



Annual Parish Meeting 30th April 2025

Once again the HVCA has been very busy in the past year.

Fin and Diana O'Sullivan of Home Farm, kindly invited the HVCA to organise another walk and picnic to Merdon Castle on 6th July and 62 people attended this event. There was a talk by Dave Key about the history of Hursley Park and Merdon Castle,

A group of us met at All Saints Church in early October, to carry out some trimming and strimming in and around the Churchyard. Refreshments were provided by Kristin Tridimas. Richard Baker inspected the saplings that were planted in March 2022 around the recreation ground and reported back to the PC that only 30 of the 200 planted have survived.

Bonfire & Fireworks on Saturday 2nd November was another great community event, many thanks to Brian and Ness for the fantastic food they cooked which was all donated and Jo on the SumUp reader. The generosity of the community raised £372.50 which was really appreciated and will go towards future community events.

A Concert of Musical Theatre & Seasonal Songs was held on Saturday 30th November in (a very cold) All Saints Church with Professional Mezzo-Soprano Charis Anne Luke entertaining 44 Villagers. There was a drinks reception and warm mince pies were served in the interval, with a sum of £195 going to All Saints Church.

Village Carol Singing took place on Friday 20th December, many thanks to all who supported the evening, we collected a total of £131.51 for Winchester Beacon.

In late March we held the HVCA Newcomers Lunch and welcomed 25 new villagers for a drink, cottage pie and pudding. A huge thank you to Amanda Apps and the team for making a delicious lunch, this was well supported by (24) regular faces from the Village.

The Coronation Community Orchard that was planted in 2023, has been moved to border the Wildways area at the north of the recreation ground.

We continue to cut the grass in the Churchyard and the HPC owned grass in Meredun Close, many thanks to Michael Arthur for doing this.

HVCA AGM is being held on Wednesday 21st May commencing at 20.00 in the Archie Heath room, everyone is welcome.

Dates for the diary: Victory Safari Supper – Saturday 7th June, sign up at the Post Office
Hursley Village Fete – Saturday 14th June, organised by JK PTA, HVCA & All Saints Church
Hursley 10k, 5k & Fun Run – Sunday 12th October, registration opens soon

Richard Baker – HVCA Chairman