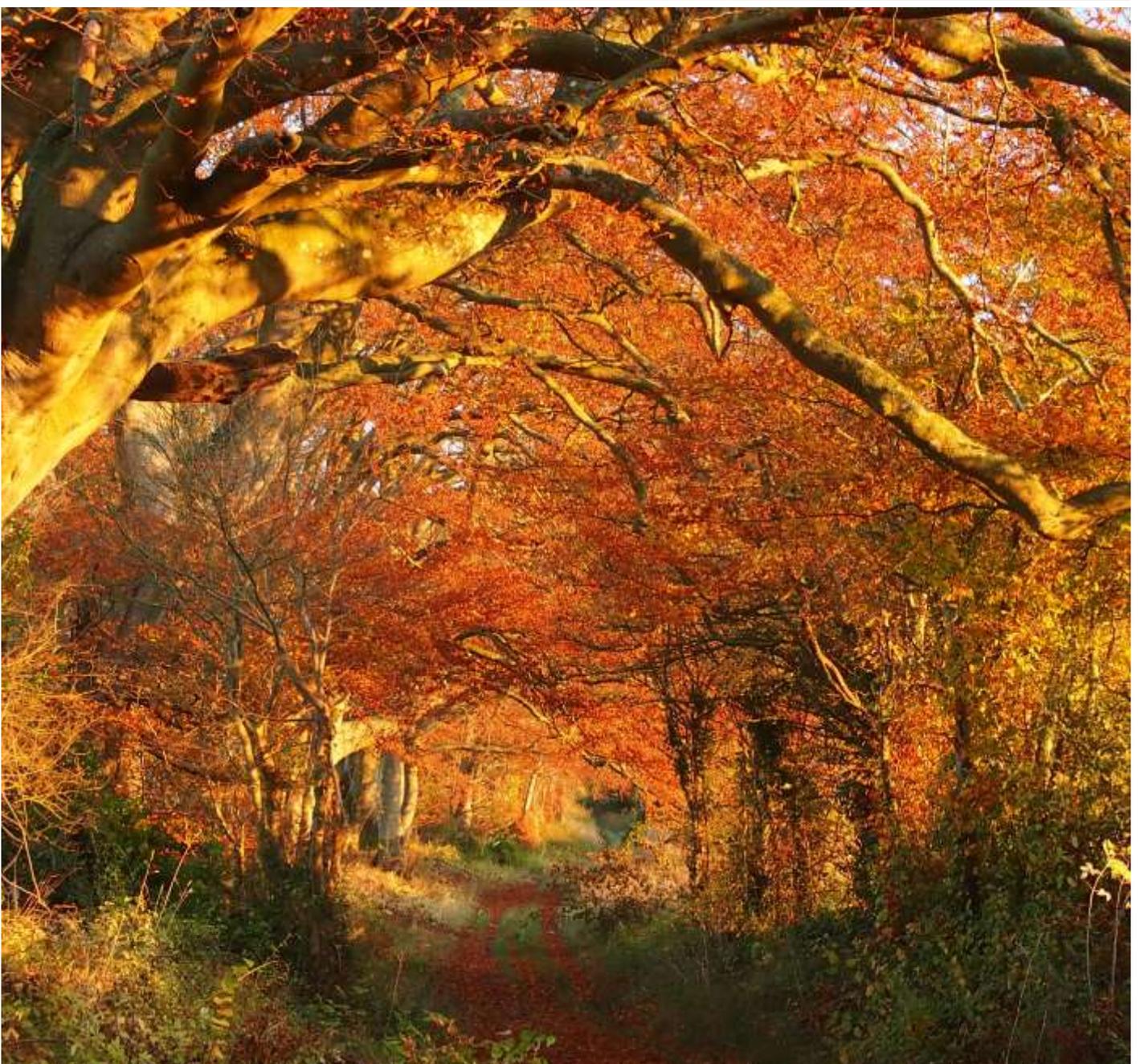




Parish Magazine

November 2022



Autumn Colours, the Beeches above Bishopstone

Photo by Rob Pendleton

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*Remember, remember, the
5th of November...*

Join Tom and Zara at the White Hart, Bishopstone, on Saturday 5th November for fantastic fireworks, bonfire and barbecue. There will also be a cash bar outside. 6:30pm start.

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, don't be shy, introduce yourselves! - so that we can offer them/you a welcome in STaB.



