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Morning mist over the lake.

Photo by Kate Pendleton

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Following Derek Stirling's 'Village Memories' in the Dec/Jan issue of STaB, Sally Leaver sent us this photo of the three 'Shabby Fellows' taken recently. These gentlemen were pictured in the last issue of our magazine, starring in the 1973 production of *She Stoops to Conquer*. Not looking too shabby 47 years later chaps!

A warm welcome to...

Deirdre who is moving in to Harvest Lane, and James, Bethany and their young daughter who will be moving in to Crouchston Drove.

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



Happy New Year!

Even though the rain continues to fall there are signs of spring emerging – slightly longer days, shoots emerging from bulbs and birds filling the air with their singing! Our hope is being renewed in more ways than one! Three more signs are:

1. Lent will soon be upon us and I do hope you can support our Valley Lent Project of Developing Children’s Spirituality in our three Valley Schools. Please keep a watch out for the Chalke Valley Lent leaflet and especially save the date of our Fund-raising coffee morning on March 7th. To inspire our children is indeed a sign of hope!

2. Sunday 1st March at 11.00 sees a new departure from our normal service in church. On this day we will be holding one especially for children who we hope will bring their parents along! Our service will include singing and praying, listening and doing and will last about 40 minutes. How wonderful it would be if we saw the numbers of our Christmas Crib Service repeated! I am ever hopeful!

3. Our lovely church, now free of its scaffolding, filled with worship and prayer, a place of peace, safety and calm – come and see for yourselves and be filled with hope!

May we all have a good Lent growing ever closer to that universal love of God through our Lord Jesus Christ and knowing that the hope that is in Him will never be extinguished.

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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).

Parish Council

The Parish Council met on Thursday 9th January. The minutes of the meeting will be available on the village website (www.bishopstone-salisbury.co.uk). Wiltshire Councillor Jose Green, Roger Stockton - Bishopstone Emergency Planning Co-ordinator and three members of the public, attended the meeting.

Cllr Green gave a short report in which she expressed concern about the lack of action by the Police in deterring speeding motorists. This was likely to be discussed at the next meetings of Wiltshire Council's Community Area Transport Group and the Community Safety Group. Inadequacies in the operation of their Operational Flood Working Group were raised with Cllr Green, in particular the lack of any proper record of agreed actions and the failure to follow-up issues raised. Cllr Green undertook to pass on these concerns.

Following the request from residents at the top of Whitlock Rise, Mike Ash reported that Wiltshire Council had agreed that the Parish Council could provide an additional salt/grit bin for that part of the road. This will be sited just inside the entrance to the resident's car park. The bin will be provided, and stocked with grit, by the Parish Council. Councillors made clear that the contents of the bin were being provided for use on the public footpaths and road, not on private garden pathways.

As reported at the last meeting, the Parish Council had been consulted by BT about the proposed removal of the telephone box opposite the entrance to Pitts Lane. This is part of a much wider programme to remove under-used phone boxes nationally. A total of only 2 calls had been made from this box in the last year. Following publicity in STaB, one representation had been received calling for retention of the box as a village landmark and in case of failure of the mobile signal. It was considered that BT was unlikely to want to continue to maintain the box on that basis. The box itself, without a phone, could be retained if it was purchased and maintained by the Parish Council. No suggestions had been received as to alternative uses (the village already has a defibrillator elsewhere, and uses such as a book exchange require someone to organise it). It was agreed not to oppose removal of the box.

Roger Stockton set out the current position as regards flooding in the village (see separate note in this STaB). The Parish Council agreed to support the case which had been made to the Environment Agency for action to be taken by the relevant landowner to repair a weir and the main river bank to the west of the village. At present excess water was flowing into one of the associated streams resulting in flooding threatening properties in the Croucheston area of the village.

It was pointed out that nearly all the volunteers who make up the village's Emergency Response Group (co-ordinator, flood wardens and area representatives) are somewhat elderly (most more than 70yrs) and that it would be helpful if rather more younger members of the community were to come forward to help. In a general discussion it was pointed out that the same could be said for other village institutions, such as running the Village Hall, looking after the Church etc. The fact that younger members of the community had come forward to produce STaB, run the Bishopstone Play Group etc was very welcome. However, it was agreed to mount a campaign to encourage more volunteering in the village,

including through social media.

Mike Ash reported that it is likely that fresh proposals will shortly be brought forward by the landowners for the re-development of Croucheston Mill. As before, the intention would be to have an informal public discussion about options for the use of the site before any proposals were finalised and a planning application submitted. It is possible that this could form part of the Annual Parish Meeting in early March.

The Annual Parish Meeting will take place at 7.00pm on Thursday 12th March 2020 in the Village Hall. This will be followed by the next meeting of the Parish Council. All residents of the village are welcome to attend both meetings.



The PCC are planning on having an 'Open Gardens' event next year on 12th July. If you feel that you could have the general public viewing your garden, and would like to take part, please ring Sally Leaver on 780447 or e.mail davidsallyleaver22@btinternet.com

Hoping to hear from you!

Sally

STaB is great... but for more information about the village, and up to the minute news and events, log on to the Village Website:

bishopstone-salisbury.co.uk

For local weather, current events, what is on in the Village Hall, Church service details and news, Parish Council news and proceedings, information on clubs and organisations, the Village Emergency Plan, information on local businesses, detailed maps and walks, where to stay and eat and much on village history and the photo archive.

There is a Village Chat page, where issues of local interest can be raised, and an Ancestry Blog, to find out information on the history of local families... AND MUCH MUCH MORE!

The Roman month Februarius was named after the Latin term februum, which means purification, via the purification ritual Februa held on February 15 (full moon) in the old lunar Roman calendar. January and February were the last two months to be added to the Roman calendar, since the Romans originally considered winter a month-less period.

Village Hall



February 2020

SATURDAY 1st FEBRUARY - THE SUNSET CAFÉ STOMPERS

This will be a great evening of authentic New Orleans jazz, played by a renowned jazz band. Tap your feet, sing along or get up and dance.

Tickets cost £12 with an optional supper in the interval of Cajun chicken and baked potatoes for an additional £5. Cash bar available. Doors open at 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start. Phone 781044 or book online.

We expect this to be very popular so advance booking is strongly recommended and is essential if supper is to be taken. Please advise of any dietary requirements when booking.

BEER AND SKITTLES

The ever popular Beer and Skittles evening will be on Saturday 22nd February. Doors open at 6.30pm for a prompt start at 7.00pm. Cost is £10 for a team of four or £2.50 each. Cash bar, hot dogs and ices for sale.

To book a team please contact Ali Thorne at ali.thorne@btinternet.com or telephone Caroline Ash on 781044. Bookings can also be made at bvhticketoffice@btinternet.com

MOVIOLA at Bishopstone

Friday February 28th 'The Good Liar'

Based on the book by Nicholas Searle, career con artist Roy Courtney can hardly believe his luck when he meets well-to-do widow Betty McLeish online. As Betty opens her life and home to him, Roy is surprised to find himself caring about her, turning what should be a cut-and-dry swindle into the most treacherous tightrope walk of his life. The film is directed by Bill Condon and stars Helen Mirren, Ian McKellen, Russell Tovey and Jim Carter.

