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Watching the Harvest

Photo by Kate Pendleton

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Any articles for inclusion are to be submitted by 5pm on the 20th of the month to appear in the next issue - unless the magazine is already full.

The editors reserve the right to edit all contributions.

The editorial team and the trusty team of magazine deliverers, headed up by Sue Porter, are taking a break over the Summer. Don't forget to make a note of all the dates and events in this edition which covers August *and* September. We will be back with a new edition of STaB in October. The deadline for this issue will be September 20th at 5pm.



The Three Horseshoes, by James Thompson

A warm welcome to...

Please let us know if you know of anyone who moves into Bishopstone or Stratford Tony so that we can offer them a welcome in STaB.



Hello from the Revd Canon Jenny Taylor



So here is the double bumper issue of STaB! Huge thanks go to the editorial team who continue to produce such a first-rate village publication month by month – enjoy the break in August!

Thanks also go to our Church Wardens, Sarah Seal and George Brutton. They have organised (aided by Geoff Taylor) a stewardship campaign on behalf of our Church which has resulted in an increase of giving towards our ministry and mission – thank you to those who have so generously responded – it is never too late for anyone to give more!

We celebrated our Patronal Festival weekend by hosting a concert by the Salisbury Cathedral Junior Choir and joining together in worship on the Sunday to commemorate St John the Baptist. It was an absolute joy to see our church full and reverberating to glorious happy singing!

A fortnight later we all joined again at St Mary and St Lawrence, Stratford Tony for our annual service of Choral Evensong. And what a service it was! Bishop Andrew described the church as “a gem” – it was his first visit and he saw it at its best – in the sunshine with amazing singing from Lucy’s “choir”, worship at its very best and a good British tea afterwards!



More thank yous go to everyone who was involved and who came to that service.

We have so much to be grateful for and I hope over the months of August and September you have a chance to stand still, take stock and give thanks for the many blessings that flow our way.

Revd Canon Jenny Taylor

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Parish Council

The Parish Council met on Thursday 11th July. The minutes of the meeting are available on the village website (www.bishopstone-salisbury.co.uk).

In the absence of Cllr John Gibbon, Cllr Ali Thorne took the Chair and was pleased to welcome Michelle Tatner, who has joined the Council to fill the vacancy that has existed since the resignation of Marion Foster.

The main business of the meeting was to consider quotations for the provision of the new Play Trail in the Children's Play Area on the Recreation Field. Mike Ash confirmed that the South West Area Board of Wiltshire Council had approved a grant of £3,990 towards the project. Three quotes had been received for the cost of providing six main items of equipment (illustrated below) which will provide climbing, balancing and swinging challenges, linked together into a continuous "trail". Consideration was given to options for the extent of safety surfacing under the equipment and a final specification for the project agreed. Following debate it was agreed to accept a quote of £8,336 which had been received from Outdoor Play South West (the company that previously provided the Play Tower in our play area).

Discussions will now take place with the company to agree a final layout for the trail, which it is hoped will be in place by the Autumn. In the meantime steps will be taken to maintain the Play Train in as safe a condition as possible before its removal.

Following discussion at a previous meeting about whether to continue to provide grant support to the Chalke Valley Sports Centre it was agreed to maintain the grant but to encourage the centre to promote its use more widely.

Residents may wish to be aware that there is a major cycling event taking place through the village on Sunday 4th August. Groups of cyclists can be expected to pass along the High Road between about 8.00am and 10.00am that morning, with cyclists returning to Salisbury Racecourse via Coombe Bissett and Stratford Tony in the afternoon. Details are on the village website.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Thursday 12th September at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. All are welcome to attend.



THE VILLAGE WEBSITE SURVEY

Over the last three months the village website (www.bishopstone-salisbury.co.uk) has carried an on-line user survey. This will continue for a little longer, but you might be interested in the response so far.

So far seventeen responses have been received, which is a little disappointing. All but one of these was from within the village. The only exception was an international visitor; there were none from people living elsewhere in the Chalke Valley or the surrounding area. This may suggest a need for us to take opportunities to advertise the site more widely.

70% of respondents visited the website less than once a month, nobody visited it on a weekly basis. Particular items of interest were fairly evenly spread, with local news and events, what's on at the Village Hall and Parish Council matters the main ones. There was also a reasonable score for walks and village history.

It is good to report that 82% of respondents scored the website in the top two categories (of 5) with regard to its design and appearance. With similar proportions finding it easy to understand and the site meeting their needs. Respondents were split 50/50 between those over and under 60 years old, but most were female.

There were a number of very complimentary comments about the site and some helpful suggestions as to possible additional information that could be included. For the person who suggested there might be a discussion forum – the answer is that there is, its called the Village Chat Page!

We will continue with the survey over the Summer, so if you haven't yet registered your views and particularly if you have ideas which can improve the site, please log on.

Mike Ash

Note from the Editors:

Following some reader feedback we have moved the names and phone numbers of the Parish Councillors and the Village Hall Committee to the end of the magazine (p57 of this edition). This should make it quicker and easier for our readers to find the relevant contact numbers.

Did you know that the Valley has its own Facebook page?



If you are on FB do join
Chalke Valley Families.

Village Hall



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MOVIOLA at Bishopstone September 27th 'Red Joan'

A 2018 British spy drama film, directed by Trevor Nunn, from a screenplay by Lindsay Shapero. The film stars Stephen Campbell Moore, Sophie Cookson, Tom Hughes, Ben Miles, Nina Sosanya, Tereza Srbova and Judi Dench.

Tickets are £6.00 each.

Advance booking is strongly recommended.

Tickets are available from <bvhticketoffice@btinternet.com> or from 01722 781044 or 780002.

Cash bar, snacks and ices available. Doors open 7pm.

BISHOPSTONE COMMUNITY LUNCHEES WITH SPEAKER

Bishopstone Community lunches are held monthly October to April. The next one will be on **October 2nd** when the speaker will be Rosemary Pemberton, talking about General Pitt-Rivers and Arts and Entertainment at his Rushmore Estate.

BISHOPSTONE COMMUNITY CAFE

These are normally held on alternate Thursdays. They will continue throughout the summer and will be on **Thursday August 1st, 15th and 29th, September 12th and 26th and October 10th and 24th.**

Open from 10.30am until 12.00noon. Everyone welcome to look in for a coffee and chat for just 50p.

BABY AND TODDLER PLAYGROUP

The playgroup meets on Friday mornings during term-time from 9.30 – 11.00am. The group does not run during August, but restarts on Friday September 6th. Find our Facebook page *Bishopstone Playgroup*, or contact Kate Pendlenton on 01722 780655 or email <kmpendlenton@hotmail.com> for more details.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Bishopstone Playgroup will be hosting a Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 27th September. All villagers are very welcome to attend, we'd love to see you at are busy friendly group. Last year we raised £100 for this worthwhile charity, we'd love to do the same again. Keep an eye out for posters nearer the time.

“EXTEND” EXERCISE CLASSES Friday afternoons, 2-3pm

These seated exercise classes are aimed at people who would like a full body workout but prefer to feel stable. They give confidence to keep fit without fear of falling over, and are fun to do.

£5 per session, (apart from anyone's first free taster class).

Contact Jenny on 01722 780863, email < jennyberwynjones@yahoo.co.uk > or just turn up to any class to try it out. Jenny Berwyn-Jones is fully trained and insured.

