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STaB

From the Editor's desk

Fist I must apologise for the late arrival of the last issue, due to a few major technical issues it was late to print and therefore late to distribution. But I also understand some of you are not getting your copy delivered, please can you let me know if you dont get a copy, but remember you can view it on line.

It doesn't even seem 3 weeks since I last wrote my piece, but time keeps ticking and we have so much going on.

St Georges day is coming and it's the one day that I think we as a country should all be united, it may not be a public holiday, but why not take the opportunity to do something different, say hello to someone you dont know, introduce yourself to a neighbour that doesn't know you, visit the local pub and make some new friends, just unite even if only for a few hours. You never know where it will lead.

I have a question for all the young people in the village (sorry you have to be aged between 5 and 18 for this one) Lots of things happen in the village, clubs events, courses, but what would you like to do? Dont be shy speak up, send and email to bish.stab@hotmail.co.uk (or ask your parents to) This is not a promise that it will happen but a point for discussion so we can see what's required.

And for you all some dates for your diaries. 23rd April St Georges Day 30th April The PCC Annual Parish Meeting followed by the Annual General Meeting 2nd May Bishopstone Parish Council Elections 5th May Parish Communion and Licensing of Jenny Taylor at Coombe Bissett 8th June Bishopstone Big Day Out (The Village Fate)

And finally please can I remind you all that the cut off is the 15th of the month and not the 16th, 17th 18th...... I need to stick to the dates to ensure that there is no delays in getting it to you all. Speak to you all soon

Nick

BERWICK ST JOHN YOUTH CLUB QUIZ NIGHT On Saturday 27th April 2013 At Berwick Village Hall Doors open 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start Teams of 4 (max) £25.00 per team To include a ploughmans supper Contact Andy on 01722 780323 to book your table

Hello from the Revd Jenny Taylor It is not too late to wish everyone a Happy Easter! We are in one of those marvellous seasons in the Church's year when we have celebrated the wonderful festival of New Life in the Resurrection of Jesus and now we hear again of those rather incredible appearances by Jesus to his disciples after he had risen from the dead. Appearances

which transformed those frightened disciples into men who willingly gave their lives in order to pass on the good news of Jesus Christ.

It is a marvellous season because we can so easily identify with those stories. We have all been terrified, frightened, worried or fearful at some stage in our lives – some of us might be so right now. The disciples were given courage in their moments of fear, they were reminded of the greatness of God's power and of the wonder of his love and they went on to fill their lives and the lives of others with that love. The Good News is so can WE!! Each and every one of us can begin life afresh with the courage and the love to face life's joys and sorrows with the love and power that only God can give us.

I am so happy to be able to share the joy of two couples with you all – Becky and James Grimaldi were married in our church on March 28^{th} and then on May 4^{th} in Cornwall Sam Mellow and Matt Hill from Manor Farm will be celebrating their wedding. We send both couples our love and prayers as they embark on their new lives together, Becky and James in Southampton and Sam and Matt back with us in Bishopstone.

Do remember to call either David Henley or me if there is anything at all we can help you with.

DID YOU KNOW

(notes from the PCC)

As I write the weather is cold and March has certainly lived up to its leonine start. Hopefully it will go out like a lamb and we can look forward to sun and warmth.

At the end of April, on Tuesday 30th, there is the Annual Parish meeting at 7.15pm followed by the Annual General meeting at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Please come and discover what the PCC has been up to over the past year and what it considers doing in 2013.

On Sunday 5th May the Revd Jenny Taylor is being officially licensed to our team at the 11.00am service in Coombe Bissett church, it is hoped there will be a huge congregation at this service.

Congratulations to Vera and Ivor Cummins who celebrated their Diamond Wedding in March, a great achievement. Condolences to the families of Tony Felton and Jenny Goodfellow who have died recently, we shall miss their presence in the village.

Chris Brown Day Centre		Wilton Mobile Library
April 2013		Timetable 2013
4th	Quiz	The Styles, Bishopstone 10.45-11am Thursday
11th	The Chicken Lady	Apr 11, 25 May 9, 23
18th	Coffee at Ansty Farm Shop	Jun 6, 20
25th	Indoor Bowls	

BISHOPSTONE VILLAGE HALL EVENTS FOR APRIL - MAY 2013. The Village Hall AGM will be on Tuesday 14th May 2013, 7pm.