Friday March 27th 'Official Secrets'

Advance booking for Moviola is strongly recommended. Tickets which cost £6 each are available from bvhticketoffice@btinternet.com or from 01722 781044 or 780002.

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

BISHOPSTONE COMMUNITY CAFE

These are normally held on alternate Thursdays. The next coffee mornings will be on Thursday February 13th and 27th from 10.30am until 12 noon. Everyone welcome to look in for a coffee and chat for just 50p.

BISHOPSTONE COMMUNITY LUNCHEES WITH SPEAKER

Monthly from October until April. A home-cooked lunch is served around 12.30pm. To book, please phone 781044 or 780002, letting us know if you have any specific dietary requirements or need transport. Lunches cost £7.50 including a glass of wine or soft drink.

Wednesday 5th February

Speaker: Stephen Lycett "The challenges of writing historical fiction"

Wednesday 4th March

Speaker: Sue Waldron "Travels on a Narrowboat on the Kennet and Avon Canal",

Wednesday 1st April

Speaker: Francis Taylor will give an illustrated talk about "Easter Island"

BABY AND TODDLER PLAYGROUP

The playgroup meets on Friday mornings during term-time from 9.30 – 11.00am, Find our Facebook page *Bishopstone Playgroup*, or contact Kate Pendleton on 01722 780655 or email < kmpendleton@hotmail.com > for more details.

"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. £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.

BISHOPSTONE NEEDLES AND PINS CRAFT GROUP

The Needles and Pins Craft Group will meet on **Thursday 6th and Thursday 20th February, 2 – 4pm.**

Bring any knitting, embroidery, quilting, tapestry or other hobby needlework, and enjoy a cup of tea and cake in Bishopstone Village Hall, only £2.50. New members are always welcome. Call Caroline Ash on 781044 for information.

PILATES AT BISHOPSTONE

Contact Claudine on 07788 587937

YOGA WITH HANNAH

The new series of Yoga classes will continue in the Village Hall on every Tuesday and Thursday. Dates for **February are 4th, 6th, 11th, 13th, 18th, 20th, 25th and 27th.** Sessions run between **7 and 8pm** and cost £7.50 per session.

For further information please contact Hanna Stocker on 0773 856 1888 or by email: yoga_with_hannah@outlook.com

FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SUNDAY 5th APRIL at 3pm

"The Bird Show" by The Last Baguette. A children's show suitable for 4 yrs and upwards, supported by Rural Arts.

Tickets: Adults £10, concessions £8, children £5 and family ticket £25 (2+2) available from 01722 781044 or online at < bvhticketoffice@btinternet.com >

LADIES GROUP - see page 10.

BISHOPSTONE VILLAGE HALL
MAGIC LANTERN SOCIETY



Friday 7th February

An American oil company sends their man Felix Happer (Burt Lancaster) to Scotland to buy up an entire village where they want to build a refinery. Whilst the locals are keen to get their hands on the 'Silver Dollar', and can't believe their luck, a local hermit and beach scavenger, Ben Knox, who lives in a shack on the crucial beach, which he also owns, has other ideas.



Friday 6th March

Zululand, South Africa, 1879. The British are fighting the Zulus and one of their columns has just been wiped out at Isandlwana. The Zulus next fix their sights on the small British outpost at Rorke's Drift. At the outpost are one hundred fifty British troops under the command of Lieutenants Bromhead (Michael Caine) and Chard (Stanley Baker). In the next few days, these one hundred and fifty men will fight four thousand Zulus in one of the most courageous battles in history.



Friday 3rd April

Two FBI agents, investigating the murder of civil rights workers during the 1960s, seek to breach the conspiracy of silence in a small Southern town where segregation divides black and white. The younger agent, Alan Ward (Willem Dafoe), who trained in FBI school, runs up against the small town ways of his former Sheriff partner, Rupert Anderson (Gene Hackman).

Doors open: 7. 00pm. Film starts: 7.30pm
 Phone 780346 or 781044 for membership.

Our first film of the 2020 season was Arsenic and Old Lace (1944). This zany comedy featuring Cary Grant in an unusual role as the nephew of two dear old ladies who take in elderly gentlemen as lodgers before poisoning them and burying them in the cellar. It was a well attended event with 43 members present to collect membership cards for 2020. Our next film on **Friday 7 February** is the delightful **LOCAL HERO** that tells of the contest between an American oil company's wish to buy an entire Scottish village in order to build a refinery and a local hermit determined to thwart their efforts. The film includes the theme tune 'Local Hero' written by Mark Knopfler of Dire Straits. Doors open at 7.00pm and the films start at 7.30pm. Guests are most welcome at £6.00 per head and a cash bar and exotic ices are available as usual. We have also a copy of **Farmageddon** on order. This is the latest Aardmann film by Nick Parkes featuring the well known cast of Foggy Bottom Farm. Dates for the showing of this film will follow. We look forward to seeing you on Friday 7 February.

You are invited to attend a Coffee Morning in aid of
Parkinson's UK (Salisbury Branch) on
Saturday 28th March

10:30-12

in **Bishopstone Village Hall**



Come and browse the stalls, and take part in the raffle.

Please support this worthwhile charity!

More details from Sheila Nell (01722) 781120

Bishopstone Rugby Enthusiasts



We are running the televising of the 6 Nations ENGLAND rugby in the Village Hall again this year.

We really would appreciate you turning up before kick off so you have sufficient time to buy food and drink **before** the game starts. We will be shutting the bar for the anthems this season.

So the schedule of matches is as below. Beer, Cider, Stout (Ireland game only) and Lager plus soft drinks, sausage or bacon butties plus optional onions will be on the menu as usual.

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE ATTENDING AS THIS ASSISTS WITH CATERING QUANTITIES

MATCH SCHEDULE

Sun 2 Feb	ko 1500	France v England
Sat 8 Feb	ko 1645	Scotland v England
Sun 23 Feb	ko 1500	England v Ireland
Sat 7 Mar	ko 1645	England v Wales
Sat 14 Mar	ko 1645	Italy v England

BISHOPSTONE VILLAGE HALL

SP5 4AA

WELCOMES THE RENOWNED



**FOR AN EVENING OF NEW
ORLEANS JAZZ**

Saturday 1st February at 7.30pm

Doors and bar open at 7.00pm

Tickets : £12 Supper option : £5

Book online at

bvhticketoffice@btinternet.com

Or call Caroline on 01722 781044

BISHOPSTONE LADIES GROUP

The meeting to be held on Wednesday 19th February will be at 4 The Croft, the home of Dot Walker. Barbara Turvey will be speaking about bread and bread-making. Meetings start at 7:30pm and anyone new to the village is most welcome.

For details about the group please contact Shirley Cooke on 780436.

Chalke Valley Lent Project

COFFEE MORNING

in aid of the 2020 Chalke Valley Lent Project

SATURDAY 7th MARCH

10.45am to 12.15pm, Bishopstone Village Hall

Stalls, Bring and Buy, Raffle, Coffee & Cake

The 2020 Chalke Valley Lent project is all about supporting the development of our children in the communities of the Chalke Valley.



Every week in term time, our Clergy, Open the Book Teams, Foundation Governors and Volunteers go into our three Valley church primary schools to live out with the children, the love of God. This is done in so many different ways. As part of their timetables all children have Religious Education lessons and the curriculum is wide and varied and taught by inspiring teachers. But we could bring SO much more to the spiritual lives of our children.

