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Village Hall UPDATE

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Monxton & Amport Village Hall – Dates for Your Diary!

Exciting progress has been made on the new Monxton & Amport Village Hall, with the kitchen, bathrooms, and lighting now installed. With just final snagging, they anticipate a fully open hall by April!

To celebrate, we already have some fantastic social events lined up—so save the dates!

Saturday 26th April – Live Band on Your Doorstep!

Join us for the first social event at the newly completed village hall—an evening of live music with local cover band Little Twist!



Tickets: £20 per person (includes entertainment & a welcome drink)

Food & drink available for purchase on the night

All proceeds go towards closing the final hall fund shortfall

Ticket numbers are limited to 180, so book early to avoid disappointment! Keep an eye on the Monxton & Amport Facebook page for the ticket link.

Thursday 8th May – VE Day 80th Anniversary Celebrations

On 8th May, the nation will commemorate 80 years since VE Day, and Monxton, Amport, and East Cholderton will be marking the occasion in style!

Morning – Tea, cake, and a display of local wartime photographs & stories at the village hall.

From 4PM – Food, games, and an open bar at the hall & (hopefully) Monxton Village Green.

This free event is open to all Monxton, Amport & East Cholderton residents. More details will be shared in the next village update.



Can You Help?

The Village Hall Committee need assistance with:

Collecting and displaying wartime photographs & memorabilia

Baking or donating a cake

Helping serve refreshments in the morning

If you'd like to get involved, please contact Karin Staines at karinstaines@gmail.com or call 07809 413322.

Also, keep an eye on the village Facebook page for the official hall opening date.

Looking forward to celebrating together!

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH

Hawk Inn - January Events

Save on Sips - Monday to Friday - 3pm - 6:30pm, £1 off a pint of draught beer
25% off cocktails (excludes Tapas Tues-yay offer) , 25% off bottles / carafes of wine
(excludes Tapas Tues-yay offer)

Mother's Day Treat

Join us on Sunday 30th March to tuck into the best Sunday roast alongside our main menu until 8pm, or for breakfast/brunch from 8am over the weekend.

Hawk Conservancy Trust



Owls by Moonlight

8, 15 and 22 March 2025

This spring, wrap up warm and step outside for a special evening with owls. As night falls, you'll experience mystical owls flying and witness their graceful, silent flights in and out of the darkness in two magical flying displays.

Brand new flying display!

Saturday 5 April

Woodland Wonders will take you deep amongst the trees to discover the owls and other birds of prey that live among the trees.

Feathers Restaurant

For a catch up cuppa or a light lunch - don't forget this local venue!



Breach Farm Brewing

The Brewery is open Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. There are food vans and events on the following nights in March. Thursdays are Mug Night and Run Club.

Saturday 1 Mar, 4-10pm - The Tipsy Toastie

Thursday 6 Mar, 4-10pm - Food Vendor TBA

Friday 7 Mar, 4-10pm - Indriya Kitchen - Indian wraps and loaded fries

Saturday 8 Mar, 4-10pm - Laughing Street Chef - Chinese Food

Thursday 13 Mar, 4-10pm - Quiz Night 7pm - Original Fryup Material

Friday 14 Mar, 4-10pm - Peppone's Street Food

Saturday 15 Mar, 2-10pm - Irish Night - Food by Aneke - Irish Stew - Celtic Music (Early opening)

Thursday 20 Mar, 4-10pm - Food on the Amport Green (not at the Brewery)

Friday 21 Mar, 4-10pm - Traveling Thai

Saturday 22 Mar, 2-10pm - The Funky Pickle (Early opening)

Thursday 27 Mar, 4-10pm - Brewer's Guild - Peppone's Street Food

Friday 28 Mar, 4-10pm - LOAF - grilled sandwiches and more

Saturday 29 Mar, TBA



FOOTPATHS

Public footpaths

These are for feet or using a mobility aid but nothing bigger - **no bikes or horses!** These are marked by yellow arrows or wooden signs that say FOOTPATH.

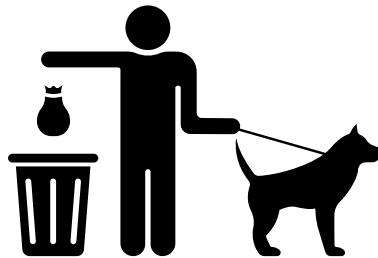
Some landowners/farmers do allow people to ride horses on their land, however riders and horses are **NOT ALLOWED** on the actual footpath - they can ride alongside the footpath but it is illegal to ride on any footpath itself.

When it is so muddy and wet, the horses are carrying up the footpaths in the area, and it makes for some 'sticky' walking.

Bridleways

Horses are allowed on bridleways and also those on foot, using mobility scooters/ wheelchairs as well as cyclists. These paths are stile-free/gate free. These have a blue arrow or a sign staying BRIDLEWAY.

PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG AND TAKE IT TO A BIN - PLEASE DON'T LEAVE BAGS IN OUR PRECIOUS COUNTRYSIDE.



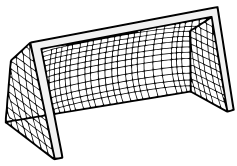
Southern Water

This month, we've had 70 mm of rainfall, half in the last week. Groundwater levels are rising but have not yet reached last year's unprecedented levels. Although SW's relining program has locked out a considerable amount of groundwater, our sewage network is still vulnerable to storm surges like the one on Wednesday, February 26, when 14 mm fell in 3 hours. SW deployed tankers to help water pumping stations cope. The rain stopped, and all tankers except one at Monxton are gone. SW believes the WPS here is underperforming and will keep a tanker here until investigations are complete.

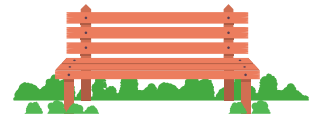
The Pillhill Pan Parishes are disappointed with SW's lack of communication during tanker operations. SW's complaints team is investigating.

The February water quality test results from all eight sites along the PillHill Brook are on the website—everything is looking good! www.pillhillbrook.org.uk





Fen & Green



The new goal posts and nets for the village green are getting some use when it is not raining. These will be moved every couple of weeks so that we avoid muddy patches in front of them. The benches on the green are also being maintained.

On 1 March, a group led by Tony Darbyshire cleared a number of fallen trees in Amport Fen. There is further work to do, but this was a great effort

WHO IS WHO ON THE AMPORT PARISH COUNCIL

Chris Harris - Chairman & responsible for the Village Green & The Fen, Southern Water, Highway:

Stephen Coke - Vice Chair & responsible for finance, principle & process & Speed Awareness

Sally Baker - School liaison & resilience plan.

Alan Montagu - Solar Farm liaison & Fox Farm Liaison

Tessa Hawkings-Byass - Projects , footpaths & communications - newsletter and Face Book

Peter Harvey - Projects & children's play area

Diana Stephenson - Neighbourhood planning/Village design statement/parish plan.

Peter Waller- Resilience plan including flood planning

Clare Hemmings - Weyhill representative and Neighbourhood plan

Howard Dix - Dauntsey Lane representative & Local crime

Heather Bournier - Our Amazing Clerk!



AMPORT PARISH COUNCIL CONTACTS

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MEETING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2025

The Parish Council meets on a Monday at 07:30pm at the **NEW** Monxton and Amport Village Hall. Anyone is welcome to attend our meetings.



17th March

14th April

19th May

16th June

21st July

15th September

20th October

17th November