

News and Notes

*For Bodenham, Britford, Charlton All Saints, Nunton and Odstock
October 2019*

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Welcome

Odstock

The area around Odstock was prominent in pre-history with Clearbury Fort, an iron-age hill fort, looking over the Avon valley which had visual contact with Old Sarum and possibly also Figsbury Ring (2 other iron age forts) and there are also early earthworks in the woods above the village.

The name probably came from Odin's Stock meaning Odin's farm. We know that someone called Gerberd held the Manor at Odstock from the 12th century until 1541. It is likely that there was a Manor here much earlier but there is no documentary evidence of this. The Manor was the largest employer in the village.

River levels were once very much higher than nowadays and the meadows beside the river will have been marsh land, later managed as water meadows by a system of dykes and streams. Eels, and otters which were hunted twice a year, were part of the ecology. All local houses had wells until in 1906 when the Radnor estate provided piped water. There was a water mill between the cross roads and Odstock Manor which is mentioned in the Domesday Book, as well as a miller's house. The bridge at Odstock – probably on the site of a former ford - was built in the sixteen hundreds and later rebuilt by the Radnor estate in the 1700s.

The cross roads runs west to east from Shaftesbury to the Longford Estate and the North/South axis went north to Salisbury and south up the Hollow Way to the Downs where there was once a substantial population of gypsies who often camped at the Chalk Pit above Odstock village. Local farmers employed gypsies to destroy thistles, pull docks from the corn, cut and tie the corn. After the harvest, when they were paid, there was a big supper and dance and much money was spent at the Yew Tree pub. The gypsies then went on to Kent for the hop picking.

With thanks to Hazel Docherty

Dates

Regular Events Everyone is welcome to join in.

WI	Second Monday of the month, 10.00am, The Radnor Hall, Bodenham
Singing Group	Tuesdays (ex. Aug/Dec), 4.30pm or 7.00pm, The Barker Room, contact Adrian Taylor on 07753 829027
Mobile Library	Britford (Outside the Shelter Barn, Lower Road) 10.00am – 10.20am, every 4 weeks . Support needed to keep it running
Acorn Club	Coffee Morning – Wednesdays 10.30am at The Orchard
'Local Vocals'	Singing group for everybody. No need to read music. 1st and 3rd Mondays each month. The Radnor Hall, 7.30pm - 9.30pm. Please check with Clare Chitty 07899 718780
Circle Dancing	Simple dances from many countries to join in with, no partner or previous experience necessary. 2 nd and 4 th Mondays at The Radnor Hall. 7.30pm – 9.30pm. Contact Clare Chitty 07899 718780
Village Prayers	If you'd like prayers to be said for someone you know, a particular situation or yourself, you may either put a note in the Village Prayers box at St Andrew's, Nunton or St Mary's, Odstock, email details to villageprayers@live.com . For date of next meeting: contact Adrian Taylor on 07753 829027
Church Events	Prayer. Every Monday morning in term time we meet at 9.15am in Nunton to pray. Monday 7, 14 and 21 Oct. Every Tuesday morning in term time we meet at 11.30am in Charlton All Saints. Tuesday 8, 15 and 22 Oct. Please ring Revd Anna-Claar to confirm locations for both events. Bible study. Will start again on Monday 14, 21 October 7pm in the Barker Room (next to St. Andrew's Church) Nunton (SP5 4HP).

News and Notes Diary

Date	Event
3 Oct	ONB WI Gardening Group - 2 pm in the Radnor Hall
6 Oct	Harvest Festival service and lunch at Nunton Church at 11am
17 Oct	CRESS presentation in Radnor Hall at 7.30pm
23 Oct	South Wiltshire Filling Station in Radnor Hall at 7.30pm
24 Oct	Village ideas evening—Merlin exercise in Radnor Hall at 7.30pm
31 Oct	Film Night in Radnor Hall at 7.30pm

Community Events & News

W.I. News

After the Summer break it was great to start the new W.I year with what looks to be an interesting new programme for 2019/2020.

The Autumn lunch is to be held at the end of the October meeting. The Christmas lunch on December 5th at The South Wilts Golf Club, and to give us all an early Christmas feel the making of Christmas Puddings on the 5th Monday meeting on September 30th. This was such a great success last year.

The talk for the morning was from the "Wiltshire Bobby Van" given by retired police officer Mick. As most of our members are in their silver years and the most vulnerable age group to burglaries, it was most appropriate. Mick gave us lots of very useful advice about keeping ourselves safe in our own homes. Lots of little things which were easy to put into practise and which had not really occurred to many of us. He also included keeping safe online and on the phone. Mick also told us that Wiltshire runs three "Bobby Vans" and they all run as a charity. His talk was very informative and amusing. The next meeting will be on October 14th. The speakers are Denis Carlton and Stephen James with the "The Life and Times of Harry Selfridge".



