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A warm welcome to Bishopstone and Stratford Tony...

Please let us know if you know of anyone who moves into Bishopstone or Stratford Tony - or indeed if you yourself have recently moved in, please do introduce yourselves! - so that we can offer them/you a welcome in STaB.



Hello from the Revd Canon Jenny Taylor



Welcome to this Bumper Edition! I do hope you are all having a good August in our glorious Chalke Valley! To celebrate all that is good around us – the countryside, the care of friends and neighbours, the volunteers, our farmers and our food, our beautiful church – come and join us in church on Sunday 15th September at 9.30 am for our Harvest Festival – bring lots of packets and tins for Salisbury Food Bank but most of all bring YOURSELVES!!

For as St Paul told us in his Second Letter to the Corinthians:

So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.

You may well have noticed our churchyard and its surrounds have benefitted hugely from some valiant tidying overseen by Nick Gooch and Michael Pratt – thank you so much to them.

Sadly, we have discovered some cracks in the North Aisle wall of our church so we have had to rope that section off and are making arrangements for that part of the roof and wall. We will keep you updated!

Last month Felix Soket was confirmed in Coombe Bissett church alongside others from Coombe Bissett School – here they all are!



Jamy Taybor

On Tuesday 13th August the funeral of the late Leslie Smith will be held in St John the Baptist Church at 2.00 pm and all are very welcome.

He had lived in Bishopstone with his dear wife Celia and their children, Claire, Gemma and Stewart for over 50 years.

We send our deepest condolences to Celia and all her family. They will be remembered in our prayers over the weeks and months to come.

Leslie loved Bishopstone and its community and he will be fondly remembered for his wonderful local paintings and for his attendance in the Village Hall for the screening of rugby matches — especially when Wales were playing!

Join us for our Harvest Festival!

Bishopstone Parish Church

Sunday 15th September at 9.30am

and support Salisbury Foodbank

Please bring tins or packets of food (not fresh) for the Foodbank to help the many needy families in our communities.



If you can't come to the Service, why not leave a food donation in the Church Porch, at The Old Post Office, Croucheston or with Sarah Seal at The Bield, Flamstone Street. You can also leave any financial donations (Cash or Cheques payable to 'Salisbury Foodbank') at The Old Post Office or The Bield Thank you!

Bishopstone Parish Council

The latest meeting of the Parish Council took place on Thursday 11th July 2024. Councillors Edwards, Barter, Smith, Tatner and Rigg were present, together with the Parish Clerk. Apologies had been received from Cllrs Thorne and Williams. The meeting was also attended by three members of the public. The full minutes of the meeting are available on the village website (www.bishopstone-salisbury.co.uk).

PCSO Charlotte King was unable to attend the meeting, but had sent a written report. Thankfully the police had received no recent reports of anti-social behaviour in the village. It was pointed out that it would be important for the police to maintain their increased presence, particularly during the school holidays. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to PCSO King seeking reassurance that this would be the case.

It was reported that little progress had been made on the proposal to reduce the speed limit on Broadchalke Road. As reported in the last edition of STaB, Wiltshire Council has set up an internal Task Group, not only to consider whether to accept the Parish Council's request to lower the speed limit, but also to review every aspect of the process by which the council decides requests for changes to speed limits across the whole county. Since the meeting Wiltshire Councillor Nabil Najjar has confirmed that no decision will be taken with regards to the C12 until that review is completed over the Summer.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Thursday 12th September at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.



The Friends of Bishopstone Church

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

Village Hall



Aug/Sept 2024

The BISHOPSTONE COMMUNITY CAFÉ

The Village Hall café is normally open on alternate **Thursdays**.

Dates for the summer and early autumn period are the 8th and 22nd August, the 5th and 19th September and the 3rd, 17th and 31st October. 10.30am until 12.00noon.

Everyone is welcome to look in for a coffee and chat. There is presently no charge for refreshments.

MOVIOLA at Bishopstone

Friday 27th September.

The first Moviola film of the season will be "The Fall Guy".

The Fall Guy is a 2024 American action comedy film directed by David Leitch and written by Drew Pearce, loosely based on the 1980s TV series. The plot follows a stuntman (Ryan Gosling) working on his ex-girlfriend's (Emily Blunt) directorial debut action film, only to find himself involved in a conspiracy surrounding the film's lead actor (Aaron Taylor-Johnson). The cast also features Lee Majors.

Doors open at 7.00pm and the film will begin at 7.30pm.

Entry for the film is £6.00. A cash bar with ices and snacks will be available.

If possible, please book in advance with Caroline Ash on (01722) 781044, Nigel Peasley on 07761 463737 or Sue Taylor on 01722 780316.

Other Moviola dates are Friday 25th October and Friday 22nd November.

A trailer for the film can be seen in the <u>Events</u> section of the village website at <u>www.bishopstone-salisbury.co.uk</u>.

BISHOPSTONE COMMUNITY LUNCHES

Monthly community lunches will resume on Wednesday 2nd October.

The **November** lunch will be on **Wednesday the 6th**.

Details of after-lunch talks will be confirmed in the next edition.