All our schools would dearly love to go over and above what they provide already but curriculum pressures and tight finances make it difficult – which is where WE come in!

Through Mental Health and Well Being Workshops, through Time and Space in a Garden of Reflection, through Time and Space in an Art Project our Valley Schools will be places where the children will be able to develop a sense of awe, wonder and peace: a sense of themselves in relation to the world, to each other, to God.

To fund this we have set ourselves a target of £9,000. Can YOU help us to achieve this?

The only Shakespeare play to mention February is Much Ado About Nothing.

In it, he refers to “such a February face, So full of frost, of storm and cloudiness.”

Bishopstone Christmas Card



Many thanks to all those who signed the Bishopstone Village Christmas Card wishing their friends and neighbours in the village a Very Happy Christmas. The donations they made totalled £200. This will be sent to the Wiltshire Air Ambulance.

Those who signed the card were:

Vera Cummins	Sue and David Dunwell
Elaine Witt	Deric and Joy Bailey
Audrey Jennings	Robert, Kate, Ted and Ralph
Sue and Francis Taylor	Pendlenton
Anne and Alan Stutchbury	Tim, Hilary, George and Alfred King
James and Ann Thompson	Pip and Roger Stockton
Ross and Mary Colwill	Ron and Pat Abbott
Bruce and Gail Alcorn	John and Judy Atkinson
Derek and Linda	Christopher and Sarah Panes
Caroline and Mike Ash	Ann Gulliver
Norman and Margaret Barter	Dot and Mike Walker
Heather and Des Adeley	Olive Moody
Alix and Michael Ricketts	Pat and Ron Abbott
Margaret and Roderick Parry	Sue Porter
Roz and Colin Everett	Ian and Marilyn Smith
Laura, Jake, Amber and Luke Howard	Jo and Alan Mattick
Catherine, Martin, Isobel, Laura and Mac	Margaret Furnston
Sharpless	Di Wass and David Hallatt
Ann and Graham Dimmer	Jill and Paul Mildred
Joyce Dimmer	Shirley Cooke
Sue and Edward Schruers	Cally, Piers, Giles and Caspar Edwards
Sarah, Richard, Elodie, Iona and Merryn	Lucy, James, Amelie and Toby Purves
	Sarah and Richard Seal

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

Edward Roy Draper Tribute

An edited version of the eulogy read at the funeral.

Edward Roy Draper (Ted) was born on 25th January 1937 at the Three Horseshoes pub in Bishopstone. Son of Frank and Ena Draper, younger brother to John and Marcia and older brother to Diana.

When Ted was born his father, Frank, was the licensee of the Three Horseshoes and also farmed South Farm in the village. When Ted was 8 years old, the family moved to Netton Farm in Bishopstone after his father secured its tenancy. Ted went to Bishopstone school where he passed the 11+. However, as the grammar school was oversubscribed that year, he went on to Broad Chalke school for the remainder of his schooling life.

When Ted left school he joined the family farm, working with his father and brother. Ted worked in the dairy, milking the cows for many years while also carrying out relief milking at the Cooksons farm in Stratford Tony. Ted enjoyed his working life on the farm and continued to do so until he retired.

In his younger days, Ted's great passion was football and made his debut for the Bishopstone men's football team when he was only 14 years old. He played football for many years, having great success as captain of the team and scoring many goals. Ted played with many villagers including Cecil Wareham, Ron Ford and Terry Everett and with his future brother-in-law, Gerald Davies.

Growing up, Ted had many great friends especially local villagers Rex Adlam and David Emm. Ted and his friends would go to the Ron Percy School of Dancing in Salisbury where they learned ballroom dancing. Another good friend of Ted was his second cousin, David Bramhall, who was best man when Ted married Pauline Tapper in October 1966. Ted and Pauline went on to have two daughters, Tracey and Mandy. In the early 1990s, Ted met Sue Friend and they had 8 very happy years together. Sadly, Sue passed away in 1999, a year after Ted's dear sister Marcia had died.

Outside of family life, Ted had been an active member of the Bishopstone Parish Council from 1967 and served for over 30 years, including a spell as the Council's chairman.

In 1995, he was elected to the Salisbury District Council as an Independent councillor for the Chalke Valley ward. Four years later, in 1999, he became leader of the Independent group of councillors. He served as planning portfolio holder from 2002-3 and deputy transport portfolio holder from 2003-4. During this time, Ted helped many people in the Chalke Valley with a host of issues and he was particularly proud of securing housing for many local people.

In May 2005, Ted was elected as the new chairman of Salisbury District Council. During his term as chairman, he participated in many significant events. These included the opening of both the Britford and Wilton Park and Ride sites, which he attended alongside Kevin Wren, the then deputy chairman. He also attended the Queen's Garden Party at Buckingham Palace with his daughter, Tracey. Ted retired from the council in 2009 when Salisbury District Council was replaced by Wiltshire Council.

One of Ted's great passions was his love of music. In his later years, he enjoyed singing with his good friend Steve Thorne. Ted and Steve performed at various local venues including the White Hart, the Queens Head and the Fox & Goose. He also sang solo in the big marquee at the Berwick St. John Country Fayre and at his own Chairman's end-of-year reception. He also enjoyed recording his singing with his good friend Chris Theobald, who produced many of his later recordings, completing more than 15 CDs over the years. One of Ted's other favourite past-times was horse-racing and for 12 years he was a member of Salisbury Racecourse, also visiting many other courses across the south of England.

Being Bishopstone born and bred, there wasn't much that Ted didn't know about the village and he loved to talk about its history with family and friends. Ted passed away suddenly on 15th December 2019. He will be remembered as a family man and loved nothing better than enjoying time with his daughters, sons-in-law and his beloved grandsons. He will be sadly missed by all the family and by so many others.

Flooding Report Dec 2019 - Jan 2020

The autumn and winter months have produced a high volume of rainfall. The recorded amounts, courtesy of Rob Thorne's website, indicated 2.5 times the average in September, 2 times the average in October and nearly double the average in December.

The result has been high river levels but these have been nothing like the flooding seen at the same time of year in 2013-2014.

The flood meadows to the East of Pitts Lane did take much of the excessive water (see above) as they would have done in the early part of the 20th century. There have been breaches of the river banks which will need repair as water levels drop. Most threats to property have been successfully dealt with by their owners and it was only necessary to deploy signs in Netton Street and Faulston Lane and gel bag assistance to one property.

There have been some problems that the Parish Council have been unable to resolve and as of 15 January (the date of this report post an Operational Flood Working Group meeting in Dinton) these matters have been passed to either the Environment Agency or the Highways Division of Wiltshire Council for help in finding solutions.

Roger Stockton

Rambling with Zinnie

Welcome back! It is the new Year and Zinnie and I continue our rambling through the village. She is getting much older now and feels the cold more. Zinnie is about 95 human years old (13.5 years), so hardly surprising!!



We had a good time over Christmas here in the village. The Christmas Fayre in early December was very well attended, as was the pub Fair and Draw later in the month. Stalls and choice were very good and there were so many folk supporting the events. Well done to the stallholders!

