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*Hello from the
Revd Jenny Taylor*



Alleluia! Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

May has begun with a burst of sunshine! What a glorious Easter we had – I hope you managed to catch sight of the lovely Easter garden in our church – thank you to all those who helped create it.

Ascension Day dawns on May 10th and everyone is very welcome to join our adjoining Benefice of Western Downland for a 6.00 am Eucharist at All Saints Martin.- if that seems impossibly early (even with the promise of bacon rolls and coffee!) come to St Michael and all Angels in Coombe Bissett for a 2.00 Eucharist with our school – it will be an immensely happy occasion!

We have just held our Annual Parochial Church Meeting so it is a good time to publicly thank our Church Wardens, Sarah Seal and George Brutton, our Secretary, Geoff Taylor and all who serve on the PCC. A special thank you goes to our Treasurer Nick Gooch, who is standing down this year although remaining as an advisor to the new team. He has been a stalwart member of the PCC and is someone who can explain accounts in an easy to understand way. Between Ascension and Pentecost a big event is happening nationwide – Thy Kingdom Pray is a prayer movement initiated by our Archbishops and taken up by churches in all parts of our country – look on the website www.thykingdomcome.global to find out more. The event concludes with beacon services in some of our cathedrals and this year Salisbury is one of them. Wouldn't it be marvellous if a great swathe of Bishopstone people joined together in our Cathedral on Sunday 20th May at 7.30 pm? Tickets (which are FREE) are available at BIT.LY/TKCSalisbury.

Many Congratulations to Rosa Cookson and William Gilbert who will be married in our church on Saturday 26th May – all our love and best wishes go them as they begin their married life together.

Dear Readers/Stake Holders and Contributors

To bring us more aligned with the rest of the Valley, we have decided to change the print months for the summer double issue. This year we will be changing from a July/August double issue to an August/September double issue. Cut off will be the 15th of July.

Kind Regards



**A Chalke Valley Service for the whole family.
Sunday the 20th May
Broad Chalke School**

Want to know more? Search face book R3vive or visit www.chalkevalleychurches.org/r3vivehome

BISHOPSTONE VILLAGE HALL EVENTS FOR MAY-JUNE 2018

BISHOPSTONE VILLAGE HALL AGM : TUESDAY 8th MAY, 7 for 7.30pm.

Please come to the annual AGM.

Hear what the trustees are doing, what we have done, what we need to do, and say what you would like us to do. Glass of wine and nibbles included.

MOVIOLA IN BISHOPSTONE VILLAGE HALL

Friday 18th May: "Finding Your Feet" (12A) Note this is a week earlier than usual.

Friday 22 June: "Three Billboards Outside Ebbing Missouri" (15)

Friday 27 July : "Paddington 2", (PG) with Village Hall BBQ beforehand.

Tickets for all films £6, available from bvhticketoffice@btinternet.com or from 01722 781044. Doors open 7 for 7.30pm, cash bar ices and snacks available.

BISHOPSTONE VILLAGE HALL SPRING FAIR: SATURDAY 26TH MAY, 10 – 12.00 noon.

The Spring Fair includes a massive plant stall where you can get almost everything you might need to top up your summer garden and greenhouse. Always loads of tomatoes, courgettes and healthy perennials and bedding, plus the regular stalls like tombola, cakes, bric a brac, books, raffle etc., and coffees to chat over.

Anyone wishing to hire a sales table at the fair (£5), phone Margaret on 780471. **The date of the Spring Fair has been moved to Saturday 26 May, in order not to clash with the royal wedding. Donations to any of the stalls, including plants, cakes, bottles for tombola etc. will be extremely welcome. The Spring Fair is a fundraiser for the car park.** For donations contact any committee member, or phone Pat 780002 or Caroline 781044. The hall will be open for stall set-up on Friday 25th May from 2-3.30pm.

NEW EXERCISE CLASS! Free taster class on Friday 11th May, 2-3pm. Jenny Berwyn-Jones is starting "Extend" seated exercise classes in Bishopstone Village Hall on Friday afternoons, aimed at people who would like a full body workout but prefer to feel stable. These classes are a lot of fun, and give confidence to keep fit without fear of falling over. Jenny's classes have already been very well received in Broadchalke and Bowerchalke, and will cost £5 per session, (apart from the first taster class which is free, so you can see if it is right for you). She is fully trained and insured, so what's not to like?!

Regular weekly classes start on 1st. June. For more info, contact Jenny on 01722 780863, email jennyberwynjones@yahoo.co.uk or just turn up on May 11th.

CANVAS AND CAMERAS

The next meeting will be on May 21st 2018, 2 – 3.30pm in Bishopstone Village Hall, or possibly on location. The proposed following dates are 4 & 18 June, 2, (16) & 23 July, to be confirmed.

For more information about dates, times or locations of meetings, please phone Les (780761) or Roger (780316). Some photography/painting/drawing afternoons may be held on extra days, or at different times or venues, so always please check arrangements. £3 per session.

BISHOPSTONE NEEDLES AND PINS CRAFT GROUP

The next meetings will be on **Thursdays 3rd and 17th May**, then every other Thursday afternoon, **2 - 4pm**. Bring along any knitting, embroidery, quilting, tapestry or other hobby needlework, and enjoy a cup of tea and cake in Bishopstone Village Hall, only £2.50. Call Caroline 01722 781044 for more information, or for help with transport.