CANVAS AND CAMERAS

For information on meetings, please contact Roger Stockton on 780346.

BISHOPSTONE NEEDLES AND PINS CRAFT GROUP

The Needles and Pins Craft Group is taking a break during August and September.

Please see October's edition of STaB for news of future meetings.

Enquires to Caroline Ash on 01722 781044

PILATES AT BISHOPSTONE

Contact Claudine on 07788 587937.

SPECIAL EVENTS

A range of events are being planned for the autumn. These will hopefully include a Quiz in mid-October and a show from Rural Arts in mid-November. Dates and details will be confirmed in the October edition.

BISHOPSTONE LADIES GROUP

The new Ladies Group season starts on Wednesday 18th September, when Mary McGill's talk is entitled 'A Blue Badge Guide's View of Salisbury'. This will be at Shirley Cooke's house, 12 The Croft, and for the benefit of any new ladies who would like to join, the meetings start at 7:30pm.

For details about the group please contact Shirley Cooke on 780346

MAGIC LANTERN AUTUMN SEASON

The Magic Lantern Autumn Season will start again on **Friday 4 October** with the classic musical “**South Pacific**”. We look forward to seeing you at this great movie.

Please note that although we normally have our annual supper at the October film, this year circumstances have meant that the supper evening is delayed until the last film of the season, “Master and Commander” showing on **Friday 29 November. This is a change to the programme.**

It is hoped to unveil a short list of films for 2020, our 7th season, at our October film.

All members will receive the usual email prior to the events. Non-members, who may attend as guests, are asked to contact Roger (780346) or Caroline (781044) in advance.

MOVIOLA AT THE VILLAGE HALL

The village hall trustees apologise for having to cancel the showing of the Moviola film “The Keeper” scheduled for 28th June. The day before the showing we discovered that there were no bookings other than the team of trustees who would be on duty as projectionist, bar staff and ice cream sellers. This was particularly disappointing as this film had been chosen by the audience when we showed trailers of the films on the Moviola summer menu.

We subsequently discovered that a small number of people were intending to attend and had they booked we would have run the film regardless of the size of the audience.

We would love to see a large turnout at our film shows and ask that, where possible, you **notify us in advance** if you plan to come either by signing the list that is displayed in the hall at every event, by phone (01722 781044 or 780002) or on line at bvhticketoffice@btinternet.com .

Francis Taylor

Village Hall Trustee

CORONATION 1953 DOMESDAY BOOK OF BISHOPSTONE

Does anyone in the village have a copy of this book recorded during the Coronation year of 1953? It lists all the houses that were in existence at that time, and it would be great to copy extracts from it and add it to the village archives.

If anyone can help, please contact Anne Stutchbury

annewheelwright@gmail.com

01722 780339

BISHOPSTONE VILLAGE HALL
MAGIC LANTERN SOCIETY



Friday 4th October 2019

Can a girl from Little Rock find happiness with a mature French planter she got to know one enchanted evening away from the military hospital where she is a nurse? Or should she just wash that man out of her hair? Bloody Mary is the philosopher of the island and it's hard to believe she could be the mother of Liat who has captured the heart of Lt. Joseph Cable USMC. While waiting for action in the war in the South Pacific, sailors and nurses put on a musical comedy show. The war gets closer and the saga of Nellie Forbush and Emile de Becque becomes serious drama.



Friday 1st November 2019

Lt. John Dunbar is dubbed a hero after he accidentally leads Union troops to a victory during the Civil War. He requests a position on the western frontier, but finds it deserted. He soon finds out he is not alone, but meets a wolf he dubs "Two-socks" and a curious Indian tribe. Dunbar quickly makes friends with the tribe, and discovers a white woman who was raised by the Indians. He gradually earns the respect of these native people, and sheds his white-man's ways.



Friday 29th November 2019 (plus Supper)

In 1805 during the Napoleonic Wars, H.M.S. Surprise, a British frigate, is under the command of Captain Jack Aubrey. Their orders are to track and capture or destroy a French privateer named Acheron. This task will be a difficult one as the Acheron is a bigger and faster ship. Aubrey's single-mindedness in this seemingly impossible pursuit puts him at odds with the Surprise's doctor and naturalist, Stephen Maturin, who is also Aubrey's closest friend. Aubrey ultimately uses Maturin's scientific exploits to figure out a way to achieve his and the ship's seemingly impossible goal.

Doors open: 7.00pm. Film starts: 7.30pm
 Phone 780346 or 781044 for membership.

Bishopstone Village Hall rates for private hire

Bishopstone Village Hall has 2 rooms that are available for hire for a wide range of functions. The larger room is ideal for children's parties with lots of space for running around. It can also accommodate wedding receptions, charity functions and large family celebrations.

The smaller room (The Memorial Room) is a good size for meetings and smaller gatherings.

The modern kitchen is spacious and fully equipped with an electric catering range, a professional 4 minute dishwasher, water boiler, hot cupboard, microwave oven, 2 fridges and a freezer, all suitable for professional caterers. There is also glassware, crockery and cutlery for over 80 people.

The hire charges include use of heating and electricity.

The rates are currently (January 2019):

	Villagers	Non Villagers
Hire of both rooms (With full use of the kitchen)	£15 per hour	£20 per hour
Hire of both rooms (With tea making facilities but no other electrical kitchen equipment)	£10 per hour	£15 per hour
Full use of the kitchen <u>only</u>	£10 per hour	£15 per hour
Weddings – per event/day	£150	£250
Parties – per event/day	£100	£150

Broadband.

An additional charge is made for use of the broadband connection of £6 per hour with a maximum of £25 per day.

Large projection screen

Use of this professional quality screen is charged at an additional £10 per event.

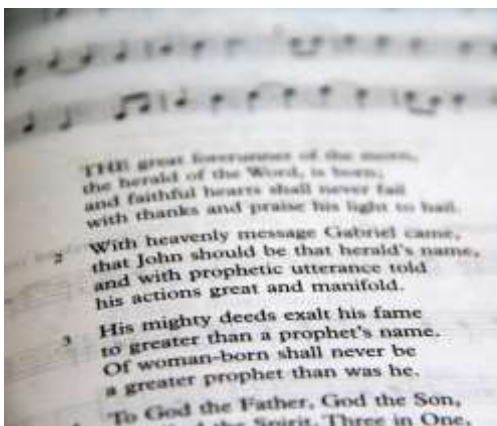
The hire period must include time to set up and clear away after the event.

For further information and bookings contact: Margaret Barter 01722 780471

Bishopstone Church Patronal Festival

On Saturday morning 22nd June, the eve of our Patronal Festival, we had the great fortune to welcome Salisbury Cathedral Junior Choir to our church. The choir was formed in 2007 and is made up of boys and girls between the ages of 7 and 13. Anyone is free to join, there is no audition, and their conductor is Susie Lamb, Director of Music at Salisbury Cathedral School.

The sun shone, and we were able to enjoy coffee, and delicious homemade cakes outside in the sunshine, whilst the choir and their accompanist Alex Palotai rehearsed. A packed church then enjoyed a most delightful concert of songs from “everywhere”. A song from Cuba, complete with actions, met with huge applause from the large audience. With sacred music such as ” For the Beauty of the Earth” by John Rutter and songs from the shows, such as” Chitty Chitty Bang Bang”, we were treated to a wonderful lively entertainment. The choir sang with great spirit and enthusiasm, and filled our church with the most beautiful sounds. We are so grateful to Susie and her choir for giving us such a musical treat. Please come again!