The Carol Service was attended by over 100 people in the church and much enjoyed. This was followed by the Carols at the Crib, which was another great success, and much enjoyed by Jenny with the children. The Christmas day service was joined by so many it was uplifting to sing all those carols. And finally, we had the Epiphany service on the 5th which was well supported. The Cathedral service was a complete sell-out, as usual!



The rain has kept up all over this period with irritation for some as the springs sprang into action under their floors again! However, Roger and his noble team of wardens seemed to calm events and keep the river within its bounds. Interesting too, to note how the old water-meadows have filled as they should. And through it all the gales blew, but we have been spared snow so far!!

We lost a great villager this month, when Ted Draper was laid to rest in the churchyard. He was well supported; over 150 people came to the service. We all enjoyed listening to his excellent rendition of 'I'll Do It My Way'. He will be missed by many, and he gave his life to local service. An excellent eulogy was delivered in his memory by Declan White, his son-in-law.

So now we look forward to 2020 ... the 75th anniversary of the end of the Second World War ... but also to good harvests in the Valley ... good success in the school and uni exams .. and good health and holidays for us all!

Zinnie and I wish you all a very happy, healthy and hopeful 2020.

James Thompson

The Welsh call February "y mis bach" which means "little month".

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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FEBRUARY 2020

Despite the dreary wet and windy weather of late the HUB continues to provide a warm and welcoming refuge and so we look forward to being of service to our existing and loyal customers and of course to those visiting us for the first time.

SOME IMPORTANT THANK YOUs

Firstly to **Simon Hiscox** from Prescombe Farm for so kindly donating the 2019 Christmas tree. This has become something of an annual gift but one we do not take for granted, so a special thanks to Simon for continuing to support us in this way. And also to **Andy Wilson** who so kindly erected the tree and decorated it for us, and then took it all down again! Thank you Andy, your help was very much appreciated. The coffee shop has long held a reputation for supplying delicious home-made soups to our customers. This is largely thanks to **Jenny Truluck**, who has overseen home-made soup production for many years as well as so much more in the overall development of the coffee shop since it first opened. Jenny is stepping aside, we hope temporarily, to support her husband, Ashley, who will shortly take over as High Sheriff of Wiltshire. We thank her most sincerely for her contribution over the years but of course hope to see plenty of her in the HUB when she is not involved in her new commitments.

CYCLISTS JUST LOVE THE HUB

So much so that on Saturday 11th January we were again asked to act as a check point for the Bristol to Salisbury ride organised by Audax which is the internationally recognised long distance cycling association in the UK. All 114 cyclists taking part were obliged to call in at the HUB to have their race cards stamped confirming their stop over. Needless to say the delights of the shop and coffee shop proved highly tempting and so in refuelling some tired and hungry men and women in Lycra, we enjoyed a very good days trading. It was a great occasion and we thoroughly enjoyed playing a part in what was obviously a very successful day. We look forward to welcoming Audax cyclists back again soon.

And on top of that we have recently been presented with an award certificate by the Christchurch Cycling Club recognising the HUB for the second year running, as **“the best lunch stop in 2019”**, an accolade we are extremely proud of.

WE ARE ABOUT TO BECOME AN ECO REFILL STATION

In an effort to reduce our carbon footprint and to make our own contribution to the environment we will, in February, become an Eco Refill Station. This will mean that customers will be able to refill Eco products using existing containers or ones of their own choosing. To start with products able to be refilled at the HUB shop will include materials such as washing powder, liquids and others items from the Eco cleaning range. Similar initiatives are being rolled out in many forms throughout the country and we are very pleased to be participating albeit in a small way to start with. Tony is looking to include a range of other products in future so watch this space for more information as this develops.

NEW STAFF

Over the last couple of months we have introduced you to the new staff at the HUB. They have all settled in well as they have become familiar with the workings of the HUB. We are delighted to have them with us and thank them for their commitment and hard work so far.

WEBSITE REFRESH

A thorough review of the content of the HUB's website has recently been undertaken and is now complete. We thank those involved particularly Phil Heald on whose shoulders the majority of the work fell.

ANNUAL MEMBERS' MEETING

This will be held on Tuesday 24th March, this year in the Bishopstone Village Hall starting at 7.30.

The Trussell Trust

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL

Donations leading up to Christmas amounted to 18.9kgs , again thank you so much to those who contributed to this, and this brings the years total to 277.3kgs, A great effort and slightly up on the last few years.

In January I delivered 9.2 kgs so again thank you all very much.

A new year but the problems faced by so many have not gone away. This Christmas was the busiest yet for the Trussell trust and the new year has not begun any better, more and more families are finding themselves in hardship through no fault of their own. Please help in any way you can, we never know when it might be one of our own family or someone we know needing this support.

If you would like to know more please go to their web site www.trusselltrust.org - it is absolutely full of interesting information as to what they do and what their aims are. Have a look.

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.

Regards,

Judy Barrett (01722 780306)



Stratford Tony Harmonium Restoration

The Miller Harmonium in Stratford Tony Church. Built in November 1897 in Pennsylvania, USA. (and guaranteed for five years!)

Readers may know that the church in Stratford Tony has been in the hands of the Churches Conservation Trust for more than twenty-five years. During that time the Trust has carried out many repairs on the building including re-roofing the nave and re-plastering the ceiling in both the nave and the chancel. In the intervening years there has been a tradition of holding a once a year Evensong service, on a Sunday afternoon around mid-summer, together with the occasional concert and art exhibition.

Up until some fifteen or more years ago music had been provided by the harmonium in the church. On occasions Heather and I have had to carry out emergency repairs to it just before the service. When Trixie Martin was leaving Coombe Bissett, she donated her electronic organ to the church, that sufficed for a year or two. However, some summers ago, as Richard Seal playing and Rev. Jenny Taylor, was processing up the aisle, the instrument began to emit sounds of extreme terminal pain. At this point several gentlemen in the congregation rushed forward to remove the offending key-board and replace it with the venerable harmonium. Order was restored when Richard struck up the Hallelujah Chorus, and the service proceeded with decorum using the very wheezy harmonium.

For a number of years since then, music for the service was provided by keyboards borrowed from either Broad Chalke or Coombe Bissett. This procedure was again followed last summer. However, when Ben Maton arrived, he spied the harmonium and elected to play it. By the end of the service, somewhat exhausted, it being a hot day, he confirmed that the instrument needed to be overhauled. In discussions after the service several members of the congregation indicated that they were willing to subscribe to its restoration.

The Churches Conservation Trust were approached and agreed that while restoring harmoniums was not their top priority, they were sympathetic to the idea. They were asked which firms were on their approved restorers list, that we might approach. We were put in touch with Stephen Moores of Chichester. When he arrived, I asked him if he would look at the instrument and quote for its restoration. He then indicated that the best way forward would be take it apart to see what was wrong, quite apart from the obvious failure of the bellows!

It turned out that Stephen Moores was only an advisor and not really in business as a professional restorer but by that evening all the components that might need repair were in our conservatory and I had been left with a small booklet on how to repair harmoniums. This was not really what I had in mind at the outset, so I was quite relieved when I received a phone call the next morning, from Stephen,

offering to restore the section of the instrument that contained the reeds and the pallets.

During inspection of the instrument it appears that the last time it had any major work carried out was in 1929.