Times as usual: **12.00 noon for 12.30 pm**. Advance booking is essential. Please telephone Caroline Ash on (01722) 781044 and advise her of any dietary requirements. The cost is **£8.50** for a two-course lunch and a drink.

FUTURE EVENTS

Saturday 16th November 'The Sunset Café Stompers'

We are delighted to announce that by popular request, the Sunset Café Stompers are returning to Bishopstone again this year.

Tickets are £15 each with an optional supper available at an additional £6 per person. Doors and bar open at 7pm for 7.30pm start

Early booking is strongly advised as numbers are limited. To make a booking, please contact Caroline Ash on (01722) 781044 or Sue Taylor on (01722) 780316 and advise of any dietary requirements if taking the supper.

HALL BOOKINGS FOR SOCIAL EVENTS AND WORKSHOPS

Both halls are available for hire. To enquire or make a booking, please contact the bookings secretary Margaret Barter (01722) 780471

BISHOPSTONE PLAYGROUP

The playgroup meets on Friday mornings during term time from 9.30 – 11.00 am. Breastfeeding support is available from qualified breastfeeding counsellor Cally Edwards and trained peer supporters. Find further information on our Facebook page *Bishopstone Playgroup* or contact Cally on callyedwards@me.com or 07968 797 168.

"EXTEND" EXERCISE CLASSES

For further information about these exercise classes contact Jenny on 01722 780863, email: jennyberwynjones@yahoo.co.uk

PILATES AT BISHOPSTONE

For further information contact Claudine on 07788 587937 or email: claudineblake@aol.com

YOGA WITH HANNAH

For more details please contact Hannah Stocker at 0773 856 1888 or by email: yoga_with_hannah@outlook.com.

VILLAGE CRAFT GROUP

For further details please contact Sue Porter on 01722 780459 or Jacqueline James on 01722 335866

Bishopstone Village Hall rates for private hire

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

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

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

The hire charges include use of heating and electricity.

The rates are currently:

Villagers Non Villagers

Hire of both rooms £15 per hour £20 per hour

(With full use of the kitchen)

Hire of both rooms £10 per hour £15 per hour

(With tea making facilities but no other electrical kitchen equipment)

Full use of the kitchen £10 per hour £15 per hour

<u>only</u>

Weddings – per event/day £150 £250

Parties – per event/day £100 £150

Broadband

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

Large projection screen

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

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

For further information and bookings contact: Margaret Barter 01722 780471

Chalke Valley Community Support

POLICE

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

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

To contact your Community Policing Team about a community-related matter, such as a school visit, then please email SalisburyAreaCPT@wiltshire.police.uk Please note that this mailbox is not monitored 24/7.

You are unable to report crimes of any type via email and please do not report any situations that require an urgent response.

You can follow us on:

Facebook - www.facebook.com/salisburypolice

Twitter - www.twitter.com/SouthWiltsCPT

Community Messaging: Sign up to Community Messaging for news and updates

from your local policing team: www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk

Sixpenny Handley and Chalke Valley Practice

Doves Meadow Surgery, Broad Chalke: 01722 780282

Broadchalke Surgery is now open on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Sixpenny Handley Surgery: 01725 552500

www.sixpennydocs.co.uk



MOBILE LIBRARY

The Mobile Library is back in action and will be calling at The Styles in Bishopstone between 1115-1135 on the following Thursdays:

Tel: 01722 780998

1 August, 29 August, 26 Sept, 24 Oct,

Coombe Bissett Stores	www.coombebissettstores.co.uk
	shop@coombebissettstores.co.uk Tel: 01722 718852
	OPENING HOURS, SHOP AND POST OFFICE
	Mon-Fri: 7am-6pm, Sat: 7am-1pm

w: www.chalkevalleystores.co.uk Chalke e: info@chalkevalleystores.co.uk Valley **OPENING HOURS** Stores Broadchalke

Shop: Weekdays 9am - 5pm (until 4pm on Saturdays) Post Office: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9:30am- 1:30pm

CHALKE VALLEY LINK SCHEME

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

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

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

We are always looking for Volunteer Drivers to enable us to continue to provide a useful service for our community. If you feel you can help - you won't be committed to any particular date or time, only when you are free - please contact any of the above for further information.

Registered Charity No 1076335

Queen's Award for Voluntary Service

Staying in Touch

STaB magazine is a vital source of communication in the village, keeping everyone informed as to what is happening locally. However, the Covid-19 pandemic has highlighted the fact that situations can change very rapidly. To keep up to date with what is going on there are two other important sources of information in Bishopstone - the village website and our own WhatsApp network.

The village website – <u>www.bishopstone-salisbury.co.uk</u> is updated in real time and carries all the latest news on issues that affect the village.



The Bishopstone Network is a WhatsApp messaging service that has more than proved its worth during the pandemic, and more recently during the storms when residents were able to report fallen trees and blocked roads to the Emergency Planning Officer. Information can be instantly shared to your mobile phone about support services being

provided in the village and on a variety of other matters — everything from the length of electricity black outs to what is available from the White Hart take-away service! You will need to download the App to your phone and then contact Piers Edwards (piersgedwards@gmail.com or 07920 475009) or Kate Pendlenton (kmpendlenton@hotmail.com or 07769202200) and ask to be added to the group.