Hello from the Revd Canon Jenny Taylor



A huge thank you to everyone who donated goods to our Harvest Festival this year – I know how appreciative the Salisbury Food Bank was with our donations – as you can imagine there is an ever- growing number of people needing their services at the moment.

The season of Remembrance is fast approaching – our service in Church is on Sunday 13th November at 10.50 (as James tells us elsewhere on these pages!). Please join us for this annual service of Remembrance – the first in the reign of King Charles III.

There is absolutely no doubt that we are living through very troubled times, the worries and anxieties are manifold both for our country and the wider world... we might feel helpless and hopeless. Well actions often speak louder than words so let's each of us go out of our way a little bit just to ensure our neighbours are warm and comfortable and have everything they need... a few kind words are often the only thing that is needed! We might even make new friendships!!

I discovered a wonderful Celtic prayer a few weeks ago and I hope it is as comforting to you as it is to me:

Circle me O God
Keep hope within Despair without.
Keep peace within Keep turmoil out.
Circle me O God
Keep calm within Keep storms without
Circle me O God
Keep Strength within Keep weakness out.
Amen.

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Parish Council

The September meeting of Bishopstone Parish Council was postponed from Thursday 8th September following the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. The re-arranged meeting was held on Tuesday 27th September. Present were Cllrs Thorne, Edwards, Barter, Smith, Williams and Rigg, together with the Parish Clerk and one member of the public.

The Clerk reported that the deep gullies on the side of the road up to the Racecourse had now been more permanently filled by Wiltshire Council. The task of repairing and replacing the street name boards in The Styles, Harvest Lane and at the Harvest Lane entrance to The Croft had been completed by the Parish Council. Wiltshire Council had completed the replacement of the fence by the bridge in The Alley and had undertaken to replace the dead tree on the corner of The Styles in the next planting season.

The Council agreed to the adaptation of the Speed Indicator Device so that data could be collected electronically on the speed of vehicles along the High Road. It was also agreed to purchase warning signs to be used when roads were temporarily closed, eg. by trees that had blown down.

It was noted that a revised and updated version of the Village Emergency Plan had now been produced. Both the Emergency Plan and the full minutes covering all matters discussed at this meeting are available on the Village Website.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Thursday 10th November 2022** at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Litter Bugs



Empty beer cans and other litter is being left on the Recreation Field and Children's Play Area. Please don't do this – it is potentially dangerous to small children and makes the task of mowing and looking after the field much more difficult. There is a waste bin just feet from the gate into the Play Area – please dispose of your rubbish there.



BISHOPSTONE'S BOOK OF CONDOLENCE



Some extracts from messages left in the Bishopstone Book of Condolence on the death of her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II:

Queen Elizabeth II has died age 96

In remembrance of our beloved Queen, rest in peace your Majesty.

...Greatly loved by so many for her steadfast honourable service to this country, the Commonwealth and beyond. May she rest in peace, and rise in glory.

...You are missed and leave a hole in our hearts.

...during her exceptionally long reign she combined duty, family life and humour, carrying the nation in times of joy and sadness. She will leave a huge gap in the lives of many people all over the world.

Thank you for your dedicated unwavering service to our nation and the Commonwealth. A constant in an ever-changing world. You were so many things to each of us. For me a feminist, trailblazer, moderniser, steady hand to name a few. We shall miss you, but so very grateful to be able to call you our Queen.

...Your example, leadership, honesty and determination are an inspiration to us all.

Thank you for selflessly devoting your life to others. For your inclusivity, kindness and steadfastness. You have been our rock and we are deeply grateful.

...You were the thread that ran through our lives - may you find peace.

Thank you so much for your unending example of duty and love to your people. My mother was a woman of your generation and you both were constant and strong, showing that women can be both gentle and kind but able to lead with strength and courage.

Village Hall



November 2022

LATEST COVID ADVICE:

While there are no longer any official restrictions we would ask everyone to respect others and not to come to the hall if they have any symptoms or recent close contact with an infected person.

SUNSET CAFÉ STOMPERS

Saturday 12th November 2022

We are delighted to have booked a return show of the popular Sunset Cafe Stompers. Early booking is strongly advised as numbers are limited. Tickets are £15 each plus optional supper £5. Doors and bar open 7pm for 7.30pm start. To make a booking, please contact Caroline Ash on (01722) 781044 or Sue Taylor on (01722) 780316.