Repair work this time included patching the many holes in the pump chambers and the plenum and replacing nearly all the pallet support springs. These were made from brass wire, which after 120 years were showing signs of fatigue failure. Unfortunately, the Miller Organ company folded in 1923, so spare parts were not available, and Stephen had to make 61 of these springs by hand, from piano wire which we supplied. To give some background, at the time of this harmonium's manufacture, in 1897, Millers were turning out 1,600 instruments a year.

When the Churches Conservation Trust's men were lime plastering the ceilings, some drips fell on the casing of the harmonium, so many hours have been devoted to restoring the casing to something of its former glory.

The harmonium has now been restored. Musicians playing it will discover that some of the stops are not working. This is because manufacturers tended to have a standard panel for appearances, but what features you got depended on the pocket of the individual purchaser. Further a stop used to reduce the sound level was almost certainly removed during the 1929 re-build, because the moths had made a meal of it!

It is hoped that the harmonium will now give more years of pleasure both to those who play and those who hear it play.

Heather and Des Adeley



February was added to the Roman calendar in 713 BC. The length of the month changed over time and, at one time, it had as few as 23 days. When Julius Caesar remade the Roman calendar, the month was assigned 28 days during normal years and 29 days during leap years which occurred every four years.

In 1712, thanks to mistakes in calendar reform, Sweden and Finland had 30 days in February.

Private CV Walker, Australian Imperial Force



Charles Walker's gravestone in
Bishopstone churchyard

The solitary grave of a soldier of the Australian Imperial Force lies in the graveyard of the Church of St John the Baptist in Bishopstone. Marked by a standard Commonwealth War Graves headstone, the inscription reads CV Walker, Pte, 9th Infantry Bn, with the date of his death. What do we know about this young man who died so far from home and was laid to rest in our churchyard? Much information can be found on Pte Walker in the National Archives of Australia.

Charles Valentine Walker was a labourer living in the small town of Lyndon in Brixton, Queensland. He was single and his only close relative seems to have been his adoptive mother, Mrs Edith Blain,

who lived at Eurondilla, Longreach, Queensland. He was paid 5 shillings per day, of which he allotted 3 shillings in Australia, presumably to his mother.

He joined up on 26 June 1916 at the age of 21 and embarked on HMAT Boonah at Brisbane on 21 Oct 1916 for England as part of the 16th Reinforcements to the 9th Infantry Bn.

Group portrait of the 16th Reinforcements to the 9th Infantry Bn prior to embarkation. Charles is somewhere on this photograph.



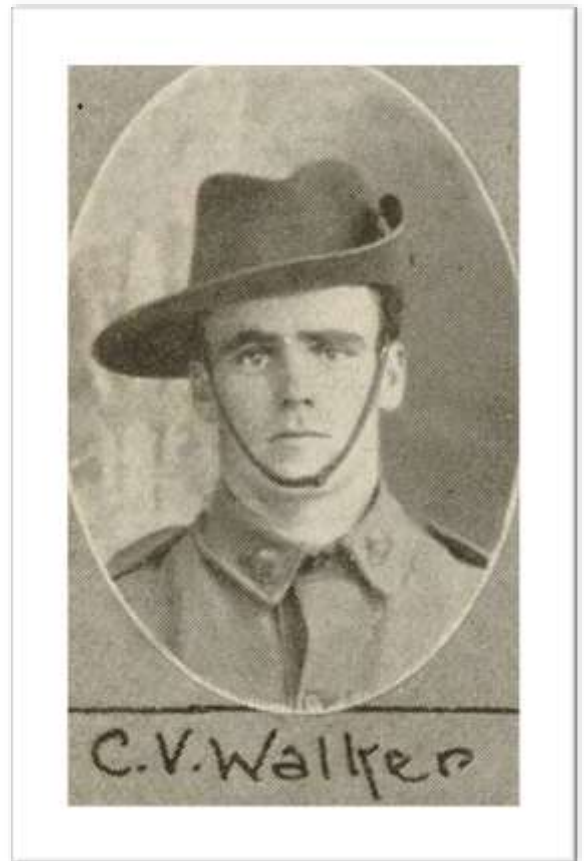
HMAT A36 Boonah, the troopship on which Charles travelled to England. (State Library of NSW)

Having previously served in Gallipoli, the Battalion had been serving in France since March 1916. Whilst undergoing training on or around Salisbury Plain prior to being sent to France, according to his Service Record he was admitted to Fargo Military Hospital at Larkhill (presumably on the site of what is now the Fargo Ammunition Compound for the Royal School of Artillery) with influenza . He died aged 22 on 1 February 1917 of broncho pneumonia.

Why was he buried in our churchyard? His records indicate that his body was passed to a relative, Mr Raikes, of Bishopstone for interment. A subsequent letter from his mother Edith indicates that this was her uncle, Revd F Raikes. This would be the Revd Francis Raikes, Rector of Bishopstone from 1914 to 1931. He presumably arranged for Charles to

be buried in the churchyard. Later, when the simple wooden crosses which marked the graves were being replaced with more permanent markers, Edith was asked if she wanted any inscription written on the headstone. She said :

'there is nothing to write about him. He was only a bush reared boy and went to do his duty.



The Revd Montgomery Coal Trust

This Bishopstone charity may ring some bells with some of you or may leave a total deafening silence with others! It is a very small charity which has given help to those in need financially and educationally over the years. We have had only one request over the last two years and the Trustees have taken the decision to close the charity and have it removed from the Charity Commission Register.

However, all the funds have been transferred to a restricted fund in the Bishopstone with Stratford Tony PCC account and will remain there safely. The conditions for grants will remain the same and the Vicar, the Church Wardens and the former Trustees will all be able to recommend beneficiaries. If you, or someone you know, might benefit from a grant and live in Bishopstone or Stratford Tony please contact any one of the following:

*Revd Canon Jenny Taylor
Mrs Sarah Seal, Mr George Brutton
Mrs Kate Pendleton, Mr Rob Pendleton.*

Our contact details are elsewhere in this edition.

Please be assured your requests will remain completely confidential.

Mary Blackmore - from Bishopstone to Bozeman

What connects a marriage in Bishopstone Church, a mountain in Wyoming USA and a suicide in Belgravia, London? The answer is the lives, and deaths, of Mary Sidford, who grew up in Faulston House, Bishopstone, and her husband William Henry Blackmore.

Mary Sidford was the daughter of John and Mary Sidford who farmed at Faulston from about 1823. On 14 May 1851 she married William Blackmore in Bishopstone Church. The Blackmore Vale in Dorset is named after his family and his father was a linen draper in Salisbury. Trained as a lawyer he came into contact with businessmen interested in the opportunities presented by the opening up of the USA after the Civil War.



William made a fortune arranging venture capital for land and railway development in both the USA and Mexico. He and Mary set up home in London where they entertained many prominent people including Alfred, Lord Tennyson and Mark Twain. He developed an interest in archaeology and acquired many antiquities excavated in the USA and Central America. Together with his brother, Humphrey, William set up the Blackmore Museum alongside the Salisbury and South Wiltshire Museum in St Ann's Street to house his collection. The Blackmore Museum opened in September 1867. The Encyclopædia Britannica described it as "one of the finest collections of prehistoric antiquities in England." Later the two museums were amalgamated and, following Humphrey Blackmore's death in 1929, much of the Blackmore collection was distributed to other museums.