The Friends of Bishopstone Church

If you would like to help the Friends of Bishopstone Church with their work of preserving the fabric of this beautiful building, please contact the Treasurer Norman Barter (01722 780471).

More Pottering Around...

As I continue to walk around the village with Zinnie (not always in ever decreasing circles) several things arise. We chat a lot as we walk, and she draws my attention to things around us!

I am delighted that some generous and far-thinking person has repaired the Netton Street sign at the Faulston end of the road. It has been in poor repair for some time, as the wooden support rotted and the bolts of the sign eroded; recently held together by a rubber sapling support! However, only last week I noticed it was all fixed. A new piece of wood had been made, and with new screws the sign was properly affixed, and it now looks a real 'proper-job'. Well done and many thanks to the unknown who did the repair!

As a footnote, it is important to keep these old alloy, pale blue signs, as Wilts Council will destroy them if asked to replace a damaged street sign. We lost ours in The Croft several years ago, as we were not quick enough to catch the WC engineer as he replaced our sign. We now have a very dull black and white sign, in the wrong position!! The lesson is: **Guard it or Lose it!**

As you walk around the village and cross the many fields, remember to close the gates as you found them, and take care with cattle and horses. They are wild animals, and like our dogs, can react to our presence in unpredictable ways.

Be Aware and Take Care.

Also, a reminder to pick up the any mess your dog leaves behind. Just today, I picked up two pieces of sh** from clearly mown and private grass, carelessly left behind. This is not fair to the owner of the grass, it is dangerous to small people out walking, and is irresponsible ownership. Take care of your own droppings. Where the grass is mown, it is private and any mess **MUST** be gathered by the perpetrator. Where the track or path is in wild field condition, then the answer is to kick the offending article into the hedge. In no case should such things be left in full view, in the middle of the path. Please help us all to keep a clean village, more welcoming to visitors, ramblers and walkers. **Note it, Bag it and Bin it!**

Enough ranting! What a great success the Chalke Valley History Festival was this year. Yet another win for the Valley, and some incredibly interesting talks and demonstrations to be heard and seen. It was a privilege to be able to collect for the RBL on the site, at the Monday morning talks and demos about Normandy and D-Day, and to meet a couple of veterans who were there on 6th June 1944. James and Rachel Holland must be congratulated for their drive in producing such an event, and to bring our Valley to the notice of the Nation. There were reviews in the DT every day of one of the talks offered, and all very positive. Well done to the Committee! *Incidentally, I was one year old when D-Day kicked off!*

Happy strolling and holidays!

James Thompson

Chalke Valley Community Support



The Chalke Valley Link Scheme exists to provide transport and other good neighbour support in a local, personal and friendly way to members of the Chalke Valley community who need it.

If you live between Bishopstone and Bodenham or Britford and need help getting to your surgery/hospital appointments, local shopping, or to visit family members in hospital, please phone **01722 718780** to reach our Joint Transport Coordinators (Anna Mynott, Debby Underhill or Roger Brown who will be on duty in rotation).

There is no charge but you are invited to make a donation towards our administrative costs. Our co-ordinators are all volunteers and there may be occasions when you will be asked to leave a message which will be answered as soon as possible. Our drivers are volunteers too, so please give as much notice as possible so that we can find a volunteer who is available.

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POLICE

Call 999 in an emergency: an emergency is when someone is being threatened or at risk of getting injured, or a crime is in progress.

Call 101 for non-emergencies: such as reporting a crime that has already taken place, non-urgent incident, contacting local officers etc

You can also contact local Police as follows:

PCSO Nicola CLARK – nicola.clark@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

PC Matt HOLLAND – Community Policing Co-Ordinator

CPTSouthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

Community Messaging – for emailed crime reports and local policing updates, sign up at www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk

Social media – for local policing updates follow us on Facebook **@salisburypolice** and Twitter **@SouthWiltsCPT**



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CRESS Open Garden - Thank you

The weather was kind on 15th & 16th of June when Caroline Lamb founder and CEO of CRESS opened her gardens at Knighton Manor, Broadchalke to raise funds for the 10th Anniversary Trip this autumn.

Over the two afternoons 260 people came and enjoyed wandering through the flowers and sitting on the magnificent lawn to have afternoon tea. One of the visitors, Vicky said *"[I] so enjoyed looking at your beautiful garden, well done, a perfect afternoon"*.

The total raised was approximately £4,000 – exact figures will be announced shortly. The funds raised are for workshops which will be held in Uganda while CRESS members are visiting in September. The workshops will include information for refugees on handling the trauma many have experienced through the civil war.

Young Apai is one of the people who has been helped by the trauma therapy we provide. She is just 15 years old and witnessed a horrific attack on her father when they went to graze their small herd of cattle in South Sudan. During a night attack, unknown men came to their camp and slaughtered Apai's father. After the attack, she was tormented by nightmares and became very withdrawn. CRESS provided her with trauma therapy to help her recover from what she had experienced. Following this Apai said, "it has made my mind free of the bad past experience... I am able to sleep at night with no nightmares and terrors about my late father."

As well as our visitors CRESS would like to thank the amazing team who made and served teas, helped on the gate and in the organised the event.

If you would like to find out more, or make a donation to CRESS you can by speaking to Caroline Lamb, visiting www.cressuk.org or sending your donation to the address below. Thank you!

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CRESS Trip - 3rd - 15th September 2019

The 10th Anniversary CRESS trip to the South Sudanese, now as Refugees in Northern Uganda, departs on 3rd September. From the Chalke Valley are Caroline Lamb on her 20th visit; Jeremy Metcalfe (2nd visit) and Fiona Sheldon (4th visit). They will be joined by 5 others, all of whom have been to Africa either independently or with CRESS.

The team will be meeting all the 62 sponsored school children and 18 university and diploma students on a family day and celebration of 10 years of CRESS educational support. The team will also visit the various agriculture projects and the CRESS Clinic as well as conducting trauma training, assisting in the CRESS Office organisation and running a two-day conference on handling stress and bringing children up in a Christian family.

What can you do to support the team? Three Ps: **Prayer, Pounds and Pants**

Pray for the team – using the itinerary for daily guidance.

Provide **pounds** sterling for the team to purchase solar chargers £15, basic phones for students £10, and other products to make life more bearable in a refugee camp.

Present us with ladies' mainly cotton under**pants** as these are in very short supply (mostly small and medium).

Packaged new pants can be dropped off at Knighton Manor, Broad Chalke or Green Pastures in Bodenham.

Pounds can be given in cash at the above addresses or online at

CRESS, Sort Code 40-12-18; Account: 71407090; reference: 'Trip Sept 19'

Please donate in cash or kind by 20th August as we have to be sure we will be able to pack everything within the maximum allowed charity weight limits by air.

Your kind donations will help people who really are the poorest of the poor. Thank you so much for your generosity.

Caroline Lamb

www.cressuk.org



Summer afternoon - summer afternoon; to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language.

Henry James



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w: www.chalkevalleystores.co.uk
e: info@chalkevalleystores.co.uk
Tel: 01722-780998

INTRODUCING NEW TEAM MEMBERS

We welcome Kate Woolven, Nicky Matthews, Vicky Brown and Tamara Jack who have all joined the HUB team in a part time capacity. Their arrival forms part of a staffing review that Tony has recently carried out which is designed to improve service and reduce pressure on staff and volunteers, particularly during busy times. Kate, Nicky and Vicky have been volunteers in the past so know the HUB well. All four are settling in to their new roles very quickly and their commitment and enthusiasm is there for all to see.