Salisbury Foodbank

I have taken a total of 3.5 kgs to the depot this last month, thank you again for your support

The Trussell Trust has worked with nutritionists to ensure food parcels contain sufficient nutrition for at least three days worth of healthy, balanced meals for individuals and families.

A typical food parcel includes:-

Breakfast cereal Soup
Pasta Rice

Pasta Sauce Tinned Beans

Tinned Meat Tinned Vegetables

Tinned Fruit Tea or Coffee

Sugar Biscuits
Snacks Toiletries

I have to take any donations to the warehouse by the 20th of the month so that it is listed in STaB.

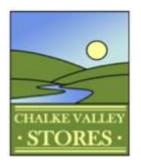
Anything that reaches me after this date will be added to the following month's total.

Thank you in advance for thinking of those struggling in these difficult times. Please give whatever you can to help individuals and families over this tough holiday period.

Judy Barrett

As usual donations can be left at my house, The Old Post Office, The Cross, Croucheston, at the Church or call me on 01722 780306 if you would like me to collect.





Shop at the heart of the Community Owned by YOU, Run by YOU, Here for YOU.

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OPENING HOURS

Shop: Weekdays 9.00am - 5pm (until 1pm on Saturdays)

Coffee Shop: Weekdays 10am - 3.30pm (until Midday 12pm on Saturdays)

Post Office: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9.30am to 1pm

From the beginning of August we will offer a set cooked breakfast in the Café between 9.30 and 11am on week days which we hope will prove popular. Also look out for our stall at the Chalke Valley Fete on 17th August where we will be selling some exciting new items and some old favourites. We look forward to seeing you. In the meantime, we asked Tony to share his personal experience at the Hub, what prompted him to get involved, what he enjoys most about it, and to share any amusing stories from the shop! This is what he said....

Since joining the shop team, I have met so many interesting, inspiring and genuinely lovely people. I have even had the opportunity to help some of the people I've met through the shop with activities outside of it. It's an opportunity to give something back & help others and that is why I wanted to get involved. The shop's not just a place to sell things but it's somewhere for people to meet, to chat & socialize. I worked with both a large corporate and independently, so I am used to being surrounded by busy people.

During lockdown I really missed physically being with my family and friends. Working in our shop (which we managed to keep open throughout the pandemic) went a long way to helping me cope with my change in working pattern. Not only was it a huge challenge but it acted as a form of therapy, one could say.

To anyone considering volunteering I'd say just give it a try? There are so many things you can help with, aside from serving customers in the shop, so don't be put off if that's not for you - if you don't ask, you'll never know but I love working here.

As for something amusing, I recall crawling round the shop on my hands and knees one Thursday afternoon, in an effort to retrieve the contents of a till (coins mainly) which had been dropped & as you might imagine, disappeared under every set of shelves & fridge we have!!! You can imagine the words I must had muttered but can only but laugh about it now.

Home deliveries: If you need a delivery, please call the Shop on 01722 780998.

NB There is a Trussell Trust Collection Point in the Hub for any donations of foodstuffs you may wish to make. Your generosity will help those most in need.



Facilities for all the Chalke Valley SPORTS SCENE AUGUST 2024

It's a busy time at the Sports Centre....

By the time this pops through your letter box the finishing touches will have been made to the new **Play Area** and the Friends of Broad Chalke Playground can finally stand back and be justifiably proud of all they have achieved for the village. As a community we all now have a responsibility to ensure it is correctly used so it provides for our young children for many years to come.

One significant requirement that will have an impact on the use and access to the sports centre and play area is that the large ash tree on the boundary has been identified as having early signs of Ash dieback. At the time of writing (mid-July), plans are being made with Wiltshire Council for its removal. Indications are that this will be on or around 2 August.

The Sports Centre is very much looking forward to hosting the **Chalke Valley Fete** and **Show on Saturday 17 August** and keeping fingers crossed for good weather on the run up and over that weekend. It promises to be another great family event with lots for all ages to do.

Immediately after the Fete, work starts on resurfacing the **Multi Use Games Area** which means it will be out of action for several weeks. Again, fingers crossed for weather that assists rather then makes it a more difficult and lengthier task. A new porous macadam surface is to be laid on top of the existing and then a two-tone colour finish will be applied once the tarmac has 'cured'.

Plans are also being made for a fundraising **Race Night** in the Autumn. More information next month.

The Sports Centre Committee are delighted to welcome **John Fry** as the Broad Chalke Parish Council representative for the Sports Centre. John follows in his father's footsteps.

All our sports clubs continue to run sessions and details of these are on our website.

Facilities are available to hire for family events, children's parties and meetings.

General e.mail: info@chalkevalleysportscentre.co.uk

More details can be found on our website: www.chalkevalleysportscentre.co.uk

Rambling in France... sans Jazzie

Many apologies for the lack of our normal Ramblings last month, due to hols in France, and time against typing a new story!



Home now after ten days in France without Jazzie, who spent her hols in the kennels off the London Road. We collected her on 22nd June, absolutely fine, and VERY excited to see us all again. She spent the day in the house and the garden, getting to know it all again and ensure all is well, even Bertie the budgie and the fish!