BISHOPSTONE COMMUNITY CAFE

Coffee Mornings are normally held on alternate Thursdays. Dates for the coming period are the **10th & 24th November and the 8th of December. 10.30am until 12.00noon.** Everyone is welcome to look in for a coffee and chat. There is presently no charge for refreshments.

Note: There will **not** be a Café on Thursday 22nd December.

MOVIOLA at Bishopstone

November 25th “Phantom of the Open”

Amateur golfer Maurice Flitcroft achieves his late-in-life goal of participating in the British Open Golf Championship, much to the ire of the staid golfing community.

Starring: Mark Rylance, Sally Hawkins and Rhys Ifans,

Doors open at 7pm with the film commencing at 7.30pm Entry for the film is **£6.00.**

If possible, please book in advance with Caroline Ash on (01722) 781044. A cash bar with snacks and ices will be available.

BISHOPSTONE COMMUNITY LUNCHES

A home-cooked lunch is served monthly from October until April.

Advance booking is essential. Please telephone Caroline Ash on (01722) 781044 and advise her of any dietary requirements. The cost is £7.50 for a two-course

lunch and a drink. Time as usual: **12.00 noon for 12.30 pm**

The next lunch is on **Wednesday 2nd November** and Ashley Jones will be talking about "Fraud Safety in Everyday Life".

The annual **Christmas Lunch** will be on **Wednesday 7th December**.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

The Christmas Fayre will be held on **Friday 2nd December, 6.00pm until 7.30pm** with refreshments, including a bar. Local craft stallholders welcome.

There will be a book stall but no bric-a-brac. Both the Village Christmas Card and the Raffle will be supporting the Salisbury Food Bank this year.

Any donations for the tombola, book or cake stalls, or the raffle, would be gratefully received and can be given to any trustee, left at 14 The Croft, or brought to the hall from 2pm onwards on the day.

Contact Margaret Barter on (01722) 780471 to book a table

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

BABY AND TODDLER PLAYGROUP

The playgroup meets on Friday mornings during term time from 9.30 – 11.00 am.

Breastfeeding support is available at the group from qualified counsellor Cally Edwards and trained peer supporters. Due to the group's popularity the playgroup operates a weekly booking system to manage numbers.

Find further information on our Facebook page *Bishopstone Playgroup* or contact Catherine on WhatsApp on 07884 347536.

"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 on 0773 856 1888 or by email: yoga_with_hannah@outlook.com.

SARUM SPINNERS AND WEAVERS

For more detail about the group please contact Les Smith on 01722 780761.

BISHOPSTONE VILLAGE HALL

SP5 4AA

WELCOMES BACK THE RENOWNED



**FOR AN EVENING OF NEW
ORLEANS JAZZ**

Saturday 12th November at 7.30pm

Doors and bar open at 7.00pm

Tickets : £15

Supper option : £5

Book online at

bvhticketoffice@btinternet.com

Or call Caroline on 01722 781044

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 (With full use of the kitchen)	£15 per hour	£20 per hour
Hire of both rooms (With tea making facilities but no other electrical kitchen equipment)	£10 per hour	£15 per hour
Full use of the kitchen <u>only</u>	£10 per hour	£15 per hour
Weddings – per event/day	£150	£250
Parties – per event/day	£100	£150

Broadband

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

Large projection screen

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

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

For further information and bookings contact: Margaret Barter 01722 780471

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

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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:

24th November, 22nd December, 19th January



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Mon-Fri: 7am-6pm, Sat: 7am-1pm

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Valley
Stores
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OPENING HOURS

Shop: Weekdays 9am - 5pm (until 4pm on Saturdays)

Post Office: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9:30am- 1:30pm

Salisbury Foodbank

This year's Harvest Donation was 49kgs with monetary donations of £185... this was a tremendous collection, thank you all so much on behalf of the Foodbank. In addition for the month there were donations of 10.1 kgs plus a cash donation of £20.

Please continue to support this excellent cause; there are still so many people falling into hard times... people who are working but on the breadline and just managing who then find that either the boiler, or the car, or the washing machine, or something else breaks down.... where do they then go for help?

The food bank needs anything you are able to offer, they have never been so busy so please, if you can, donate something.

Christmas will be next month, meaning more difficult decisions for these families, so if you can think now of seasonal goodies to donate it will be such a great help.

You can leave your donations either at the Church or at my house – The Old Post Office, The Cross - or if you would like me to collect call me on 01722 780306.

