

MARCHAM PLAYERS PRESENTS...

AN EVENING WITH THE VICAR OF DIBLEY

Friday 16 September, 7.30 pm
In All Saint's Church, Marcham.
Tickets £6 £5 for concessions
to include wine & nibbles.



Paul Mayhew-Archer (co-writer of *The Vicar of Dibley*) will give an illustrated talk, including clips from the programme, about the writing and production of *The Vicar of Dibley*.

The **Marcham Players web-site** is now available on line in developmental stage, at www.marchamplayers.co.uk. If you have the technology, check out the date of the next Marcham Player's performance, play reading or theatre outing! (Members without the technology will still be contacted by 'phone, snail mail or Deirdre mail!). And of course MADNews!

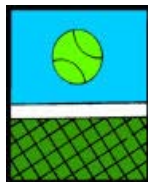
Our next social event is a **play reading** – not a casting play reading. Come and enjoy a glass of wine whilst taking part in the reading, an opportunity to read several different parts. Wednesday 28 September 7.30pm at Manor Farm in the board room.

If you would like to join Marcham Players please ring **Joey Maclean 391242**.

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MARCHAM TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Summer is nearly over but there is still lots of tennis time left. Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor Tennis Club are still inviting us to play friendly matches, so if anyone would like to go and meet some new faces, contact them directly on 01865 820275 or call me to find out more.



Once school has restarted on 5 Sept, **PLEASE** remember to put the nets back in the box when you have finished so that the school can use their playground. If juniors are playing, there should be a responsible (strong!) adult to assist them with the net posts as they are heavy.

Start of Term: 5 Sept 2005.

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WOULD YOU LIKE TO PLAY WHIST?

Then why not come to the Abingdon Hospital League of Friends whist drive on the first Friday of each month, starting at 7 pm in the Day Hospital. Friendly company, good prizes and refreshments provided. All profits go to the hospital, so you can enjoy yourself and support a very good cause at the same time.

ICE NOT A HOAX

The national ICE campaign to get people to carry emergency contact details in their mobile phone is not a scam.

Launched back in April but now receiving massive publicity following the London bombings, ICE encourages people to store the details of the person they would most want to be contacted in an emergency.

Simply input ICE (In Case of Emergency) contact details in your mobile and medical staff and police can track down someone who knows you and your medical history almost immediately.

Emails claiming ICE is a scam which charges to your mobile phone account have been circulating recently. If you receive such an email please ignore it and refer them to the website

www.icecontact.com

For any more information contact Matt Ware on 01603 422729 or 07803 200351 or at matthew.ware@eaamb.nhs.uk

MARCHAM CRICKET CLUB

September sees the last fixtures of the 2005 O.C.A. League. Our matches are:

3 Sept 1st XI home to visitors Eynsham
2nd XI away to Combe 2nd XI

10 Sept 1st XI home to visitors Shrivenham

At the time of writing the 1st XI is 5th in Division 2 (but with a game in hand over the teams at 2nd, 3rd and 4th) and the 2nd XI is 3rd in Division 7.

The annual Jes Bailey Memorial match was played at Sunningwell this year; it was a pleasant and close fixture which resulted in a win for the home team. Rain led to the cancellation of all but one match in the O.C.A. fixture list on 13th August; the scheduled Marcham CC. fixtures were not played.

This month's historical note relates to a game in 1872 between a 'married' side and a 'single' side. The married side scored 117 and the single side scored, in two innings, 35 and 27.

The North Berks Herald of 14th September 1872 reports that: *This match was played at Marcham on Wednesday last and ended in an easy victory for the Benedicts in one innings with 55 runs to spare. The batting of Messrs W. and A. Stone and W. Long was remarkably good.*

Once this year's fixtures are completed, the work of the Club is not over by any means as the ongoing programme of ground maintenance continues. The end of the season heralds the beginning of extra work – particularly on the square which includes scarifying and tining followed by loaming and seeding so as to produce a high standard of playing surface for next year's matches.

Before next season, the Club will also be holding its Presentation Evening and A.G.M. As always information regarding Marcham Cricket Club may be obtained from Terry Whittaker (391317) or Graham Hill (391415).

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EVENLODE BADMINTON CLUB

Are looking for new members, Adults and juniors of a good standard for our Mixed, Ladies and Men's Teams. From Division 1 to Div 4.

We play at St Helen's and Katherine School, Faringdon Road, Abingdon.

Club Nights on Monday Evenings From 7.30pm – 10.30pm
League matches on Tuesdays

If you are interested in joining our friendly Badminton Club Please contact Judy Bendall 01235 529515

www.evenlode-badminton.co.uk



COMMUNITY MINI BUS

We are sadly losing one of our voluntary drivers for our Monday trip to Abingdon Market. So if there is anyone in the village between the age of 25 and 65 who has passed their driving test prior to 1997 and can spare just one Monday per month to drive the residents of Duffield Place to Abingdon, leaving at 10.00am and picking up and 12noon, then please contact Chris Ricketts on 391329.



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Contact 07765 708945