All residents of Bishopstone and Stratford Tony are invited to attend, have a free glass of wine, and hear the annual report, the

financial report and details of future plans. Please come along and support your committee, and tell us of concerns or wishes for the future.

MOVIOLA FILMS: Friday 26th April: "Great Expectations" (12A)

The following Moviola dates are May 10th, 24th, and June 7th, 21st and 12th July. (The July film will be preceded by a special summer barbecue. See next issue of StaB for details). Tickets £6 from 781044, or online at <u>bvhticketoffice@btinternet.com</u>. Doors open 7 for 7.30pm. Cash bar. Snacks and ices on sale. **RURAL ARTS : "CARUSO AND THE MONKEY HOUSE TRIAL" Celebrity, scandal, monkeys, opera!**

Saturday 13th April, 7pm for 7.30pm start. Enrico Caruso, the world-famous opera singer is accused of pinching ladies' bottoms in Central Park Zoo, New York. It is not just his reputation but his whole career that is at stake. The show features **live singing from Puccini and Verdi by Ignacio Jarquin**, a great singer and natural story teller. Check out <u>www.carusoandthemonkeyhousetrial.com</u> if you want to know more. To book, please telephone Pat, 01722 780002. (The usual BVH e-booking facility will not work for this event, sorry). **Prices** : Adults £7, seniors £6, children £4.50. For £2 extra you can pre-order a warm Italian snack in the interval. Please state when booking if food is required.

LUNCH CLUB:

Wednesday 3rd April - Colin Reed on "Building The Oresund Bridge".

This is likely to be the last lunch club of the season. It is an account of building the Oresund Bridge, the longest combined road and rail bridge in Europe. Please call Pat (780002) to book your place, (£6 including glass of wine), or to arrange transport. All are welcome to come along to the lunch but please book a seat, in order to get numbers right for catering. Anyone who would like to help with organising the food or volunteering to make puddings etc would be welcome. (Costs for ingredients are reimbursed).

DROP IN COFFEE MORNINGS WITH JIGSAW, CD, DVD, AND BOOK EXCHANGE.

The next coffee mornings will be on 11th and 25th April, 9th and 23rd May. Coffee and biscuits only 50p. Come and chat, and choose your puzzles and books. Bring along anything you would like to swop or add to the collection. If you would like help getting to the Village Hall, call 781044.

NEEDLES AND PINS CRAFT GROUP: This group normally meets at two-weekly intervals on Thursday afternoons. The next meetings will be on 4th and 18th April, 3 – 5pm, then 2nd, 16th and 30th May.

Bring along whatever craft, sewing or knitting you are doing and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and a chat, cost ± 2.50 . Transport can be arranged; Call Caroline on 01722 781044 for more information. We are pleased to welcome stitchers from any other areas.

YOGA: with Jane, **every Thursday, 1.30 – 3pm**, £8 per session. Gentle exercise suitable for all ages, sexes and abilities. It enhances physical tone, and make you feel relaxed. Bring a yoga mat, cushion and light blanket. Tel Jane for more details 01722 330305.

EVENING ZUMBA: **Zumba 2** is every **Thursday evenings**, **6.15 -7.15pm**. Helena Judd of LA Fitness takes this dance fitness class, which is for all ages, energetic and a lot of fun. £4 per session. **PILATES**: With **Claudine**. Contact Claudine on 07788 587937.

CEILIDH CLUB: Tuesday evenings in the Village Hall from **7.30 – 9.30pm**, with a mid-session break for refreshments. Come and try it. No previous experience is required, and there is no need to bring a partner. Cost: £2 per evening. Tel Des or Heather on 01722 718463 for information.

MOTHERS & TODDLERS: Thursday Coffee Mornings. Tel Sarah Brough (07825 442110) for details. **COURSES IN BISHOPSTONE VILLAGE HALL:**

"FURNITURE HISTORY, ANTIQUE RESTORATION AND REPAIR" by Peter Zevenbergen. Owing to a variety of reasons, this popular course will restart in late summer/autumn.