William was clearly fascinated by the "wild" west and sponsored an expedition in 1872 to survey the Yellowstone region of Montana and Wyoming. He commissioned photographers to record the expedition and, in particular, to document the lives of Native Americans. This photograph is of William with Chief Red Cloud. He was joined on the expedition by his wife Mary. But in July 1872 Mary contracted pneumonia whilst in Bozeman, Montana and sadly died. William purchased land in the town for her

burial and donated it to the town for a cemetery, a purpose it serves today. The expedition leader, Ferdinand Hayden, named the 10,000ft Mount Blackmore, just north of Yellowstone National Park, in her honour. Her death was recorded in the local Montana newspaper as follows:

Sad News--Sudden Death of Wife of Sir William Blackmore

Bozeman, M.T., July 19--Mrs. Blackmore, the wife of Sir William Blackmore, an English gentleman eminent for his scientific attainments, died very suddenly at this place last evening. She will be buried today. They had just arrived at Bozeman for the purpose of joining Professor Hayden's exploring party up the Yellowstone. She died from a congestive chill, brought on from over fatigue and the sudden change in the weather.

In this William Blackmore is referred to as “Sir”. In other writings in the USA he is referred to as “Lord” Blackmore. Unfortunately, he was never knighted or ennobled! This perhaps reveals a slightly less respectable side to William Blackmore. Many of his investment projects appear to have been somewhat dubious. He was adept at persuading businessmen to make investments on which they were promised extraordinarily high rates of return, which never materialised. Following the recession of 1873 most of his fortune was lost and on 12 April 1878 William shot himself in his study at Belgrave Mansions, Grosvenor Gardens, London.



In 1866 Mary Blackmore had funded the north window in the Farmer’s Aisle of Bishopstone Church in memory of her parents. The memorial commemorating her death in Bozeman, Montana is alongside that window. Caroline and I visited Bozeman in September 2019. It is a fine town and a lovely final resting place for Mary Blackmore from Bishopstone.

Mike Ash

Volunteering in the Parish

There are many aspects of our village life which cannot or would not happen without people volunteering to organise, plan and run them. The Parish Council, the Village Hall Committee, the Flood Warden team, and our churches are just some of the organisations which require voluntary support.

These and many other activities all help our community to function and provide opportunities for all of us in the village. Unsurprisingly, most of the volunteers are drawn from the retired community who benefit from being able to decide how to spend their time and clearly have a strong sense of community spirit. Some of the activities require a certain level of physical strength.

This is a call for people to offer themselves for as much or little as they can across a range of activities. Please consider if you can spare some time and energy for the community and contact the Parish Council to discuss options via:

bishopstoneclerk@btinternet.com or *piersgedwards@gmail.com*

One specific need right now is in Bishopstone churchyard, some areas of which are overrun with brambles and ivy. Paths are choked with weeds and leaves are rotting on the grass. The churchwardens do what they can but the task is beyond their limited resources. What the church really needs is volunteers to offer an hour or so of their time to be part of a working party as the needs arise. If you feel that you could help in this way please contact Sarah Seal or George Brutton (contact details on p3 of this magazine) so they can draw up a list of volunteers.

Fovant Badges Society Update

After nearly two years Fovant Badges Society have again a Donations Box at the A30 Lay-by.

With the tremendous support of Dorset Centre for Rural Skills and Rob Buckley, and the additional skills of B D Engineering of Blandford, a new installation was fixed in place in November. Designed by Leslie Brantingham and manufactured by Rob Buckley to be as robust as possible it is appropriately designed as a WWI tank



This we hope will give the myriad of travellers and tourists who pass through Fovant, especially in the warmer months, the opportunity to add their tangible support to their appreciation of these remarkable landscape tributes to those servicemen who were temporary Fovant residents in times past.

F.B.S. are also looking for support and advice to establish a form of electronic giving using QR codes and e-payment systems; if you have this kind of smarts and can spare us some time please email us:

(FovantBadgesSociety@gmail.com) or contact us through our web site... L.B.

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 20th February 2020

Thursday 19th March 2020

Thursday 16th April 2020



Groundhog Day, celebrated in America on February 2, came about because of a German superstition. They thought if a hibernating animal cast a shadow on February 2nd that winter would last for another six weeks. If there was no shadow, spring would come early.

Olive Moody's Retirement

On Saturday 18th January, the Bishopstone Singers held a party in the Village Hall. This party had a dual purpose: to thank Olive Moody for her 3-decades-plus service to the choir... and also to celebrate her birthday which was on that very day!

The party was ably organised by Sue and Francis Taylor, with many of the choir past and present involved in setting and clearing up, arranging flowers, making food, serving drinks, and making and decorating not one, but two delicious cakes.

The choir had sung Handel's Hallelujah Chorus at the Christmas Carol Service, so in a nod to this, Sally Leaver had written an alternative version ('O-live Moody, Our conductor...!') with which the choir serenaded Olive, much to her amusement! She was then presented with a framed photo of the choir, and an album of photos documenting the history of the choir and their singing events. Richard Seal gave a short speech thanking Olive on behalf of the choir.

Our two accompanists, Richard Seal and John Powell were also thanked and presented with gifts of appreciation for their hard work.

A lovely sociable evening was had by all.

Olive cutting her two cakes, a fruit cake for her retirement and a chocolate cake for her birthday.



Richard Seal and John Powell, our talented accompanists.

Wiltshire
Wildlife Trust



Explore and make a difference for the wildlife on your doorstep by attending one of the many events taking place at Coombe Bissett Down nature reserve. Events include wildlife identification, guided walks, arts and crafts and much more!

Nest Box Making

Monday 17th February, 10am – 1pm
Coombe Bissett & Homington Village Hall

Felt making

Saturday 14th March, 10am – 3pm
Coombe Bissett & Homington Village Hall

Archaeology Geocache Trail

Wednesday 8th April, 10am – 1pm
Coombe Bissett Down

Bat Walk

Friday 15th May, 8.45 – 10pm
Coombe Bissett Down

Chalk Grassland Wildflower Identification

Sunday 7th June, 9.30am – 12.30pm
Coombe Bissett Down

Places are free due to the support of the National Lottery Heritage Fund. For further information and to book your free place please contact Project Officer, Melanie Evans on:

07827848986

CBDProject@wiltshirewildlife.org



The birthstone of February is the amethyst; the birth flower is the violet or common primrose.



SUPPORT HORATIO'S GARDEN BY HOSTING A FABULOUS SUMMER TEA PARTY THIS JUNE

Join Joanna Lumley and Horatio's Garden charity this June by taking up your teapots, baking your favourite cake and hosting your very own Fabulous Summer Tea Party!

Horatio's Garden are asking supporters to hold a tea party anytime throughout the month of June in order to raise vital funds for the charity, which creates and nurtures beautiful gardens in NHS spinal injury centres to support everyone affected by spinal injury.

Last year the nationwide tea party raised an incredible £30,000, but this year Horatio's Garden need your help to make this the most successful Fabulous Summer Tea Party yet. The beauty of the fundraising event is that you can hold a tea party wherever you like, be that in your homes, gardens, at work, on the beach, or anywhere else you can think of!

Horatio's Garden would love to hear from anyone who would like to get involved and are especially keen to encourage community groups, sports clubs and workplaces to join in with the fun. Having seen how much people enjoyed last year's event, the charity can safely say that getting to know your neighbours, fellow sports enthusiasts and colleagues over a good brew, whilst raising money for a wonderful cause, is a great way to spend a summer afternoon.