Thanking you in advance.

Judy Barrett (01722 780306)



Village Hall 100 Club Winners

	£50	£20	£10
Aug 22	C Sexton	M Ricketts	J Barrett
Sep 22	J Atkinson	J Barrett	G Brutton
Oct 22	A Bennett	Lord Head	M Gooch

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 – www.bishopstone-salisbury.co.uk 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.



Bishopstone Ultrafast Broadband Update November 2022

PROJECT UPDATE

We have been trying, somewhat unsuccessfully, to find out when our project is/was due to start. As you are aware the proposed *completion date* was 22 November 2022.

Despite correspondence with Openreach no positive briefing was forthcoming and your team was beginning to despair.

Then on 18 October we have seen new signs of activity with a team of engineers operating down Harvest Lane and in Flamstone laying fibre optic cabling!! Brief discussions with the engineers indicate that the project may be finished by Christmas but this is obviously dependent on any problems that may arise.

Your FTTP Team will therefore make use of the Village Whatsapp, the FTTP project website - see below and the Bishopstone Village website to keep you informed of progress.

So patience is required!!

It is still planned to hold an evening meeting in the Village Hall to answer questions from all involved. We will have two local people currently using ultra-fast broadband attending. A date will be announced as the project progresses, again using the methods described above.

We are assured that disruption will be minimised so please be patient with the engineers.

Want more information?

Visit our website: www.bishopstone-ftp.uk

If you can't find out what you want to know there then please contact any of the project team:

Team Leader: Toby Mills: 781168 toby.mills@bishopstone-ftp.uk

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REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY ...

13th NOVEMBER 2022



Our annual Service of Remembrance will start in the Church at **1050 hrs (10.50 am)**, on Sunday 13th November 2022, so that we can reflect during the Silence with the whole Country.

The service will be led by our own Revd Canon Jenny Taylor following the normal sequence of events. The names of the fallen and the epitaphs will be read, a silence held for two minutes, and a new wreath laid at the Memorial Plaque. Please come and join as we remember the fallen from this village and Stratford Tony. The collection will be taken for the Royal British Legion, as usual with grateful thanks to the congregation and the PCC. Please wear your medals and insignia.

Door-to-door collections for the **RBL Poppy Appeal** will begin on **Saturday 29th October** and tins will also be placed in the White Hart and in the Village Hall.

After the service, a **curry lunch will be served in the White Hart Inn**, and for anyone who likes curry, please call Tom or Zara direct to reserve your place: **Tel 780244**.



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A Plea for Help

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION - POPPY APPEAL ORGANISER

Every year the Royal British Legion organises the Poppy Appeal to raise funds throughout the UK and Ireland and in many places overseas, to help wounded or injured serving and retired personnel and their dependents. The local collections are essential to the good work of the RBL independently of any government support. Counties are responsible for these collections, and we are in the Chalke Valley area of Wiltshire, which includes Coombe Bissett and Homington, Bishopstone and Stratford Tony, Broad Chalke, Ebbesbourne Wake and Fifield Bavant with West End, and Alvediston.

Each village has its own coordinator for local collections, and the Poppy Appeal Organiser (PAO) coordinates the activities for the villages in the area. The PAO coordinates the bids for poppies and various Remembrance items for each village, ensuring the Village Coordinators have what they need, and that collections start and finish on the correct days. Afterwards, the village collectors bank their receipts, and submit a summary of their collections to the PAO. The PAO creates a Chalke Valley summary of collections for the RBL. It takes a bit of time, but is rewarding and can be fun.

I have been doing this PAO task on and off for about 10 years, and as I approach my 80th, I would like to hand it on to someone rather younger than me, as soon as possible to ensure continuity for next year's Poppy Appeal. The county coordinator is new this year, but very helpful.

If you feel you would like to take this on, or know of someone interested, please get in touch and we can discuss the responsibilities in more detail.

Please consider this opportunity, and give me a shout: 780683/07543 087350 or annjames.thompson@btinternet.com or tresillian5@hotmail.com.

Yours ever,

James Thompson



More Rambling with Jazzie!

Well, it has certainly been “the season of mists and mellow fruitfulness” recently! We had misty mornings and heavy dews, and masses of apples and pears. We have found Bramleys available at many gates, and just received a huge bag of conference pears from a painting friend. Many thanks to all those generous folk who have a glut even the younger members cannot eat! Our russets produced a very good crop this year for the first time ever. The discovery apples were also prolific and lovely, and we are finishing then last of them now.



