

July 9 for July 13

Whist: Tonight, Friday July 13, in the Village Hall at 7.30pm, our usual fortnightly whist drive with raffle. Refreshments included.

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 which will last for two weeks from July 14 until July 29. 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. During the fortnight there will be a scarecrow quiz, a garden party and BBQ and finally a visit from the Bishop.

The schedule is as follows: Saturday, July 14, Opening Ceremony and BBQ from 11am until 2pm at St Johns Church; Sunday, July 15, Village Songs of Praise on an Olympic theme at 6pm; Monday, July 23, Garden Party at 11 The Crescent, from 3pm until 7pm; Saturday July 28, Church annual Gift Day at St Johns Church, 10am until 12 noon; Sunday July 29, Benefice Sung Communion led by the Bishop of St Albans at 11am.

Parish Council: The next meeting will be held on Thursday July 19 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Moggerhanger Park Events: 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.

Jubilee Mugs: We still have a few Moggerhanger Jubilee mugs left so if you missed out first time around they are available at £5 from Carolyn on 01767 640727.

100+ Club Draw: The draw for July took place at the St John's Church coffee morning, Tuesday July 3. There are 5 monthly prizes for £20, £15, £10, £10, £5. Our winners this month were Mr C Broomfield, Ms V Gudgin, Ms R Bennett, Mrs S Shreeves, Mr P Jennings. August draw will be held on Tuesday, August 7, at the next Church coffee morning.

Bingo: Held Friday last. There were a few regulars missing but also some new faces giving us a good turnout of 30 players. Do please come along and support this activity. This provides the hall with a regular income which helps towards our high costs of insurance and the licence for the bar.

A raffle was held and our winners were Mrs J Brown, Ms G Bird, Mr A Buck, Mrs E Edwards, Mrs P Buck, Mrs N Lowe, Mrs B Lincoln, Mr C Strange, Mrs R Baxter, Mrs B Joyner.

Our next event will be held Friday August 17, in the Village Hall. For further info contact Carolyn on 01767 640727.

Garden Party: Held last Saturday, July 7, by invitation from Miss F Matthews, at Village Farm, 4 St John's Road, Moggerhanger. There were various stalls, a raffle and cream teas served. At 3pm the Sandy Singers provided splendid entertainment,

including an audience sing along. A great time was had by all. The raffle winners were Mrs G Craft, S Emery, Mrs E Ruddell, Mrs C Lister, Miss G Flint, Mrs P Sheath, Mrs D Reid, Mrs S Browning, Mr N Spriggs, P Mason, Margo, Mrs J Chevington, Mrs C Rawlins, G Odell, George, Mrs M Wilson, Mrs C Denny, Mr K Lawrence. Proceeds will go to support Guide Dogs for the Blind, The Salvation Army and Macmillan Cancer Support.

Mothers Union: Members joined with Cople members, for their monthly meeting, on Monday last at Glebe House, by kind invitation of Mrs J Howard.

The Revd. J Buck spoke on flowers mentioned in the Bible and members took part in an appropriate quiz on this.

Tea was served during the afternoon. Thanks were expressed to the Revd. Buck, and to Mrs Howard for her kind hospitality.

St Johns Church: The Revd. L Klimas led the Family Service on Sunday last and Mrs P Whitworth was reader. As it was 'Sea Sunday' this was the theme for the service which began with the singing of 'Eternal Father Strong to Save'. A drama was performed during the service with narrators Tracey and Yasmin, God-George, Jonah-Owen, Boatman- Alex.

A talk on the theme was given by the Revd. L Klimas and prayers led by Mr J and Mrs H Brun and Mrs P Whitworth.

The Junior Choir sang 'I am a Lighthouse' and 'Sea Walker'. A collection was taken up by Owen and Joe. Refreshments were served after the service.

Church services: St John the Evangelist, Sunday July 15, Holy Communion, 9am.
Village Songs of Praise, 6pm.
Friday July 20, School Leavers Service, 2pm.