To date the charity have opened gardens in NHS spinal injury centres in Salisbury, Glasgow, Stoke Mandeville and **Oswestry**. Work has recently begun on the charity's fifth project at the Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Stanmore, whilst their sixth project will be in Cardiff at University Hospital, Llandough.

By simply hosting a tea party this summer, you'll be supporting both the charity's current gardens and projects, as well as their vision to have a thriving Horatio's Garden in all the 11 NHS spinal injury centres throughout the UK.

To get involved in the Fabulous Summer Tea Party this June, all you need to do is request a Tea Party Pack. This contains everything you'll need, including invitations, posters, a 'how to host' guide and much more! **Simply email events@horatiosgarden.org.uk or visit www.horatiosgarden.org.uk/teaparty/ to receive your pack** and then you too can par-tea with the best of them!

Recipe of the Month - Sticky Toffee Cake

By Kate Pendlenton

Recently I decided I wanted to make a cake that captured the flavours of a Sticky Toffee Pudding, a family favourite in this house. I found a recipe online for a date cake, and made it - it was great - but I have gradually added to it and adapted it until I feel it's pretty much 'mine'. I often make this cake for Bishopstone Playgroup and it's always popular!

This cake is superbly easy. I love this kind of 'all in one', chuck it in the food processor type of recipe, and the fruit content means it's always moist. It keeps well for about a week, and I have even frozen it in slices to no ill effect, ready to defrost quickly for unexpected guests. It works well as a cake with morning coffee, afternoon tea, or warmed with custard as a pudding (a drizzle of toffee sauce on it would be perfect too). All in all a great cake to have in your baking repertoire!

Ingredients

250g dried dates
275ml boiling water
1 tsp bicarbonate soda
175g soft light brown sugar
150g butter
3 eggs, beaten
175g self raising flour
100g raisins or sultanas
50-100g crystallised ginger (optional, and to taste)



Method

Pour the boiling water over 3 quarters of the dates and leave for 15 minutes or so to soften

Meanwhile chop the remaining dates - and the ginger, if using - and put aside.

Preheat the oven to 175 degrees Celsius.

In a food processor, blend together the butter, sugar and dates, including the still-warm soaking water.

Add the eggs, then the flour and bicarb, and blend until smooth.

Stir in the chopped dates, chopped ginger (if using) and the raisins.

Pour the mixture into a greased and lined (I just line the base) 24cm round tin.

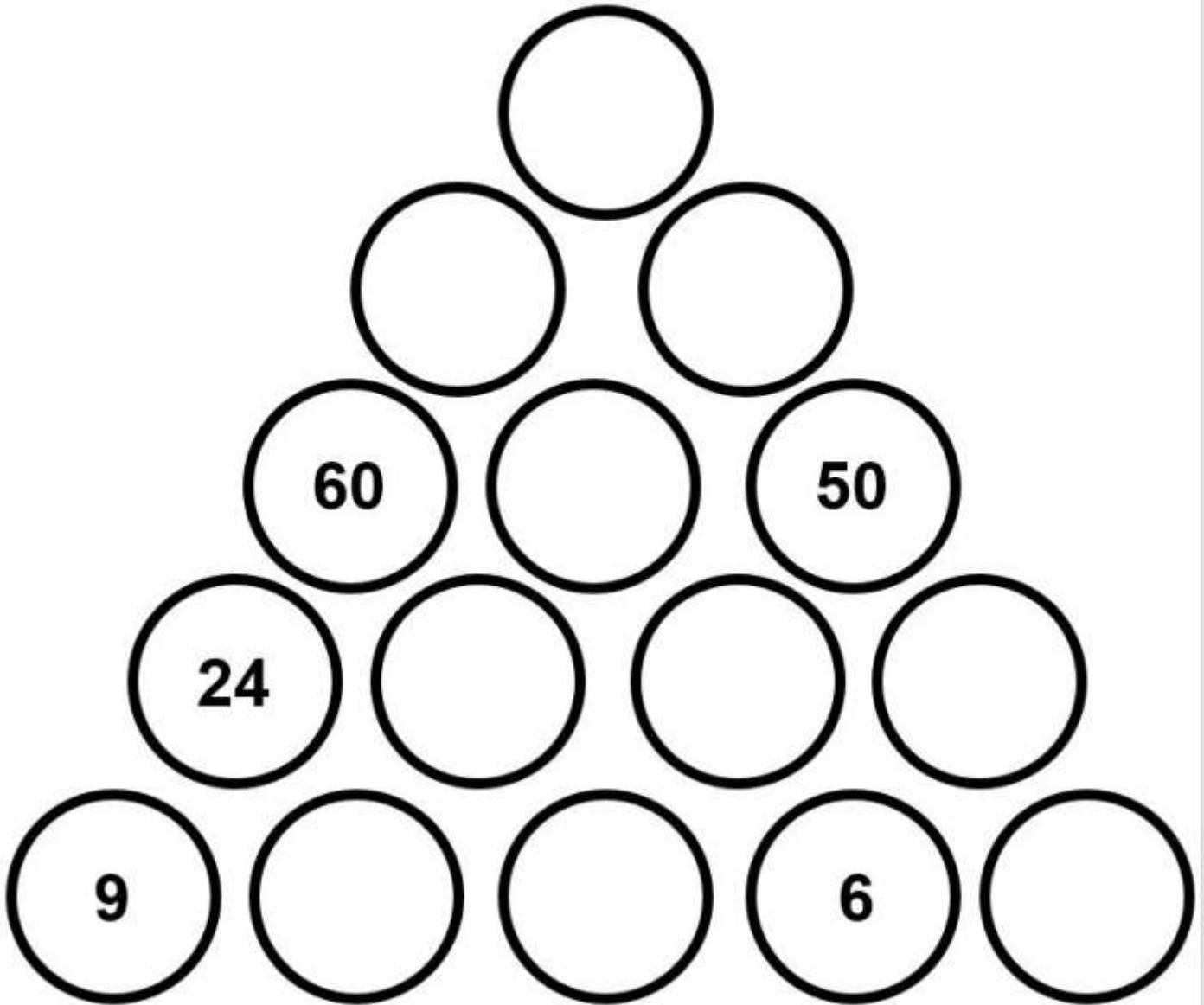
Bake for 40 minutes until firm in the middle, and the edges are slightly pulling away from the tin. I usually check it at 35 minutes, but in my oven 40 is spot on.

To make the cake look less 'plain' and give it a crunchy topping you can brush it with melted butter and sprinkle with demerara sugar while it is still hot.

Puzzle Page

Pyramid Plus

The number in each circle is the sum of the two numbers below it. Just work out the missing numbers in every circle.



Step Ladder

By changing one letter each step, can you turn GOAT into WOOL in three moves?

GOAT	
	Target
	Young Horse
	Joke
WOOL	

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.

BISHOPSTONE VILLAGE STORE

The local shop and Post Office is now under new ownership, by Carole and Paul Gallagher. It is still being managed by Mrs. Natalie Bundy, though unfortunately, Molly Veale has left to work in Salisbury. Her place has been taken by Mrs. Jean Burt.