We had a great time in France, starting at Granville in Normandy, and then a night at La Baule, and on to Royan for two nights at St Georges de Didonne, in a hotel by the sea. But

it was too cold and a bit cloudy for a swim. Jo might have gone, but the shops and marche were a bigger draw, and the sea food was excellent!

Then on to the Loire Valley and once again our favourite chateaux. At Saumur we visited the Cavalry Museum and took a trip round the town by the Petit Train en Blanc, visited the chateau to view the faiences and the wonderful tapestries. The Cavalry barracks and museum are most impressive, and the fine stables, loose boxes and stalls are now museum spaces.

We visited Tours, where we did another trip in the Petit Train de la Loire and saw a great deal with explanations in English or French! Finally we ended up at Villandry



very near the famous gardens of the Chateau, which we enjoyed again. We also visited the lovely little chateau of Azay-le Rideau, and enjoyed the huge overnight thunderstorms, and a power cut during our dinner, which ended in candlelight! I indulged my sketching again, whenever possible. Our final night was in Dinan, to enjoy one of our favourite cities, before the afternoon ferry from Cherbourg.

Jazzie is now fine and very smart having suffered the indignity of a close crop last week! She is a new dog, her coat having grown so long and tangled it was bothering her. We are enjoying walks meeting old friends again. She was a great hit in the pub, recently, meeting everyone and new dogs with her new look!

We much enjoyed the Chalke History Festival, listening to some very good talks about the Kohima campaign, women in the resistance, deception plans and Frank Gardner on



Invasion, his new book. There was plenty to see, much to think and chat about, the weather was all right, food good and beer very good!



The hedgehogs are very active, now with a growing young one and we think two adults. We continue to feed them, and watch them as they appear in the late afternoon or evening searching for food and water. They seem to be fine and Jazzie enjoys hunting for them.

It is now time for the garden, which has grown a lot. We mowed on return and now are pruning and mowing again. It never stops, but keeps me busy, and out of Annie's hair! Even had time to

enjoy a good lunch in the Barford Inn with five old friends from days in Berlin about 60 years ago! We chatted too much and too loudly, but had fun!

Then another walk with Jazzie and meeting more friends. See you all again soon, and thanks for enjoying our rambles!

James Thompson (16.07.2024)

Royal British Legion - Poppy Appeal

I have now handed over responsibility for the Poppy Appeal in the Valley and in the Village. Graham Hill has taken on the larger duty of the Poppy Appeal Organizer for the Valley, including Coombe Bissett, Bishopstone, Broad Chalke, Bowerchalke, Ebbesbourne Wake, West End, and Alvediston (What wonderful English village names!).



Meanwhile, Rob Pendlenton has taken over the collection for Bishopstone village. I would like to thank them both sincerely for taking on these very important duties. Both are ex-servicemen, so appreciate the benefits the British Legion can offer, and the importance of the annual Poppy Appeal.



I would also like to thank all those who have collected in the Village over the last 18 years, and hope that they will continue to help Rob in future Appeals.

The Valley raised £7,286.77 last year for the RBL PA, and £13,977.68 over the past two years. A wonderful total of voluntary giving for the benefit of service people, serving and retired and their families.

Thank you all for your support, and Remember again this coming November.

James Thompson



Coombe Bissett CE VA Primary School

"Soar on wings like eagles, run and not grow weary, walk and not be faint" Isaiah 40:31



As the end of another academic year rapidly approaches, there is just enough time to tell you about some of the exciting events enjoyed in and out of school in recent weeks.

A number of our KS2 children – as well as some intrepid, costumed parents – participated in the Salisbury Schools' **Mini Marathon**. On the challenging, hilly course our U11 girls placed 2nd in the small schools' category.

Elm class have been learning about animals and their habitats which included some pond dipping on a visit to **Hillier Gardens** while Oak class's reading about **life cycles** was enhanced by observing the metamorphosis of butterflies and hatching of chicks in their classroom.



The school received a **WIRE Award** from SACRE (Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education) in recognition of our commitment to our learning in RE and particularly inclusivity.

Pupils have been readying themselves for the next stage in their learning with a series of **transition** – or 'moving up' – days when we also welcomed our new intake for September 2024. Each member of our current Year 6 has visited the one of *seven* different schools lucky enough to be receiving them in September!

Our choir rehearsed and then performed alongside others at Stonehenge School where they were by far the youngest group singing in 'Stonehenge the Musical'.

The importance and rarity of our **Crystal Clear Ebble** have been recognised in Ash class's enquiry: 'How are we helping to save the planet?' The chalk stream habitat (more endangered than the rainforests) was celebrated with the help of the River Educators of the Wessex Rivers Trust and funded by Cranbourne Chase AONB.







As part of their farewell 'tour', Year 6 visited both the **Chalke Valley History Festival** and the **Cathedral** for their **Leavers' Service** where they were encouraged to 'let their light shine'; as Matthew 19:26 reminds us, 'With God all things are possible.'

Pupil-led activities have included celebrations of Gypsy, Roma and Traveller month (Poppy and Ruby-Lou), Pride Month (Robyn and Zofia) and an Eco Day (Flo and Eliza).

