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A Guide for Newcomers

(and maybe a few 'Old' comers too!)

The 'Guide for Newcomers'

is now available - copies in the Community shop, or contact me direct ...details on the back page. Sadly, it's already out of date, due to the seismic changes at the Vale District Council following last month's local elections. In case you missed it, the Council went from 29 Tories and

9 Lib Dems to 31 Lib Dems (!), only 6 Tories and a Green. Our local Councillor Matt Barber was one of the few Tories who managed to retain their seats. Hopefully everything else in the guide is still current and there are some pretty pics including one of our cat Billy and my wife's wellies.

THE HANNEYS IN BLOOM

SUNDAY JUNE 16th
2pm - 5pm

Explore more than 12
delightful gardens

Teas and home-made cakes
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Plants for sale

Start at the Village Hall to pick up
your brochure and pay your £6 fee.
(Kids free)

All profits to Village Hall car park extension

Don't forget 'The Hanneys in Bloom'

happening on **Sun 16th June**...visit many beautiful gardens in the Hanneys, enjoy tea and cakes at the Village Hall and raise much needed funds for the car park extension. Start your tour at the Village Hall where you can pick up your brochure, and pay your £6 fee which gets you into all the gardens. Kids are free.

Which do you want first, the good news or the bad?

Let's start with the good... Cricket is back on the Rec! Hanneys Cricket Club had it's first fixture last month in over 3 years - snaps and match report on page 16, where you'll also find details of who to contact if you want to get involved.

Now the bad - this from Ann Philips, one of the stalwarts who runs the Hanneys Community Shop...

"From June, the Community Shop will close every Thursday at 1pm. Some volunteers have retired after many years of hard work and it has proved impossible to replace them. We hope this will be a temporary measure until we can tempt some volunteers who can commit to working a regular 4 hour slot, either on a weekly or fortnightly basis - not necessarily Thursdays! If you have a few hours to spare and can help, please contact Ann on 868440, or Hazel on 868145."

Editorial

Welcome to June...let's hope it does 'bust out all over'.

Our recent W.I. Coffee Morning made £355 for the School, so well done to all those who put a lot of hard work into making it happen.

Thanks also to everyone who've said nice things about the 'Hanney Guide' that we at Global HQ have recently put together. One gent emailed to say that even though he'd been in Hanney for 39 years, he had 'learnt lots' from it. Copies are available in the shop and direct from me...my contact details on the back page. 'Heans Island', Angela Cousin's excellent book of poetry and drawings is also available at the shop.

Still shop-related, the news re the early closing on a Thursday is bad news indeed - see front page. Many will see it as the thin end of the wedge. More volunteers are needed...it really is as simple as that. We must not allow the shop to close. I volunteer there a couple of times a month, so if you are considering volunteering and want an 'insiders' take on it, give me a ring anytime.

A very interesting talk coming up at the Senior Citizens on 27th about rubbish. We all want to do our bit to save the planet, and if sitting in a pink boat in the middle of Oxford Street is a bit extreme for you, then at least we can learn about which bins to put our rubbish in! Just as an aside, I read that actress Emma Thompson, who clearly did feel that sitting in a pink boat was not too extreme, actually flew first class from Los Angeles to be there and tell us all to mind our carbon footprint! (I think they



call that 'Chutzpah' - "the quality of audacity, for good or for bad, from the Hebrew word *hutzpâ*, meaning insolence, cheek or audacity".)

Our splendid Tennis Club are holding a 'Big Tennis Weekend' on 2nd June...sounds fun.

Details on page 4.

Our new Parish Councils are now settled, with the new kids getting their feet under the table. I go to nearly all their meetings and believe me, they all work jolly hard, so big ups and good luck wishes to them as they wrestle with local matters that really do affect us all.

Cycling fans go to page 10, where you'll find a snap of a lady cyclist who's clearly enjoying her ride! Think she might have just won a prize...maybe a nice wicker basket for the front of her bike just like Postman Pat's friend Mrs Goggins has? More pics of happy people on pages 13 and 14...our congrats to them all.

Page 11 is for you if you're into our village history, and page 16 has great news for cricket fans.

I've allowed myself a teeny bit of a rant on page 15. No letters this month, and last month's final instalment of Spannergate means there's nothing too surreal in this issue, though I may have got a bit carried away with my pic of the police woman on page 5.