Jazzie is not too keen on these fruits, but still enjoys her treats, to the near exclusion of proper kibble! She has no taste for tinned dog food, but enjoys chicken skin in the kitchen, and the odd piece of fat from the table! She remains a very picky eater, unlike our previous labs!

However, she does enjoy a wee taste of the cat kibble we put out for our four hedgehogs every night!

We've had some lovely walks in the village again, during these past days of sun and dry. However, the Ebbles is sadly low, and needs more rain. The riverbed is becoming really muddy in places, unlike the bed she used to have. The weed is still growing that in places it is almost choked. We have spied a foreign crayfish in the river near us, but there are certain keen fishermen with suitable pots to catch these enemies of our chalk stream.

Jazzie met the horses and the calves again and enjoyed all their blowing and puffing to greet her. The harvest is well in, and the fields are now being ploughed and drilled ready for next year. It is fascinating how the colours of all the fields changes according to the seasons. Those drills do a superb job tidying the fields for winter. Do they do it by GPS? Did we really hear machinery working during the night recently?

The garden continues to amaze us as the dahlias bloom, the roses have new flowers and our bougainvillea bush grows all the time, still flowering. As for our 'gummi baum' and my avocado, they are now inside the conservatory for the winter, soon to be joined by the orange bush showing some tiny oranges. It died away a few years ago, after a couple of years came back and seems to have really thrived in the heat this year. The carrots and the chard still produce enough for our lunch and soups! We are blessed with about six spikes on our many yuccas, all from our old holiday home in Cornwall.

Walking and painting and the garden continue to keep us busy. Jazzie is not so interested in the painting, but does enjoy the garden and the walks. She has much fun with the tennis balls and then shouting at Pebble next door, who, being a well behaved labbie, never replies!!

James Thompson



Save Safely

With living costs rising all the time, everyone is looking for ways to save money, so Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service is highlighting some areas where a saving could be a false economy – and a fire risk.

The Service is asking people to #SaveSafely, and there is a wealth of information about staying safe at home and on the roads at www.dwfire.org.uk/save-safely. This includes energy saving tips, cooking safely, how to stay warm safely, staying safe when cutting costs, cutting costs of driving, and signposting to financial help.

Some top tips include:

- Pulling electric heaters or electric blankets out of the loft, that haven't been used for years, can be risky. Watch for signs of dangerous or loose wiring, such as scorch marks, hot plugs and sockets, fuses that often blow, or circuit breakers that trip for no obvious reasons.
- If you're drying clothes indoors rather than use a tumble dryer, keep them well away from the heat source so they can't catch fire.
- Air fryers and microwave ovens are great at saving energy when cooking, but read the manufacturer's instructions and keep them clean between uses.
- Getting chimneys swept when you have a woodburner or open fire is essential to reduce the risk of chimney fires. Also be careful of what you burn; green (unseasoned) wood may seem cheap, but it doesn't create much heat and it creates a residue that can easily catch alight within the chimney.
- Get your boiler serviced – a well maintained boiler is more efficient and reduces the dangers of carbon monoxide poisoning.
- Only use the correct charger for mobile devices. Although cheaper, fake ones are often made with poor quality components that fail to meet UK safety regulations. This means they can cause injury, electric shocks and even fires.
- Make sure you follow the manufacturer's instructions when using wheat bags – don't heat them for too long, or at too high a temperature.

The Fire and Rescue Service offers free Safe & Well advice, which can include a home visit and the provision of smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. To request this for yourself, a family member or a vulnerable person, please call 0800 038 2323 or visit www.dwfire.org.uk/safe-and-well-visits