BISHOPSTONE VILLAGE HALL EVENTS FOR APRIL - MAY 2013. cont

"BALLROOM DANCING" ("Strictly" in Bishopstone?) There has been lots of interest shown for this, and we are awaiting availability of an instructor. (WEA is still on the case). If you know anyone else who is suitable to give professional lessons please phone Pat (780002). If you have expressed interest, you will be e-mailed as soon as we know more.

ADVANCED DIGITAL PHOTGRAPHY: If you are interested in this class, please Tel 780346 **MEDIEVAL WESSEX**: We hope to arrange a 6 week course of short historical lectures for Autumn.

Vera and Ivor Cummings would like to say thank you to everyone who sent them good wishes and gifts on the occasion of their Diamond Wedding Anniversary! 'We had a fantastic day, Thank you!

CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

The Electoral Roll is required to be completely renewed this year and in this respect forms for completion will be delivered shortly and should be returned not later than Friday, 12th April in readiness for the ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING to be held in the village hall at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 30th April.

There will be a box in the porch of the Church for this purpose or forms can be delivered to Margaret Barter at Vella House, David Leaver at 22 The Croft or Shirley Cooke at 12 The Croft. Return of forms by the above date will be very much appreciated.

<u>CRIME FILE December</u>

<u>Bishopstone –</u>

Reported in Feb but occurred at the end of Jan. Two metal house name plates were stolen from a driveway.



Broadchalke –

Between 05.00am and 06.00am on 10th Feb a large brick was used to smash the rear windscreen of a car parked in a driveway.

Sometime between the 15th and 18th Feb offenders took down fencing and broke the locks of two steel containers in an attempt to steal diesel fortunately the bowsers were empty.

Stratford Tony

Overnight on 15th to 16th Feb offenders broke into a van by unknown means and stole around £1800 worth of tools.

On the same night a five digit combination lock was broken so offenders were able to gain access to a sea freight container. They were unable to get into the container but did get into an unused office. Nothing was taken.

Most of you are probably aware that between the 22nd and 23rd Feb phone cables were cut and stolen

Bishopstone Singers					
Wed	3rd	April	7:30	Rehearsal	21 The Croft
Sat	20th	April	4:00	Rehearsal	21 The Croft
Sun	21st	April	10:30	Rehearsal	Bishopstone Church
Sun	21st	April	11:00	Parish Communion to celebrate Ivor Cummins's 90th Birthday and the Golden Wedding of David and Sally Leaver	Bishopstone Church

New Helm at Wilton & District Branch RNLI.

Ray Stedman has taken over as Branch Chair from Martin Appleton who has stood down after five years of combining the roles of Chair and Secretary -he is continuing as Hon. Secretary. The recent Annual General Meeting heard that fund raising for 2012 was £8860.24 only slightly down 2011 (£8974.79). A very pleasing outcome in these difficult times. The programme of Fundraising for this year kicks off with the House to House collection fortnight 6th to 20th April with street collections in Wilton(11th April) and the Wilton Shopping Village (13th April)

The Bear Inn ,West Street, Wilton is hosting a Party to "Push the Boat Out" on Thursday 11th April starting at 7pm.



ODTBALLS-KOOL JUMPERS FOR COALPOSTS **Bishopstone Playing Field**

Every Saturday 10am - 12pm

All ages. Just **£1** per session

Come along and have a fun evening with a Quiz and Raffle.

A full programme includes the Annual Garden Party at Wilton House, in June, by kind permission of The Earl & Countess of Pembroke, a joint event benefitting the Salisbury Hospice and RNLI, is a Fabric Sale on 28th September at Wilton Shopping Village, also the Coffee morning on 6th November.

Ray the new Chair said "I very much look forward to leading the local Branch of one of the most important charities in the UK and Ireland. Being a keen sailor I know what a superb service we enjoy in this country which is entirely independent and voluntary. Our branch area covers Wilton and the Chalke, Nadder and Wylye Valleys so I hope anybody interested in assisting our fund raising or coming to our events will make contact. Let us try and make "the house to house collection" this year a record year. I would like to thank the outgoing Chair Martin for all his work also the Committee and many volunteers who help the Organisation in the area."

