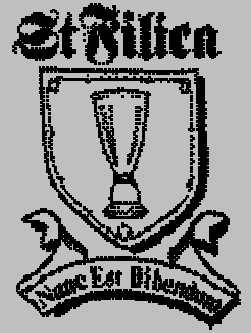


# ST FILICA NEWSLETTER



**Welcome to the St Filica Newsletter!**

Issue 75 Jan 2010

Well that's it; my final copy. It's been great fun and I hope that you have enjoyed the changes made to the newsletter. Charlotte takes over from the next edition, so please use her contact details below to send in your copy. Don't forget we are always looking for contributions, so whether you have a story to tell, an event to plug, or a recipe to share; please send it in!

## What's included this month?



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## Village Lottery Winners

### December Draw £40

Dorky Heselwood

### Christmas Draw

£200 Freda Shrouder  
£100 Anne Foster Taylor  
£50 Alan and Sue Long

**The St Filica Committee  
would like to wish everyone  
a Happy Christmas and a  
wonderful New Year!**



### Copy deadline:

January 25th 2009

### Contact Details:

[Stfilicanews@googlemail.com](mailto:Stfilicanews@googlemail.com)

# Event Update

## Golden Stardust of Filkins Theatre's 'Rumpelstiltskin.com'



Filkins Theatre spun golden performances of the pantomime 'Rumpelstiltskin.com' in front of packed houses in the Village Hall on Friday and Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> November. This ultra-modern version of the fairytale intertwined the internet and mobile phones with semi-traditional elves and the Prince of Lexmark's search for that elusive Princess Fair, with a little help from the 'Weakest Link'.

A cast of what seemed like thousands (but actually totalled a still amazing 30!) filled the stage, including nearly a dozen young elves singing their hearts out and spreading magical smiles and sweets into the audience. The acting by all was superb, from the handsome Prince oozing a posh accent through floppy hair (Oli Choyce) and hapless Hayrick hilariously coping with the occasional wig malfunction (Olly Ashforth-Smith), to the cross-dressing fish-netted Dame Olivetti (Jeremy Irwin-Singer) and all the way up to a classy Jeeves at the top of the age ladder (Christopher Harrison).

A special "Bravo!" goes to Sally Peach and Barbara Bristow, who directed and produced the show, and congratulations to all the cast and crew who made this year's pantomime such a glittering success. When the theatrical stardust settled, everyone had enjoyed a fabulous evening of entertainment!

Photographs from the 'Rumpelstiltskin.com' performances can be found on the Filkins community website ([www.filkins.org.uk](http://www.filkins.org.uk)) by clicking on 'Leisure Time', then 'Theatre', and they are also on display in the Filkins Village Shop.



### A Happy New Year from France!

Dave & Judy Clifton wish everyone in Filkins and Broughton Poggs a very happy New Year.

While we do miss the village, we have settled in here pretty well.

If you are very bored look at our Blog at <http://voutezacview.blogspot.com/>

# St Filica



## St Filica AGM



This year we hope to distribute £1000.00.

Applications are invited from any local club, society or organisation for a share of these funds.

The application should be sent to Lisa Porter, Secretary, St Filica Society, 5 The Gassons, Filkins or [lisa.porter@orange.net](mailto:lisa.porter@orange.net) to arrive no later than 8 JANUARY 2010.

Please provide the name and contact details of applicant, the organisation, the sum requested and, most importantly, an explanation of what the money will be used for and how it will be of benefit to the local community.

The decision on how the funds will be distributed will be made on 16 FEBRUARY 2010 at the AGM to be held in The Five Alls. If you want to participate in that decision, please make sure you are a fully paid up member of the Society.

## Christmas Celebrations!

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December

How many children turned out to see Father Christmas!! The village was full of children and adults as Father Christmas toured with his pony and trap. What a spectacle and at 6pm he arrived at the Christmas Tree to be thronged by people waiting for the lights to be turned on which was kindly done by Mrs Dorky Heselwood. The countdown was heard miles away and the plunger was pressed. Phew.... the lights came on.

Then Father Christmas led everyone down to the Village Hall for mulled wine mince pies and carols- led in fine voice by Patrick Wheaton accompanied by Oliver Ashforth Smith on piano. A good time was had by all and it certainly started Christmas off in Filkins and Broughton Poggs.

All that remains is to say thank you to all who helped with the arrangements from making mince pies and cakes, to making sure we heard Father Christmas coming and especially to the two elves who brought the pony and trap from Oxleaze Farm for us.

Here's to next year!!  
Cris Hoad

# What's On

## "Spirit of Filkins & Broughton Poggs" Photographic Competition

Calling all aspiring David Baileys and Annie Leibovitzs.