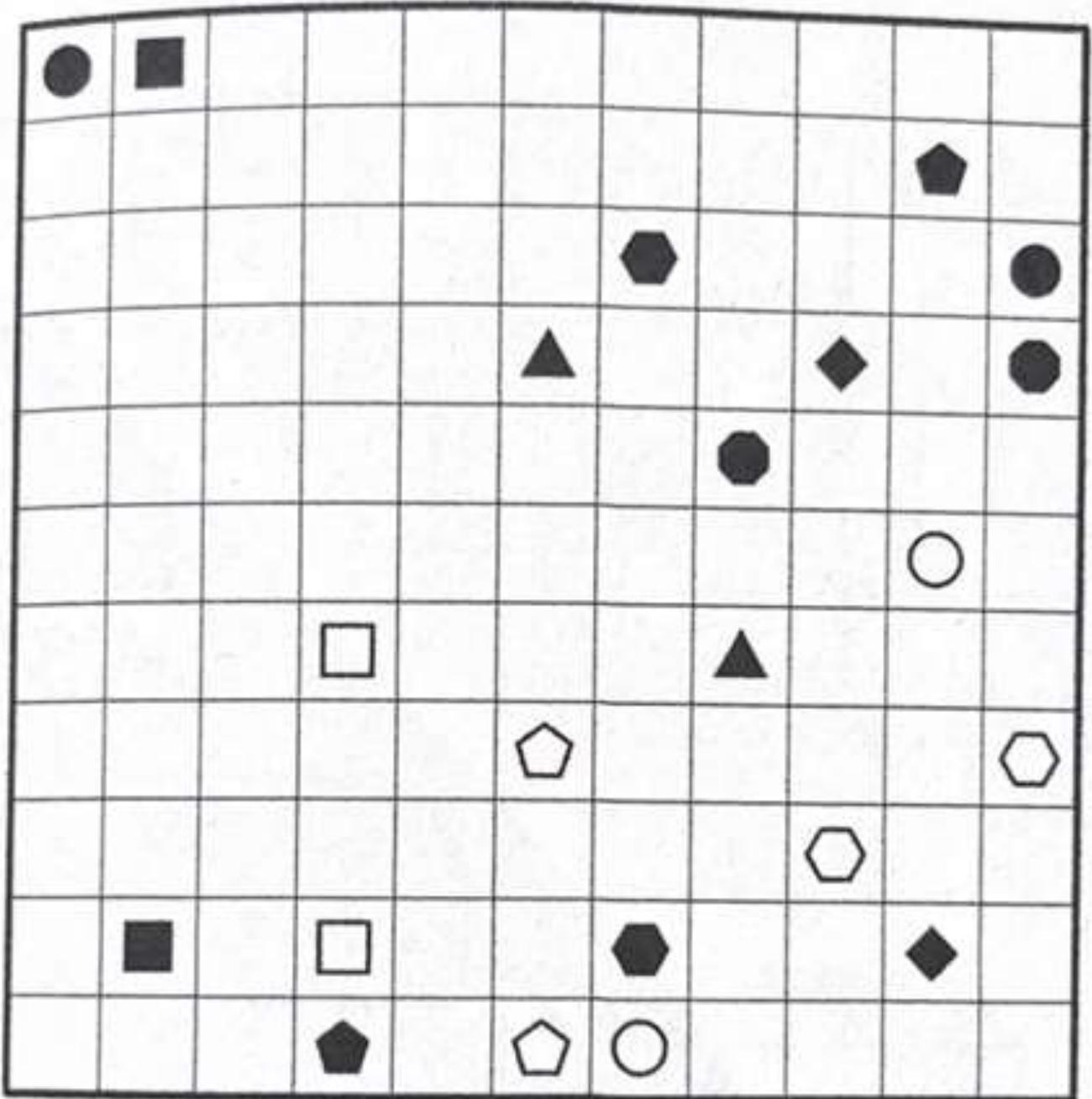
Puzzles and Activities

By Cally Edwards



Shape Link

Link each pair of identical shapes by drawing a path from one to the other that travels only horizontally and vertically. No more than one path can enter any square, which also means that paths cannot cross.



Recipe of the Month - Dorset Apple Cake

- 225g butter, softened, plus extra for greasing
- 450g Bramley apples
- Finely grated zest and juice of 1 lemon
- 225g caster sugar, plus extra for dredging
- 3 large eggs
- 225g self-raising flour
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 25g ground almonds
- Cinnamon or nutmeg (optional)
- 1 tbsp demerara sugar

1. Preheat the oven to 180°C/fan160°C/gas 4. Grease a deep 23-24cm springform cake tin and line with baking paper. Peel, core and cut the apples into 1cm pieces, and toss with the lemon juice.

2. Using an electric hand whisk, cream together the butter, caster sugar and lemon zest in a bowl until pale and fluffy. Beat in the eggs, 1 at a time, adding a little flour with each addition to keep the mixture smooth.

3. Sift the remaining flour and the baking powder into the bowl and fold in with the ground almonds. Drain the apple pieces well, then stir into the mixture along with a tsp of cinnamon, or a grating of nutmeg (optional).