The shop has been completely restocked, and now carries an ever increasing range of groceries and provisions. A retail license has been applied for to sell liquor and they would hope, if successful, to be selling wines and spirits within two months. There are plans to stock a number of frozen convenience foods by mid-June and a small range of gifts. The hours of opening are as below, though these are to be extended in the near future.

Monday	9am - 5.30pm
Tuesday	9am - 12.30pm
Wednesday	9am - 5.30pm
Thursday	9am - 5.30pm
Friday	9am - 5.30pm
Saturday	9am - 5.30pm
Closed for lunch	12.30 - 1.30pm

They would be grateful for any advice from villagers as to the kind of merchandise they would like to see stocked. Also they are particularly keen to carry a range of locally produced goods, so if you wish to sell locally grown produce please contact them at the shop of Ebble Cottage.

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A focus on village businesses this month, with a page from the 1985 programme of events to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Bishopstone Village Hall. The local shop and Post Office, sadly no longer a part of our village, had just been taken over. Still very much a part of our village community is Les Smith!

BUY IN BISHOPSTONE! VILLAGE SHOP & POST OFFICE



POST OFFICE HOURS

Monday	9-12.30
Tuesday	9-12.30
Wednesday	9-12.30
Thursday	9-12.30; 2-5.30
Friday	9-1 p.m.
Saturday	9-12.30
Sunday

SHOP HOURS

9-5.30	The shop now
9-5.30	has new
9-5.30	Videos which
9-5.30	are changed
9.5.30	fortnightly.
9-12.30	Free member-
10-12	ship. £2 each.

Telephone orders taken - Mrs. Sandy Savage 780745

STAB - Stratford Tony And Bishopstone.
 "... and stab my spirit broad awake"
 from The Celestial Surgeon by Robert
 Louis Stevenson.

A copy of STaB from 1988 (above) gives the shop and PO opening hours, and an advert for their stock of videos (remember them?!). We were interested to read that the name of this magazine also appears in the religious poem 'The Celestial Surgeon' by RL Stevenson.

(Right) An advert for our village pub from the 1985 village hall anniversary celebrations.

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Sarah's Gardening Tips

1. The term "In the green" i.e. Snowdrops, means after it has flowered but before it goes to sleep for the summer.
2. Chit early potatoes by placing in a warm, dry, light place with buds facing up. Once the buds are 2cm long they can be planted outside.
3. Sow cauliflower seeds at about 10-15 degrees C for an early summer crop.
4. Spray fuchsias with water on warmer days to encourage new growth.
5. Check plants for early greenfly and wipe off with damp tissue or fingers.
6. Half-hardy flowers such as geraniums and dahlias can be sown now as can veg that are slow germinators. Use a heated propagator or put a plastic bag over the pot on a window sill.

Gardening is not a rational act.

Margaret Attwood



Question: Which was the first property that the National Trust acquired for its garden? (Answer on p53)

Sarah's Garden Services: 07971 909 548

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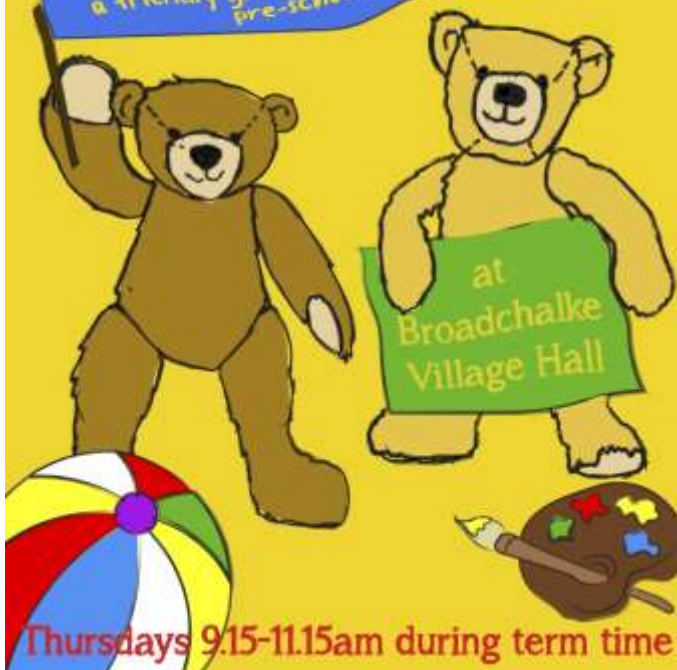
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I would like to express, through STaB, my sincere thanks to Jenny, the PCC and Church congregation for the beautiful Christmas bouquet presented to me after the Carol Service on 22nd December; and many thanks also to the Bishopstone Singers, Richard Seal and instrumentalists for singing and playing so brilliantly, making the occasion most memorable. You 'gave your all' and excelled yourselves!

Thank you, Olive Moody

Letter from the Editors!

This issue marks a full year since the new team took over the editing of STaB. We have enjoyed the process of developing the magazine, and would like to thank all our advertisers, as well as everyone who has contributed to STaB over the past year. It's great to see so many people from the community involved.

Do you have any ideas about anything else that you would like to see in your Parish magazine? Is there something you'd love to write about? Please do send your ideas and contributions to us at the email address listed on page 2. We welcome all submissions, both written and pictorial (photographs or artwork).

Many thanks, Kate, Rob, Lizzie and Cally

Edward Roy Draper, Born 25th January 1937

I was deeply shocked at the passing of my dear and trusted friend, Ted.

He worked on the family farm and his youth he was a great sportsman and footballer, and played with my father Reg. Once retired he also became part of the local council and did a lot of good for the people in the village.

I didn't know too much about Ted during the early part of his life. But got to know him later on when we decided to have a go playing music and singing together. We played a few pubs and beer festivals and had a great time doing so. In more recent years he would usually pick me up once a week to have a pint and generally put the world to rights. Regardless of how much nonsense those conversations were I'm definitely going to miss them.

So farewell and God be with you.

May you rest in peace.

Steve Thorne



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	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Broad Chalke	Jenny Taylor
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)	Ebbsbourne Wake	Anna-Claar T-Rosingh
	11.00am	Mattins (BCP)	Berwick St John	Roger Leake
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)	Coombe Bissett	Catherine Blundell
	11.00am	Family Service	Nunton	Adrian Taylor
	11.00am	Morning Service	Bishopstone	Sally Leaver
	6.00pm	Evensong (BCP)	Homington	Anna-Claar T-Rosingh
9 February 3rd Sunday before Lent	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Broad Chalke	Catherine Blundell
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Odstock	Anna-Claar T-Rosingh
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Bowerchalke	Catherine Blundell
	11.00am	All-Age Service	Alvediston	Biddy Trahair
	11.00am	Choral Mattins (BCP)	Charlton All Saints	Lay Led
	10.30am	URC Morning Worship	Broad Chalke Chapel	tbc
	11.00am	Family Service	Coombe Bissett	Don Morgan
	3.00pm	Evensong (BCP)	Fifield Bavant	Biddy Trahair
	3.00pm	LWLs' Commissioning	Nunton	Ad Sarum/A-C T-Rosingh
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16 February 2nd Sunday before Lent	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Bowerchalke	Kate Rosslyn Smith
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	6.00pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)	Bowerchalke	Roger Leake
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	7.00pm	Holy Communion with Ashing	Coombe Bissett	Jenny Taylor
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