2019 CHALKE VALLEY HISTORY FESTIVAL

We thank, in particular, Diana Field who came in every day to help and also of course to Hilary Brown, Liz Wiltshire and Catherine Butler all of whom were extremely helpful in providing HUB services direct to the History Festival. This meant some very early starts and much fetching and carrying as we provided a wider variety of food and drink choices than in previous years. They all did a splendid job and our increased sales at this year's Festival reflect their much appreciated, contribution.

We are most grateful to the organisers of the History Festival for allowing us to support this great event.

ANOTHER CALL FOR CAKE MAKERS

Homemade cakes are an important part of our food offer in the Coffee Shop and as mentioned before, we are currently short of suppliers. So if you, or anyone you know, might be able to provide three or four cakes a week do please contact Tony.

WELCOME TO GEORGE FLINT

George will be working with us on a part-time basis during his summer holidays. Well done and thank you George for offering your services. The HUB is always keen to give the younger generation the opportunity for some work experience so if you have anyone in your family who would be interested, do please ask them to contact Tony to discuss how they might be able to help.

OUR WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS

We always need more so don't hesitate to step forward and join the team.

Tony has recently started holding informal "Feed Back" meetings with volunteers. The purpose of these meetings is to exchange ideas, share experiences and generally to iron out any niggles in the system. As well as the obvious benefit of creating a stronger team spirit amongst volunteers, these are fun social get-togethers as well. If you are thinking about becoming a volunteer you would be most welcome to attend one of these events as a good way of hearing what is involved and how interesting and rewarding volunteering can be. Tony is proposing to hold these meetings on roughly a monthly basis so just ask him the dates and you would be most welcome to attend.

TONY PLAYS THE MARKET

Tony is always keen to secure the best possible prices on the goods we sell in the HUB so much of his time is spent searching for better deals, comparing prices and taking advantage of special offers made by our wholesale suppliers. This continuous drive to keep prices competitive is of course an advantage to our customers but also to the commercial viability of the HUB as a whole. Balancing our role as a community facility with being a business which must make a profit, is all part of Tony's job. We are lucky to have his wide experience handling this complex task for us.

CVHF D-Day Pins

It was an iffy Monday morning when two collectors met at the entrance to the CVHF site, bearing Royal British Legion collecting tins, and boxes of new D-Day75 pins. Angela van der Horst from Coombe Bissett and I from Bishopstone were selling the new D-Day75 pins for the RBL.

James Holland had agreed to our selling them, after Jan Fowler of Broad Chalke had approached him for approval. He was delighted to help, as he is a great supporter of the RBL and all things military. As the morning warmed up, we began to sell to visitors as they arrived, and to participants of the special Normandy Morning that James was running. There were a great many supporters of these talks and the D-Day trenches and equipment available for examination. A very special visit by two veterans of D-Day who answered a myriad of questions from the enthusiastic audience, was a highlight of the day.

We moved on around the site and met folk over drinks and at lunch to sell even more of the pins. On Tuesday I returned and approached visitors all over the place as they queued for talks, watched demos and enjoyed lunch and the afternoon sun. It was great to be able to meet so many supporters of the event, who were very happy to open their purses and pockets to buy a new RBL D-Day75 pin.

Our efforts over these two days were a great success, as we collected a total of £372.34 for the benefit of the RBL. We are very grateful to Puffin Moore, the Valley Coordinator for the Poppy Appeal, who arranged delivery of the D-Day pins. They sold well, and we still have a few for sale in November.

Thank you to all who helped us to help the RBL on this 75th Anniversary of D-Day. We will remember them.

James Thompson



“August is a gentle reminder for not doing a single thing from your new year resolution for seven months and not doing it for next five.”

Crestless Wave

News from Coombe Bissett School

Tel: 01722 718380

Dear Friends,

As usual it has been a very busy term with lots of enrichment events on top of our usual rich curriculum. Our Year Six children had a fantastic visit to the Chalke Valley History Festival, creating their own tiles of remembrance, learning about 'Horrible History' from Martin Brown, finding out about Agincourt and testing their strength with a long bow, learning all about Saxon life, learning how to use semaphore and Morse code as well as trying their skills at breaking codes, visiting a Tudor kitchen, experiencing the trenches and marvelling at falconry – and all in just one day!



For our Sports Day we were delighted to be joined by lots of families and friends for what was a very exciting morning. There were lots of different events for all the children to take part in: football slalom, skipping, throwing the bean bag, obstacle course and egg and spoon. The children work in teams for these events with all ages supporting each other and competing for their colour team. The individual running events and relay were keenly contested with every point counting. Congratulations to all the children on their achievements and special congratulations to Yellow Team the winners of Sports Day 2019. After all their exercise everyone was very grateful for the ice-pops provided by the Friends.



This year our children in Key Stage Two wowed everyone with a fantastic performance of *The Blue Crystal* (a very appropriate choice for our topic: Space). The children took us into the future reminding us how precious our planet is and how important it is to work together. The children gave two outstanding performances and the audiences enjoyed an afternoon and evening of brilliant acting and singing.

Our theme for Science Week this year was Space – especially poignant with the anniversary of Apollo 11. The week began with all the classes visiting the ‘Explorer Dome’ – a giant planetarium. Then, on the Tuesday, one of our parents (Mr Wareham) led a workshop for each class on astrology. He kindly brought in telescopes and pictures to share his passion for space as well as demonstrating to the children how the craters of the moon are formed using flour and chocolate powder! On Wednesday and Thursday all the children were involved in a variety of different activities and experiments – launching rockets, creating constellations, investigating the structure of the earth and much, much more. The children in Oak Class had an extra learning treat led by another of our parents, Mrs Webster. Using the fleeces they had collected from their visit to Coombe Bissett Down Farm (which Mrs Webster had kindly washed for us) the children learnt to card the wool and then used it to create 3D felt planets and 2D planet pictures.



Finally, I would like to thank all our friends along the Chalke Valley for all their kindness and support this year and over the last ten years; I am very proud to have been the headteacher of Coombe Bissett Primary School. I am delighted to be able to hand over our school to the very capable hands of Mr Berkeley Basinger-Adams.

“I do love the beginning of the summer hols,’ said Julian. They always seem to stretch out ahead for ages and ages.’

‘They go so nice and slowly at first,’ said Anne, his little sister. ‘Then they start to gallop.’”

Enid Blyton, *Five Go Off in a Caravan*

From Coombe Bissett School Chair of Governors



'Within a caring Christian community we enable every child to flourish and inspire a love of learning in all members of our community'

You will all know by now that in July we said a fond farewell to Mrs Debbie Cockrean our Headteacher for the past 10 years. Unfortunately the photos of all the parties were just too late to be in this publication but we gave Debbie a tremendous send off! We are going to miss her enormously but she has left a wonderful legacy and we are so pleased that this will be continued, expanded and strengthened by Mr Berkeley Basinger-Adams from September onwards.

Mr Basinger-Adams comes to us from St Johns Primary School in Warminster where he has been the Headteacher. He has the depth of experience that will enable us to continue to move forward as a school and he and Debbie have been meeting regularly this last term so a thorough handover between the two Heads has taken place. We are thrilled and grateful for the way he has been able to get to know the staff and pupils of our school whilst also handing over his present school to his replacement – we are looking forward to having him as our Head as much as I know he is relishing the opportunity to lead us.