4. Spoon into the prepared cake tin, lightly level the top and sprinkle with the demerara sugar. Bake in the oven for 1 hour or until well-risen, brown and a skewer inserted into the centre of the cake comes out clean. If the cake starts to look a little too brown, cover with foil or a sheet of baking paper after about 45 minutes.

5. Leave to cool in the tin for 10 minutes. Remove the cake from the tin and place on a serving plate. Dredge heavily with the extra caster sugar. Cut the cake into generous wedges and serve warm with a spoonful of clotted cream, if you like.



Adapted from 'delicious' magazine

Sarah's Gardening Tips for November

1. Insulate your outdoor containers from frost using bubble wrap or hessian.
2. Lift parsnips after first frosts.
3. Stake top heavy brassicas and draw up soil around them to stop rocking in the wind.
4. Remove fallen leaves from the base of roses with blackspot to reduce the chance of reinfection next year.
5. Build a cold frame to protect plants over winter.
6. Edge your lawn to make mowing easier the rest of the year and make it look neater.
7. Use the last of the dry weather to paint fences and sheds.
8. Spread well rotted manure on the surface of veg beds to rot down over winter.
9. Prune apple and pear trees between now and February.

Gardening is how I relax. It's a way of creating and playing with colours.

Oscar de la Renta



Question: The Weeping willow tree is native to which country?

(Answer on p52)

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6.30pm

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From the Hub & Committee members

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Fovant Badges Society

FBS have almost completed our year's *repair, realign, stabilise* programme for the 10 Badges in our care. Working with both KDC (Dinton) and charities Alabaré and Seeds4Success we hope that all 10 of our Badges will be shining bright in the evening sunlight by December.

Good progress was made over the summer - what a summer! - but the conditions became untenable; full sun, facing white chalk. Work stopped for 6 weeks. Lack of labour (Covid & Brexit) delayed matters further. KDC used innovative methods on the sward (a Flymo) and a rotavator on larger chalk areas. KDC are working to finish the two remaining badges ACMF and PORI. Stop at our A30 lay-bys and admire them, knowing the hard graft that goes into maintaining what you see; these wonderful scheduled moments and memorials to our forefathers. Don't forget the Coin Drop when you're there!

The charity Seeds4Success helped on CENT by using the hillside as an opportunity for its young charges to gain experience and establish self confidence in dealing with challenges by weeding some of our Badges.

Signals and Poppy (ROYS and CENT) were looking tatty by autumn so they have been done again, enlisting the sterling help of a Salisbury based national charity, Alabaré. In no time at all arrangement were made and nine ex-Armed Forces personnel started on 20th September as part of the '*Boots on the Ground*' programme which is focused on helping veterans improve their mental and physical wellbeing by taking part in activities in the outdoors.



By the end of 2022 all our 10 badges will be re-chalked, and ready for a few years' rest. FBS now plan to run the Badges on a Planned Maintenance/TLC basis until another major rechalking exercise is needed. Next year we aim to broaden the appeal and reach of FBS and if at any time you would like to help (and I stress that whilst anyone who would like to actually do some physical work on our badges would be welcome, and you wont get a better 'office view!') we would really like to hear from people who would like to help organise and run the Charity in any capacity. We planning to run the renowned Drum-Head Service again next year and help with the organisation of that, and for anyone with an archivist / history interest (and here is a LOT of stuff out there) or an IT skills set with Social media, and time to do it, would be welcome as Flowers that bloom on the Down. Tra-la!

Leslie Brantingham — FBS - Conservation

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Police Bulletin

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



Every burglary victim knows the impact is deeper than simply having your possessions taken.

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That is why I am pleased Wiltshire Police have now pledged to attend every home burglary. It's a leap in the right direction.

The force is already providing this in 88.7% of cases but this extra effort should help to increase victim satisfaction, preserve evidence sooner with increased prosecutions.

Residents tell me they want police officers to do the basics right: good, quality investigations which result in locking the bad people up, protect the vulnerable and care about victims.

Wiltshire Police's home burglary further action taken figures, where a suspect is identified, charged or cautioned, is currently at 3.9% on a rolling 12 month average. This isn't good enough and I have been clear in letting our Chief Constable know this – and he agrees.

By improving how officers deal with home burglary victims should not only increase those figures but also, and more importantly, will positively impact on the public's confidence and trust in the policing service they receive.

