adams@live.co.uk) During the fortnight there will be a scarecrow quiz, a garden party and BBQ and finally a visit from the Bishop. If you have not yet completed your entry form let Glyn know by Saturday June 30.

Moggerhanger Park Events: East Beds Concert Band on Sunday July 8. Tickets available through www.eastbedsconcertband.org.uk Gates open 1.30pm, performance from 3pm until 6pm. Refreshments available. This is an open air event, so bring your own picnic, chairs and rugs. Tickets will also be available on the gate. Opera Bravo, on Friday July 20, presents La Bohème on the lawns of Moggerhanger Park and on Saturday July 21, a Candle lit Opera Gala. Obtain your tickets from www.operabrava.co.uk (10% discount for Friends of Moggerhanger Park). For further information on any of the above events, please contact us at email reception@moggerhangerpark.com or 01767 641 007.

Safari Supper Success: More than seventy villagers and friends met at St Johns Church on Saturday evening to enjoy the tenth safari supper event, organised by the 'Friends of St John's Church' committee.

The evening commenced with a bucks fizz aperitif, some minus the orange juice, or wine for those not so keen on bubbles. During the pre-dinner drinks everyone was given an envelope detailing at which abode their starter would be served. Everyone set off, some on foot, others by car to far distant places such as Chalton, or Park Road!

Each host/hostess was responsible for providing each of their guests with a further envelope detailing the venue for their main course. Lucky folk had only to travel a few doors along the road, whilst others once again took to the road.

Everyone met back at the church to chat over dessert and coffee, not to mention a small digestif of sloe gin, lemoncello, Baileys or port.

Dr W Hollington, a Friends trustee, expressed thanks to everyone in the village who had cooked and hosted a starter and/or main course; to Mr & Mrs Timothy Lister for provision of the pre and post dinner drinks; to Mrs D Bashford and Mrs P Whitworth for organising the event; to all the other helpers who turned out to assist and lastly to everyone who attended to enjoy and support the event.

During the evening the mid-year special draw of £50 from the Village Hall 100+ club took place, the lucky winner being Mrs A Quigley.

Winners of the raffle held were Mr S Wheatley, Mr C Woods, Mr D Horton, Dr W Hollington, Mrs M Seward, Ms A Hysted, Mrs H Brun, Mr D Fry, Mrs J DeQuincey, Mr C Bashford, Mrs C Kilby.

A most enjoyable evening was had by all with many asking if a date had been set for the eleventh supper for 2013. All funds raised will be used for the upkeep of the Church and grounds.

Open Churches Day: On Sunday last the church wardens of St Johns Church, Mr W Jackson and Mr A George welcomed visitors during the afternoon. Some visitors had travelled as far as Norwich and were grateful for the refreshment supplied and served by the two wardens.

Church services: St John the Evangelist, Sung Communion, 9am.