Revd Canon Jenny Taylor

Wildflower and Butterfly Walk - Throope Down SSSI

There will be a walk to look at the wildflowers and butterflies on Throope Down on Saturday 10th August. Meet at Throope Manor at 10.30 am. The visit may last about two hours. Please ring Richard Head on 01722718318 or email head@throope.co.uk if you would like to come.

If the forecast is for rain the walk may be cancelled. If that should be the case, please ring before leaving.

Stout footwear and a walking stick are recommended, as the sites are quite steep. If you own a 4x4 and would like to bring it, please do.

The Trussell Trust

Last months total was 27.8 kgs , a huge thank you to those who continue to support this charity.

Tinned meat and tinned vegetables (but no baked beans as they are inundated with these) are always needed as are **personal hygiene products**. **Chocolate and chocolate biscuits** are good treats for families who have little. **Granulated sugar, tinned puddings, packet puddings and tinned fruit** are also always welcome.

Again their main concern at the present time is a shortage of **long life fruit juices and milk** , so if you could include these in your donations they would be very grateful.

This month I have included a letter from the CEO of the Trussell Trust which I hope you will find makes good reading.

As usual donations can be left in the box in the church porch where they are removed regularly or at The Old Post Office, The Cross, either ring the doorbell or leave them on the step. If you cannot get them to either drop off point then please phone me and I will arrange to collect at your convenience.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Judy Barrett (01722 780306)



Dear Friend,

Have you seen the news today that last summer was the busiest ever for food banks in our network? Almost 87,500 food bank parcels were provided to children by food banks in the Trussell Trust's network during summer 2018, **a 20% increase on the same period the previous year**. This year is set to be even busier.

Food banks will do all they can to help families over the summer, with some running holiday clubs or working with other local groups to support parents who find their income simply won't stretch to cover the cost of extra meals or additional childcare during the holidays. This high demand often causes many food banks to distribute more food than is donated, leaving them short of food supplies.

Make a difference in your community today by donating the items your local food bank are most in need of.

By standing with us, your support has already made a massive difference to families across the UK. But ultimately, we don't want to be asking for your help year after year. We should all be protected from needing a food bank's help, no matter the time of the year. **Food banks and other emergency food provision cannot, and must not, be a long term solution to poverty**. That's why at the Trussell Trust we're committed to campaigning for long-term change.

No charity can replace the dignity of having enough money to buy your own food. We need to ensure that everyone has enough money coming in to cover the cost of essentials, whether from secure work that pays the real Living Wage or a benefits system that anchors people from being swept into poverty.

Thank you for everything you do already to help people in crisis. With your continued support we can end the need for food banks.

Warmest wishes, Emma Revie, CEO of the Trussell Trust

Coombe Bissett and Homington Show

The 2019 Coombe Bissett and Homington Show is happening in Coombe Bissett Village Hall on Saturday 14th September, from 2:30 to 4pm. The Hall will be open from 8:30am for exhibitors, but closed at 10:30 sharp for the judging to take place.

Teas will be served from 2:45-3-45pm, with prizegiving taking place at 4pm. Admission to the show is £1 per adult, with children admitted free.

The show is open to all, with a huge range of categories including flower arranging, vegetables, fruit, cut flowers, preserves, cookery, drinks, photography, and two classes for children to enter... so a great number of accolades and trophies to be won!

Schedules and entry forms can be picked up from Coombe Bissett Stores.



TRADarr in concert in Ebbesbourne Wake on Saturday 21 September 2019

TRADarr have reimagined folk rock introducing the tints, tones and textures of a whole panoply of musical genres. There is precision percussion, searingly tasteful guitars, melodic basses and fiery fiddles and some brass in a truly British style.

After the success of their first album, 'Cautionary Tales', the band's second album, 'Further Tales of Love! Treachery! and Death!' has received radio airplay including BBC Radio 2's Folk Show.

The band are appearing at Wickham and the Great British Folk festivals this year but Ebbesbourne Wake Village Hall gives you a chance to see them in a small and friendly setting.

Tickets are £18 if bought before 1 September and £20 thereafter. Please ring (01722) 780717 or email ewmusic@btinternet.com

Quench is a social enterprise hub, based on Churchfields Industrial Estate in Salisbury.

The Friendship Hub is a new scheme set up for the over 60s.

FRIENDSHIP HUB

Activities and company for the over 60's

Tuesdays, 10am - 12:30pm

***** Film event first Tuesday of month *****

Visits from children's groups * Games * Crafts * Music * Jigsaws



Cost £5 per person - Includes:

* Mid morning tea/coffee and biscuits

* Soup and roll for lunch

* Helps us to cover the cost of materials

Where to find us:

Unit 1 Sussex House, Newton Road, Salisbury, SP2 7QA



There is parking outside the building, and the nearest bus stop is on Wilton Road (RED 3).

If you need help with transport call 01722 410123 for the Community Transport Charity, or call our very own Chalke Valley Link Scheme.

Tuesday 6th August - Centre Closed *** NO Friendship Hub***

Tuesday 13th August Film Event

Tuesday 20th August

Tuesday 27th August

Tuesday 3rd September Film Event

Tuesday 10th September

Tuesday 17th September

Tuesday 24th September

Tuesday 1st October Film Event

www.quenchesalisbury.com/friendship
For more details, call 01722 412351

Appeal for Volunteers

The South Wilts Mencap charity shop in Catherine Street, Salisbury is fortunate in having an enthusiastic and loyal volunteer from Bishopstone village. The shop functions exclusively with volunteers, probably the only charity shop in Salisbury to do so. We have recently tried to focus on why our volunteers enjoy working for us and have found three reasons.

First it forms an additional strand in their life on top of their family and domestic responsibilities and their other activities and interests. They welcome that broadening and enrichment of their lives.

They also feel fulfilment in achieving their contribution - however modest - whether this be assisting customers and achieving good sales - or in sorting, pricing and displaying stock and seeing that last week's articles have gone! They know that their work - and the profits generated from it - form the basis of our South Wilts charity being able to provide clubs and activities for our local learning disabled.

Lastly they welcome the happy atmosphere, meeting and laughing with the same friends every week.

We work in half-day "shifts", 10am to 1pm and 1pm to 4pm, most volunteers giving one session a week, but some two sessions or occasionally more, and normally at the same time each week. All our goods are donated so we make excellent profits from high turnover and minimised overheads.

Do you think you have a little spare time to join us? Please drop in for an informal chat with Angela on Monday, Wednesday or Friday or better still ring 333323 first to make an appointment, or 336894 out of working hours.



WILTSHIRE MOBILE LIBRARY

The mobile library will be visiting **The Styles** in Bishopstone on the following dates, arriving at 1115 and departing at 1135:

Thursday 08 August, 2019

Thursday 05 September, 2019

Thursday 03 October 2019

Thursday 31 October 2019

Thursday 28 November 2019

Thursday 26 December 2019



Geocaching

Did you know that in this amazing parish alone there is a secret treasure hunt that is part of a global game called Geocaching? There are over 25 geocaches in this parish alone. All waiting to be discovered every day of every year no matter the weather conditions.