The St Filica Society, as part of the Filkins Festival 2010, wants to capture the essence of the villages to show what an amazing place we have the good fortune to live in. The idea behind the competition is NOT to take the best picture of, for example, the Village Hall. Instead the Judges will be looking for creativity in the composition, which reflects the vibrancy of the village. There are no restrictions (other than on the grounds of decency) on the subject matter which can include people, animals, birds, buildings and landscape.

There are four categories and three age groups. The categories are Autumn, Winter, Spring and Summer and the age groups are those who on 1st January 2010 are under 12, 12 – 18 and 19 and over. The winning photograph from each age group for each category, happily providing us with 12 photographs, will be published in a calendar for 2011. This will be available to buy and thereby will solve lots of Christmas present dilemmas next year. Each of the 12 winners will receive a copy of the calendar and there will be a prize for the best photograph overall in each age group. Photographs will be displayed on the website and in the village during the Festival.

The category winners will be announced 3 weeks after each closing date and prizes will be awarded at the Fun and Festivities weekend on 3 and 4 July 2010. The Judges will be talented photographers living in the villages who will not be eligible to enter the competition. Their decision is final.

### **HOW TO ENTER**

Entry forms are available from the website [www.filkins.org.uk](http://www.filkins.org.uk), the Woollen Weavers, the Post Office and Our Village Shop. There is no restriction on the number of entries an individual can make. Only DIGITAL photographs can be entered.

The fee per entry is 50p for age 18 and under and £1 for 19 and over.

Please send your completed entry form and fee to Mrs Cris Hoad, Wynwood, Filkins, GL7 3JG Photographs should be emailed to [photocompetition@filkins.org.uk](mailto:photocompetition@filkins.org.uk) and will be entered into the competition when the entry fee has been processed.

Closing date for entries is

MONDAY 1 MARCH 2010 for "Winter"  
MONDAY 10 MAY 2010 for "Spring"  
MONDAY 28 JUNE 2010 for "Summer"

# What's On

## Filkins Village Hall – AGM

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2010 at 7.30 pm  
All are welcome

*Have you a little time to spare each month? We have vacancies on the committee for elected members*

## Church services for January at St. Peter's, Filkins

Jan 10th	10.30am	Parish Communion
Jan 17th	6pm	Evensong
Jan 24th	10.30am	Family Service

## THE FIVE ALLS

January is RETOX month not Detox at The Five Alls.

Many thanks for your support over the festive period.



The Five Alls will be closed from the 4th of January until the 8th re opening on the 9th for lunch, for refurbishment of the rooms to avoid disruption for our customers.

### Steak Night

We shall continue with our ever popular steak nights every Tuesday.  
£7.50 for the lot!

### Filkins fillies

Come and join us on the 14th of January!

Short and sweet this month but Filkins please keep us busy this January!!

Andre, Belinda, Freddie, Matt, Joe and the rest of the Five Alls team

# Our Village

## **Filkins & Broughton Poggs Parish Council**

### **Parish Council Meeting**

The next will be held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2010 7.30pm in Filkins Village Hall.

Everyone is invited to attend. If you have any specific questions please let the Clerk know in advance so a full answer can be given on the evening.

### **Parking**

During the winter months can we ask that residents avoid parking or driving over the grass verges. The car tyres tear through the grass and they never recover fully. Thank you.

### **Bin Collections over the holiday period**

Wednesday 23rd December as normal

Wednesday 30th December will be on Saturday 2nd January

Wednesday 6th January will be on Friday 8th January

Wednesday 13th January will be on Thursday 14th January

Wednesday 20th January as normal

### **Christmas Tree Chipping**

Yes I know we have only just put them up but some may already be half the size they were and the hoover is all bunged up!

If you want your tree chipped please take it to:

Black Bourton Road Car Park in Carterton on Sunday 10th January between 10am and 3pm or drop it off at Guildenford Car Park in Burford where it will be taken away to chip between 10am and 12 noon again on Sunday 10th January.

Cris Hoad. Clerk  
(860388)

## WANTED

As part of our refurbishment programme we are looking for:  
A freezer, microwave, cooker and a heater

Do you have any of these items that, instead of throwing away, you would be willing to donate to the shop? Please contact Sally on 01367 860998



Comes to



We are delighted to announce that we have started stocking the Cook range of delicious meals in Our Village Shop in Filkins. For those of you who have not yet experienced this brand, they are a superb range of frozen meals that are made in exactly the same way that you would at home, so they really do taste homemade. They are available in 1, 2 and 4 portions sizes so suit all. Everyone I know who has tasted them thinks they are fantastic.