There were opportunities to share talents at both our **Sports Day** and **Musical Showcase**, which were held on the same day owing to the weather, as well as, the following week, in the **KS2 production of 'Sherlock and Cinders'**.











Plenty of Bishopstone talent on display at Sports Day, and in the KS2 Production!





Outside the classroom, the school has announced the appointment of Mrs Jacobs as our **Wraparound Care** Lead, with provision for Breakfast Club from 7.45am and After School Club until 5.30pm. We await the outcome of the competition to discover the club's new name but the – as yet – nameless extended provision begins in September.



Chalke History Festival 2024

Was it really a month ago that we were basking in a heatwave, and enjoying the excitements of a world-renowned History Festival, right here in the Chalke Valley? This year's Festival, with its new branding, boasted a fantastic line-up, and I was lucky enough to attend on 4 out of the 7 days.

As a teacher accompanying one of our Chalke Valley schools (all 3 primary schools from the valley were there) it was a real privilege to be part of one of the schools days that the Festival puts on. We attended two talks in the stunning Spiegeltent, a new addition for this year, learned to Charleston with Swingdehop, took part in the atmospheric 'Trench Experience', chatted to several of the knowledgeable re-enactors and learned all about falconry from the Head Falconer of the Beaulieu Estate. Despite the intense heat, the children (and teachers) were captivated by all

the experiences.





I returned by myself later in the week to enjoy a child-free wander around, and attend a couple of talks. The range of available talks is incredible, but I listened to one about the rise of Victoriana, and one about Britain in the early 1960s. You can pretty much guarantee that any talk you choose will be interesting and engaging, as all the speakers are world class, and experts in their field.





Thanks to a teacher training day on the Friday, the boys and I were able to cycle across to the site and spend the day there. This was an opportunity to see the many activities aimed particularly at children, from the perennial favourite Wizzo the storyteller, to the Viking tales from the Rattlebox Theatre.



We had intended this to be our only visit as a family, but the lure of the Festival proved



strong, and we found ourselves back there on Friday to catch what we had missed the day before... The Victorian Wild West Experience, medieval archery, 15th century combat, and an amazing puppet show of Beowulf, to name but a few. KP















A busy Saturday with a fantastic, atmosphere.





Notes from a Nutritionist by Amber Cotton Nutrition

My recipe this month is a Salmon and Feta Quiche that I made recently and was so delicious that I thought I'd share it with you as a perfect summer recipe for parties or picnics. This is not a quick recipe to make but it can be made a few days in advance and sit happily in the fridge until needed, or you can freeze it for up to 1 month.

You can of course use ready-made shortcrust pastry, but if you have the time, do try to make your own using this recipe. It was given to my mother by a wonderful chef about 40 years ago and it has never gone wrong, ever. The pastry contains a higher ratio of butter than usual, so you will need plenty of flour when you're rolling it out and you do need to let it rest before cooking, but the results are lovely. And unlike many commercially made brands of pastry, you know that this pastry doesn't contain any ultra-processed ingredients such as margarine, vegetable or seed oils, or emulsifiers which are all known to disrupt your gut microbiome.

I've used Swiss chard, salad onions and leeks as this is what I had to hand, but feel free to use any selection of green veg. I also used cream as I had a pot that needed finishing, but I also use Greek yoghurt instead which gives the quiche a slightly more tangy taste. I hope you enjoy it.

Since March 2023, I have used this column to give you a delicious recipe each month and to educate you on why the ingredients that I have used are good for your health. However, I feel that I've started to run out of different ways to say "B vitamins are really important for your health" and so from October I'll be offering you a recipe but no narrative. As before, if you have any questions or would like some guidance about just what you should eat, then please email me at amber@ambercotton.co.uk. Also take a look at my updated website at ambercotton.co.uk, and if you know anyone who may benefit from some nutritional therapy support for gut health issues, weight loss or low energy then please urge them to get in touch.

But for now, I wish you a very happy summer, and one that it is filled with sunshine!

Amber

Smoked Salmon and Feta Quiche

Use a 23cm flan tin, buttered Serves 8-10



Ingredients

140g cold butter, cubed

225g plain flour

1 large egg

1 tbsp cold water (only if needed)

Pinch of salt

100g Swiss chard, trimmed & chopped

100g salad onions, trimmed & chopped

2-3 medium leeks, trimmed & sliced

1 tbsp olive oil

100g smoked salmon, roughly chopped

120g feta cheese, lightly crumbled

300ml double cream

6 large eggs, well beaten

Salt & freshly ground black pepper

Method

Put the butter and flour into a food processor bowl and using the chopping blade, pulse until the two are well combined. Add one egg and then pulse again until the dough forms a smooth ball. Add one tablespoon of cold water only if needed. Tip the dough from the bowl, shape into a ball and flatten slightly with the heel of your hand. Wrap tightly in cling film, foil or beeswax wrap and place in the fridge for an hour to rest.

When you are ready to make your pastry case, roll out your pastry dough using plenty of flour. Drape the pastry over the flan tin and then ease it into the flutes. Trim off the excess leaving a 3cm lip all the way round. Prick the pastry lining a couple of times with a fork, cover with foil and place back in the fridge to rest for another 30 minutes. Keep the offcuts to patch up any holes that might develop.

