

THE VILLAGE VOICE

A Monthly Newsletter for Chilmark & Ridge and Fonthill Bishop with Berwick St Leonard

Cash, Please

A reminder to everyone heading to Chilmark Church Fete at The Old Rectory on Saturday (29 June) to bring cash. The Pimms Tent will have a card machine for drinks purchases but elsewhere cash is likely to be needed.

Bridge Repairs

Repairs to the bridge at the Mooray end of The Street got underway as this issue went to press. The road is expected to be closed to traffic for three weeks though it's understood the bridge will be open to pedestrians on General Election day, Thursday 4 July.

Polling Day

The Polling Station in Chilmark's Reading Room will be open to voters from 7am to 10pm on Thursday 4 July. Do remember to take photographic ID with you otherwise you won't be allowed to vote.

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Welcome to the July-August issue of The Village Voice



The magic of a midsummer dawn greeted Chilmark's early risers on the morning of the Solstice. Hares and larks in abundance and then, on the dot of sunrise, the curious release of farmyard manure odour from the muck heap at the top of the Ridge field – the power of the sun unleashed.

With the summer solstice came the start of proper summer weather, at last, and just in time for the Chilmark Church Fete. And long may it last. Apart from the scheduled Parish Council meeting on 3 July, the village is in for a quiet spell appropriate to the summer holidays with, for the most part, just coffee kitchens and cricket matches in the diary, not to forget the July Food Bank collection, p3.

It was good to learn that the Race Night in the Reading Room was a success,

p5; less good to read about the decline in the condition of The Black Dog premises and the continuing uncertainty about its future, p4.

Also unresolved is the future of the Playing Field and Playground at Claybush although, as flagged in the June issue, this is now in the hands of the Salisbury Diocesan Board of Education.

Another issue ultimately in the hands of the Salisbury Diocese is the future of the Nadder Valley Benefice. A decision on whether to split it in half and, if so, into which configuration, has yet to be made. Those in a position to understand the historical context of the parishes of Chilmark and Fonthill Bishop understandably have misgivings about the possibility of the two ending up in different benefices, as would be the case in the solution favoured by the current incumbents (as per June issue p10). It is hoped wisdom will prevail, particularly as Chilmark & Fonthill Bishop CofE Aided Primary School covers the two parishes concerned.

On a lighter note, our thanks to Josie Nunn for the third in her series of Gardening Tips on behalf of Chilmark Horticultural Society (CHS); they are being well received by Chilmark's gardeners, p8. Meanwhile, it's time to ensure those veg are growing abundantly, ready for the CHS Competition on Saturday 7 September.

Best wishes for a peaceful summer,

The Editorial Team



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The Village Voice Editorial Team

Copy deadline 20th of each month. Please note that there will be one issue for December & January (copy deadline 20 November) and one issue for July & August (deadline 20 June). Items will be welcomed from any individual or village organisation and should be sent to the Editor. However, newsletter content remains at the discretion of the Editorial Team and on some occasions will be space dependent. If you wish to advertise in the newsletter, please contact the Treasurer.

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		July Dates for your Diary	
Tuesday 2nd	7pm	Social Stitchers	Chilmark Reading Room (CRR)
Wednesday 3rd	9am	Kettlercise Class	CRR
Wednesday 3rd	7pm	Chilmark Parish Council Meeting	CRR
Thursday 4th	7am-10pm	General Election polling	CRR
Friday 5th	10.30am	Art Group Life Drawing	CRR
Sunday 7th	1.30pm	CCC v Wiltshire Queries	Cleeves Farm
Tuesday 9th	2.55-3.20pm	Mobile Library	Hops Close
Wednesday 10th	9am	Kettlercise Class	CRR
Wednesday 10th	10.30-12noon	Chilmark Coffee Kitchen	CRR
Sat 13 - Wed 17		Food Bank collection	Chilmark Church
Tuesday 16th	7pm	Social Stitchers	CRR
Wednesday 17th	9am	Kettlercise Class	CRR
Saturday 20th	10am-12noon	Fonthill Book Swap	Fonthill Bishop Reading Room
Tuesday 23rd		End of School Term	Chilmark School
Wednesday 24th	9am	Kettlercise Class	CRR
Wednesday 24th	10.30-12noon	Chilmark Coffee Kitchen	CRR
Sunday 28th	1.30pm	CCC v Racqueteers	Cleeves Farm
Wednesday 31st	9am	Kettlercise Class	CRR
		August	
Sunday 4th	2pm	CCC v Old Bedfordians	Cleeves Farm
Wednesday 7th	10.30-12noon	Chilmark Coffee Kitchen	CRR
Sunday 18th	1.30pm	CCC v Farley	Cleeves Farm
Wednesday 28th	10.30-12noon	Chilmark Coffee Kitchen	CRR

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Parish Council News

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Next PC Meeting

Wednesday 3 July, 7pm, in the Reading Room. All welcome to attend. The Agenda can be viewed on link above.