BISHOPSTONE COMMUNITY CAFE

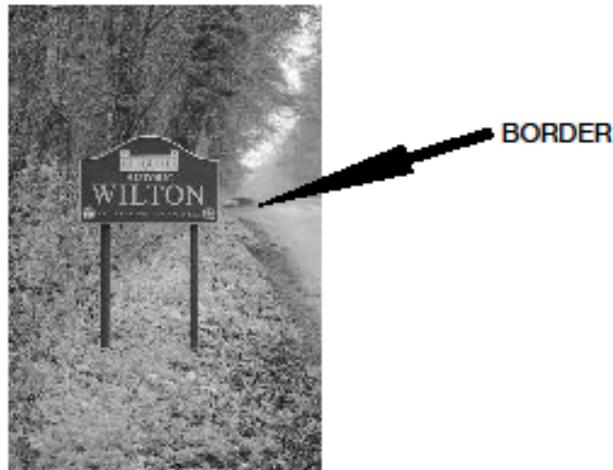
The next coffee mornings will be on **10th and 24th May, 10 – 11.30am**, then every other Thursday. The village hall is open to everyone for a chat, serving coffees, teas or cold drinks, with paperback exchange and seasonal produce when available.

PLAYGROUP: This is **EVERY FRIDAY MORNING** in Bishopstone Village Hall from **9.30 – 11.00am**.

Telephone Kate Pendlenton 01722 780655, kmpendlenton@hotmail.com for up to date information.

PILATES IN BISHOPSTONE VILLAGE HALL: Contact Claudine on 07788 587937.

BORDER DISPUTE ESCALATES



Readers will remember comment in STaB a couple of months ago about a border dispute with Wilton. Ace Reporter Ephraim Sandcastle has investigated this dreadful affair and can report on the latest developments - many of which will make very difficult reading for the worthy citizens of Bishopstone.

The undisputed facts are that Wilton Council has made an unprecedented and unprovoked land grab by siting a border sign (see picture) well inside the parish border of Bishopstone. While initially the incursion was treated as a genuine mistake, the matter was raised with Wilton Council by the Parish Council in a polite letter. The hostile and derogatory response about there being "Wooly minds in wooly hats" resulted in the matter being escalated to Wiltshire Council's member for disputes - Mr Nathaniel Jobsworth, who was unfortunately on a climbing holiday in Norfolk at the time, so no action was taken and the matter remains unresolved.

As a result of this second hostile act, steps were taken to denote a Parish perimeter - by painting the trees with luminous paint so that potential combatants are aware of Bishopstone's borders, especially at night. This was not a great success as volunteer Russell Sprout backed into a tree and now has luminous paint on his new anorak.

Regrettably, further border incursions have occurred with patrols from Wilton disguised as dog-walkers attempting to seek out the true state of Bishopstone's defences. There have also been reports of suspicious infiltration of the village boundaries by shifty looking characters claiming they were selling double-glazing or purporting to read water meters.

At a recent Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council shouts of "Diabolical" and "What are you going to do about it" resulted in a unanimous decision for Bishopstone to declare UDI from Wiltshire and for the village to consider raising it's own Defence Force; though there was a proviso that some form of peace talks should be attempted first.

After the heady wine of the declaration Ephraim can report that there are considerable problems as none of the Parish Council seem to have conducted bilateral arms negotiations before. The only one with any experience, Miss Iona Frisbee, admitted that it was limited to adjudicating at a Beetle Drive in the Village Hall.

However the Call to Arms has resulted in a drill parade on the village hall car park - (very poorly attended) and a camouflage lecture in The White Hart (a capacity audience). Dust and cobwebs have been blown off the Village Defence Plan (1940 version). To further bolster the village defences there will be a "Buy a Challenger Tank Stall" at the Summer Bish Bash and the Archery Stall will have a very special meaning this year as the search is on for Bowmen. A Call-to-Arms poster will soon be displayed. Further reporting to follow.

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VILLAGE MEMORIES



MIKE BUNDY

1 EARLIEST MEMORIES

Air raid shelter by the fence at the Manor Farm Cottages. The fire engines in 1944 going through the village to West End, Crouchston where the mill burnt down. My uncle Len Kent owned the mill. I remember a bomb fell over the hill behind Crouchston Farm. The searchlight station over the Drove to shoot down enemy planes. Also the British planes dropping down long lengths of silver paper. (It was known as chaff and used to distract radar-guided missiles from their targets.)

2 HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN BISHOPSTONE?

From birth - 81 years.

3 HAVE YOU ALWAYS LIVED IN THE SAME HOUSE HERE?

Lived with my parents at 4 Cottages (now known as Manor Farm Cottages). At the end of 1944 we moved to Crouchston (now known as The Cross). Married on 9th Sep 1961, then moved to a couple of rooms at Riverside, The Alley, with Ron Stratton. There was no running water and I remember we had to collect spring water in plastic containers. In May 1965 we moved to Whitlock Rise where we now live. People then married more locally and tended to stay in the Chalke Valley.

4 SCHOOL

Started school at Bishopstone, then I moved to Broad Chalke until the leaving age of 14 years. A short time was spent at Ebbesbourne Wake school because my mother moved there while my father was in the war.

5 WORK

Left school at 14 years and became an apprentice for 5 years at Anna Valley Motors off Castle Street, Salisbury in 1952. When I was 21 I had to do my National Service in the REME (Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers). I returned to the firm and finished there running the Commercial Workshop. When I was made redundant, after Lex Group bought the company in 1998, I then did part time work at Salisbury Joinery in Salisbury. Worked for Freddie Plaskett doing his garden.