Contact for RNLI Wilton & District Branch; Martin Appleton Hon. Secretary

pomme264door@btinternet.com or telephone 01722 743648

BISHOPSTONE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting took place on Thursday 14th March 2013. Every parish is required, by law, to have an annual Parish Meeting. This is separate from the meetings of the Parish Council and is an opportunity for anyone to speak, to celebrate local activities and debate current issues. More than 20 villagers were present to hear reports on activities in the past year, and plans for the future, from the Parish Council, the PCC and STaB editor Nick Mead, the Village Hall Management Committee, the Rev Augustus Montgomery Coal Charity, the Bish-Bash Committee and from those working on the village photo archive. Copies of the presentations are available on the village website (www.bishopstone-salisbury.co.uk). Wiltshire Councillor Jose Green said that she would be standing for re-election to Wiltshire Council on 2nd May. She thanked everyone for the support given to her over the last four years and set out some of the achievements of the Council and of the South West Area Board.

Chalke Valley Flower Club

The Flower Club will be meeting again in Broad Chalke Village Hall on Wednesday 24th April at 7.30pm. The demonstrator is Marion Catt and the demonstration is entitled, 'Supermarket Dash'!

We will also be holding a flower arranging competition for the Dawkins Cup and the Novice Cup, the title being, 'An Arrangement in a Food Container'!

All visitors would be warmly welcomed.

Viv Thornton vivthornton@btinternet.com

HISTORY EVENT in aid of ALVEDISTON WAR MEMORIAL

An exhibition, including photos, memorabilia, contemporary newspapers and uniforms from WWI and II will be held in St. Mary's Church, Alvediston: Friday 5th. April, 2 - 6.30, Saturday 6th. and Sunday 7th., 10 -4. Contributions are welcome from local families and from those who lived in Alvediston at that time. Entrance is free, but donations to the restoration of the war memorial would be appreciated.

Those who served as well as those who died are named on the memorial, and the surnames are: Scammell, Moxham, Grace, Parham, Mullins, King, Dalton, Watts, Lush, Carter, Kitchen, Vincent, Roberts, Compton, Sims, Child, Collis.

On Sunday 7th. April at 7 pm, James Holland, whose books include 'The Burning Blue', a WWII novel based on Alvediston, will be giving a talk about the impact of the wars on our community, in the Barn at Samways by kind permission of Charlie and Jenny McVeigh. Tickets £8, to include a glass of wine, £4 for age 15 and under. Please book in advance. Contacts and tickets, Amanda Bristow, 01722 780865, Biddy Trahair, 780666.

CHALKE VALLEY SPORTS CENTRE

10th Anniversary Celebration.



The 4th May 2013 marks the 10th anniversary of the official opening of the Chalke Valley Sports Centre by celebrity Nick Holmes.

The centre consists of a multi games area with floodlighting, a new pavilion including a sports hall, changing rooms, toilets and showers, kitchen and storage facilities. The pavilion is set to the side of a playing field including a football pitch and all weather cricket square.

The centre was developed in order to amalgamate and build on the over 100 year history of sports clubs in the Chalke Valley. The original funding came from many sources including Salisbury District Council, Wiltshire Football Association, The Football Association, The Parish Councils of Bishopstone and Broad Chalke, local fund raising and a grant from The Lottery Sports Fund.

The Centre provides the much needed incentive to participate in sport within the Chalke Valley community and attracts members from many other areas because of the modern facilities available. Our clubs participate in local leagues, organise their own tournaments and a number of members qualify for national and international competition. All training is provided by professional coaches registered with appropriate authorities. Our trainers have been recognised nationally for the service they provide and especially welcome young players who wish to start a sport or improve their performance.

<u>Football</u>

The football club currently have one adult and one under 13 youth team. The youth team train on Tuesday evenings (weather permitting). Both teams are looking to strengthen for next season. Contact Nigel – youth team secretary and manager on 01722 780338.