Latest Planning Applications / Decisions:

Ref: PL/2024/04186 – Householder Planning Permission
Holly House, Cow Drove, Chilmark, SP3 5AJ
Alteration and extension of a two-storey detached dwelling house

Applicant: Mr Todd Jex
Case officer: Megan Donovan

PC position: No objection

Decision deadline: 1 July 2024

Ref: PL/2024/05096 - Listed Building Consent
Frog Cottage, Frog Lane, Chilmark SP3 5BB
Replace modern single glazed timber frame windows with traditional timber flush frame double glazed units.

Applicant: Mr D Surtees
Case officer: Andrew Minting

PC position: No objection

Consultation deadline: 5 July 2024

Ref: PL/2024/05077 – Listed Building Consent
Frog Cottage, Frog Lane, Chilmark SP3 5BB
Replace a timber post and rail fence alongside the drive, on the east side of the property and construct a new stone boundary wall in its place.

Applicant: Mr D Surtees
Case officer: Andrew Minting

PC position: No objection

Consultation deadline: 18 July 2024

To view details of any of the above applications or permissions, visit:

development.wiltshire.gov.uk/pr/s/ and enter the planning application number in the search bar



Dog Poo Bin

Further to discussions at the May Parish Council meeting about the inadequate size of the dog poo bin at Lower Mooray, a larger all-purpose bin has been purchased. This bin is now in situ for dog walkers to use. There are three other bins in the village that can be used for dog waste; one by the Playing Field entrance at Claybush, one by the bus-stop in The Street and one by the layby opposite The Black Dog. An additional one has also been purchased for Forbes Field.

Black Dog Update

The warmer, sunnier weather has undoubtedly brought increased feelings of loss regarding our closed pub. Although we are no further forward with a purchase there are a few updates, as follows:



1. The concern about rat activity at the pub was reported to The Black Dog's owner before Christmas and has got noticeably worse, encroaching on neighbouring properties. Wiltshire Pest Control came out to review the situation in May, discussing the activity seen along the road and on our properties. A report was sent to the Environmental Health Officer. There is no update regarding their success in getting hold of the owner.
2. The spiky weeds overgrowing the footpath running alongside the pub garden has also been reported to the estate agents, who passed the message on to the owner on 7 June.
3. There are many concerns regarding the state of the listed building. The first step in the process of reporting this is via Wiltshire Council, which we did earlier in the year. We are following up on what step two looks like now. If we need messages of concern from the village to strengthen our case, then we shall be in touch!
4. Two more local pubs have come onto the market this year: The Wyndham Arms, Dinton (£375k) and The Benett Arms, Tisbury. The latter appears to have sold at auction for £450k via Savills. Following these pubs coming on the market at a significantly lower price than the The Black Dog, the BD estate agents were contacted to supply a justification for their value on our pub. We note that the asking price for the pub has since been reduced from £550k to £495k.
5. A significant grant potentially available to us, subject to application, is the Community Ownership Fund; all applications to this have been paused until after the General Election, at which point there may be a whole new process. Therefore, subject to the availability of a similar grant pot, we shall need to wait for this to be clarified before applying, should we be successful at negotiating a suitable price for the increasingly dilapidated building.

Should you have any comments or questions, please send them to: savetheblackdog@outlook.com



Forbes Field Spruced Up

Startled readers should have no fear: we have not planted non-native spruce trees in Forbes Field. What we have done recently, however, is to give the field a very thorough summertime trim. During the late afternoon of Wednesday 12 June, 20 Friends of Forbes Field turned out to carry out some much-needed strimming and weeding to give our trees and hedging the best possible conditions for future growth. We also mounted the information board at the Western

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Grove, which lists the names of people who have very generously pledged various tree types in this plot. We finished off with a barbeque to thank to all those who had attended and given freely of their time and effort for the Forbes Field project. Once again, the weather gods were kind to us for, despite a forecast of rain, the sun shone throughout. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all participants and, in particular, Johan and Lesley Denekamp for organising this most successful event, and to Carl Jacobs for running the wonderful barbeque.

In other news, the Forbes Field Management Group is delighted to welcome a new committee member: Janie Whipp, who has already shown her strimming credentials to great effect in the field. In terms of future activities, the main task is to get work started in July on the cairn that will mark the viewpoint at the south-western corner of the field. In addition, we shall mount the main information board concerning project near the entrance to the field, and also place a rubbish bin (courtesy of the Parish Council) nearby. All in all, the field is looking very good so please come and visit it, and don't forget our open day at lunchtime on Saturday, 7 September.

Mungo Melvin



Our Race Night was a huge success and great fun, raising around £800. Thank you so much to everyone who came along, those who helped run the evening and also our generous sponsors who sponsored a race in their absence. Many a flutter was had and there were some healthy payouts! We kept people replenished with some

lovely canapés, the drink flowed and there was much jollity. The *Best Turned Out* prize was strongly contested, with Jenny Gavin just pipping Chrissie Eden to the post.



The Reading Room Committee aims to put on events for the whole village whilst also raising funds for the upkeep of the Reading Room. We very much appreciate the support that is shown for this village space. If there is any event that residents would like to see us organise, your suggestions would be welcomed. Thank you.