Imagine a stranger leaves a small tiny box hidden in a hedge or behind a gate, or nestled into a hole within a branch with a rolled up piece of paper inside and then imagine they log the map coordinates using either a GPS, a map or cryptic clues. The finders simply use either a special phone app, a GPS gadget or their brains to find the 'cache'. What would happen if the box had a toy or sweets inside, what would it be like in the summer or the winter over years and years and that each time someone discovered the cache, they logged their secret code name on the piece of paper and moved on to find another geocache? Maybe even there is a travel bug that can travel and be hidden around the world to all sorts of far flung places waiting to be found.

All this in an effort to encourage children to get outside, get exercising, see the world around them and have an opportunity to be part of one of the most exciting secret treasure games that is global. Off on your hols? Maybe there are caches to find near where you are staying, maybe you might find a travel bug that you have to help travel as far around the world as you can. The trick to remember is to take with you a small packet of sweets, a pencil, a rubber and maybe you can leave a treasure for others constantly swapping things inside for the next visitor to find. But remember to always leave the box exactly where you found it, leaving behind no litter, no mess and to allow the next visitor to feel the excitement of being part of the most fun secret treasure hunt.

In order to play, you'll need to create a username and then you're off and ready to play.

For more information and to register your username go to www.geocache.com



A local geocache box, well-hidden, then discovered.

Tales from the Time Capsule

In April 2018 George Brutton, one of our churchwardens, discovered a Smiths Crisps tin box carefully wrapped in a plastic sheet and fastened with wire to a roof timber in Bishopstone Church. The box turned out to be a time-capsule, created we think in 1963 (some items date back to 1954), with other things added from various years up until the 1980s. Each month in STaB we will be showing you a few pieces of interest from this fascinating time capsule.

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As we approach Harvest time, an advert from the Salisbury Journal from 1963 for combine harvesters for sale on Southampton Road. I'm sure today's farmers will look enviously at the prices of 1963!

And from the same 1963 copy of the Journal, some Summer days out. The Car Treasure Hunt sounds like a lot of fun, and a great prize to be won too!

THE EVENT OF THE YEAR

NEW FOREST SHOW

WED., 31st JULY

NEW PARK, BROCKENHURST

A FULL DAY'S PLEASURE FOR ALL

Full particulars from the Secretary, D. C. Blatchley (Hewitt & Co., F.A.L.), 66/67, High Street, Lynton, Hants. Tel. 2288.

CAR TREASURE HUNT

Sunday, July 28th

See the New Forest and win a Week-end in Paris for Two.

Starting Point —
Fordingbridge Car Park
2.30 p.m.

LET'S GO TO BRISTOL ZOO

OPEN DAILY

EXCEPT CHRISTMAS DAY

WEEKDAYS 9 a.m. SUNDAYS 10 a.m.

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GARDEN OPEN NEXT SUNDAY, 21st WILBURY PARK

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Entrance from Bodenham or Lower Alderbury

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JULY 22nd to AUGUST 3rd
10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Fri, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

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Stuck for some seasonal salad recipes? Hazel Macleod is here to help you, writing in the South Wilts Church Magazine in August 1962. The moulded salad, made with lime or lemon jelly, is a dish that is yet to work its way back into culinary fashion!

Salad Days

By Hazel Macleod

SINCE we all need a good supply of vitamins and minerals every day it is only sensible to eat plenty of the foods which are comparatively rich sources—fruit, vegetables and salads of all types, milk, cheese and dairy products. In the summer salad vegetables are cheap, especially if you are able to grow your

own, and it is worth remembering that vegetables taken straight out of your garden are more valuable nutritionally than those which have been a day or two in transit from the market-garden to your greengrocer's shop.

As a nation we could be a good deal more adventurous than we are in our choice of salads. Forget the limp and

tasteless mixtures of elderly lettuce and beetroot with a slice of tomato which masquerade as salads in so many restaurants and use watercress, curly endive and shredded cabbage with peas, broad beans, cucumber and baby carrots. Blanched chicory, mostly imported from Belgium, is delicious in season, and for a winter salad use chopped celery and tiny sprigs of crisp cauliflower with frozen peas or beans to add variety. Green and red peppers are pretty to look at as well as good to eat, cut in fine strips, and some variety of spinach is available all the year round. Remember, though, that raw vegetables such as cabbage and spinach must be finely shredded if they are to be digested easily.

Moulded Salad

If you enjoy something a little unusual, try a moulded salad. We use a lime or lemon jelly as the basis for ours, adding a dash of vinegar to take away the sweetness of the jelly but otherwise making up the jelly in the usual way. When it is cold and syrupy in consistency stir in chopped or shredded salad vegetables such as lettuce, cabbage, small cress, tomatoes, peas, diced carrot, etc., then mould in the usual way. (If this salad is moulded too soon the vegetables will rise to the top.) Half a jelly made up with half a pint of water should take at least an equivalent quantity of chopped vege-

tables—turn out when set on to a bed of crisp lettuce and serve with cold meat. This salad looks particularly attractive set in a ring mould with the centre filled up with a dark green salad vegetable such as watercress. If this jelly is too sweet for your taste then try tomato juice set with gelatine.

Sweet Corn

Keep a tin or two of sweet corn in your store cupboard to flavour a salad when vegetables are in short supply—corned beef and tuna fish are other good stand-bys. Grated cheese and hard-boiled egg are obvious additions, but less usual is cold rice, cooked and stored in your refrigerator ready for use. Don't forget the salad dressing, bottled or home-made. The recipe which follows is simpler to make than mayonnaise:

Salad Cream

1 oz. margarine, 1 oz. flour, $\frac{1}{2}$ pint milk, 1 level teaspoonful sugar, pepper, salt, 2 saltspoonfuls dry mustard, 3 tablespoonfuls olive oil, 3 tablespoonfuls vinegar.

Make a sauce in the usual way with the margarine, flour and milk. Cool a little, stirring occasionally so that the sauce does not form a skin. Add the oil and vinegar alternately, a small amount at a time, then the rest of the ingredients dissolved in a teaspoonful of vinegar. Use cold.

Summer Events

With the Summer holidays now here, we have compiled some ideas for some local family activities while the children are off school:

ROLE PLAY WORLD (www.roleplayworld.co.uk) in Wilton Shopping Village have a character mascot (e.g. the Gruffalo, Mickey Mouse) coming to visit every Monday during the Summer holidays. See their Facebook page for more details.

WILTSHIRE LIBRARIES have their annual Summer Reading Challenge. Sign up and participate in either Wilton or Salisbury libraries. Report back on the books you read in order to earn small prizes, and complete the space-themed challenge.

SALISBURY RACECOURSE have Family Race Days on the 14th and 15th August, with children getting in free. Plenty of fun activities such as inflatables, face-painting and fairground rides. Buy tickets online at www.salisburyracecourse.co.uk

SALISBURY MUSEUM is hosting Summer Discovery Days every Tuesday from 10-4. These are creative drop-in sessions, no booking necessary. For more details see www.salisburymuseum.org.uk

MOTTISFONT (National Trust) has a Beano Trail around the grounds, and an exhibition of artwork from the much-loved comic inside the house. Normal entry charges apply. See www.nationaltrust.org.uk/mottisfont for more information.

WILTSHIRE WILDLIFE TRUST have their monthly Wildlife Watch Group aimed at children from 4-11 on Saturday 10th August. For information about the venue and activities this month please contact Penny on pennyfleet99@gmail.com - booking is essential.