6 HOW DID YOU MEET YOUR WIFE?

In 1957 I met Sheila coming back from the pictures on a Sunday evening on the last bus home (which was at 10.30!) The bus was always full, with people standing. I got into conversation with Sheila and started chatting her up! If the films weren't good, the men would go into the nearby pub instead, but women weren't allowed in.

6 months after meeting Sheila I had to do my National Service for 2 years which involved being posted to Blandford Camp, Gosport, and Detmold in Germany. I wrote to her every day. We then got married in her local church at Bowerchalke in 1961. We renewed our marriage vows for our Golden Wedding Anniversary at a service in the same church.

7 WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES OR PASTIMES?

DIY and gardening. Used to own 6 old stationary engines which were used to run farming equipment and I showed them at rallies. Like watching grass track racing (used to own a motorbike). Played football and cricket for Bishopstone. Skiffle group in the Army.

8 WHAT WAS YOUR FAVOURITE HOLIDAY?

United States – first with the Wilton & District Band in 1985, then in 1992 in The Rockies when visiting Sheila's sister. Only disadvantage with The States is they serve too large food helpings.

9 YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK

Shoot Like a Gentleman by Freddie Plaskett (who lives in Flamstone Street). Like reading motor magazines.

10 YOUR FAVOURITE MUSIC

Country and Western. Brass band, having the connection of my children playing in the Wilton & District Brass Band.

11 IMPORTANT THINGS YOU'VE LEARNED IN LIFE

Respect other people. Treat life as it comes.

I consider myself very lucky to have Sheila as my wife for 57 years this year.

According to Sheila, Mike is a great Dad, Granddad and Great Granddad to 3 children, 5 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

Bishopstone Playgroup will be running a children's toys and books stall at the forthcoming Village Hall Spring Fayre. If you have any donations to the stall please could you contact me on 01722 780655 or by e.mail on kmpendlenton@hotmail.com and I can arrange to collect from you. Many thanks, Kate Pendlenton

Chris Brown Day Centre - May 2018

3rd Flower arranging with Ena and Shirley
10th The Good Old Days - memories and reminiscences; bring your photos!
17th Our Time project, with Sue Lee
24th Visit to Compton Abbas airfield
31st Singing and exercises workout

Chalke Valley Flower Club

Our Gardeners' Question Time last month was a great success we thoroughly enjoyed the evening and much to our delight more than 60 people attended and hopefully enjoyed it too, thank you all so much for your support.

On **Wednesday May 23rd** Sachiko Pearce is coming to demonstrate 'Orient Hana Express' The meeting is at 7pm in Broad Chalke Village Hall Come a little earlier and join us for a coffee

Following On

The next day **Thursday May 24th** Sachiko will be doing an Ikebana Workshop for us at Stoke Farm Lodge starting at 10am Coffee and snacks too! Details to follow

Looking Forward

On **Wednesday 27th June** we are planning an Outing to **East Lambrook Manor Gardens** AND an early evening visit to nearby **Picket Lane Nursery** followed by Supper,

Details to follow, cost approx. £25

All very welcome to join us for the Demonstration, Workshop or the Outing, please contact 01722 780869

BISHOPSTONE LADIES GROUP

Wednesday, 16th May we go to Joy Bailey's Dairy Cottage, where Kathy McNally's talk is entitled "Not for King and Country" to include romance, intrigue and espionage in the time of King Edward VIII and Wallace Simpson.

Shirley Cooke
780436

VILLAGE HALL SPRING FAYRE 26th MAY

PLANT STALL

Springtime has come and the Spring Fayre is only 6 weeks away. The ever popular Plant Stall provides a wide variety of plants for our gardens. Please could you let us have any spare plants and seedlings of vegetables, plants or fruit for the stall. This provides and serves a dual purpose of great value plants and generates an interest in gardening.

To do this, we need the very generous donations of plants and seedlings. We would be grateful if you could name the plant or seedling and, if possible, the colour of flower or variety of the fruit or vegetable.

This year, could you please deliver any spare plants or seedlings to the Village Hall, from 2 p.m. on the 25th of May, where I shall be happy to receive them. Your support is much appreciated.

Norman Barter

Find Out More About Playing Croquet

You may never have played before in your life, you may have played once or twice in a back garden or you may have played a lot. Where ever you are with croquet, and whatever your age or ability, you will be warmly welcomed at the very friendly Hamptworth Croquet Club.

We are holding an Open Afternoon on Sunday 13th May and we would love to see you there. No need to book, just turn up any time between 1.00 and 5.00. It is completely free of charge. All of the equipment will be provided. All we ask is that you wear flat shoes (trainers would be perfect). If you can't manage the open afternoon, don't worry. Contact us and we will do our best to arrange an introductory session for you.

Hamptworth Croquet Club is a part of the Hamptworth Golf and Country Club (Just off the A36 near Landford. Post Code SP5 2DU). We have five croquet lawns, which are open all the year round, and our own little pavillion, but we also have full use of the Golf Club club house, coffee, bar and catering facilities.

Please share this message with anyone who you think might be interested. We would love to see you all. For more information please contact Janet (01722 325410) or Steve on 07912 608733.

Hamptworth Croquet Club looks forward to welcoming you.