Alison Whipp-Long

Chilmark Coffee Kitchen

Chilmark's very own pop-up café will continue to open during the summer, on Wednesdays 10 & 24 July and 7 and 28 August, in the Reading Room from 10.30am-12 noon. It is open to everyone in the village, serving coffee, tea, and delicious homemade cakes all free of charge, although there is the opportunity to donate to charity (Salisbury Trust for the Homeless). So far, more than £3,000 has been raised for charity; what could be a more enjoyable way to raise funds than eating cake and having a chat with neighbours and friends? Whilst we enjoy the company of 'regulars', we particularly welcome people new to the village; it's a great way of getting to know

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people and find out what's going on. Please pop in and join us!

Lynn Menzies - 01722 717925 /
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Food Bank News

Salisbury Food Bank collected 139.4kg from us on Thursday 13 June. A great combined effort by our village, Fonthill book swap and Chilmark School. Thank you all so much for your continued generosity; every bit is greatly appreciated, whether it is a single can of soup or a carrier bag of provisions.

Our next collection will run from Saturday 13 July through to Wednesday 17 July. The following collection will be from Saturday 5 September to Wednesday 11 September. You may be asking why not August? My reasoning behind this decision is the same as last year: with the warmer weather, the general costs of living are lower and I am also mindful that many people take time out during the school holidays.

I will be in touch just before the July collection to pass on from Salisbury Food Bank any specially needed items. May you all have a wonderful summer, with the sun shining wherever you are spending it. Thankyou,
Angi Stoop

Chilmark Horticultural Society

Competition & Exhibition

In line with the Forbes Field event on Forbes Field on Saturday 7 September, the CHS will be holding a horticultural competition in Chilmark Reading Room open to all residents of Chilmark, Ridge, and Fonthill Bishop with Berwick St Leonard. All entries to the competition - including the award winners - will be displayed from 2.30 to 4.30pm in the Reading Room. Tea and cakes will be available.

Entry will take place by submission of an Entry Form, and exhibits must be delivered to the Reading Room between 9am and 11am on the morning of the competition. Judging will take place between 11.30am and 12.30pm.

The classes are as follows:

1. Four vegetables – two of each variety
2. Four tomatoes
3. Two courgettes
4. Four potatoes
5. Four beetroot
6. Four runner beans
7. Mixed herbs in water
8. Mixed salad in water
9. Vase of cut flowers from your garden
10. Flower arrangement in an unusual container
11. Jar of preserves (jam, chutney, pickles etc)
12. Cake using a garden ingredient
13. Children's class (11 and under) – Vegetable creature
14. Children's class (11 and under) – Drawing or painting of something in the garden

All produce and flowers must have been grown in the exhibitor's garden. As many classes as wished can be entered. Exhibits can be collected at 4.30pm from the Reading Room.

Certificates will be issued for the top three entries in each class, and there will be no entry fees. Entry Forms will be provided by means of a door drop in late August and will also be available from Sally Butcher (01722 716387); further information will be circulated nearer the day.



Chilmark & Fonthill Bishop School

Year 6 attended a very special Leaver's Service at Salisbury Cathedral. The children took our school banner which was so beautifully made by the Social Stitchers and were part of a parade, prior to the service, led by Bishop Stephen. With lots of schools across Wiltshire and Dorset attending, the opportunity to be part of this special day was amazing. After the service, the children enjoyed a picnic lunch in the grounds of the Cathedral and took part in a reflection trail.



We are very proud of our girls' football team who were victorious in a recent Compass Cluster tournament held at Wylve Valley School. During the games, Isla and Peggy scored 11 goals and they kept a clean sheet, not conceding any goals.

Mrs Chapman's *Harvest of Hobbies* afternoon was a great success and was thoroughly enjoyed by both the children and the wider community. There was a huge range of interests on show and it was lovely to see the exchange of ideas. A huge thank you to all the members of the village community for supporting the event.



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Chilmark and Dinton have been cricket foes for more than 180 years. It's been turbulent. It's been combative. Sometimes the teas haven't been up to scratch. But it's

never been dull. Even when it rains. The away game towards the end of May would ultimately fall victim to the weather but, before it did, there was time for Brand King to run teammate Ricky Corbin out. Struggling for form, King was keen to scamper as many runs as possible and, in his desperation, vastly overestimated Corbin's ability to traverse 22 yards in a timely fashion. His innings terminated, and none too pleased, Corbin then played the shot of the day when he drop kicked his batting glove over the boundary line from short third man. Max Allen made headway in between downpours, as the uncovered pitch began to resemble a 70s six yard box. When he was stumped for 33, King finally began to find the middle of the bat, eventually registering a half century. James Stevenson then took over and made one of his own. 175 seemed decent in the conditions but with the innings break came more rain, and eventually it was decided that the pool table at the Wyndham was more inviting.