I will be directly scrutinising this commitment and challenging them to show that effective, quality, investigations are taking place.

I have also senior officers to explore if it is operationally possible to extend this commitment to all non-dwelling burglaries, like rural outbuildings and sheds. As ever, this will be a delicate balance but aiming to provide the policing service our communities want is vital.



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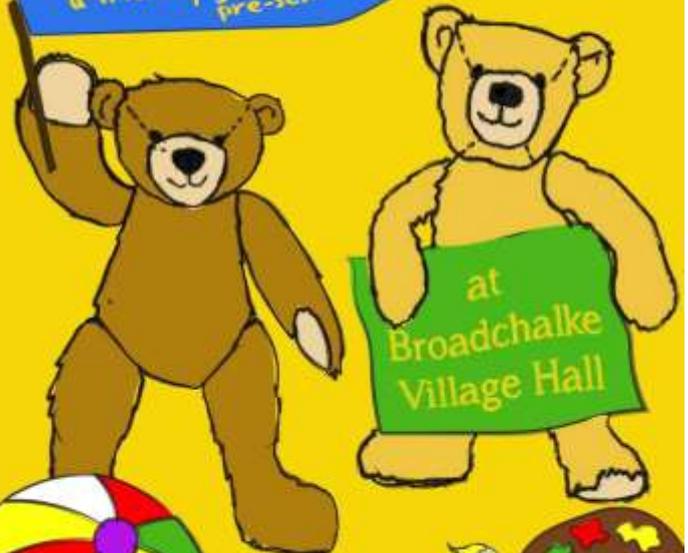
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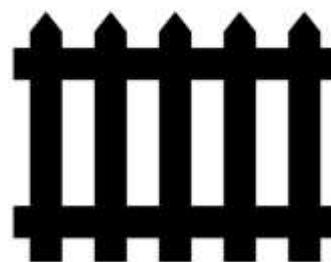
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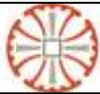
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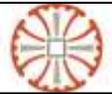
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Services in Chalke Valley Benefice – November 2022



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6 November 3rd Sunday before Advent	9.30am 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am	Family Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Family Communion (CW) Morning Service Family Communion (CW) Family Service Morning Prayer (BCP)	Broad Chalke Britford Ebbesbourne Wake Bishopstone Coombe Bissett Odstock Berwick St John	Ruth H-S Jenny Taylor Catherine Blundell Sally Leaver Jenny Taylor/Ruth H-S Adrian Taylor Lay Led
13 November REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 	9.00am 10.00am 10.45am 10.45am 10.50am 10.50am 10.50am 11.20am	Holy Communion (CW) Remembrance Service Remembrance Service Remembrance Service Remembrance Service Remembrance Service Remembrance Service Remembrance Service	Coombe Bissett Berwick St John Bowerchalke Broad Chalke Bishopstone Coombe Bissett Odstock Alvediston	Jenny Taylor Lay Led Catherine Blundell Kate Woolven Jenny Taylor Tony Monds Ruth H-S David Blundell
20 November CHRIST THE KING	8.00am 9.30am 9.30am 9.45am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) <i>REFRESH!</i> Morning Prayer (BCP) Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW)	Bowerchalke Bishopstone Odstock Broad Chalke V Hall Ebbesbourne Wake Homington Berwick St John	Catherine Blundell Jenny Taylor Ruth H-S Lay Led Bidly Trahair Jenny Taylor Catherine Blundell
27 November First Sunday of Advent	9.00am 9.30am 9.30am 10.00am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Holy Communion (BCP) Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Family Service Morning Prayer Family Service Parish Communion (CW) Holy Communion (BCP) Evening Prayer (BCP)	Berwick St John Charlton All Saints Broad Chalke Coombe Bissett Homington Nunton Bishopstone Alvediston Bowerchalke	Kate Rosslyn Smith Ruth H-S Kate Woolven Lay Led Ruth H-S Adrian Taylor Jenny Taylor Catherine Blundell Lay Led
4 December 2nd Sunday of Advent	9.30am 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am	Family Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Family Communion (CW) Family Communion (CW) Family Service Morning Prayer (BCP)	Broad Chalke Britford Ebbesbourne Wake Coombe Bissett Odstock Berwick St John	Ruth H-S Jenny Taylor Ruth H-S Jenny Taylor Adrian Taylor Lay Led

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