NEW ROAD SIGNS IN BISHOPSTONE

A new road sign has recently appeared at the junction of Harvest Lane and Faulston Lane warning motorists that the road is narrow for the next mile. I have no objection in principle to the council spending large amounts of money on statements of the bleeding obvious and I'm sure our canine friends will be delighted by this new facility in a village devoid of lamp-posts. However, I do have a bit of a thing against superfluous signage. Normally this is something I object to most in historic town centres, which are so often marred by overlarge and garish examples. It seems we now have to suffer it in Bishopstone too, spoiling what is otherwise quite a pretty corner of the village. Why does it have to be so large and so 'in your face'? Does it really need to be here at all?

Rob Pendleton



BISHOPSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Thursday 10th May 2018 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

There will not be an organized litter pick in the village this year because there was only a limited response to the request for volunteers. However, I am very grateful to those who did volunteer and would suggest that they simply clear their part of the village when they are able to do it.

Only two people have so far volunteered to assist in drawing up the monthly work programme for the Parish Steward. If anybody else is willing to help identify things that need doing (gullies to be cleared, potholes repaired etc) in their part of the village and to report these to me on a regular basis, I should be very grateful.

Mike Ash

Clerk

NEW ROAD SIGN IN BISHOPSTONE

I refer to the letter from Rob Pendleton regarding the new "Narrow Road" signs for Faulston and Mill Lanes. These signs were erected by Wiltshire Council at the request of the Parish Council, which will be paying half the cost. This request was submitted following representations to the Parish Council from those living in Faulston/Mill Lanes and following various incidents where vehicles got stuck in Mill Lane and had difficulty in backing up. Regard was also had to the increase in traffic likely following the redevelopment of Faulston Barns.

The project was the subject of discussion in meetings of the Parish Council. This is recorded in the minutes of the meetings in September and November 2016 and again in September and November 2017. Those minutes are made publicly available on the village website so that everyone in the village is aware of proposed projects such as this. The project was also mentioned in the Parish Council reports published in STaB, most recently in February 2018. If there were concerns about this project they should have been raised at a much earlier stage.

The size and design of the signs are dictated by the Government's "Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016" and the precise locations were decided by Wiltshire Council's highways engineers.

Mike Ash
Clerk
Bishopstone Parish Council

CHALKE VALLEY CRICKET CLUB

The 2018 season is upon us and we are hoping for massive support for our excellent teams at our beautiful ground. Nets are on Thursdays at 6.15 with Junior Training on Wednesdays from 6-8 pm. Home fixtures for May are as follows:

Saturday League at 1.30 - 7.30:

12th v Swanage,

26th v Sturminster & Hinton

Tuesday League at 6.00 – 8.00:

1st v Boscombe Down,

22nd v Steeple Langford

Sunday Friendlies:

28 Apr 1.00 – 7.30 v Tillingha,

27th 2.00 – 7.00 v V&A.

Under 11 Pairs:

13th v Steeple Langford,

20th v Heytesbury & Sutton Veny

All spectators are always welcome to have tea at the pavilion at around 4.30

For further details, incl Away games, results etc. please go to

chalkevalley.play-cricket.com

Dear Editor,

It was very encouraging to see in the April edition of STAB, that more people had contributed some news views or ideas. That is the way forward with our splendid Village mag. I agree that we should perhaps pay an annual sub for the mag. We should also try to involve more correspondents, either with letters or articles. How about a cooking spot? or a baby spot? or a sewing spot? Tom at the White Hart always puts something in. We must ensure support for his efforts, or we might lose our valuable pub. Thanks, Tom and Zara!

However, it is sad that the Chairman of the Parish Council had to admonish some members for their rude attack on another Councillor. The PC is manned entirely by volunteers, who try their best. They are to be commended fully for all the time, ideas and effort they give freely to the good of the Village. Thank you all! I hope now that more support might be forthcoming for the litter pick. I did a bit on Portfield Road last week, quickly filling a shopping bag with cans and bottles.

We have tried for a long time to get the 30 mph limit extended westward to include Flamston House, but to no avail. This saga is now about 10 years old, yet, during that time, we have seen 20 mph limits imposed in Broad Chalke and in Coombe Bissett. Surely, if they can get 20 mph on their through road, we must be allowed to include our pub, our rec ground and outlying residences within a 30 mph limit? All power to the PC in their efforts to obtain this small but essential extension to the 30 mph limit. As to the back roads in the village, perhaps we should consider home-made 'sleeping-policemen' at suitable points!!

Thank you, Editor, for all your volunteer work with STAB. Keep it up!

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James Thompson



Bish Bash needs you



Volunteers

To make this event a success we need volunteers to sell raffle tickets, man the car parking, collect donations and help clear away.

Please contact Marion 07817 091115

Stalls

Anyone interested in running a stall or knows someone who would like to be invited?

Please contact Alice alicebennett2001@yahoo.co.uk

Cake and Produce Stalls

Do you make amazing jam, brownies, cakes, tarts, bread and/or have oodles of produce in your garden come June? Would you be able to donate them to a cake or produce stall at this year's BishBash?

Please bring donations along on the day or they can be collected by or dropped to Madeline 781258 beforehand.

Car Boot Corner

Fancy getting rid of some of your clutter?