Chilmark CC 175-5 (B King 57; J Stevenson 54) No Result vs Dinton CC DNB

Good friends the Douglas Jardines travelled down from London the following weekend to play their part in a Darren Lee showcase. Batting first, Chilmark opened with father son duo Ben and Fitch Eastmond, with the youngster playing staunchly for three overs before finally losing his wicket. Brand King then joined Eastmond senior (19), the pair putting on a 54-run partnership for the second wicket. Eastmond made way for Tony Lewis (0), who lasted two balls, before Jovin Mann came to the crease. The youngster's sole aim was to score his first run for the club, which he managed with a delightful drive through the covers. He celebrated this arrival as a future Chilmark lynchpin in symbolic style - lifting a ball over square leg for six and knocking Admiral Middleton's walking stick out of his hand. By this time, King had reached his half century and looked like going all the way until he somehow managed to kick a ball on to his stumps. But this only paved the way for Darren Lee. In a blistering 42 ball knock, Lee cracked 13 boundaries and a six, as he registered an unbeaten 74, and helped Chilmark to a healthy total of 210.

Douglas Jardine were always on par with the required run rate but regular wickets kept Chilmark in the hunt. Rich Mann (1-5) bowled five exceptional overs, while Jovin Mann (1-17) showed he was an all-round talent. Carl Jacobs dropped a sitter, of course, because that's what he does but when the going got tough, Ben Eastmond (2-32) and Sam Moss (3-12) stepped up. However, it was Darren Lee's day. Chilmark's all-time leading wicket taker took one with his first and last deliveries of the game, registering his 150th for the club, and sealing a 58-run victory.

Chilmark CC 210-5 (D Lee 74*; B King 62) defeated Douglas Jardine CC 152 all out (S Moss 3-12; D Lee 2-29)

The Lobsters were next up at Cleaves Farm; Reg Allen was wheeled out for the occasion. It marked his 201st game for Chilmark, a total that says more about week-by-week player availability than any tangible talent on Reg's behalf. He was bowled for a duck. Ricky Corbin (9), Ed Lewis (10) and Darren Lee (20) all made starts; however, it was an unlikely hero that settled the innings. Ben Fowles' best years are surely behind him but for an hour and a half he swatted and caressed his way to a convincing half century. Max Allen blasted by him on his



Hello boys! (Reg, Darren & Ben)

way to yet another century but the 150-run partnership they put on gave Chilmark the upper hand.

Chasing 256, the Lobsters were never really in the hunt. Darren Lee (2-22) struck early, before Ricky Corbin took two of his own. The highlight, though, was the return to Cleaves Farm of Windmill Will. It had been five years since the Chilmark icon with the idiosyncratic bowling action had taken a wicket for the club but he made up for that in style, striking with his first ball. As if that wasn't enough, he then removed the Lobsters' best batsman, and effectively sealed the deal for Chilmark. Ever the trendsetter, that first ball wicket became a theme. Sam Moss struck with his, on the way to three for the princely sum of no runs, before Patrick 'the Doc' Craig-McFeely rounded off the innings with his loosener.

Chilmark CC 256-6 (Max Allen 102*; B Fowles 71) defeated The Lobsters CC 122 (S Moss 3-0; R Corbin 2-16)

What happened the following weekend is hard to describe.



Windmill Will, Sam Moss and The Doc all took a wicket with their first deliveries against the Lobster

Two teams, the Old Somervillians and the Fulham Pigeons, visited Chilmark for a triangular T20 tournament that was equal parts chaos and cricket. Music played the batsmen on, players played for a team, then against it, Archie Small offered commentary via an amplified microphone. For Chilmark, Jonny Sanderson (36) finally got to spend some time in the middle as he top-scored against the Pigeons. Aably assisted by Mac Stevenson (26), Darren Lee (24) and Will Packer (27*), Chilmark put on 127. Sam Moss (3-6) was the chief Pigeon killer, with Rocket Stevenson (2-11) also taking some feathers. Chilmark ran out 30 run winners.

Given the Pigeons' general ineptness, the game between Chilmark and the Old Somervillians became a pseudo final. The Somervillians batted first and, courtesy of an 83-run partnership between Sam and Will (now playing against Chilmark) Packer, put an imposing 152 run total on the board. Rocket (2-31) was Chilmark's best. The home

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team fell behind the run rate early on, until Max Allen (30) hit three consecutive sixes, followed by a boundary. But when he was bowled next ball, hopes faded. Rocket kept things together as best he could while batting partners came and went but, as the 19th over began, Chilmark still needed another 44 to win. It's unclear how many deliveries were sent down in that 19th over, or how many hit the pitch. There were free hits, penalty runs, wides, sixes, no balls and, 35 runs later, a run out. The final over saw Chilmark suddenly needing nine to win. Alas, try as Carl Jacobs and the Doc might, they could not quite get the team over the line. The Old Somervillians, unsurprisingly, won their fixture against the Pigeons and took home a well-deserved trophy.



Coming up, we have home games on 7 and 28 July, and then every Sunday through to 1 September. And, on a yet to be confirmed date in August, it's outdoor movie time as we set up a large screen and projector, break out the popcorn and BBQ, and open up the ground to the village for a night of family entertainment. Stay tuned for details.

Brand King



Gardening Tips

We welcome the third of in our series of monthly pieces from Josie Nunn of Chilmark Horticultural Society (an affiliate of the RHS).

