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Whist:

This takes place tonight at 7.30pm in the village hall with cash prizes and a raffle. Refreshments are included.

Chris Milner in Concert:

Singer-songwriter, Chris Milner will appear, March 29, at the village hall at 7.30pm. Tickets at £5 will be available on the door.

Coffee Break:

Don't forget this weekly event for Mums and Dads every Wednesday during term-time from 9am to 10am and longer if wanted (the shop is open until noon). Tea or coffee and biscuits cost just 50p.

Knit and Natter:

The next MMPS knit and natter will take place at St John's Church on Tuesday, March 25, at 10am. This year the group are knitting garments for a charity run by John Law of Moggerberry, Home Farm, Moggerhanger Park, who goes to Moldova every year to take clothes, agricultural and other materials and know-how to people living in extreme poverty. The children in the villages often live on their own because their parents are forced to leave for the big cities to earn, so warm knitted wear is especially welcome.

Village Hall:

At the 100 club social evening in January it was suggested that another similar evening would be appreciated. These events are a great opportunity for folk to natter and catch up which is difficult to do when there is organised entertainment. It is also a great opportunity for the trustees to update everyone on progress with projects and any plans moving forwards. It also allows parishioners to ask any questions they might have regarding future plans at the hall.

Each year in accordance with the governance document the trustees hold the annual meeting and thought they could combine these two events. This will take place on Saturday April 26, doors open 7pm. There will be a light buffet provided. During the social evening there will be a break to enable the trustees to complete their formal obligations. This will be a short report on progress in 2013, an overview of finances and the election of officers for 2014/15. For those that have a dread of annual meetings because they believe they might be 'volunteered' for something rest assured that's not how it works. If you are interested in becoming a trustee and would like to put your name forward please contact the hall secretary, Glyn Adams for a nomination form. If not then come to the event and enjoy an informative yet social evening.

Invites will be posted to all parishioners so please RSVP. The RSVP is important as it enables appropriate catering arrangements. There will also be a raffle and a mini auction to help continued funding for the car park.

Karaoke Night:

Held last Saturday, never have so many sung so differently in the space of one evening, well not at our village hall. The important thing with karaoke is for everyone to have a great time it's not about the best singers but about the best entertainers, so those that have the most fun or those that get more folk singing along and supporting. Anyone brave enough to get up and sing got a great round of applause. A big thank-you to Steve Wheatley who did a fantastic job keeping it all organised and ensuring that all the singers had their chance and most had several goes. It was a resounding success and raised over £430 towards the car park. There were approximately 65 people and the hall was buzzing although a number of folk came as a single parent leaving their partners at home with the children, being unsure if

children were invited. Our apologies for that it is fine to bring the kids along. Everyone seemed keen to give this another go so we are planning another event for Saturday May 10. Tickets will be £4 but children under 16 or in full time education will be free.

Hall Calendar:

The village hall calendar is now available on our website

<http://www.moggerhangervillagehall.co.uk/>

This is a live calendar so not only does this show all our events it also shows hall bookings. So if you are looking to hire the hall you can check availability via the calendar. You will need to confirm the availability of your chosen date with our booking officer, Chris Bashford, but will help if you have a number of dates in mind.

St John's Church:

The monthly Songs of Praise service held on Sunday evening was led by the Rev G Orpin with the theme being "SPRING".

Introducing hymns were Mrs C Adams, Mrs M Ebbage, Mrs A Cross, "The Sea Walker" (the first verse being sung by G Godding), Rev G Orpin, Mr J Brun and Mrs J Hollington.

A reading was given by Mr J Brun. Sidespersons were Mr W Jackson and Mrs A Acott.

Refreshments were served after the service by Ms G Bird and Mrs S Jackson.

Church Services:

St John the Evangelist, 9am all age communion