Book a parking space in Car Boot Corner by contacting Marion 07817091115 or Madeline 781258





BishBash



Saturday 23rd June 2018

1pm - 6pm

Recreation Field

**Bouncy Castles, Tractors and Steam Engines,
Ferret Racing, Morris Dancers, Police Dogs, Circus Skills,
Wilton Hounds, Go Karts, Air Guns, Car Boot Corner**

Traditional Stalls, Tombola, Books, Plants, Cakes etc

Bar, Pimms, Wessex Cider, Teas, Hog Roast,

The Baguette Man, and Ice Creams

Live music throughout the day

Come and join us, enjoy the afternoon and lend a hand

(see ad for volunteers)



Kindness Rocks!



If you've been walking around the village, or maybe Salisbury, the eagle-eyed amongst you may have spotted some brightly coloured painted rocks. This is part of a national craze called Kindness Rocks in which rocks are decorated and hidden so as to provide the finder with a little happiness. They should then be rehidden, either in the same place or somewhere else, so that they can be found once again. They're great fun to decorate and lovely to find, and those who have hidden them love to see that 'their' rocks have been discovered. There's a local group on Facebook called 'Kindness Rocks Salisbury UK' where you can post pictures of rocks you have found. There are several hidden around Bishopstone as I know of 3 of 4 local families who have been painting and hiding them! If you'd like to have a go yourself it's recommended that you use acrylic paint and then seal the rocks with varnish, although we have also decorated a few using 'Sharpie' permanent pens. Be sure to write on the back too - 'f: Kindness Rocks Salisbury UK Please rehide'. It is illegal to remove rocks from the beach, but if you don't have any suitable ones in your garden they can be bought cheaply from places like B&Q or InExcess. Enjoy decorating them – and happy hunting!

SPRING HAS SPRUNG!

Out for a walk on Saturday 14th, the peace and quiet was truly outstanding. At the top of the hill overlooking Faulston Barns, it was so quiet not even the birds were singing! The sky was blue, the sun was out, and all was well on earth!! Passing a visitor out walking dogs, she remarked on the peace, too. We are really very lucky in Bishopstone that we live in such beauty and such peace.



It is very late for the farmers to be ploughing and drilling, and it seems the crops will be later than usual after the very cold and very wet early spring. It must be very worrying for our farmer friends and disappointing for them if the yields are low than normal. However, the results of their work are a pleasure to admire once again.

Earlier, during the snow in mid- March, this inscription was uncovered under the snow on the wall of Faulston House. What on earth does it mean? To whom might it refer? By whom was it carved? It should be noted that there is a repetition of the date 1782 in the eaves of the priest's door in the church. Why is that? It looks like another anomaly in our village. Can anyone help to resolve the question?



The river is now in full spate, and the water meadows are doing what they were designed to do. They are now well filled and taking the excess water from the river. Those chaps in the Middle Ages were very clever with their control of water and rivers. They knew what they were doing, and we must try to keep their system going if we are to reduce flooding in the valley!

So, go one and all, have a good walk and see what you can find!!
James T

The Angel & The Fallen

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Councillor JOSE GREEN's ANNUAL REPORT.

As I write this there is a heavy blanket of snow covering the landscape, this triggers thoughts of those most vulnerable amongst us and whom in some cases we need to look out to. With exceptionally cold temperatures we all need to be aware of what we should or shouldn't do. Wiltshire Council, as all Local Authorities have, has a role to play in emphasising precautions and preventative tips for most situations that we residents face. A recent study showed that 200,000 UK pensioners had not had a conversation with a friend or relative in more than a month and right now more than 9 million people in the UK say they regularly feel lonely; the impact on this is one of the biggest demands and costs to the NHS. It has been said that loneliness can be as bad for your health as smoking 15 cigarettes a day. We must do all we can to help combat this issue and the most efficient way is to support the many groups, Health and Wellbeing initiatives, clubs, village halls and organisations we can. Through the SWW Area Board, and it has been my role to be Chair this last year, we consider the funding and support of many communities that request help to enable them to remain sustainable. It might be worth noting that Wiltshire has 253 Town and Parish Councils, the 2nd highest number in the Country all of which have their own way of working and special characteristics. There are 3 AONB's, 240 Conservation Areas and over 16,000 Listed Buildings, a good majority of those being in the South. Wiltshire Planning Authority is the 3rd largest in the UK by applications processed. This takes up a great deal of my time and I realise I cannot please every one on this particularly emotive issue.

Wiltshire has the 3rd highest number of people aged 65 years and over in the Country, (100k of our 488k population) this is likely to rise by around 25% in the next 5 years, therefore the demand is high and is increasing. Transforming what WC do to meet the unprecedented growth in Children's and Adult Social Care services is of vital importance, hence the ring fenced Social Care Levy of 3% for the 2nd year following to address this demand. Already greater integration between Health and Social Care Services is well underway, bringing early help, Safeguarding and Assessment together to reduce duplication, excess time and the frustration for the customer or patient. This will result in a more efficient and joined up service that delivers with a clearer pathway forward. The Help to Live at Home scheme has enabled around 6,500 people to stay independent.

Public Health is a department that deals with many diverse issues, too many to mention at this time but it can be anything from noise, dust and smoke to health matters that need to be highlighted to enable us all, hopefully, to help ourselves. The Dementia Awareness programme is progressing well with more villages and Towns joined up to the Safe Places initiative. Salisbury Cathedral has become a Safe Place with church services directly involving carers and their loved ones who are living with various forms of Dementia. At this moment in time WC is proactively highlighting the cervical cancer screening programme. Nationally, there is a 20 year low on take up by women after receiving an invitation to attend a clinic. WC works closely with the NHS, GP's and Wiltshire CCG's and this is just one example.