Short Mat Bowls

"Unfortunately we have lost several members due to ill health recently" said Edward Fry rep for the Bowls club, "and some of those that remain are aging and therefore we would like to encourage younger players to come and try the sport" we meet on Monday nights and practice. We are in the Wiltshire league and last year came 6 out of 9. Annual membership costs £10 and we are a really socialable group. Contact 780093

<u>Tennis</u>

"We have enviable facilities at the centre with a floodlit all weather MUGA courts and the use of other peoples courts up and down the valley. Our famous resident coach Bruce Allcorn OBE is in the process of reducing his workload and we have recently appointed a new coach Chris Matthews <u>ChrisMatthews14@gmail.com</u> to take up the reins" said John Dutson the tennis rep. The club entered the

Shaftesbury league again this year coming third and we have open sessions at the MUGA on Wednesday evening at 6pm and Sunday mornings at 11am where any club member can come along and play. Otherwise the court can be booked as little or often as you want to play. Keys are available to the courts on the payment of a deposit. The club in general is very active and puts on charity events and its own social events, with the New Year Party being one not to miss. Annual membership current costs are:- Family £95 Adult £45 Children 9 and under £10 Juniors 10 or older and in full time education £12. Application forms to join can be downloaded from the Chalke Valley Website. Coaching session are available by contacting Chris on 01725 510558 or Bruce on 780351. Being a member also entitles you to be entered into the Wimbledon draw if you need that extra encouragement! We currently have 79 members. John Dutson, the club rep, can be contacted on 780502 if you wish to discuss more.

<u>Cricket</u>

Chalke Valley Cricket Club is a thriving club with an average of 45 playing members and the development of children's and youth cricket is a priority.

A new playing ground has recently been developed and is now situated between the church at Bowerchalk and the rolling Marleycombe chalk downs. The club has plans to develop a new bespoke pavilion.

Enquiries regarding membership should be to James Holland on 01722 780144

<u>Table Tennis</u>

We have a very successful club covering all age ranges and we enter the following leagues:- Salisbury, and Blackmore Vale of course with varying levels of success! "Our youngest member is 9 our oldest 92" said Malcolm Penny who is the Table Tennis representative. Contact 781139 email $\underline{\text{malcjp}(@uwclub.net}$ Adult membership is £ 10.00 + (Annual practice fee of £10.00, or £1.00 per practice session) and children, half the Adult Fee. Do come along have a go with our equipment for a few weeks and see if you enjoy it and then you can invest in your own. We meet on Sunday and Friday nights and the Centre is available to book free of charge if you are a member if you want to put in that extra practice! Why not join our 30 current members.

Broad Chalke Primary School

We are pleased to have the Broad Chalke School as neighbours and to offer our facilities to extend the sports options offered by the school.

<u>Hire</u>

Our facilities are available for hire. We are the home for Pilates, a number of running clubs in addition to private and club social events. Our hall is suitable for training or meetings. The centre has adequate car parking and comfortable under floor heating. Cost of hire is £18 per hour and this includes the use of the kitchen. Contact Malcolm Penny on 781139 for more details

Any enquiries please contact Peter Trickett - Chairman on 780963

The Chalke Valley Sports Centre – CVSC (not for profit - membership organisation)

4th May 2013 – 10 year celebration

Dear Resident and Sport Club Member

The Chalke Valley benefits from a purpose built sport centre situated at Knighton Road. May seems a long way off but we are planning the celebration of the Sport Centre being officially opened by Nick Holmes 10 years ago. So please save the date in your diary.

The sports centre is used by club members throughout the Chalke Valley. The current clubs operating from the site are:- Table Tennis, Football, Tennis and Short Mat Bowls, in addition many of you may also enjoy the Pilates classes that are also put on in the Hall and of course our children use the facilities if they attend Broad Chalke Primary School. Whilst the Chalke Valley Cricket Club has located to new pitches and grounds at Bowerchalke they remain associated to the sport centre.

As with any successful venue, maintenance costs start to appear now that the building is reaching its 10th anniversary. Typically external and internal surfaces require decoration and many other minor repairs. In order to maintain the club member subscriptions at a reasonable level to encourage young persons our receipts do not cover more than day to day servicing and consumables. It is with this in mind that the Management Committee are putting this <u>plea</u> out to residents in the Chalke Valley, on behalf of people who use the Centre now and for your children who may wish to use it in the future.

A donation of £10 for the 10th anniversary would make a great deal of difference for the long term preservation of the facility. However a smaller donation would be much appreciated or more if you wish.