Place a flat baking sheet inside the oven and heat to 200C (180C fan). Remove the flan tin from the fridge and fill the base with baking beans. Place it onto the hot baking sheet and place in the middle of the oven to cook for 20 minutes. Then remove the foil and baking beans, fill any holes in the pastry with spare offcuts, paint the inside of the pastry case with some of the beaten egg that you will be using for the filling, and return to the middle of the hot oven for another 5 minutes.

Once the pastry case is cooked, remove from the oven and set aside to cool slightly. Return the baking sheet to the oven and lower the temperature to 190C (170C fan). Trim the edges of the pastry either with a knife or a Y-shaped vegetable peeler. You can make up to this point a day ahead.

While the pastry cooks, make the filling. Add the olive oil to a large frying pan on a medium-low heat, then add the Swiss chard, salad onions and leeks. Stir well then leave to sweat gently for up to 20 minutes on a medium low heat. Remove from the pan after cooking and allow to cool slightly before adding to the pastry case. Next add the chopped smoked salmon and crumbled feta and mix the ingredients together lightly with your fingers, spreading the mixture out to the edges of your pastry case.

To make your batter, mix the beaten eggs and cream together, season well and then pour over the top of your salmon, feta and vegetable filling. Agitate the tin slightly to make sure that the batter fills all the gaps, then place on the hot baking tray in the centre of the oven.

Bake for 30-35 minutes, or until golden and softly set. Remove from the over and leave to cool a little (about 10 minutes) before removing from the tin.

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The St John unit in **Salisbury** has vacancies for three Youth Leaders/Helpers to work with the Badgers there and a further two to work with the Cadets.

Successful applicants for Youth Leader roles begin their volunteering journey as Youth Helpers and with more training and experience have opportunities to progress to Youth Leader positions and deliver first aid duties in the community and at events.

No prior first aid or volunteering experience is needed as all necessary training (such as First Aid and safeguarding) will be provided. Applicants for the Youth Leader and Youth Helper roles must be aged 18 or over and will need to pass an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check. As a volunteer, you'll get lots of development opportunities, and access to exclusive discount sites like Blue Light Card.

Jack Andrews, Wiltshire District Youth Lead at St John Ambulance, said: "We have some great opportunities throughout Wiltshire for enthusiastic and committed adults to volunteer with St John and help our young volunteers as they train with us. Many of these young people go on to degrees and careers in healthcare and they tell us that they get so much out of volunteering with us and learning first aid and a wide range of other skills. We're looking forward to welcoming new Youth Helpers and Leaders to the St John family in Wiltshire and to getting them started on their

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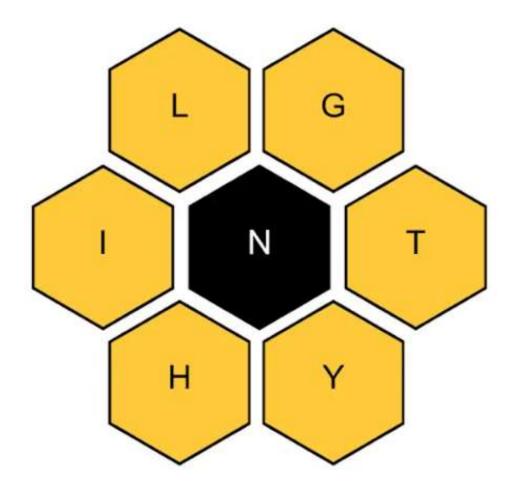
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Police Bulletin

A monthly newsletter from Philip Wilkinson, Police and Crime Commissioner for Wiltshire.



A new scheme being launched for the first time in Wiltshire by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) will support the force to ensure the welfare and proper treatment of Police dogs.

The Animal Welfare Scheme was set up as a result of the National Police Chief Council's (NPCC) review of dog training after the death of Acer, a police dog, in 1997.

Supported by the Dogs Trust, it involves volunteers undertaking visits to check on the welfare of dogs within the three main areas the dogs are kept: vehicles, kennels and the Dogs unit/training areas. The scheme ensures dogs are provided with a safe, clean, and enriching environment and checked on regularly to ensure standards meet the requirements set out within the Animal Welfare Act 2006.

After being successfully piloted by Lancashire Police force, the scheme is now being rolled out in Wiltshire, with volunteers having been appointed and trained over the past three months.

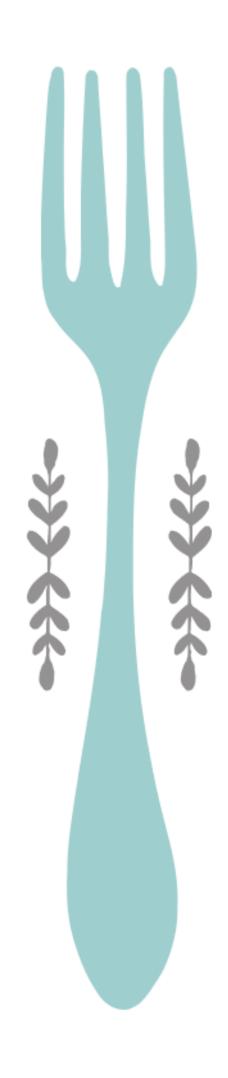
Police and Crime Commissioner Philip Wilkinson said: "The welfare and treatment of police dogs is crucial as they provide officers with invaluable operational assistance and should therefore be treated with the utmost care and respect.