Finally, a plea....our swans are back with their young, so please give them a wide berth...Dad can be a bit grumpy, I'm assured by Sir Robin of Camera...see his super snap on page 15.

Till next month my friends....

Notices...what's happening this month.

Sat 1st June - Wantage & Grove Lions are holding a cash bingo at Grove village hall. Doors open 6.45pm eyes down 7.30pm. Raffle - hope to see you there .

Mon 3rd - St James School, Term 6 begins.

Mon 3rd - Hanney War Memorial Hall AGM. All are welcome. See page 4

Thurs 13th - W.I. 'Make your Microbes Happy' a talk by Linda Swan. Page 26

Sat 15th - Flood Group working party - details see page 26.

Sat 15th: Grove and Wantage Extravaganza. Starts 12 noon. Entry is free.

Sun 16th - 'Hanney in Bloom' - Open Gardens - see front page.

Thus 20th - Senior Citizens Lunch, Plough West Hanney. £10 per head for two courses. Drinks on top. Ring Marcia - 867461 - for details and to book your place

Tues 25th, 11.00 a.m. - History Group visit Buckland House, a Palladian mansion, privately owned and rarely open to the public. The guided visit will last about two hours. Contact Bill Orson, see page 26.

Weds 26th, 1 pm. 2 hour Mini Factory Cowley Tour. £19. Details page Ring Carleen on 07986 624179 after 3rd May to book your place.

Thurs 27th, 2.30, Village Hall - Senior Citizens 'Do you know what to do with your rubbish?'

Sat 29th - Live Music at the Legion with 'Good Times', a 'rock covers, Elvis, and other great sounds' band.

And further ahead....

Fri 5th July, Gardening Club visit to Hampton Court Flower Show. See page 15.

Sun 14 July - Village Picnic - All welcome. See page 13.

Tues 23rd July. History Group visit to 'Tom Brown's Schooldays Museum' and the Church at Uffington, both with a guide, followed by a 'village trail' walk to the Fox and Hounds if you wish. We start at about 2.30 p.m.

Weds 24th July, St James School, Term 6 ends.

Sat 7th Sept, The Inflatables at the Royal British Legion.

For all the **Michaelmas Fayre & Feast** news, email info@hanneymichaelmasfayre.co.uk and ask for the **ENews Letter"**
FAYRE & FEAST DATE FOR 2019 - Saturday 28 September

Contact details for our political chums.

Ed Vaizey MP - *You can contact me on any matter at the House of Commons, SW1A 0AA, 020 7219 6350 or dicksonce@parliament.uk.*

Ed's website is www.vaizey.com

Matt Barber, Vale of White Horse. District Councillor for the Hanneys.

Email: councillor@matthewbarber.co.uk.

www.matthewbarber.co.uk

A Mini Factory Tour...

...has been arranged by Carleen Roseff. It's happening on Weds 26th June at 1pm. Cost is £19 Full details are here:

<https://www.visit-mini.com/visitmini/>

On Trip Advisor, 315 reviewers gave this an 'Excellent' rating, 56 said it was 'Very Good' and only 9 said it was average or below.

The tour lasts approx 2 hours; there is some walking up stairs involved and pacemakers and insulin pumps are not allowed. Possibility of sharing lifts there and back.

It'll be a Mini Adventure!

To book your place, ring Carleen on 07986 624179.

The AGM of the Hanney War Memorial Hall Committee - that's the Village Hall to you and me! - is on **Monday 3rd June at 8pm.**

Anyone involved in a group that uses the hall or anyone interested in helping support our Hall is very welcome. The bar will be open for a short time before the meeting, so people may get a coffee or something more refreshing!

Casual bar staff are still needed at the Hanney War Memorial Hall. If you can help, please email Graham Garner at hwmh.hanney@gmail.com or phone him on 07970 503931. Training provided for inexperienced staff, and expenses are available.



TRY tennis FOR FREE

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LTA HANNEY HILL BIG TENNIS WEEKENDS

Hanney Tennis Club is holding a Big Tennis Weekend on Sunday 2nd June, between 10:00 am and 13:00 pm

This is open to everyone, with free tennis coaching sessions; family time, mini tennis, cardio tennis, junior and adult coaching.

Racquets and balls are provided; please wear comfortable sports clothing.

To book your free session visit www.hanneytennisclub.org or just come along for tea and cakes and a chance to chat to the committee and coaching team.