Another health concern is that in Wiltshire more than 60% of our adult population are overweight or obese. 20% of children starting school are also considered overweight, as you know this could lead to serious problems later in life. WC promotes Health and Wellbeing for residents and I'm pleased to say the take up of the exercise and fitness classes at the Nadder Centre in Tisbury is increasing well. £41million has been spent on new facilities across the County.

Can I once again compliment the 6,000 volunteers helping to deliver Council services across Wiltshire, including locally based flood wardens, people who help clear and maintain our ROW's, sports coaches, the 868 people who support the library service and the community Litter Picks which helps to reduce the £2.5 MILLION WC spends each year on picking up the rubbish others so selfishly dispose of. Prosecutions are now regularly taking place. Single use plastic is a thing of the past in all Council buildings and constant publicity is given about cups, drinking straws, teabags, microbeads, wipes disposal, plastics and packaging. I shall be updating you on the future waste service as it comes in later in the year.

At a risk of prolonging my report further can I finally say that I'm acutely aware of the many Highways issues. £21 million has been budgeted again this year. Amongst other things this maintains the 15% of the 4:500 Kms of roadways across the County to continue the resurfacing programme. The My Wiltshire App is still proving to be the most efficient way to report works required. I'm pleased the 20mph schemes that have been requested by villages have been supported as also the Speed Indication Cameras by an Area Board Grant that Bishopstone, together with Broad Chalke and Bowerchalke, were the first to take it up. I'm also very impressed with the Community Speed Watch Team of volunteers that have maintained their vigilance on those vehicles tearing along the C12 and beyond.

My sincerest thanks to the PC and particularly each Councillor who is very supportive of me. Please be assured I listen to each and every one of those who contact me and I shall endeavour to do all I can to ensure I am a voice for you all.

A Date for your diary:
Saturday June 9th 2018 6-8pm
Bishopstone Conservative Branch invites you to come to the Annual Pimms Party, to be held at Lower Mill, Bishopstone, by kind permission of Mr Chris Sexton.
Come and meet your MP, Mr John Glen to discuss any matters concerning you.

The AGM of The Friends of Bishopstone Church will take place at 7.30pm on Tuesday July 31st

Monthly Mums' Meet Up at The White Hart

Come along after 7.30pm on the FIRST Friday of each month to meet up with other Mums from the village. It's a chance to get out and chat without the children (and finish sentences) with other parents that you have met, and new ones that you haven't! We hope that Mums of ALL ages will come along – even if your little ones are now 6ft tall and living on the other side of the world. The idea is to have an excuse to come out of the house, support the pub and meet parents of all ages – so come along any time after 7.30 for a drink, or come for a meal if you don't fancy cooking!

It is not a formally arranged event – but if you are feeling uncertain and want to know more about it, contact me (Sarah Brough) and I can make sure that someone who is definitely going to be there will spot you when you come in.

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The collection for April was 14.2 kgs, thank you all so much.

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As usual donations can be left in the box in the church porch or at The Old Post Office, The Cross, either ring the doorbell, leave them on the step.

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“Exciting News, Ladies and Gentlemen, By Request! Jenny Berwyn- Jones, is starting an EXTEND SEATED EXERCISE CLASS, at Bishopstone Village Hall on Fridays at 2:00pm – 3:00pm The first class will be held on June 1st.and is free for the first class so just come and join in the fun and get fit!!! An Extend Seated Class, is a full body work out, whilst Seated, which therefore gives you the confidence to get and maintain Fitness without the fear of Falling over!!! Jenny is fully trained, and insured, and has been teaching this class in Fovant since 2002 and started a similar class in Broadchalke 2 years ago, which has been very well received and more recently in Bowerchalke. If interested please contact Jenny on 780 863 or email jennyberwynjones@yahoo.co.uk or just come along!! “

Bishopstone Play Group

‘We are delighted to announce that starting this term local doula, antenatal teacher and breastfeeding peer supporter Cally Edwards will be joining us every week at Bishopstone Playgroup. Cally will be there to offer breastfeeding support in a relaxed setting, where mums can enjoy a hot drink and cake, especially useful for mums who also have an older child who can make use of the toys and activities we have at the group. Normal playgroup fees apply as we obviously need to cover the costs of hiring the hall. We hope that offering this service will bring in some new members to our friendly group, and that it will provide a useful facility for mums to access breastfeeding support from the lovely Cally. Playgroup runs on Fridays in term-time from 9:30-11 at the Village Hall.’

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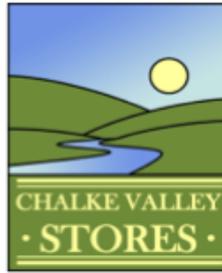
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Newsletter

MAY 2018

NEW WHOLESALE SUPPLIER

You will be aware that Ellen has been working hard to identify a new wholesale supplier, one that understands our ethos and with whom the HUB can build a long-term relationship. There is positive progress on this front and we are about to enter into a trial relationship with Ellen's favoured supplier. Assuming all goes well we will confirm who it is in next month's newsletter. This has been a testing time for Ellen in particular as she has had to do all the fetching and carrying herself something she has done with her usual efficiency to the point where it is doubtful that any of our customers will have noticed much difference. Well done Ellen and thank you!

WE ARE NEARLY FIVE YEARS OLD!