Please do not hesitate to contact a member of our fund raising Committee if you have any questions or feel you can help in any other way.

Peter Trickett - Chairman – 780963 Edward Fry – Vice Chairman - 780093 Sue Gooden – Secretary - 780596 Michaela Johns – Treasurer -780915

Look out for future news on the 10th anniversary celebrations4th May 2013

www.southwilts.co.uk/site/Chalke-Valley-Sports-Centre/Index.htm

The Club Members and Management Committee wish to thank you in anticipation of your support.

I would like to donate the enclosed cash / cheque (payable-Chalke Valley Sports Centre).

Please send your donation to Ivon House High Road Broad Chalke Wiltshire SP5 5EH or pop it into the house to the right of the Queens Head Pub in Broad Chalke.

£.....

Name / remain anonymous.....

Direct transfer details can be requested from Michaela or email ivonhouse@hotmail.co.uk

Guide Dogs 'Name a Puppy' Fund

We've done it! We've reached our target of £5000.00 to name and sponsor a puppy through training. Linda Laity suggested a name for the puppy and the name Ivy has been accepted by Guide Dogs (Linda thought it would be a nice gesture to name the puppy after my mum, who as you will probably remember, died last August), so thank you Linda for that kind thought. Thank you to everyone who has kindly supported us over the last eight months to raise this money. I shall keep you updated on progress.

In fact we have exceeded our target and will continue to raise money for Guide Dogs, at least for the time being, as we already have one or two more events planned this year, and if we can raise another £5,000.00 we can sponsor another puppy!

The Jumble Sale held on 26 February raised over £300.00 to be split between the two charities, Guide Dogs and Stars Appeal. Thank you to everyone who supported it either helping, donating or buying. The raffle was won as follows:

Box of chocolates	Ruth from Downton
Black and white throw	Rita Hopkins
White wine	Irene Emm
White wine	Bridget Denny
Red wine	Betty Mundy
Recipe File	Sue Gooden
Meat voucher	Sue Hitchings
Sparkling wine in a bucket	Michael Beck

At a recent Craft Fair, another $\pounds 64.00$ was raised for the funds, and together with donations, we have now got $\pounds 330.00$ in the kitty.

Our next event will be the Annual Plant and Cake Sale on Saturday **1st June** from 10.30am, in the garden of 'Sunrise', North Street, thanks to Mike and Ena Kingstone. We are really looking forward to another great sale, so please note the date in your diaries and give us your support. More details next month.

Knit and Natter

Due to the work being carried out in the Chapel at the moment, the knit and natter group meet in the Gurston Room of Broad Chalke Village Hall on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month.

Our meetings this month are 9th and 23rd April. Everyone is most welcome. Why not join us for a chat and a cup of tea (or coffee if you prefer) and a biscuit. If you don't want to knit, we don't mind. Some people always show willing by taking their knitting with them, but not everyone (like me for instance) actually does any knitting

For further information contact Rina Musselwhite 01722 781264

BISHOPSTONE LADIES GROUP

The meeting on Wednesday, 17th April will be at The Bridges, the home of Di Wass when Mary Gange will speak about The Children's Society.

SHIRLEY COOKE 780436



COOMBE BISSETT AND HOMINGTON VILLAGE HALL APRIL MAY and JUNE 2013

For the first time all Hall bookings will be shown on the Village Website – www.coombebissett.com - so do visit the site and see what is happening tonight or any other night! It's an active Village Hall and you might be surprised to discover what goes on – so read on below... including new regular Zumba Gold on Wednesdays! If you would like to book the hall, check our rates on www.coombebissett.com, where you can also find a booking request form. Email bookings and enquires to Rachel Coombs on hall@coombebissett.com, or for initial enquiries and viewings telephone 718438 (Lynn Mills).