The Hanney Hut

You may have noticed a new building for the Hanneys near the tennis courts. East and West Parish Councils some years ago committed to a County Council initiative to draw up a Disaster Plan to respond to emergencies that could affect our communities.

Flooding is the most obvious disaster, but it is not the only one that could affect the

Hanneys – heavy snowfalls, storms blocking roads, lengthy power outages, extended water supply disruption, major road traffic incident, rail crash, etc. For most emergencies the “Blue Light” services would be the first to respond, but as was the case with the flooding in 2007 and 2008, and the



heavy snowfalls of 1983 the emergency services were overstretched or could not reach the villages. We were cut off. So it is a case of being prepared.

Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks (SSEN) Resilient Communities Funded the hut and the work completed by village volunteers. The grant application was made by the Hanneys Flood

Group who persuaded the Grant Committee that ours was a community deserving of their support. The building will house the resources of The Nigel Eady Community Woodland Volunteers, The Hanneys Flood Group and the Community Disaster Team.

Clive Manvell



**OK DUDES,
IT'S TIME TO
GET YER
TOOLS
MARKED!**

**I just got this
from the Boys
and Girls in
Blue....**

***“Tool marking
event “ - Please
bring your tools
along to be
security
marked and
receive security
advice. The
neighbourhood
team will be
outside TVE,***

*Unit 16, W & G Industrial Estate, Faringdon Rd,
East Challow OX12 9TF, on Thursday 6th June
from 10am – midday. You can also chat with
them about any other concerns.”*

Michaelmas Fayre

Time to get cracking on your competition entry preparations - whether it's growing veg, planting out your flowers or making sure you have your camera at the ready to capture the perfect shot!

A full list of all the categories in all the main competitions is now available - pick up a copy at the Village Shop, in St James Church or email info@hanneymichaelmasfayre.co.uk to receive direct to your inbox.

Happy growing/sewing/
painting/ and much more.

East Hanney Parish Council

As you read in last month's edition of Hanney News, East Hanney Parish Council now has seven members, three of whom are new to this august body. The Council has not yet agreed the areas of special responsibility for each Councillor, though the Chairman and two vice-Chairmen have been elected, and the names of all current councillors are below. There remains one vacancy, which will be co-opted at the June meeting of the Council.

The Council has resolved to continue its current meeting pattern, with scheduled meetings on the second Wednesday of each month, held in the Olde Hanney Room of the War Memorial Hall.

You may also have received notification that Linden Homes have put in a planning application for 46 dwellings sited north of the Steventon Road,

application P19/V0910/FUL. The Parish Council will be considering its response to this application at its June meeting, having negotiated an extension to its response date.

The Parish Council has submitted applications for Section 106 funding to install pieces of sports and play equipment, funded by contributions from developments over the previous 5 years. These will be a pair of ball walls, a pair of rugby posts and a new cricket net. A new pair of football nets for the adult football pitch will also be acquired. When the installation dates are known, we will inform villagers through Facebook and Hanney News.

The spoil from the installation will be retained to allow landscaping for future play equipment installations.

The next two meetings of East Hanney Parish Council will be held from 8pm on Weds 12th June and Weds 10th July 2019.

East Hanney Parish Council

Chairman: Stephen McKechnie - 868823

Vice Chairmen:

Paul Aram - 868858

David Kirk - 07740 029059

Councillors:

David Blomly

Stewart Scott - 868503

Sarah Stephenson

Richard Strange

Clerk: Guy Langton 867403

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Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/436816943170450/>

West Hanney Parish Councillors: Chairman - Graham Garner - 868684

Councillors - Edward Wilkinson - 867316, Trevor Brettell - 868459

David Corps - 867454. **Clerk** - Barbara Martin - 868806

Website: www.westhanneypc.org.uk

West Hanney Parish Council

I was very honoured to have been chosen by my fellow councillors to serve as the new Chairman of the Parish Council at our Annual meeting on May 7th. We also welcomed David Corps to the council and said farewell to Chris Surman and Kay Sayers after their many years of service to the community. It is quite daunting following in the footsteps of Chris who has been such a dedicated councillor for 12 years, and served as Chairman for the last 9. He is a hard act to follow and it is only right that his final contribution to our page in Hanney News is his final annual report. A huge thank you Chris from your fellow councillors and the community of West Hanney - *Graham Garner, Chairman*

"This year has been one of continued progress in getting Land Registry titles to areas of land that had previously been thought to have belonged to the Parish Council. Many areas were 'vested in WHPC' by the Commons Commissioners in the 1960's but are not now recognised by the Registry. Headings Pond and the land south of School Road is now registered to us, and increases the land safeguarded for the village.