CRESS TRIP to UGANDA 3 – 15 September 2019

By Jeremy Metcalfe

The 10th Anniversary CRESS trip to the South Sudanese Refugees in Northern Uganda was a great success.

We had a wonderful celebration with about 60 children who received presents from their UK sponsors. On Sunday we visited an IDP camp in Gaboor, for a three hour service and the chance to see their meagre camp facilities. On Monday the new CRESS clinic in Mijale was opened by Caroline Lamb followed by a visit to see the CRESS agricultural and savings programmes. Very impressive to see so much being achieved with so little.

The team then ran a two-day conference on handling stress and bringing children up in a Christian family, whilst I assisted in the CRESS office with the handover of new laptops to the staff.

On our last day we visited the huge refugee camp, and met up with the South Sudanese who are helped by the CRESS project teams.

We will be holding a CRESS presentation evening on 17 October in the Radnor Hall at 7.30pm with wine and nibbles. Please come and hear more about this incredible charity and all it does to help so many.

Notices

Harvest Festival at Nunton Church

Sunday 6th October 11 -12 noon
Followed by a Shared Lunch in
The Barker Room
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Morning Star Salisbury

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dunderh942@btinternet.com
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WI Gardening Group Talks

Thursday 3 Oct
At the Radnor Hall at
2.00pm.

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FILM NIGHT AT THE RADNOR HALL

Fishermen's Friends (12)

Ten fishermen from Cornwall achieve a Top 10 hit after they are signed by Universal Records for being able to sing a sea shanty or two.

**The Radnor Hall, Bodenham,
Thursday 31 October 7.30 pm
(Doors open 7 pm)**

Tickets £6

To reserve tickets in advance contact
Sally Nelson on: 01722 328220

Refreshments, including ice cream,
will be on sale in the interval

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beverages

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 28 November 2019:
The White Crow

Thursday 30 January 2020: TBC

Thursday 27 February 2020: TBC

Thursday 26 March 2020: TBC

Book Exchange at St Peter's Church, Britford

Please come and find a book to read at the back of the church in **Britford**. There will be a selection of books that we have read for anyone else to enjoy, and you are also welcome to leave books which you no longer need.

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Odstock Parish Council News

The Parish Meeting on **Monday 9 September** was held in the Pavilion in Nunton Field. Thank you to those of you who came along.

Picnic Benches: We placed an order nearly a year ago for replacement picnic benches. The supplier failed to fulfil the order, and we have been looking at alternative sources. The bench at Jubilee Gardens is now unsafe, and we have taken the decision to replace it as quickly as possible. The other benches are less urgent, and will be replaced in the near future as resources permit.

Nunton Playground Fence and play equipment: The contractor has still not completed the replacement of the rotten posts in the playground fence, and it is becoming increasingly hazardous. We will therefore seek an alternative contractor to repair/replace the fence as quickly as possible. After careful consideration we have approved a quotation for repair of the swings by a specialist play equipment company.

Jubilee Gardens: We have received reports of further episodes of fouling and litter left in the gardens. We have submitted a report to the local police, but there is really nothing else that the Parish Council can do to prevent this, short of closing the gardens altogether. Please help us to keep the gardens nice, and free of litter. We plan to undertake some routine maintenance work shortly to the trees and bushes in the gardens, and also to replace the Danger Deep Water sign which has gone missing.

Speed indicator device: We are considering the purchase of a permanent speed indicator device, and we are keen to hear your views.

Road repairs: There will be road repairs in Nunton Drove commencing on 12 November for 3 days (weather permitting). All other road maintenance and repair work in the parish has been postponed until the next financial year.

News and Notes: We would like to record formally on behalf of the whole parish our thanks to Enid Alston for taking over as editor of News and Notes.

Date of next meeting: The next meeting of OPC is on Monday 9 December at 7.30 pm, probably in the Barker Room next to Nunton Church. You are warmly encouraged to come along. Minutes of previous OPC meetings, local planning applications, and other interesting local information can be found on the OPC website at: <http://www.sp5.org/odstock/opc>

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Do you have ideas for our villages?

Imagine your ideal village – There is obviously a pub and quite likely a Church, but what else? Let your dreams run wild and join us over a glass of wine or two to discuss your ideas. We'd love to run a Merlin exercise* for the community to find out how the local Churches can contribute to positive changes in our villages.

See if you can find some ideas in this word search puzzle:



**Thursday 24th October 7.30pm, Radnor Hall,
Bodenham.**

Please contact Stephanie (Stephanie.elcock@gmail.com) or Maggie (maggiemetcalfe@btinternet.com) if you wish to come or just turn up.