It's really important in the hot summer months to keep watering newly planted trees and plants. Remember that tubs and baskets dry out very quickly. Fruiting crops like tomatoes, chillies and cucumbers should be fed weekly with a liquid feed high in potassium. Feeds high in nitrogen promote leafy growth, so are good for brassicas.

July is the month to prune long shoots on wisteria back to about seven buds, and shoots that have flowered on ceanothus can be cut back by a third. Hardy geraniums can be cut back to encourage new growth and a second flush of flowers.

Please leave hedge trimming as late in August as possible and check carefully for nests before you start. Blackbirds, thrushes and goldfinches, in particular, are still nesting in August.

On the subject of wildlife, please do keep bird baths clean and topped up, and our hedgehog friends will appreciate a dish of clean water at ground level. If you'd like to attract more butterflies, plants like eryngium, lavender, scabious and echinacea are good choices. Remember, many butterflies like to lay their eggs in patches of nettles, so don't be too tidy! Children may like to make a small wildlife pond or an insect house during the summer holidays - there are lots of ideas on the internet.

We hope your gardens bring you lots of pleasure this summer.

Josie Nunn



St Margaret of Antioch, Chilmark

Forthcoming services

There will be a patronal Evensong service in Chilmark Church on Sunday 21 July at 4pm to mark the annual feast day of St Margaret of Antioch. The service will be led by the Revd Jo Naish. All very welcome to attend.

Churchyard Tidy-Up

The church Fabric group once again thanks all of those who gave up their Saturday morning to help maintain the churchyard on Saturday 1 June. The weather was glorious, refreshments were served as usual, and a considerable amount was achieved. The next tidy-up will be on Saturday 21 September.

Grant Philpott

The Bells of St Margaret's Chilmark

For several months the bells of the village church have remained silent. The principal reason is that, although the sound of the six ancient bells has been appreciated by many in the village, it has not been possible to encourage new ringers to join the band and sustain the group. The remaining members, therefore, joined the Tisbury band and ring there on a regular basis.

However, the intent is that members of this consolidated band will ring periodically at Chilmark for evening training and at special events. Of course, we should be delighted to welcome anyone interested in taking up bell ringing or resuming a previous hobby. If interested, please contact me at: angus.menzies1@btinternet.com

Angus Menzies



Chilmark Church

The challenges that lie ahead

Over the last five editions of the Village Voice, I really hope that readers have gained some insights into the *business* of our beautiful church. That, unapologetically, is my perspective on it and I readily accept that religious matters are not my thing.

The Salisbury Diocese has 432 small parishes. We can't say that the Diocese actually manages them, individually, as there is such a very light management touch. Each parish is really left to manage itself. However, individually and collectively, the challenges that are faced are quite stark. Demonstrably, we have diminishing congregations and an ageing church-going population. It isn't harsh to look to the future but actually very necessary. The Diocese has encouraged parishes to look for solutions. We might wish to be given more direction, but nothing has been forthcoming. There has been talk of merging parishes but currently there is no desire for this from most parishes in the Diocese. A merger of PCCs is a challenging concept and, to use the cliché, the devil really is in the detail. We are likely to see our benefice split into two. That isn't obviously more efficient, although it might prove to be more attractive in terms of retention of, and recruitment of, clergy.

If we look forward even two or three years, let alone ten years, the future needs much more radical thought. There will be a need for aggregation. There are far fewer Roman Catholic churches in any given area and that simple fact means that they face fewer of these simple issues of over-supply. There are just too many churches in any given Diocese and surely that is an indisputable fact. Yet, every parishioner is so very wedded to their own church. How to square this circle?

These issues will (eventually) be addressed and debated by your PCC. There may come some direction nationally or perhaps from our Salisbury Diocese. In the meantime, as a PCC, we will continue to manage the two competing demands on our limited funds. We need to find enough money to send to Salisbury Diocese to allow for the essential costs of ministry (ie clergy) to be provided. Yet, we also need to find enough money to allow us to maintain our beautiful 14th Century church. These are interesting challenges and, once again, if you would like to get involved, please contact any one of the PCC members to see if there is a role that might suit your skillset.

Johan Denekamp

Wholeness & Healing

Come and join us for a time of quietness and space to find *Wholeness and Healing*. We invite you to join us for our monthly time of contemplation - to pray for yourself and for those whom you care about in difficulty. Wednesday 10 July, 6pm, St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury. We will meet in the vestry as the chapel is unavailable. All welcome; we looking forward to seeing you. *We pray because we can; we care because we must.*

Church Cleaning Rota 2024

If you feel you are able to help / join the Rota, please ring me on 01722 716675.