We have increased our annual income by demanding 'Wayleave' payments for electricity poles on our land. We are trying to get a lease agreement for the electricity sub-station on Headings Pond but have not managed to finalise anything yet.

The developer has agreed to change plans to now put a footpath along the northern side of School Road, within his field boundary. This is a much safer option for children walking from the development to the School. The County Council now wish to put a low footpath

westwards from the estate entrance to Hanney Spice and we have registered our opposition to this plan.

The application for houses at the Deans Farm Site has now been granted.

Eddie Wilkinson and Graham Garner have continued their hard work on our Neighbourhood Plan and must be thanked for their perseverance. Most people will not realise the amount of work and time involved.

The Community Woodland and Church Farm Meadow are still being looked after by our dedicated volunteers under the stewardship of Paul Sayers to whom we owe a massive thank you. Des Thomas continues to cut the rides regularly for us, and for that we are very grateful.

Earlier this year we held a joint meeting with East Hanney Parish Council and it was thought that this could be the first of a series of regular meetings between us to discuss items of mutual interest.

We have chosen the Speed Monitoring devices which will be ordered very soon. One will be sited along Denchworth Road, one in Winter Lane and one along School Road.

Finally I would like to say a big thank you to my former fellow Councillors who have worked so hard for this village and given me their total support over my last 9 years as Chairman. Thank you so much and I wish you all well in the future. This Parish Council is in good hands."

Chris Surman

**Next Meetings - Tues, 18th June,
Tues, 30th July, St. James Church,
Bell Tower - All Welcome**

For West Hanney Councillor
contact details, see page 6



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These happy folk are the Hanney Wheelers - yes, they wheelie are! - setting forth on their Spring away weekend, in Haverfordwest. They don't usually go quite that far, and if you'd like to join them on their next ride, see info and contact details on page 26.

And talking of cycling...

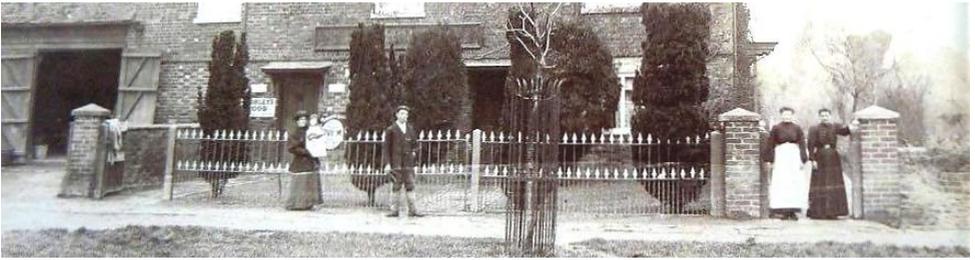
'GO Active South Oxfordshire' have sent me this - "Oxfordshire will be hosting stage three of the **OVO Women's Tour on Wednesday 12 June**. Olympic and World Championship level riders will be competing! The race will be televised around the world and is a great opportunity to show the world the best aspects of our towns and villages. We would love for the televised pictures to show our residents out on the streets, cheering the racers along. The www.womenstour.co.uk website has plenty of information on how residents can help out at the event as Race Makers. The website also shows the route with times that riders are expected to pass, making it easy for residents to plan where they will could



cheer on and support these riders. While everyone is inspired by top level athletes competing for a place on the podium, we are encouraging everyone to support a fun and friendly community cycling event in Wallingford on **Friday 12 - Sunday 14 July**. The **'Wallingford Festival of Cycling'** will be offering 6 organised rides for every level of rider, from a family 5 mile ride to a 100 miler for the more experienced. There will

be competitive races in the town centre, cycling activities in the park, a giant stunt bag, a downhill dual track course, a chance to ride a penny farthing and much more! The Festival volunteers offer monthly Couch to Saddle training rides to help beginners build up to the big day. The next ride will be on Sunday 23rd June.