"A main priority in my Police and Crime Plan is ensuring the force has the right tools, resources, and equipment to do the job. Part of that is ensuring all the necessary frameworks around animal welfare are in place to support the force and enable them to run the Dogs Unit to the highest standard."

Chief Constable Catherine Roper said, "I very much welcome the visit to our Dog Section by the Dogs Trust today, alongside the wider launch of the Animal Welfare Scheme. This scheme is imperative to ensuring that our police dogs are cared for and trained to the very highest of standards – something we take incredibly seriously.

"Our Dog Section is a huge asset to Wiltshire Police – they are an integral part of our Force. Our police dogs put their trust in us to look after them and in turn, they carry out incredibly important work such as finding missing or wanted people and discovery of items such as drugs, cash or firearms. In addition, they are often the first in to unknown, challenging or potentially dangerous situations. They are unsung heroes of our Force and they play a huge role in Keeping Wiltshire Safe."

Louise Crawford, Animal Welfare Scheme Coordinator said: "I am delighted that the Office of the PCC for Wiltshire has adopted the Animal Welfare Scheme for their dog unit. This ensures that there is an open and transparent process to monitor the welfare needs of these amazing working dogs. Dogs Trust is proud to support this scheme and looks forward to working in partnership with the Wiltshire force".



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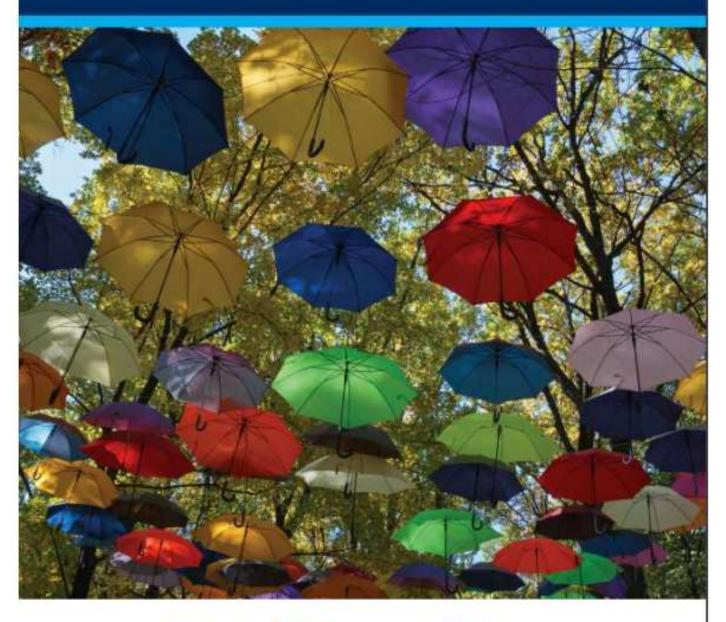
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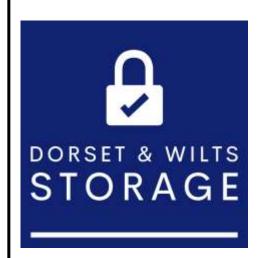
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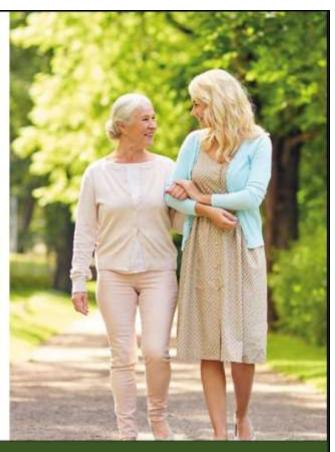
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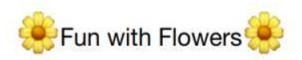
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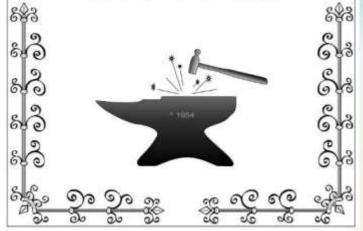
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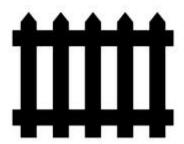
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### Letters to the Editor

Letters to STaB are very welcome, but the views expressed may not be those of the editorial team or the Parish Church Council.



If you popped into Bishopstone Church last month you would have seen the most beautiful arrangements of wild flowers, created for a local wedding. These were all the work of Anne and Sam, two of our talented village flower arrangers.

With all best wishes to the happy couple.



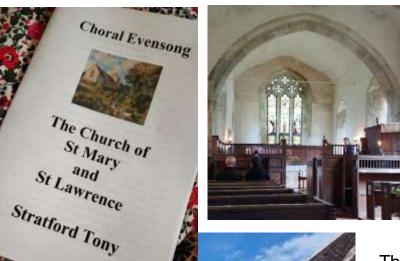


### **THANKS**

When the latest STaB arrived I noticed a flyer inside. That lead me to thinking just how much work Sue Porter does. She collects the magazines, then distributes them round the village which kind people then put through our doors.