ONE-OFF EVENT

Wednesday 17th April PCC Annual Meeting to elect churchwardens and sidesmen and to hear about the work of our churches over the past year. Wine 7:30 pm and nibbles after the meeting. All welcome. Wednesday 8th May **Spring into Action** in support of Action Medical Research. A talk 10:00 for 10:30 by the internationally renowned natural gardener Val Bourne and a flower arranging demonstration by the Chelsea Gold Medallist Emily Broomhead. Tickets £25 including lunch from Alison Webb 01264 781289 or alison47@tiscali.co.uk. Tuesday 14th May Parish Council: Annual Parish Meeting in the Homington Room. All Parishioners are very welcome to attend. Current issues which 6:45 pm affect the community can be discussed and Villagers can give their opinion on what the Council is doing. Parish Council meeting follows. Wednesday 15th May Art Class by Lynda Appleby: Springtime landscape. Wonderful 10:00 - 16:00 views across the valley from the village hall and its terrace will inspire this workshop. £38 for the day. To further information and to book, Email or phone Jeannie Kar - jeanniekar@btinternet.com, 01297 444660. Further class in November.

REGULAR CLUBS AND SOCIETY MEETINGS

Garden Club

Meets third Monday of the month 7.15pm for 7.30 (except outings). coombebissettgardenclub@live.com, or Sue Cull (secretary) 01722 718420. All welcome, membership £10 pa, guests £4 per meeting. Normally organize two outings to gardens every year in addition to evening meetings.

<u>Monday 15th April</u>. Drive to two gardens at Boscombe, near Amesbury. (Contact club for details) <u>Monday 20th May</u>. A talk by Robert Harvey. British wildflowers in natural gardens. <u>Monday 17th June</u> - Coach outing to Cothay Manor, Somerset.

Art Classes

Meet roughly alternate Thursdays, 10.30 - 12.30, any medium, beginners welcome, run by Graham Oliver (heatheroliver@btinternet.com or 718646) £77 per seven sessions. Classes in April/May/June as above but contact Graham to avoid disappointment.

Pilates

Classes held weekly on Tuesday mornings at 09:30, £6.50 per class. For further information call Claudine 07788 587937. Pilates consists of low impact exercises and movements designed to strengthen and lengthen muscles safely. The benefits include good posture and great body shape, pilates reduces stress, increases blood circulation and improves strength and flexibility. Pilates increases bone density and improves joint mobility and promotes relaxation and correct breathing. All ages & abilities are welcome. All equipment provided. Classes in April/May/June - <u>every Tuesday</u> except Tuesday 2nd April

Coombe Bissett and Homington History Society

Meets Thursdays at 19:30. Open to all - admission £5. Contact John Wallis (01722 718768 and wallisjohn1@hotmail.co.uk) for further information. The History Society is not scheduled to meet in the next 3 months with the next meeting currently planned for September.

Ebble Valley Short Mat Bowls Club

Indoor bowls for anyone old enough to hold a bowl. Meets most Mondays 7.30-10 pm and Fridays 2-4 pm. £10 pa adults, £2 per session to cover expenses. Contact David Germain (718531, davidgermain@uwclub.net), John/Jane White (Homington - 718485), or Margaret Gilbert (Harnham - 341192). Occasional supper outings to local hostel-ries.

Meetings in April - <u>Mondays 1,8*,22,29</u> and <u>Tues 16</u>. In <u>May – Mondays 6,13,20,27</u>. In June – Mondays 3, 10, 24 and Tuesday 18. *a friendly against Figheldean. Check club for Friday play.

Badminton Club

The Badminton club season has finished, and the new season is scheduled to start on the 4th of September. More information will be published in the August / September addition of the Express. New members are always welcome. Contact Sue Dyer, susan505dyer@btinternet.com or 718514.

Phoenix Club. Purpose - to combine companionship with entertainment inviting speakers to cover a variety of interests. Meets second Thursday of every month, 7:30pm – 9:30 (February and November 2:30pm – 4:30). Membership open to men and women and based on residence in CB & H, accompanied guests always welcome. Contact Sheila Speirs 718334 or js@speirs1.eclipse.co.uk. Annual sub £16, guests £2.50 per meeting <u>Thursday 11th April 19:30</u> - Mr Mark Wilson on Fabergé <u>Thursday 9th May 19:30</u> - Mr JohnGidley on Vietnam <u>13th June 19:30</u> - Summer Party

Upholstery Classes. Learn a traditional skill – beginners welcome. Every Tuesday during school terms, 10am – 2pm. Enquiries to Melanie: 07757 330251 lushupholstery@gmail.com. Classes during April/May/June every Tuesday except 2nd April and 28th May.