To find out more, visit www.wfoc.co.uk



Last month I used this lovely old pic

of what is now Darden House, on the corner of Snuggs Lane in East Hanney, and I make no apologies for using a cropped version of it again...it's a beautiful and evocative photograph of times - many would say simpler times - from way back.

I also added a query as to who the worthy folk pictured actually were.

Jonathan Swinfen - the current owner of the house - and Louise Green the official 'go-to' person for any matters regarding Hanney history, have been in touch with answers. Sincere thanks to them both.

I have combined their responses.

There exists another photo taken by Henry Taunt in 1901. (See below.) In it a gent stands in the gateway. This is George Herman - we'll meet him again - who ran a groceries and provisions business from 'Church Green House' as

Darden House was then known, from about 1878 to the early part of the 20th Century. (Remember St James the Less, next door but one was still an active church back then, I think.)

Back to the original photo (above)... it was taken circa 1902. The lady on the left is Bertha Carr, holding her baby. Next to her is - we think - her husband Fred, and in the gateway is Pamela Herman, second wife of the aforementioned George. Pamela is with Alice, one of George's daughters from his first marriage. His first wife was Ellen, whose parents kept the Plough - now La Fontana - in 1871. Ellen died in Feb 1883, aged just 34, the day after their fifth child was baptised, so almost certainly as a result of childbirth. George remarried and produced six more children with Pamela, who was the daughter of a cattle dealer in Lower



Swell, a small village in Gloucestershire. Their youngest child Albert was killed in WW1, and his name is on the memorial.

There have been Hermans in Hanney since 1595.

If this kind of stuff floats your canoe - and it certainly does mine! - do join our splendid History Group...details on page 26, and if you have any info, photos, memorabilia etc on 'Hanney' in an historical sense please contact them.



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Christians are like the Avengers!

This comparison between people who believe in Jesus and the world's mightiest heroes might seem a little far-fetched but hear me out. We are not trained assassins, have advanced technology, turn green when angry or can shoot plasma blasts.

But, when Paul talks about the church in 1 Corinthians 12, he says that every Christian has gifts, skills and abilities that come from God. We can all do different things and we should all use our gifts for the common good. Just like the Avengers.

He goes on to compare the church to a body, made up of different parts. All the parts come together, doing different things, to make one body. Like the Avengers, the worldwide church is made up of different people, from different places, different backgrounds and with different experiences. Yet, we are all united together as members of the same team.

Also like the Avengers, the Church does not always get it right, we make mistakes, we argue with each other and cannot always agree on what the best cause of action is. Like the Avengers, the church needs to reflect on its past mistakes and its current problems, so that together it can find a way forward and support those around us.

Because when the team does unite together, using all their gifts, skills and experiences, everyone working towards the same goal, then maybe they can change the universe. That's the church...and the Avengers!

God bless,
Alec

Eucharist SERVICES in June- Sundays at 9.30am

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FRIDAY FUN – Friday 7th June – “A Great Fire”

Join us from 3.30pm until about 5pm for our regular After-School Club with lots to do, lots to eat, things to make and a chance to dress-up. Small people please bring an adult with you. Like to know more – contact Sue on 765885 or andrewclarke945@btinternet.com



SUNDAY 14 JULY starting from 12.30pm. Join our popular Village Picnic – a great afternoon doing little apart from relaxing and enjoying the good company of friends and neighbours. As usual we provide the food - available from 1pm - we just ask you to bring cutlery, crockery, a rug (or deck chair) and funds for the cash bar. More details next month.



Hike win for Hanney Guides

A team from Hanney Guides and 2nd Grove Guides won a hiking competition. Five teams of Girl Guides from all around White Horse Vale took part in a six-mile walk that tested their skills in map reading, first aid, compass bearings and more. It was a close competition but the Hanney-Grove team made good time, did well on their challenges and had fun along the way. Want to join in the fun? We welcome girls and adult volunteers in Girlguiding. If you're interested, visit girlguiding.org.uk or contact Hanney Brownies (Jacquie Donald 07919927832) or Hanney Guides (Catherine Tysoe 867536)





Many of us know Frank Whiting, our hard working Hanney Shop Treasurer. Well, his daughter Max completed the recent London Marathon in an amazing time of 4hrs 19min. Running for SSAFA, The Armed Forces Charity, Max has raised over £3,800 and is still counting! She said that running the event was a fantastic experience and she would like to thank the residents of The Hanneys for their donations and support in achieving this figure. We here at Hanney Global send our congrats to Max for her time and the amazing sum she raised. Inspired by Max, our very own Jaunty Jilly is promising to run next year and has already started training. Ooh err!