Many thanks, **Judith Barrett**

July	Group	August	Group
7th	four	4th	eight
14th	five	11th	nine
21st	six	18th	ten
28th	seven	25th	one



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NADDER VALLEY BENEFICE – CHURCH SERVICES – JULY 2024										
Date	7 th July		14 th July		21 st July		28 th July		4 th August	
SUNDAY	Trinity 6		Trinity 7		Trinity 8		Trinity 9		Trinity 10	
Southern Area										
ANSTY	–	–	1115 PC	JN	–	–	1115 Patronal PC	JMH/JA	–	–
COMPTON	0930 AAC Celebration of Fathers	MH	–	–	–	–	–	–	0930 PC	–
FOVANT	0800 HC _{02T}	MH	0930 To Sutton Manderville	–	1800 E _{BCP}	EB	0930 PC	MH	0800 HC _{02T}	–
SUTTON	–	–	0930 MP	EB	1600 AAS	EB	0930 To Fovant	–	–	–
SWALLOW- CLIFFE	1115 Hymns and Pimms	MH	1800 E _{BCP}	JA	0800 HC _{BCP}	EB	1115 M _{BCP}	LAY	1115 PC _T	–
Northern Area										
BARFORD	1115 AAC	MG	0930 M _{CW}	LAY	0930 HC _{BCP}	EB	0930 AAC	MG	1115 AAC	–
BAVERSTOCK	0930 PC	AP	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
CHILMARK	1115 AAC	JN	0930 AAS	JA	1600 ES Patronal	JN	1115 MPr/M	LAY	1115 AAC	–
DINTON	0930 AAC	MG	–	–	0930 AAC	CF	0930 M _{CW}	EB	0930 AAC	–
T. EVIAS	–	–	1115 Pet Service	EB	–	–	1115 AAC	KPM	–	–
T. MAGNA	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Western Area										
CHICKLADE	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
HINDON	0930 PC	JN	0930 AAC	JN	1800 E _{BCP}	JN	0930 PC	SE	0930 PC	–
FONTHILL BISHOP	1700 E _{BCP}	JA	0800 HC _{BCP}	SE	0930 M _{BCP}	JN	–	–	1700 E _{BCP}	–
FONTHILL GIFFORD	0800 HC _{BCP}	SE	1115 M _{BCP}	JMH/JD	–	–	1115 M _{BCP}	SE	0800 HC _{BCP}	–
TISBURY	0930 AAS	JA	0930 PC	JMH/JD	0930 PC 1800 Choral E _{BCP}	JMH JMH	0800 HC _{BCP} 0930 PC	EB JMH/JA	0930 AAS	–

AAC All Age Communion **AAS** All Age Service **BCP** Book of Common Prayer **CW** Common Worship **CbE** Communion by Extension
E Evensong or Evening Prayer **HC** Holy Communion (said) **PC** Order 1 Communion (with hymns) **PC_o** Order 1 Communion, traditional language (with hymns)
PC_{o2T} Order 2 Communion traditional language (with hymns) **M** Mattins or Morning Prayer **MPr** Morning Praise

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Tisbury Surgery News

As I write, there is at long last a glimpse of sun – so just a reminder to remember your sunscreen and hat – and to remind you how getting out and doing some exercise is good both for your mental wellbeing as well as blood pressure and cholesterol levels.

Do keep a look out for ticks if walking in long grass though. Their bite is not always painful, and you may not notice a tick unless you see it on your skin. Do check for ticks on your clothes and skin as well as your children and pets after being outdoors.

It is easy to remove a tick - use fine-tipped tweezers or a tick-removal tool. You can buy these from some pharmacies, vets, pet shops or a well-known supplier via the internet. Grasp the tick as close to the skin as possible and slowly pull upwards, taking care not to squeeze or crush the tick. Dispose of it when you have removed it and clean the bite with antiseptic or soap and water. The chance of getting ill from a tick bite is low. You do not need to do anything else unless you notice a rash or become unwell.

On another note, one of our patients, Viv Worrall, (we have her consent to give her details) and Rosie, our practice manager, are planning to tackle 24 peaks (including Scafell Pike England's highest mountain) in 24 hours in September in an attempt to raise much needed funds for Julia's House Children's Hospice. Full details are given in the link below and if you felt able to sponsor them, I'm sure they - and more importantly the hospice - would be enormously grateful. The hospice receives very little Government funding (8%) and relies hugely on donations.

Visit justgiving.com and search for *Rosemary Eacott* or *Vivienne Worrall*. Just Giving sends your donation straight to Julia's House and automatically reclaims Gift Aid, if you are a UK taxpayer, so your donation is worth even more.

By the time I next write the general election will be upon us – it will be interesting to see what the new Government's plans are for primary care and the NHS!

Dr Adam Smith

Tisbury Flower Group

The Flower Group will be welcoming Andrea Hillyard to their monthly meeting in Hinton Hall on Tuesday 30 July at 7pm. Andrea is a wonderful demonstrator who will be presenting floral arrangements under the title *Time to Relax*. Visitors are always welcome for a small fee, so come along to enjoy learning about flowers. Tea and Coffee will be available from 7pm and there will be a Raffle to win one of the Arrangements. Meanwhile, in August the Flower Group will be welcoming Kelly Shaw to their monthly meeting. Kelly is a brilliant demonstrator who will be presenting floral arrangements on the theme of *A Celebration of Nature's Bounty*. The meeting is on Tuesday 27 August, 7pm, in Hinton Hall.