STaB is known as the best in our valley so I would like to thank Kate and Rob for producing it. Loads of hard work by them both.

### Alix Ricketts



What a glorious afternoon we had for the annual Evensong in Stratford Tony church last month! The rain stayed away and we all enjoyed an uplifting service in this beautiful church, followed by tea and delicious cakes in Lucinda and Hugh's beautiful garden.

Thanks to all involved who made it such a special afternoon: clergy, congregation, church wardens, singers, flower arrangers, grass-cutters, cake-bakers, hosts; so many people who work so hard to make lovely events like this happen, and help to keep this special church alive as a place of worship.

Kate Pendlenton

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If you want to have any information included on the website please contact either Mike Ash (bishopstoneclerk@btinternet.com)

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# Services in Chalke Valley Benefice – Aug/Sept 2024 BCP = Book of Common Prayer (Traditional Language), CW = Common Worship (Contemporary Language) 9.30am Holy Communion (BCP) Berwick St John Alison Waterh



| 4 August<br>10 <sup>th</sup> Sunday<br>after Trinity     | 9.30am<br>9.30am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am  | Holy Communion (BCP) Family Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Morning Prayer (BCP) Parish Communion (CW) Family Service Morning Prayer       | Berwick St John Broad Chalke Britford Ebbesbourne Wake Coombe Bissett Odstock Bishopstone        | Alison Waterhouse Barney Hopkinson Jenny Taylor Biddy Trahair Jenny Taylor Adrian Taylor SallyLeaver                |
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| 11 August<br>11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday<br>after Trinity    | 9.30am<br>10.30am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am | Parish Communion (CW) Family Communion (CW) Worship Together Morning Prayer (BCP) Family Communion (CW) All Age Service Evening Prayer (BCP)    | Bowerchalke Nunton Broad Chalke Hub Charlton All Saints Coombe Bissett Alvediston Fifield Bavant | A Waterhouse K Woolven<br>Ruth H-S<br>Lay Led<br>Rhoddy Voremberg<br>Jenny Taylor<br>Biddy Trahair<br>Biddy Trahair |
| 18 August<br>12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday<br>after Trinity    | 9.30am<br>9.30am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am             | Holy Communion (BCP) Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Family Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW)              | Bowerchalke Bishopstone Odstock Ebbesbourne Wake Homington Berwick St John                       | Ruth H-S<br>Alison Waterhouse<br>Tony Monds<br>Alison Waterhouse<br>Kate Woolven<br>Ruth H-S                        |
| 25 August<br>13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday<br>after Trinity    | 9.30am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am | Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Family Service Parish Communion (CW) Morning Prayer (BCP) Holy Communion (BCP) Evening Prayer (BCP) | Charlton All Saints Broad Chalke Nunton Bishopstone Berwick St John Alvediston Homington         | Alison Waterhouse Ruth H-S Lay Led Ruth H-S Lay Led Kate Woolven Rhoddy Voremberg                                   |
| 1 September<br>14 <sup>th</sup> Sunday<br>after Trinity  | 9.30am<br>9.30am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am             | Holy Communion (BCP) Family Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Morning Prayer (BCP) Parish Communion (CW) Family Service                      | Berwick St John<br>Broad Chalke<br>Britford<br>Ebbesbourne Wake<br>Coombe Bissett<br>Odstock     | Ruth H-S<br>Kate Woolven<br>Alison Waterhouse<br>Biddy Trahair<br>Ruth H-S<br>Adrian Taylor                         |
| 8 September<br>15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday<br>after Trinity  | 9.30am<br>10.30am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am | Parish Communion (CW) Family Communion (CW) Worship Together Morning Prayer (BCP) Family Communion (CW) All Age Service Evening Prayer (BCP)    | Bowerchalke Nunton Broad Chalke Hub Charlton All Saints Coombe Bissett Alvediston Fifield Bavant | Ruth H-S<br>Alison Waterhouse<br>Lay Led<br>Ruth H-S<br>Alison Waterhouse<br>Biddy Trahair<br>Biddy Trahair         |
| 15 September<br>16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday<br>after Trinity | 9.30am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am            | Holy Communion (BCP) Harvest Festival (CW) Family Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Harvest Festival (CW)              | Bowerchalke Bishopstone Ebbesbourne Wake Homington Berwick St John Odstock                       | Ruth H-S<br>Jenny Taylor<br>Tony Monds<br>Ruth H-S<br>Jenny Taylor<br>Ruth H-S                                      |
| 22 September<br>17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday<br>after Trinity | 9.30am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am<br>11.00am | Harvest Festival (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Family Service Parish Communion (CW) Morning Prayer (BCP) Holy Communion (BCP) Harvest Festival     | Charlton All Saints Broad Chalke Nunton Bishopstone Berwick St John Alvediston Homington         | Ruth H-S<br>Kate Woolven<br>Adrian Taylor<br>Ruth H-S<br>Lay Led<br>Tony Monds<br>Ruth H-S                          |
| 29 September<br>18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday<br>after Trinity |                                                    | Benefice Communion (CW) Harvest Festival Comm (CW)                                                                                              | Odstock Berwick St John                                                                          | Ruth H-S Alison Waterhouse                                                                                          |