Our 5th anniversary takes place officially on June 3rd^t and preparations are in hand to mark this occasion with a number of suitable initiatives. This is advance notice that the HUB will look and feel a little different as we celebrate this important milestone. With our new supplier in place Ellen is planning to review our product range and quite possibly introduce some new lines. Watch this space!

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AN EXTRA ROUND TABLE

You may have noticed that we have added an extra round table as you go into the Coffee Shop on the left. We feel this adds to the community feel of the HUB and gives visitors the opportunity to sit and chat to people they have not necessarily met before. So if there are spaces available they are yours for the taking.

THE HUB IS RECOGNISED AS A "TRULY FRIENDLY" PLACE FOR PEOPLE WITH DEMENTIA.

A certificate was presented to the HUB on Friday, 27 April, for the "truly friendly" way it welcomes people living with dementia. The award, made by members of the Laverstock Memory Support Group led by Elizabeth Bartlett, includes a number of people who regularly use the HUB. It is part of a project sponsored by DEEP, a national organisation that helps people living with dementia to make their voices heard and to decide for themselves whether services they use are friendly towards them. Without exception members who use the HUB have commented very positively about their experience. One member who has dementia says "I am not aware of ever being treated in any way differently to anyone else. Everyone is always pleasant and helpful." Family carers have been equally positive. One said, "I can happily leave my husband there with a cup of coffee and a newspaper for an hour while I go to keep fit. I know that he will be safe, and enjoy chatting to everyone."

It is good to know that the HUB is being used in this way as it serves as a good example of its core purpose which is to reach out to all members of our local communities.

If you would like to know more about this excellent initiative please contact Elizabeth Bartlett on 0781 238 1463 or at elizabethbartlett@ntlworld.com

CHALKE VALLEY LADIES CYCLING FOR CANCER

On Tuesday 3rd April Hannah Bell, Pam Clover, Shosh Hibbs and Sue Wharmby cycled 100 km each on static bikes outside the Chalke Valley Stores to raise money for Women V Cancer. This is in preparation for a Women V Cancer "Ride the Night" they are doing through London on 5th May in support of Breast Cancer Care, Ovarian Cancer Action and Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust. Thanks to your support they raised £1,500 on 3rd April and no doubt this figure will be increased as a result of their efforts on 5th May. It is good to see the HUB being used as a focal point for events like this.

WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITY AT THE HUB

An opportunity has arisen for two young people, preferably aged between 17 and 21 and living in the Chalke Valley, to gain paid work experience working mainly in the Coffee Shop, one with effect from 11th August and the other from 1st September. There is also an advertisement appearing in this edition of the Broadsheet giving more details so if you know of anyone who you think might like to apply please draw it to their attention. They should email Ellen at: ellen@chalkevalleystores.co.uk in the first instance asking for an application form. Please note that applications close on 16 June.

REVEREND CANON DAVID HENLEY

Many of you will remember David Henley as a past Rector of the Chalke Valley Benefice. Some may not know the significant part he played in helping the HUB come into existence. In doing so he worked closely with the United Reformed Church in recognizing that the church should work towards meeting the needs of the community as a whole, hence the idea of the HUB was born. David no longer lives in this area but retains fond memories. It is felt that his contribution should be recognized and with that in mind he has been invited and has accepted, an invitation to come to the HUB on Sunday 6th May at 3.00pm. You are warmly invited to join David in the HUB/Chapel on this occasion. It will provide an opportunity for us to show our appreciation for all he did in helping the HUB come into existence, the knock-on effects of which have been of such huge benefit to the Chalke Valley and all its communities. This is an "open house" event so the more the merrier.



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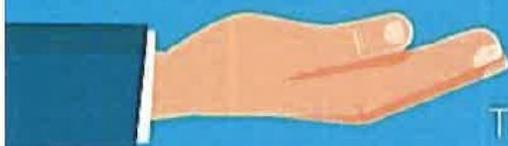


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Tuesday	14:00	Pilates	Radnor Hall
Tuesday	18:00	Fitness Pilates	Britford Memorial Hall
Tuesday	19:00	Pilates	Britford Memorial Hall
Wednesday	09:30	Better Backs	Bishopstone Village Hall
Wednesday	18:00	Pilates	Bishopstone Village Hall
Wednesday	19:00	HIIT	Bishopstone Village Hall
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The Village Hall Committee

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Event Bookings	Caroline Ash	781044
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Bishopstone Village Hall Rental Rates

Bishopstone Village Hall has 2 rooms that you can hire for a wide range of functions. The larger room is ideal for children's parties, with lots of space for them to run around. It can also accommodate wedding receptions, charity functions and other such occasions. The smaller room (The Memorial Room) is a good size for meetings and other similar events. The modern kitchen is spacious and fully equipped with a electric catering range, a 4 minute dishwasher, water boiler, hot cupboard, microwave oven, 2 fridges and a freezer, and the facility is suitable for use by professional caterers. There is also glass ware, crockery and cutlery for 80+ people.

The hire charges include use of the heating and electricity.

The rates are currently:

	Villagers (and close relatives)	Non Villagers
Hire of both rooms (a) (including tea making facilities but no other electrical kitchen equipment)	£10 p/h	£15 p/h
Hire of both rooms (b) (including full use of all electrical kitchen equipment)	£15 p/h	£19 p/h
Full kitchen use only	£10 p/h	£15 p/h
Weddings	£150 for event	£250 for event
Party	£100 for day	Hourly Rate

Broadband **£6 p/h for both villagers and non villagers. £25 flat rate available for longer use.**

These charges include time taken to set up the event.