Visitors are always welcome for a small fee, so come along to enjoy learning about flowers. We have many ways of enhancing your love of flowers through Demonstrations and Workshops. Learn a new skill and meet new people. We meet on the last Tuesday of each month except December. For further information, contact Bernadette Watson 01747 228371 or blwatson4@gmail.com



Hatch House

Open Garden & Clothes Sale

This popular annual event in aid of Salisbury Hospice returns on Saturday 31 August, 11am-4.30pm, in the stunning grounds of Hatch House, Newtown, Tisbury, SP3 6PA. Featuring Lady Rumbold's & Mrs Vernon's celebrated pre-loved clothes stalls and much more, including books, bric-a-brac, curios, household effects and toys. There will be a BBQ by Compton McRae, plus teas, cakes and ice-cream. Entry: adults £5, children £2. This is a wonderful opportunity for all the family to enjoy the C17th walled Dutch garden with amazing views over the Vale of Wardour. More information about this key fundraiser in the Hospice's calendar can be found at: www.salisburyhospicecharity.org.uk

Celebrating Chase & Chalke

Head to Larmer Tree Gardens on Wednesday 24 July, 10am-8.30pm, to learn about the achievements of the Chase & Chalke Landscape Partnership scheme in the Cranbourne Chase over the last five years. Events will take place throughout the day, including talks, poetry, arts, hands-on activities, performances, entertainments, displays and guided nature walks, with bird-spotting at dusk and an evening bat walk. There will also be music, and exhibitions on wood crafts, Roman Britain and local wildlife organisations. Food & drink available from, Dorset Lamb, Dorset Pizza Kitchen and Larmer Tree Café.

General Pitt Rivers first created the Larmer Tree Pleasure Grounds in 1880, shortly after inheriting the Rushmore Estate on Cranborne Chase. Designed as a sanctuary to enlighten, educate and inspire his estate workers and guests, he took great pride in creating a unique space to share with them. Entry to the event will be free but advance booking is required via *Eventbrite: Celebrate Chase & Chalke*.



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Horses Inside Out

Chilmark equestrians Alison Whipp-Long and Lesley Colonna-Dashwood spent an evening 'painting ponies' for a fascinating lecture on the anatomy of the horse. Organised by Wilton based veterinary clinic Pinkham Equine, the event featured horses with their internal anatomy painted on the outside of their bodies.



The purpose of the event was to demonstrate how a better understanding of a horse's anatomy can facilitate training, fitness and supple movement, enabling the horse to perform at his or her best. The evening was led by Gillian Higgins, a British Horse Society Senior Coach, who founded the organization *Horses Inside Out* in 2006. Gillian is one of the leading equine anatomy and biomechanics educators in the world. For more information, visit: www.horsesinsideout.com



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Recycling & Waste Collections

July 2024

- Wednesday 3** Household waste – **Grey bin**
 - Tuesday 9** **Blue lid** – mixed dry recycling
Black box – glass & recycling
Green lid – chargeable garden waste (no household compost)
 - Wednesday 17** Grey bin
 - Tuesday 23** Blue lid, Black Box, Green lid
 - Wednesday 31** Grey bin
- August 2024
- Tuesday 6** Blue lid, Black Box, Green lid
 - Wednesday 14** Grey bin
 - Tuesday 20** Blue lid, Black Box, Green lid
 - Wednesday 28** Grey bin



For more information what and how to recycle, visit:
www.wiltshire.gov.uk/recycling

HRC Summer opening hours

Summer opening times are now in operation as follows:
Salisbury – 9am to 4pm, closed Thursday
Warminster – 9am to 4pm, closed Wednesday & Thursday
Amesbury – 9am to 4pm, closed Tuesday & Wednesday

You may be asked to provide a proof of address to use a household recycling centre. Acceptable examples include: driver's licence, council tax bill, utility bill (either printed or electronic versions allowed).

Teffont Archaeology Finds

Items found during last summer's archeological excavations in Teffont are currently on display in the Wessex Archaeology section of Salisbury Museum, in the Cathedral Close. They include a Roman millefiori brooch – made up of different colour enamels less than a human hair in width – and details of the impressive complex of buildings excavated on the site. Former Chilmark resident and detectorist Jon Brooks was amongst those taking part in excavations.