TISBURY OUTDOOR POOL is open every day all Summer! They run various sessions such as Parent and Toddlers, Aquarobics, and Adults Only. For times and prices see www.tisburyswimmingpool.co.uk, call 01747 870896 or see their Facebook page.



Some FREE family events going on in Salisbury this Summer:

MUSIC *in the* PARK

7 July, 21 July, 4 August, 18 August
2pm - 4pm, Queen Elizabeth Gardens

BRING A PICNIC AND ENJOY
LIVE MUSIC IN THE PARK



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Play day 2019



Wednesday 7 August
Churchill Gardens 12 - 4pm



Packed full of family fun!
Activities available for all ages

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Bemerton Heath *Fun on the Green*

Thursday 22nd August. 11am - 3pm



Archerly Climbing Wall Messy Play

"FREE hot dogs from The Trussell Trust" (While stocks last)

Face Painting* *£1 per face

Join us for a FREE Family fun day

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Bring a picnic and your friends and enjoy a fun filled afternoon

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Puzzle Pages

CALLING ALL CHILDREN!









Time to spare during the holidays? Need to get out of the house? Why not take part in our village children's quiz? Please drop the completed forms into The Old Farmhouse, Pitts Lane, by the end of August. Please ensure that your name is on the answer sheet, in case we are not in!

1. Which two animals guard a gate leading into one of the houses on Pitts Lane?
2. What colours are on the village pub logo?
3. What sits under the cherry tree at the entrance to The Styles?
4. How many doors lead into the church?
5. What is on the weather-vane on top of the buildings opposite Faulston House?
6. How many carriages does the train in the playground have?
7. How many thatched houses are there on Flamstone Street?
8. What time does the morning post go from the red box outside The Old Post Office in Croucheston?
9. What year does the plaque on the village hall say it was built?
10. What purple flowers grow outside the house on The Alley called Bankside?

There will be an extra prize to the child who can find out the most original fact about Bishopstone. The answers to the quiz and some of the facts will be printed in the next issue.

Summer Find and Colour

Find the following items and colour them in!

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|  1 swimsuit with spots on it. |  6 crabs |
|  2 pineapples |  7 sun hats |
|  3 sea gulls |  8 star fish |
|  4 boats |  9 beach balls |
|  5 beach umbrellas |  10 suns |

What else can you find??



SCRAMBLED!

The answers to these clues have all been scrambled. Can you figure out what each answer is?

1. RIRGDEOP Breakfast food
2. OLREDHSU Part of the body
3. RHTYISO Study of past events
4. GIACMAIN Wizard
5. KOETCP MYEON Child's allowance
6. ANUPYPH Sad
7. RIOTSUT Holiday maker
8. BHGERUONI Person next door
9. AINOTST Police building
10. ESNETNOEGH Ancient site

Bishopstone Ladies Group Visit

On Wednesday, 19th June members of the Ladies Group visited Keyneston Mill, near Blandford for a guided tour of the grounds full of perfumed flowers, the oils from which would eventually be used in the making of perfume. Following the visit the ladies enjoyed a lovely meal at the Langton Inn.

This was the last meeting of the session until we meet again on 18th September and we feel there must be ladies in the village who would enjoy some of the monthly meetings we have with a variety of speakers followed by coffee and biscuits. The subscription is a mere £12. which is excellent value for the year.

Anyone wishing to come for a taster evening should arrive by 7.30 pm. on Wednesday, 18th September next at 12 The Croft when a very friendly group of us will be happy to meet you.

Dot Walker



Recipe of the Month - Blackberry Cordial

By the time you read this, the hedgerows should be filling up with ripening blackberries, and we'll all be picking them for crumbles and pies. But if you want to preserve the delicate flavour of these hedgerow fruits for a little longer, making them into a cordial is an easy and delicious way of doing it. The recipe below can of course be halved or doubled, depending on how much fruit you have to use.

Ingredients

1kg blackberries

Granulated sugar



Method

Rinse the blackberries and place into a large saucepan. For each kg of berries add 100ml of water.

Bring slowly to the boil, crushing the fruit with a potato masher or a wooden spoon until the fruit is soft and the juices flowing.

Scald a jelly bag or muslin (simply by popping it into boiling water to sterilise) and suspend over a large bowl. Tip the blackberries into this and leave it to drip overnight. Don't squeeze the bag.

The following day, measure the resulting juice and pour into a clean pan. For every litre of juice add 700g of sugar. Heat the mixture gently to dissolve the sugar, then remove from the heat.

Pour immediately into warm sterilised bottles (I sterilise them by pouring in a small amount of boiling water and popping the lids on for a few minutes) then seal with a screw-top or cork.

The cordial will keep for several months unopened, but once opened should be kept in the fridge.

Make up the drink with approximately 1 part cordial to 4 parts water, or to taste. The cordial can also be added to sparkling wine to make a slightly more modest version of a Kir Royale!

KP

REQUEST FOR RECIPES...

Looking ahead to our October edition, we would love to hear about some of your favourite Autumn recipes. Perhaps recipes involving apples (there will soon be plenty of those around!), or maybe pumpkins? Or something locally foraged? Do let us know and hopefully we can include some useful recipes for us all to try out!

Nature Notes - The Alder Leaf Beetle

Last year we noticed some significant damage to leaves of a hazel. Then in Spring this year we noticed the same severe perforation of leaves again, but this time the culprit was obvious, a small attractive shiny dark blue beetle about 7 mm long.

In May, there were hundreds of these beetles on our Golden Alder, with huge numbers of leaves damaged and many with yellow eggs on the undersides. The best control was to remove the beetles and affected leaves by hand – every day for weeks. Later, despite our efforts, there were still hundreds of black caterpillar like larvae, which had moved on to other leaves to fatten up, however they are susceptible to sprays. Apparently the tree should not be damaged, but the 7m tree is looking sick.

The Alder Leaf beetle was thought to be extinct in this country and was only discovered in 2003 in Lancashire, since then it has appeared in other parts of the country, notably in Hampshire in 2014. Ours is the first recorded case in Wiltshire.

Whilst they affect the trees which bear their name, they can also affect hazel, hornbeam and beech. The beetles overwinter underneath the affected trees.

Chalkey D



Alder Leaf Beetle

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Green Corner - Eco Issues

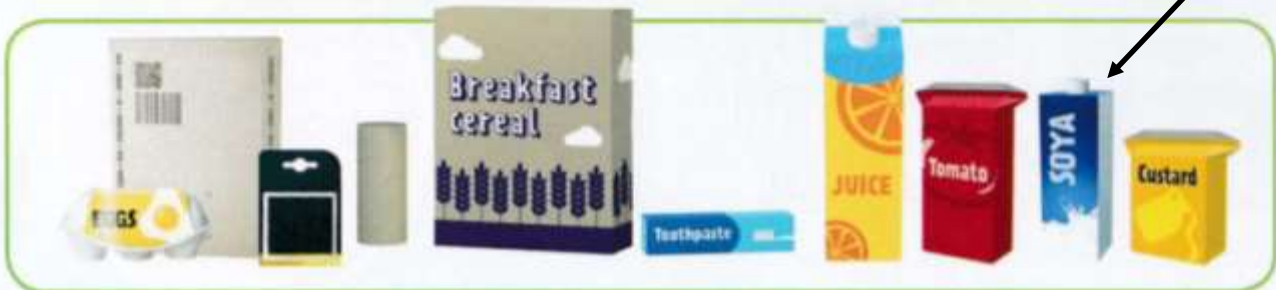
With plastics recycling in the news so much recently, here's a helpful reminder of what you can now put into your blue-lidded bin. Ultimately we should all be trying to *reduce* our plastic consumption of course, but let's try and recycle as much as we can of the plastic that we do inevitably accumulate.