*Don't know what a Merlin exercise is?

Well – Merlin was King Arthur's magician and was reputed to have lived his life backwards – so he would have been living in 2025 without knowing what it was like in 2019. What would he have seen in our villages?

Reflection and Services

Celebrate Creation

October is the month of harvest festivals and of the feast of St. Francis. Francis is a fascinating figure from the twelfth century. He was the son of a wealthy trader in cloth in Assisi but chose to embrace utter poverty and went around in rags, begging for food. His relationship with the natural world was special. The animals were his brothers and sisters; he preached to the birds. In one of the stories he brought reconciliation between a village and a wolf, brother wolf.

The celebration of harvest and the stories of St. Francis come with joy and innocence. At the same time they remind us of how we have misused creation. Our worries about climate change become part of our harvest festivals and our celebration of St. Francis. Climate change means that we need to change our lifestyles to preserve our home, planet earth. As we celebrate creation in nature let us also come together as a community to think what we together could do to sustain our natural home.

Do you have any ideas of how we can live better together with each other and nature? Please feel free to contact me with questions or answers or prayers or something else. Phone nr.: 01722 238267; e-mail: anna-claar.cvb@myphone.coop . **Shalom, Anna-Claar**

Vacancy - ONB PCC secretary

The Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham (ONB) Parochial Church Council (PCC) is seeking a new Secretary.

The PCC meets four times a year and the Secretary acts as the point of contact between the Diocese and the PCC, arranges the distribution of papers and takes the minutes.

You do not need to be a member of the church, but of course it helps.

If you are interested please contact Revd Anna-Claar whose details are above.

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Services in Chalke Valley Benefice - October 2019

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



Every Wednesday at 12.15pm, there is a short benefice service of Holy Communion

First Wednesday of the month at Broad Chalke, remainder at Bishopstone

6 October 16th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am	Harvest Festival Comm	Britford	Jenny Taylor
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Broad Chalke	Anna-Claar T-Rosingh
	11.00am	Harvest Festival Comm	Ebbesbourne Wake	Catherine Blundell
	11.00am	Mattins (BCP)	Berwick St John	Lay Led
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)	Coombe Bissett	Anna-Claar T-Rosingh
	11.00am	Harvest Festival	Nunton	Adrian Taylor
	11.00am	Harvest Festival	Bishopstone	Jenny Taylor
	6.00pm	Harvest Festival	Homington	Jenny Taylor
13 October 17th Sunday after Trinity	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Broad Chalke	Catherine Blundell
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Odstock	Anna-Claar T-Rosingh
	10.30am	URC Morning Worship	Broad Chalke Chapel	Tom Grant
	11.00am	Harvest Festival Comm	Knowle Farm Barn	C Blundell/R Leake
	11.00am	Harvest Festival	Alvediston	Biddy Trahair
	11.00am	Choral Mattins (BCP)	Charlton All Saints	Anna-Claar T-Rosingh
	11.00am	Harvest Festival	Coombe Bissett	Jenny Taylor
	3.00pm	Harvest Festival	Fifield Bavant	Biddy Trahair
	6.00pm	Harvest Festival	Berwick St John	Roger Leake
20 October 18th Sunday after Trinity	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Bowerchalke	K Rosslyn Smith/R Leake
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Bishopstone	Jenny Taylor
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Nunton	Anna-Claar T-Rosingh
	10.30am	URC Communion Service	Broad Chalke Chapel	Jackie Lowe
	11.00am	R3vive	Broad Chalke V Hall	Anna-Claar T-Rosingh
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)	Berwick St John	Ann Philp/Roger Leake
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)	Homington	Catherine Blundell
	11.00am	Mattins (BCP)	Ebbesbourne Wake	Biddy Trahair
27 October Bible Sunday BRITISH SUMMER TIME ENDS	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Berwick St John	Kate Rosslyn Smith
	9.30am	Family Communion (CW)	Broad Chalke	A-C T-R / R Leake
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Charlton All Saints	Catherine Blundell
	11.00am	Family Service	Odstock	Adrian Taylor
	11.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Alvediston	Anna-Claar T-Rosingh
	11.00am	Choral Mattins (BCP)	Coombe Bissett	Roger Leake
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)	Bishopstone	Ann Philp
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)	Bowerchalke	Roger Leake
3 November ALL SAINTS	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Britford	Ann Philp
	9.30am	Patronal Festival (CW)	Broad Chalke	Catherine Blundell
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)	Ebbesbourne Wake	Catherine Blundell
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	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)	Coombe Bissett	Jenny Taylor
	11.00am	Family Service	Nunton	Adrian Taylor
	11.00am	Morning Service	Bishopstone	Sally Leaver
	6.00pm	Evensong (BCP)	Homington	David Blundell