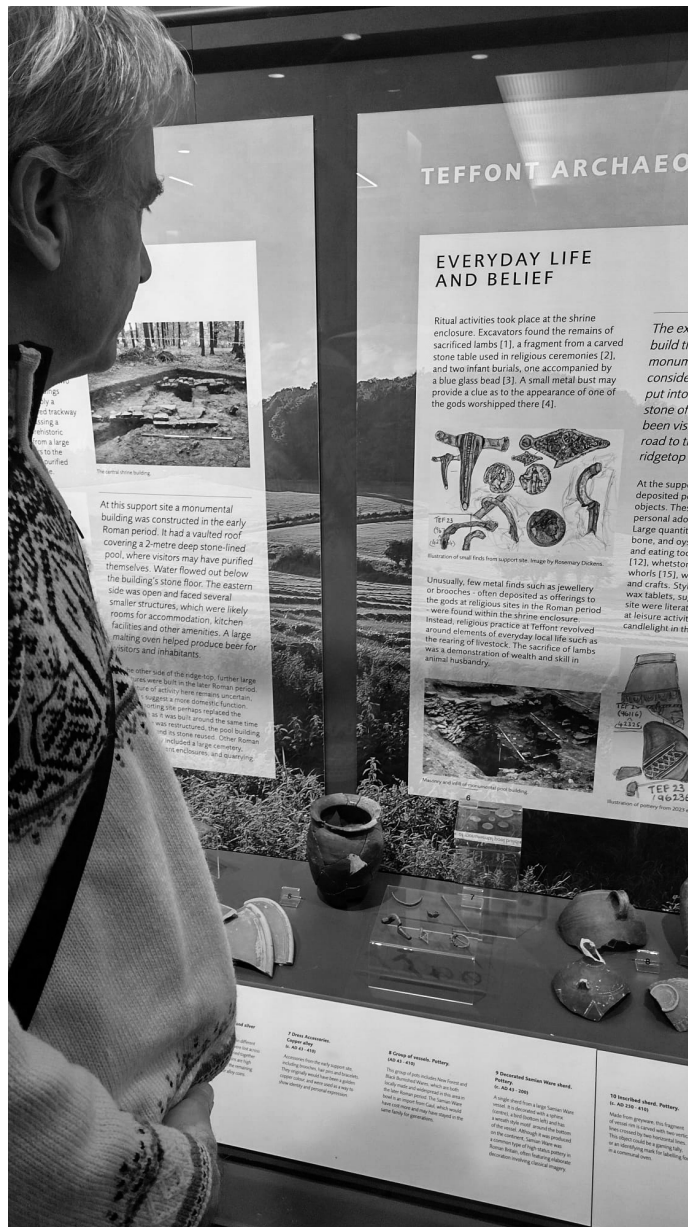
Salisbury Museum has been undergoing a major refurbishment and on Saturday 13 July will celebrate the Grand Opening of three new galleries: the Devenish Bradshaw Salisbury Gallery, a Natural History Gallery and a Ceramics Gallery. Doors will open at 10am and entry will be free to all for the day.

More information at: www.salisburymuseum.org.uk

NewVic Tisbury

Royal Ballet & Opera 24/25 Season

A busy season from ROH Live gets underway at the NewVic, Tisbury, in September with the Marriage of Figaro. Royal Ballet performances through to December will include Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, Cinderella and The Nutcracker. ROH Live will return in January with The Tales of Hoffman.





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Figurative Sculpture at Messums

An exhibition showcasing some of the finest examples of postwar and contemporary figurative sculpture created in Britain will be on display at Messums, Tisbury, from Saturday 6 July to 23 September. The collection will explore the materials and techniques employed by artists to tackle this dominant and enigmatic subject in art history. The artworks range in style, medium and date, but they all share a preoccupation with the human body as a central theme. The exhibition will include pieces by huge range of artists, including Elizabeth Frink, Antony Gormley, Henry Moore, Bridget McCrum and Rachel Whiteread.

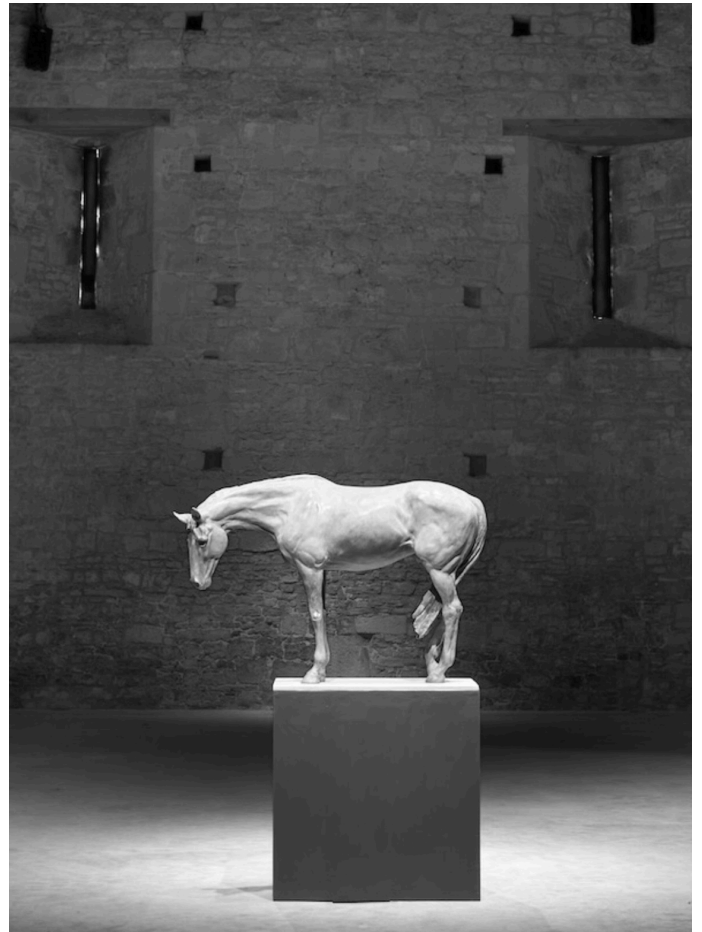
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Thursday to Saturday: 10am – 5pm

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