Please use your hall

Booking Clerk: Margaret Barter 780471

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<p>Bishopstone Ladies</p> <p>Meet third Wednesday in month 7.30pm</p> <p>Mrs Shirley Cooke Tel:780436</p>	<p>Chalke Valley Flower Club</p> <p>Meets forth Wednesday in the month - 7.00pm</p> <p>Broadchalke Village Hall Mrs Liz Long 780448</p>	<p>Chalke Valley Ladies Fellowship</p> <p>This group meets regularly on Tuesday mornings and visitors are welcome</p> <p>Caroline Lamb 780789</p>
<p>Coombe Bissett & Homington Badminton Club</p> <p>Every Wednesday September to April Coombe Bissett Village Hall Contact Sue Dyer 718514 or Pete Johnson 780303</p>		<p>Teddy Bears</p> <p>This group is for parents and carers with their babies and young children</p> <p>meet Broadchalke Village Hall - Thursday 9.15—11.15</p>
<p>Bishopstone Village Website</p> <p>www.bishopstone-salisbury.co.uk</p> <p>The village website carries a wealth of information about the village.</p> <p>There are pages devoted to the church, the business of the Parish Council, what's on in the Village Hall, on meetings of clubs and other organisa- tions and on village walks</p> <p>If you want to have information included on this site please contact either:</p> <p>Mike Ash</p> <p>bishopstoneclerk@btinternet.com or: Roger Stockton</p> <p>stocktons710@btinternet.com</p>	<p>Bishopstone Playgroup</p> <p>Friday mornings, 9.30 – 11.00am</p> <p>All pre-school children and their parents/ carers welcome</p>	<p>Neighbourhood Watch</p> <p>Tony Grummett 780152</p>
	<p>The Friends of Bishopstone Church</p> <p>If you would like to help the Friends of Bishopstone Church with their work of preserving the fabric of Bishopstone Church, please contact the Treasurer: Norman Barter 780471</p>	<p>Needles and Pins</p> <p>Bishopstone's sewing and craft group.</p> <p>Bring your knitting, sewing or other craft project and join us for tea, cake and a chat.</p> <p>VILLAGE HALL</p> <p>2.00 - 4.00pm Thursday every fortnight.</p> <p>Further information from Caroline 781044</p>



CHALKE TALK

The News Letter for the Chalke Valley Team Ministry



Services in Chalke Valley Benefice - May 2018

BCP = Book of Common Prayer (Traditional Language), CW = Common Worship (Contemporary Language)



6 May 6th Sunday of Easter	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Britford Broad Chalke Bishopstone Ebbesbourne Wake Berwick St John Coombe Bissett Nunton Homington	Ann Philp Catherine Blundell David Blundell Jonathan Plows Lay Led Catherine Blundell Lay Led David Blundell
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)		
	11.00am	Morning Service		
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)		
	11.00am	Mattins (BCP)		
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)		
	6.00pm	Evensong (BCP)		
10 May ASCENSION DAY	6.00am	Dawn Communion (CW) <i>Shared with Western Downland Benefice. Followed by bacon rolls & hot drinks.</i>	All Saints, Martin	Leslie Player
	2.00pm	School Eucharist – all welcome	Coombe Bissett Church	Jenny Taylor
13 May Sunday after Ascension	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Broad Chalke Bowerchalke Odstock Broad Chalke Chapel Alvediston Charlton All Saints Coombe Bissett Fifield Bavant Berwick St John	Catherine Blundell Catherine Blundell Jenny Taylor tbc Lay Led Lay Led Jenny Taylor Lay Led Lay Led
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)		
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	10.30am	URC Morning Worship		
	11.00am	Morning Service		
	11.00am	Choral Mattins (BCP)		
	11.00am	Family Service		
	3.00pm	Evensong (BCP)		
6.00pm	Evensong (BCP)			
20 May PENTECOST WHIT SUNDAY	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Bowerchalke Bishopstone Nunton Broad Chalke School Broad Chalke Chapel Berwick St John Homington Ebbesbourne Wake Britford	Catherine Blundell Jenny Taylor Ann Philp Lay Led tbc Catherine Blundell Jenny Taylor Lay Led Catherine Blundell
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)		
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)		
	9.30am	R3vive		
	10.30am	URC Communion Service		
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)		
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)		
	6.00pm	Evensong (BCP)		
27 May TRINITY SUNDAY	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Berwick St John Broad Chalke Charlton All Saints Odstock Alvediston Coombe Bissett Bishopstone Bowerchalke	Kate Rosslyn Smith Catherine Blundell Jenny Taylor Lay Led Ann Philp David Blundell Catherine Blundell Lay Led
	9.30am	Family Communion (CW)		
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)		
	11.00am	Family Service (CW)		
	11.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)		
	11.00am	Choral Mattins (BCP)		
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)		
3 June 1st Sunday after Trinity	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Britford Broad Chalke Bishopstone Ebbesbourne Wake Berwick St John Coombe Bissett Nunton Homington	Jenny Taylor Catherine Blundell Lay Led Catherine Blundell Lay Led Jonathan Plows Lay Led Jenny Taylor
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)		
	11.00am	Morning Service		
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)		
	11.00am	Mattins (BCP)		
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)		
	6.00pm	Evensong (BCP)		

Ministry Team

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