Drama Club puts on plays and pantos and is always on the lookout for new members. Contact Lynn Mills (718438 or lynn.mills@btinternet.com) or Chris Chelu (718351)

Zumba Gold Show ageing who's boss – it's perfect for the young at heart. While you're moving, dancing and having a giggle, you're also enjoying a cardio workout for your heart and lungs and strengthening your muscles and bones!! Wednesday mornings 9.15-10am, £5 per class. Enquiries to Vicky: 077937169608 or email vicky@vickyedge.com

To book the hall visit www.coombebissett.com or call 718438 for initial enquiries and viewing the hall

BISHOPSTONE ARCHIVE



The Bishopstone Archive comprises a collection of photographs, maps, drawings and written notes illustrating the history of the village. It includes:

The original Elizabeth Gallop album of historic photographs DVD High quality copies of the above album Copies of the individual photos from the above album Jubilee 2012 Bishopstone Digital Photo Book Jubilee 2012 Bishopstone Photo Album DVD of the Secret Valley (Chalke Valley photos from 1960/70s) Other Jubilee Street Party/Party in the Park photos DVD of village houses

The aim is to preserve the archive in the village and in the County Archives at Trowbridge, and to make as much of it as possible available for sale in CD/DVD format. An announcement will be made when this is completed.

If you have any old photos or cuttings that you feel you would like to contribute to the collection, perhaps you could either email them to me or we can arrange to copy them. With your agreement some of the old photos could also be added to the Village website.

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THE TRUSSELL TRUST

Thank you for your further support for this worthy cause. This month we took 23.5 kgs and of this 9.1 was Easter eggs. Thank you to all who kindly made a donation They are now asking in particular for the following foodstuffs as they are short of these at the moment. Long Life Fruit Juice Chocolate Tinned vegetables - mixed and green Tinned Sponge Puddings Tinned Meats Thank you all Judy and Reg Barrett



BISHOPSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

The March meeting of the Parish Council followed on from the Parish Meeting. The main matters discussed were:

- The production of a celebration mug to be given to children in the parish to mark the jubilee of the Coronation. Once costs are available the Council will need to consider whether these can be provided free or for a small charge.
- Works to various footpaths in the parish. The Wiltshire Youth Leisure Credits team would be undertaking work to improve the footpath from Flamstone Street to Croucheston (with costs kindly met by Mr Edward Schruers). Successful talks had been held with the farmer concerned to enable schoolchildren to cycle along the footpath from Croucheston to Stoke Farthing (and on to Broad Chalke School).
- The continuing problem of anti-social behaviour by a resident of Whitlock Rise.
- The reappointment of Mr Reg Barrett as the Council's nominee to the trustees of the Rev Augustus Montgomery Coal Charity. Mr Barrett was re-appointed and thanked for all his work.
- An application to fell one tree and thin another in the Conservation Area at Croucheston Cottage, The Cross. It was agreed to raise no objection.

Among the issues raised by villagers in either the Annual Parish Meeting, or as part of the discussion in the Parish Council meeting, were:

- the positioning of various public seats in the parish;
- the need to do more to promote activities for younger people in the village (according to the 2011 Census there are 149 people of 16 or younger in the parishes of Bishopstone and Strat-ford Tony);
- the need for further work to make the stile at the east end of the Picnic Field accessible from the road;
- arrangements for the cutting of hedges that had become overgrown and which were blocking highways. It was agreed that this was the responsibility of the landowner concerned and would be taken up as necessary.

The full minutes of both the Annual Parish Meeting and the Parish Council meeting are available on the village website or from me.

Mike Ash Clerk Bishopstone Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Thursday 9th May 2013 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall.

BISHOPSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

ELECTION

Subject to there being sufficient candidates, there will be an election for all 7 places on Bishopstone Parish Council on Thursday 2nd May 2013

Candidates nominations have to be submitted by 5th April.

If you are interested in standing please contact James Thompson (01722 780683) to obtain the necessary forms.

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Please contact Henry Gray, details below, for further information and booking a place.

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