Thank you for recycling more plastic in your blue lidded bin!



Cardboard and cartons

TETRAPACKS!



Plastic bottles

Don't forget -
leave lids on!



Plastic pots, tubs, trays and lids



No thanks X Black plastic (e.g. food trays) X Cling film and other films
X Plant pots X Plastic furniture X Plastic bags

Sarah's Gardening Tips

Seasonal hints and tips to keep your garden looking its best

1. Plants for dry shade: Japanese Anemone, Aстранtia, Euphorbia, Hellebore, Lily of the Valley, snowdrops,
2. In the greenhouse, spray the floor with water to increase humidity. This discourages red spider mite.
3. To make good compost use a good mixture of green: plant material, grass, veg peelings and browns: tea bags, brown paper, manure.
4. Keep deadheading flowers daily to encourage repeat blooms.
5. Encourage tomato ripening with plenty of high potash feed.
6. Take photos of your garden through the season then make notes about ways to improve or change things the next year.

If I finish my day with no garden dirt under my fingernails and nothing new learned, it is a day wasted.

Valerie Clague



Question: What is the common English name for the genus Papavar?
(Answer on p37)

Sarah's Garden Services: 07971 909 548

Email: mygardenservices@outlook.com

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1. Make a .pdf, .jpeg, or Word file of your ad, making sure it is the correct dimensions for publication (see table of sizes and prices above) and that it will reproduce well in black and white.
2. E-mail the file to Rachael Dew (ads.stab@gmail.com), stating what size of ad you would like, and how long you would like it to run for.
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5. The Editor reserves the right to edit all contributions.

Answer to the question in Sarah's Gardening Tips: Poppy

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Tuesday	14:00	Pilates	Radnor Hall
Tuesday	18:00	Fitness Pilates	Britford Memorial Hall
Tuesday	19:00	Pilates	Britford Memorial Hall
Wednesday	09:30	Better Backs	Bishopstone Village Hall
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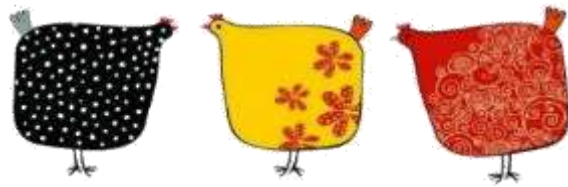
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4 August 7th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Family Communion (CW) Mattins (BCP) Family Communion (CW) Family Service Morning Service Evensong (BCP)	Britford Broad Chalke Ebbesbourne Wake Berwick St John Coombe Bissett Nunton Bishopstone Homington	Jenny Taylor Catherine Blundell Anna-Claar T-Rosingh Lay Led Jenny Taylor Adrian Taylor Sally Leaver Catherine Blundell
11 August 8th Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 10.30am 11.00am 3.00pm 6.00pm	Holy Communion (BCP) Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Morning Service Choral Mattins (BCP) URC Morning Worship Family Service Evensong (BCP) Evensong (BCP)	Broad Chalke Odstock Bowerchalke Alvediston Charlton All Saints Broad Chalke Chapel Coombe Bissett Fifield Bavant Berwick St John	Catherine Blundell Jenny Taylor A Philp/R Leake Biddy Trahair Catherine Blundell Peter Pay J Taylor/ R Leake Biddy Trahair Roger Leake
18 August 9th Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am 10.30am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) Parish Communion (CW) URC Morning Service Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Mattins (BCP)	Bowerchalke Bishopstone Broad Chalke Chapel Berwick St John Homington Ebbesbourne Wake	K Rosslyn Smith/R Leake Catherine Blundell Joan Smith D Blundell/R Leake Catherine Blundell Biddy Trahair
25 August 10th Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Holy Communion (BCP) Communion + Baptism Parish Communion (CW) Family Service Holy Communion (BCP) Choral Mattins (BCP) Parish Communion (CW) Evening Prayer (BCP)	Berwick St John Broad Chalke Charlton All Saints Odstock Alvediston Coombe Bissett Bishopstone Bowerchalke	Catherine Blundell C Blundell/R Leake Anna-Claar T-Rosingh Anna-Claar T-Rosingh Kate Rosslyn Smith Roger Leake Ann Philp Roger Leake
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15 September 13th Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am 9.30am 10.30am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) URC Harvest Festival R3vive Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Mattins (BCP)	Bowerchalke Bishopstone Nunton Broad Chalke Chapel Broad Chalke V Hall Berwick St John Homington Ebbesbourne Wake	K Rosslyn Smith/R Leake J Taylor/ R Leake Anna-Claar T-Rosingh Jackie Lowe Lay Led J Taylor/R Leake Anna-Claar T-Rosingh Lay Led

22 September 14th Sunday after Trinity	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Berwick St John	Kate Rosslyn Smith
	9.30am	Harvest Festival Comm	Broad Chalke	C Blundell/R Leake
	9.30am	Harvest Festival Comm	Charlton All Saints	Anna-Claar T-Rosingh
	11.00am	Family Service	Odstock	Adrian Taylor
	11.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Alvediston	Ann Philp
	11.00am	Choral Mattins (BCP)	Coombe Bissett	Roger Leake
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)	Bishopstone	Jenny Taylor
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)	Bowerchalke	Roger Leake
29 September MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS	10.00am	Benefice Communion (CW)	Ebbesbourne Wake	C Blundell/R Leake
	10.00am	Benefice Communion (CW) and Patronal Festival	Coombe Bissett	Jenny Taylor
6 October 16th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am	Harvest Festival Comm	Britford	Jenny Taylor
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Broad Chalke	Anna-Claar T-Rosingh
	11.00am	Harvest Festival Comm	Ebbesbourne Wake	Catherine Blundell
	11.00am	Mattins (BCP)	Berwick St John	Lay Led
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)	Coombe Bissett	Anna-Claar T-Rosingh
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Dear Team

I just wanted to drop you a line to say a huge thanks for producing the Stab. For two such tiny villages who knew we had so much going on! I love the fact we can actually sit and read it, rather than it being on line. So informative and interesting. I'm particularly fond of the gardening segment. So it's a yes from me, keep doing what you're doing.

Jayne Thorne

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Dear STaB team,

I had cause to be most grateful for ChalkeyD's article on Hemlock Water Dropwort. Returning from the Chalke Valley History Festival on Sunday I was horrified to find a vase of it placed on the kitchen table by our 3 year old granddaughter as a pretty surprise for Grandma! She and her Daddy had picked it during a local walk that afternoon and had no idea of its toxicity. Luckily neither of them had had much contact with the sap, no rashes appeared, and all was well.

When shown your STaB article both parents read it and were truly shocked, not realising such an innocent-looking plant could be so potentially lethal.

Being made aware of that, hopefully the residents of Bishopstone will not now be tempted to dig up the roots to brew up murderous infusions.....

Yours, Pat Abbott



Thanks to Roger Stockton for these lovely photos of some beautiful orchids on Throope Down. Don't forget that if you'd like to learn more about the flora in this site of special scientific interest, there is a Wildflower Walk there on the 10th August (see p20 for more details).



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