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Communication Building Community

St John the Baptist Church, Minal Harvest Barn Dance & Bring and Share Supper Friday 13th October 6.00pm – 8.00pm in the Village Hall Tickets £7.50. Under 13s free.

From Gilly on 07785 568513 or Sarah on sarahmusgrave99@hotmail.com

Bonfire and Fireworks Night!

Sunday 5th November Minal Sports Field Gates open 6.30pm Fireworks at 7.30pm BBQ and Refreshments Fun for the whole family!

Entry: £4 adults, £2 children under 16, under 5s free. Cars £10.



The gate will be opened daily from 16th October to allow villagers to place their unwanted wood and dry garden waste (only!) onto the bonfire site.

October acoustic night at the Horseshoe on Thursday 19th from 7.30pm. All musicians welcome, full PA provided and supportive 'house band' available. Come down to Acoustics @ The Shoe

supportive 'house band' available. Come down to the Shoe and enjoy live music! To remember the date just think "Thirds-day" - the 3rd Thursday.

The next meeting of the **Minal Book Group** is on **Thursday 26 October** at 7.30 in The Horseshoe. We will be talking about: **The River Home by Hannah Richell** We are a small, informal group, and always welcome new members. For more information contact Deirdre Watson on <u>dwatsonweavers@gmail.com</u>, or 512729

Minal Village Hall Needs You!

Kids Party? Hosting a regular Weekly Event? Know a Take Away food offering?

Our beautiful Hall, 7m x 14m is available to hire. Offers parking, free Wifi, equipped kitchen and the usual amenities.

To book go to: **www.mildenhallwiltshire.org.uk/minal village-hall** Or call Sarah on 07879 605922

Village Show and Joe's Magic Beans

What a lovely turn out for the village show on September 9th at the village hall! 86 entries from 22 entrants. A huge 'Thank You to our judges - Peter & Judith Deck (fruit, veg and flowers), Helen Slater (crafts and photography), Ros Carmichael (baking & preserves) and Valerie Hammerton (children's entries).

Overall winner's trophy went to Jaki Thompson for her sterling effort of 20 top class entries. The Mutch family came a very close and competitive second with Ros and Valerie sharing joint third (they didn't judge their own entries!!) It seems Nick Beere has a talent for guessing the weight of large vegetables and special congratulations go to Thea and Harry in the children's classes for their beautifully crafted and delightful entries.

It was a joy to see four entries of Joe Smith's runner beans and deep gratitiude goes to Dennis Pusey for harvesting and sharing over a hundred fresh bean seeds to keep them going in future years. We all hope Joe and Gladys were smiling down on us on the day.



'Minal Munch' - could you help?

The 'Munch' is run by a generous group of villagers who bake and bring to share with tea and coffee on a **Friday afternoon, once a month** in the **village hall** (except August).

It's free, and everyone is welcome for a chat, a cuppa and a slice of cake.

Open from 3pm and quietish until the primary children and mums arrive at 3.30pm followed by the cake-loving older children on the St Johns bus. We wrap up by 4.15/4.30pm.

Could you help with occasioanally setting up the hall or a bit of baking? We're a small, dedicated team, mainly local Mums, who'd love to have you on board.

Please contact Lucy Mutch on 07889 187671 or Sarah Foard on 07879 605922.





Dog Show winners & record entries!

Many thanks to Adam Slater for judging the breed and fun Dog Show at the Minal Fete in August. We had a record 108 entries! The new breed classes were well attended and Best in Show went to 'Chocobrandy Roxy' the Miniature Dachshund. Shown here with owner Claire Johnson and Adam.

The show was a great fun with much laughter and an appreciative crowd. Rosettes were given to the first 5 selections in each class. 'Judges Favourite' went to Cooper, an 11 month old working Cocker Spaniel - a worthy winner of Waggiest Tail and Handsomest dog classes. Shown here with his owner Jack Lowe & Adam.



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