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If you are a regular reader of Hanney News, you'll know that I've been banging on for some time about the need for a pedestrian crossing on the A338 in East Hanney. I'm not alone in my view that the relatively modest downsides of such a project are far outweighed by the positives, not least in regard to the safety of our community. I'm cautiously optimistic that it will eventually happen, but in the meantime, and frankly, serving to muddy the waters somewhat, two further proposals for local 'traffic calming' measures are being discussed. The first one - possibly speed bumps, humps, chicanes or whatever on the Steventon Rd as one approaches East Hanney - takes account of the new developments on the north side of that road. The second 'measure' is the installation of traffic lights at the junction of the



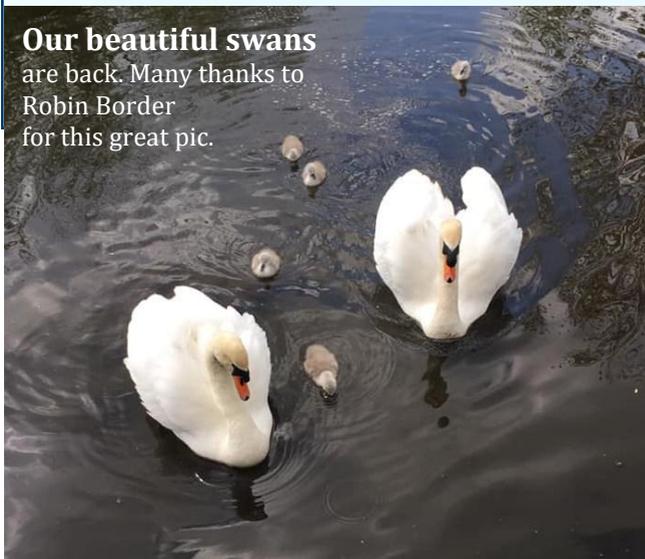
A338 at La Fontana - known as 'Fiveways' junction. This is actually not that new a proposal, but nonetheless, some may feel that this would negate the need for the pedestrian crossing just a hundred metres or so further up the road. **It doesn't**, for a variety of reasons. Here are two of them.....the erection of traffic lights at the junction is dependent upon, or so a senior official at Oxfordshire County Council stated,

the occupancy levels of the new developments in Grove reaching 750. He adds that such levels are...I quote "some years away yet." He goes on to say that "It is also the case that the proposed pedestrian crossing is further north along the A338, serves current development sites and *is not linked to the junction by footway.* (My italics) To this end it is important that this crossing is implemented as soon as possible."

Couldn't agree more...it really is time to 'just get on with it'.

(A phrase you may have heard a good few times recently!)

Hanney Gardening Club still have a few tickets to the Hampton Court Flower Show on **Friday 5th July**, leaving at 9:00 am, returning at 4:30. Total cost for coach and admission is £40.50. Please contact Sue Garner sue.garner@sky.com for more details and to book your place.



Our beautiful swans are back. Many thanks to Robin Border for this great pic.



So, Hanney Cricket Club

has risen from the 'ashes' - sorry, couldn't resist that rather clever little joke! - and played it's first match last month against Sutton Courtenay.

This is almost entirely down to one man, David Johns, whose perseverance, sheer hard work and determination made it happen. Massive big ups to him. If you're interested in getting involved contact him by phone or email...07770 456147 or 01235868519 or djohnski@uwclub.net Here's David's match report...



"Sunday - a brilliant day for Hanney Cricket Club, obviously helped by non-stop sunshine.

The opposition were a jovial bunch and quite good cricketers. The majority of our team met each other for the first time and it was obvious that most of them could play a bit, and most of all, enjoyed the game immensely.

Sutton Courtenay batted first, and with two of their players scoring 50 plus, set a target of 170 runs

Star bowler for us was Damian Scott with 4 for 41. No doubt some of them were quite stiff the next morning

After a tasty tea, we had a slow start, then young Alexander Scott set about the opposition and scored 86 not out. Impressive batting! However, we failed to reach the target by 22 runs, no matter, the game was a great success and enjoyed by all Thanks to everyone involved, you made it a great day" David Johns

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