All the hearty dishes of a domestic goddess's oven without you having to chop, peel or even mix. - *Vogue*

We will be emailing the menu out on a regular basis so that you can place an order. To be added to the mailing list please contact [sally.peach@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:sally.peach@tiscali.co.uk). It's so easy – just hit reply and tell me your name, address and what you want to order from the attached menu, and I will send an email letting you know when it is ready for collection at Our Village Shop.

We take cash or cheques and are open as follows:

Day	PM	PM
Monday	Closed	3-5pm
Tuesday	10-12pm	3-5pm
Wednesday	Closed	3-5pm
Thursday	9-12pm	2-5pm
Friday	Closed	2 -5pm
Saturday	9-1pm	3-5pm
Sunday	Closed	3-5pm

### SHOP OPENING HOURS FOR CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

Wednesday 23rd 9am-12 2-7pm  
Thursday 24th 9am - 1pm

Support local enterprise and support our Village Shop!

Sally Peach  
On behalf of Our Village Shop Committee

# Our Village

## ROSTER FOR VOLUNTARY CAR SERVICE TO LOCAL SURGERIES

(covering the villages of Filkins, Broughton Poggs, Kencot, Broadwell, Langford and Little Faringdon) all codes 01367

### Tuesdays

5th January Mr J Moir 860031  
 12th January Mrs J Geake 860534  
 19th January Mrs J Higham 860197  
 26th January Lady Allison 860787

### Thursdays

7th January Mrs M Cover 860302  
 14th January Mrs B Bristow 860195  
 21st January Mrs V Godfrey 860498  
 28th January Miss H Squire 860337

Copies of the roster are pinned in the bus shelters in Filkins and Langford.

Charges: Surgery Runs: Carterton, Lechlade and Burford - £2.00; Fairford and Witney - £5.00. Hospital Runs: Cirencester and Swindon - £8.00, Cheltenham and Oxford - £10.00, (plus parking charge if applicable). Please note that these charges cover a single return journey by the driver.

Surgery Runs - Patients should notify the nominated driver at least 24 hours in advance. Appointments should not be later than 4 pm. Hospital Runs or problems - contact Tony Woodford - 860319 - as early as possible.



## Filkins Post Office

Telephone: 01367 860620

Day	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	9am to 12.30pm	1pm to 5pm
Tuesday	8.30am to 12.30pm	Closed
Wednesday	Closed	Closed
Thursday	9am to 12.30pm	Closed
Friday	Closed	1.30pm to 4.30pm

# Our Village



## FILKINS THEATRE

Following our very successful pantomime Rumpelstiltskin.com, I am sure there are many budding actors and actresses out there, or people who would just like to help with such a production. We meet every month and are always happy to welcome new members. Please call me if you are interested or would like more information.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on **Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> February 2010** at 7.30pm in the Village Hall – all welcome.

The date for our next children's production next Autumn has yet to be decided. Please call Pat Scott on 01993 846255 if your child would be interested in joining Filkins Junior Theatre.

*Barbara Bristow 01367 860195*



Evelyn Rose Florence Holden

08.56 12th November 2009 - 16.40 14th November 2009

Andrew, Jacob and I would like to thank everyone for their kind words of support and love following baby Evie's unexpectedly early arrival and short life.

We are so grateful and happy that we got to spend even the briefest of moments with her - moments that will stay with us for the rest of our lives and make us better because of them. If a person's life can be measured by the people they touched and the amount they were loved the Evie lived as full a life in those few hours as any of us she left behind. Our beautiful little girl was and always will be perfect and part of our family.

We would also like to thank everyone for their generous donations.

After discussions with the equipment manager at the NICU at St Michael's in Bristol it looks like there will be sufficient to purchase a syringe pump, a piece of equipment which was used for Evie.

# JANUARY 2010

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
				1	2 Bin Collection	3
4 Pub Closed	5	6	7	8 Pub reopens Bin Collection	9	10 Parish Communion Christmas Tree Chipping
11 Village Hall AGM	12 Steak Night	13	14 Filkins Fillies Bin Collection	15	16	17 Evensong
18 Parish Council Meeting	19 Steak Night	20 Bin Collection	21	22	23	24 Family Service
25	26 Steak Night	27	28	29	30	31

## TRAIN YOUR BRAIN

### SUDOKU

The object is to insert the numbers in the boxes to satisfy only one condition: each row, column and 3x3 box must contain the digits 1 through 9 exactly once. What could be simpler?

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A simpler version for the kids! Just complete the grid so that each row, column and 2x2 grid contains the digits 1 to 4 once. Good luck!