Ministry Team:

Team Rector ~ The Revd Catherine Blundell: 01722 780134

Team Vicars ~ The Revd Canon Jenny Taylor: 01722 503081, The Revd Dr Anna-Claar Thomasson-Rosingh: 01722 238267

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Extra - News and Notes



BISHOPSTONE VILLAGE HALL OCTOBER 2019 EVENTS

MOVIOLA at Bishopstone

Friday October 25th 'Fisherman's Friends'

*Based on a true story about Port Isaac's **Fisherman's Friends**. A group of Cornish fishermen from Port Isaac are signed by Universal*

Records and achieve a top 10 hit with their debut album of traditional sea shanties. The film stars an ensemble cast headed by Daniel Mays, James Purefoy and Tuppence Middleton. It is hoped to have a surprise 'extra' on the evening!!

Friday November 22nd 'Rocketman'

Rocketman is a 2019 biographical musical film based on the life of musician Elton John. Directed by Dexter Fletcher and written by Lee Hall, it stars Taron Egerton as John, with Jamie Bell as Bernie Taupin, Richard Madden as John Reid, and Bryce Dallas Howard as Sheila Eileen.

Tickets are £6.00 each. **Advance booking is strongly recommended.** Tickets are available from [<byhticketoffice@btinternet.com>](mailto:byhticketoffice@btinternet.com) or from 01722 781044 or 780002. Usual bar with ice cream and snacks. **Doors open at 7pm.**

BISHOPSTONE COMMUNITY LUNCHES WITH SPEAKER

Bishopstone Community lunches are held monthly October to April.

A home-cooked lunch is served around 12.30pm and costs £7.50 including a glass of wine or soft drink. To book, please phone 781044 or 780002, letting us know if you have any specific dietary requirements or need transport.

Wednesday 2nd October

Speaker: Rosemary Pemberton talking about General Pitt-Rivers and arts and entertainment at his Rushmore Estate.

Wednesday 6th November

Speaker: Steve Dunn will give a talk entitled 'Cathedral Graffiti'

Wednesday 4th December - Christmas lunch

"EXTEND" EXERCISE CLASSES

Friday afternoons, 2-3pm, in Bishopstone Village Hall

These seated exercise classes are aimed at people who would like a full body workout but prefer to feel stable. They give confidence to keep fit without fear of falling over, and are fun to do.

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PILATES AT BISHOPSTONE

Contact Claudine on 07788 587937.

SPECIAL EVENTS

FRIDAY 15th NOVEMBER - The FB Pocket Orchestra. The FB Orchestra are a highly talented trio who play popular music from the late 19th and early 20th century, right up to the 1930s. Tickets cost £10 for adults, £8 for seniors & £5 for children and are available from Caroline Ash on 01722 781044 or Pat Abbott on 01722 780002

Advance booking is strongly recommended and is essential if supper is to be taken. Bar open from 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start and an optional supper is available for an additional £5.



Have you signed up to Community Messaging?

Wiltshire Police use an email alert system called Community Messaging, also known as Neighbourhood Alert, across Wiltshire and Swindon to provide real time information to subscribing residents and businesses.

This is a free service and once subscribed you can choose what sort of alert to receive and how to receive them. This way the alerts will be tailored specifically to your interests and delivered by email, text or phone.

Community Messaging allows Wiltshire Police, and carefully selected partners, to help keep communities better informed about police and crime updates affecting their local area. The messages can even be sent to individual postcodes.

Although Wiltshire Police is the main source of information the system is also used by Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue, Wiltshire and Swindon Neighbourhood Watch, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, Gas Emergency Service and Action Fraud (the national centre for fraud and cybercrime). All these partners provide relevant information to help keep you safe and secure.

You can respond directly to messages and rate the value/relevance of alerts on a scale of 1-5. Your feedback can be most useful to provide first hand intelligence relating to alerts but also to allow us to assess the effectiveness of the system so we keep messages and alerts relevant.

The relevance of alerts is controlled by users through the selection of specific schemes on the system; Neighbourhood watch is one popular choice but there are also groups for Community Speed Watch, Youth Clubs and Groups, Church Watch, Horse Watch, Farm Watch and many others. All can be selected or deselected as required and all have the ability for you to feed intelligence to crime prevention partners.

It should be emphasised that Community Messaging is not a way of reporting crimes - always call 999 in an emergency or 101 in a non-emergency situation.

Community Messaging doesn't replace the social media activity that the force uses to reach out to communities but works alongside it to make sure that messages are received in a timely way. With changes to the algorithms that the leading social media platforms use to distribute information you are possibly seeing far fewer of the posts issued than you did five years ago.

By signing up to Community Messaging you will be sure to receive the information directly. www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk