Welcome to News and Notes

The month of Easter - a longer holiday for those in school, bunnies, chocolate eggs and egg hunts, the celebration of new life. Birds lay eggs in this time of year and rabbits have large litters of offspring. That is why both are symbols of the new life that sprouts at this season. Historically, the Easter Bunny was a hare who judged whether the children were good or naughty before they got their Easter eggs (17th Century Germany). Whether this hare originates as the holy animal of a pagan goddess or as a Christian symbol is unclear from early sources. The eggs do originate in Christian practices as traditionally people did not eat eggs in Lent and the surplus of uneaten eggs were the first thing that needed using when the Easter festival came.

That Easter is about new life is clear in both Christian and pagan traditions. The Christian tradition is rooted in the Jewish Passover - a festival to celebrate the freedom of the Israelites from slavery in Egypt and the first-fruit of the barley harvest. Jesus celebrates this Passover with his disciples just before he is crucified by the Romans. Christians believe that on the third day after his crucifixion Jesus is raised from the dead. Just as the slaves found freedom from slavery, just as the seed has to die in the ground to bear much fruit, so Christians celebrate freedom, growth and life through the death and resurrection of Jesus. Whether you are a Christian or not Easter is a time to celebrate life!

If you would like to know more about the Jewish Passover, you are welcome to celebrate a Passover meal with us in the Radnor Hall on 18 April at 6.30pm.

Reverend Dr Anna-Claar Thomasson-Rosingh

Regular Events

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<td>Regular Prayer: Every Monday morning in term time (1 and 29 April) at 9.15 am at the Orchard Nunton. Bible study: Revd Anna-Claar offers Bible studies each term on the following dates: Monday 13 &amp; 20 May and 3 &amp; 10 June, at 7.00pm in the Barker Room next to St Andrew’s Church, Nunton SPS 4HP. You are very welcome to join in.</td>
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Odstock Nunton and Bodenham WI

March Meeting

AGMs dull? The WI doesn’t think so - with theatre visits, garden talks, book club, walks and knitting projects all to be discussed. Fourteen blankets for the Baby Unit and 10 jerseys and beanies for the Ugandan ‘fish and chip babies’ have been knitted to date. There was a synopsis of the year’s activities to mull over and Angie Bryant’s presentation on the work of the John McNeill Opportunity Centre to listen to and empathise with. The Committee and President were duly re-appointed for another year.

2019 is the Wiltshire Federation of WIs’ centenary year and will be marked by an Archive Exhibition at Salisbury Library in June, a thanksgiving service at Salisbury Cathedral in July, and a party in Swindon in September. Our centenary event is on 2 April when we welcome Calendar Girl’s Trisha Stuart, the original ‘Miss October’, to entertain us in the Michael Herbert Hall, Wilton.

Stuart Judd will be sharing his life as a documentary maker and showing us part of a ‘Country Ways’ programme featuring our local Odstock Downs at our meeting on 8 April. On 29 April we’ll be learning about Short Mat Bowls. It’s all go!

Anyone for Croquet?
Hamptworth Croquet Club, will be holding an Open Afternoon on Sunday 12 May between 1.00pm and 5.00pm for anyone who would like to just drop in and find out more.
See e-News&Notes for more info.

Beetle Drive

Scuttle along to a Beetle Drive,
on Friday 5 April 2019
at Britford Memorial Hall at 7pm
(for a 7.15pm start and finish 9.30pm )
£5 per adult and £2.50 per child.

All proceeds go to St Peter’s Church, Britford.

Beetle is a game in which one draws a beetle in parts, it is entirely based on random die rolls, with no skill involved, but great fun for all ages.

To reserve a place call: 01722 328064 or 327321.

Car Boot Sale

Sunday, 14 April and 28 April 2019

The Football Field, Nunton

Admission: £5 – Traders Cars, £7 for Vans, 30p for Buyers

Gates Open 10.00am

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Villages Facebook Group

The new Facebook Group dedicated to our News and Notes community is now up and running with some lively discussions and useful information concerning our village life.

Find the group at www.facebook.com/groups/BBCON/ and click +Join Group if you wish to do so.

It is a closed group to restrict public access.
Easter Party! 30 March

All children from the villages are invited to celebrate Easter. We are organising a party with games, an egg hunt, a story and party food on 30 March from 4 - 5.15pm at the Radnor Hall.

You are very welcome to join us.

If you are under 10 please bring an adult.
RSVP anna-claar.cvb@myphone.coop or 01722 238267

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Chalke Valley Link Scheme

The Scheme’s Annual General Meeting will be held at Broad Chalke Village Hall on Thursday, 4 April at 7.30pm.

The Scheme is a registered charity whose volunteers provide transport to residents of the Chalke Valley who need it. The Scheme’s volunteers and users are invited to attend the AGM.

Any other residents of the Valley who would like to know more about the Scheme would also be most welcome and should please contact the Secretary, John Lace, at Bingham’s Farmhouse, Bowerchalke (01722 780214).

Radnor Arms events, from 8pm:
23-May-19: Sarum Morris Dancers
07-Jun-19: Break Cover & BBQ
09-Aug-19: Hugh Budden & The Blue Chords & BBQ

CALENDAR GIRLS

A Talk by Tricia Stewart - Miss October
Michael Herbert Hall, South Street, WILTON SP2 0JS
On Tuesday 2 April 2019, from 2.00 to 4.30pm
£10 includes Tea & Cake
For tickets please contact: Sally Hadley 01725 510308 or Dee Prince 01725 511766
Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham WI
Check out the e-News & Notes on the website for extra articles and adverts

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David Canty, Estate Manager

As the new Resident Agent of Longford Estate I have been immersed straight into this magical place as you might imagine. For me, my family and for a good number of people who live in the villages it is our place of work. For some this has been the case for generations, but it is also our home as it is for you as residents of the villages. As residents of the villages we are all impacted by the Estate and its workings to a lesser or greater extent. So what does the Estate do? Well, a lot in short, but let me give you an insight into the range and diversity of businesses that the Estate operates and supports:

- A mixed in-hand farming operation growing 1,247 hectares (3,081 acres) of combinable crops including wheat, oilseed rape, barley, peas, oats and maize. 430 hectares (1,062 acres) of grassland grazed by 250 Aberdeen Angus suckler cows, 12 bulls and all of their progeny which we keep until they are between 18 and 22 months of age to produce high quality beef,
- 183 houses, housing employees, both existing and retired, as well as letting to the open market,
- A small number of commercially let buildings which include planners, photographers and scaffolders,
- A maintenance team who look after all our properties and are assisted by a regular team of contractors,
- Two pubs: the Radnor Arms and the Green Dragon,
- Trafalgar Fisheries produce in the region of 1,200 tonnes of rainbow trout a year and are supported by local external farms to process in the region of 1,500 of trout a year. Trafalgar Fisheries supplies nearly 200 retail customers including two of the major supermarkets in the UK, being Waitrose and Morrisons,
- Our River Keeper looks after 12 miles of river and carries ensuring that our syndicate fishermen and women are provided the best opportunity to catch both coarse and game fish,
- Our Gamekeeper looks after all our game birds as well as being a key part of our conservation team,
- Our Woods Team manage 740 hectares (1,828 acres) of mixed woodland, they are supported by a father and son contractor team who do most of our felling and thinning work. The team supply about 500 loads of logs throughout the winter months; all of the logs are sourced from our own woods and are seasoned for two years and then cut to order on the day of delivery,
- Our farms, woods, game and river teams work together to manage and provide a suitable habitat for a range of wildlife to thrive on the Estate including barn owls, otters, marsh harriers, English partridge, stoats, weasels and many others,
- Nunton Dairy will be well known to many of you and this is a partnership farm with the Estate, milking 800 cows and providing the beautifully fresh milk at the Radnor Arms and at the Bird & Carter farm shop outside Wilton,
- South Allenford Farm at Damerham is another partnership farm, which is an arable and outdoor pig enterprise with over 1,850 sows. The farm is one of few businesses which has a RSPCA Freedom Foods accreditation for pigs,
- There are 12 let farms on the Estate which are run independently of the Estate. These are diverse businesses producing combinable crops, beef and lamb as well as having commercial units, wedding venues and workshops on them.

The Estate is part of a number of environmental schemes and initiatives including Countryside Stewardship, a Lapwing Management group and the Avon Valley phosphate offsetting and conservation group. This year the Estate has planted over 1,800 metres of new hedges, 4,000 trees on reinstated ground at Brickworth Quarry, all as part of the Estate’s commitment to reinstating, improving and enhancing the environment and countryside we are fortunate enough to call home.

David Canty | Estate Manager
Facts about the Asian Hornet

The Asian hornet (Vespa velutina nigrithorax) is an invasive non-native species which was first sighted in the UK just over two years ago. Since then the number of sightings has increased every year. It is a highly aggressive predator of our native insects, and a serious threat to bees and other pollinating insects. To date, there have been 13 confirmed sightings of the Asian hornet in England and six nests have been destroyed. Two of these nests were found in Hampshire last year, so is very likely that it will soon arrive in South Wiltshire.

Where has it come from?
As the name suggests, the Asian hornet comes originally from Asia. It was introduced accidentally to south-west France in 2004, probably in a consignment of pottery from China. The French authorities were slow to react, and it spread rapidly across France and soon reached Spain, Portugal and the Channel Islands.

Why is it such a serious threat?
This hornet has badly damaged the French beekeeping industry and altered the natural biodiversity across regions of France. Its risk to humans is no greater than other hornets or wasps, but it poses a hazard to people who are allergic to wasp stings.

What should you do if you see an Asian Hornet?
It is important to report any suspected sightings as soon as possible. When a sighting is confirmed, experts from the National Bee Unit (NBU) and the Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA) will work quickly to find and destroy any active nests in the area. (On no account should you attempt to destroy the nest yourself.)

If you spot one, please try to and capture/ kill it, or to get a good photograph. A free app ‘Asian Hornet Watch’ is available for iPhone or Android, or you can send a photograph and location details to alertnonnative@ceh.ac.uk

Please see the E-News&Notes on the website for the full version of this article by Sally Nelson

The Prodigal Son
Go on, read this aloud!

Francis the Foolish felt a filial fondness for his flawless, fastidious father, Ferdinand the Fourth. Following one February fortnight, Francis, feeling footloose and frisky, forced his fond father to fork over five hundred forty five farthings, then fled his father's fertile fief.

Fleeing to foreign fields, Francis finally frittered away his fortune on fickle females, firkins of foaming ale, freeloading friends and feasting.

Fleeced by those fiendish fellows of the fleshpots, and facing fateful failure and famine, Francis finally found himself flinging foul feed to the swine in a filthy farmyard as a forlorn farmhand. Footsore and famished, he fain would have filled his flaccid frame with filched food but found it fit for only a footman.

"Fie!" flared Francis, "My Father's flunkies fare far finer."

Fortunately the frazzled fugitive finally faced the facts. Frustrated from failure and fulfilled foreboding, he fled forthwith to his far away family.

Falling fatigued at his father’s feet, Francis feebly phrased his feelings: "Father," he fumbled, "I've flunked - and fruitlessly forfeited family favour ... forgive me."

The far-sighted father, forestalling future family fissures flagged his flunkies. "Fetch a fatling from the flock and fix a feast for Francis. Forthwith. Fall to Faster!"

Frederic the Feculent, Francis' feisty, fault-finding brother, frowned upon his father's forgiveness of Francis' former philandering. "Flog the Flounder!" he fumed. But the faithful felt that Francis' former foibles should be freely forgiven. "Filial fidelity is what fathers are for, Frederick," said Ferdinand with feelings flowing.

"Forsooth, the fugitive is found, so what forbids festivity? Fly the flags freely, amid fifes, fiddles and fanfares . . .FLING A FEAST!"

Francis, face flushed, foreswore frippery forevermore by forcing his frame into a friar's frock.

By Stanley Baldwin
Reflection: The Still Centre

For the last few months I have managed to write in Notes and News about spirituality without ever mentioning traditional spiritual practices like meditation or study. In creativity, community and nature we come across our ‘still centre’ now and again. Our values, world-view and our actions often spring from that same ‘still centre’. But none of those themes reflect a deliberate search for stillness or union or for spirituality. Searching for stillness and union comes in many different guises: mindfulness, yoga, sacred dance, pilgrimage, worship, silence, study (of sacred texts), or just a simple prayer. Homecoming is a poem by the Welsh poet Gwyneth Lewis:

“Two rivers deepening into one;
less said, more meant; a field of corn
adjusting to harvest; a battle won
by yielding; days emptied to their brim;
(...)

Gwyneth describes meditation as “coming home” and as a place “two rivers” meet. We live by a ‘rivers meet’ where the Ebble flows into the Avon. A river is such a powerful image of consciousness and identity. It is ever changing and flowing and at the same time a recognisable form, the same river as yesterday but different. It can run deep or wide, fast or slowly. And so with us, as our consciousness flows might it meet another stream? Jesus says: “The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.” (John 4:14)

How do you find yourself at home with yourself? What do you pray for? Please feel free to contact me with questions or answers or prayers or something else.

By Reverend Anna-Claar Thomasson-Rosingh
Shalom (peace and goodwill), Anna-Claar..
Phone: 01722 238267 or e-mail: anna-claar.cvb@myphone.coop

Valley Lent Bible studies: “Out of Egypt I have called my son”
On Monday 1 April at Midday - 1.15pm in Bishopstone Village Hall and 7 - 8.15 pm in Coombe

Annual Church Meetings
Election of Churchwardens followed by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting
- Odstock with Nunton and Bodenham in the Barker Room Thursday 25 April 2019 at 7.30pm
- Charlton All Saints in the church Tuesday 30 April 2019 at 7.30pm
- St Peter’s, Britford in the church Wednesday 1 May 2019 2019 at 7pm
Everyone welcome

EASTER CHOIR
Come and sing, and be part of the choir for the Easter service in Odstock Church.

All are welcome

Rehearsal: Saturday 20 April from 10:00am - 12:00 noon in the Barker Room (next to St. Andrew's Church) Nunton.

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- Canon Anthony Hawley: 01794 390607
- Canon Ann Philip: 01722 555178, The Revd Kate Rosslyn Smith: 01722 780011
Facts about the Asian Hornet

The Asian hornet (Vespa velutina nigrithorax) is an invasive non-native species which was first sighted in the UK just over two years ago. Since then the number of sightings has increased every year. It is a highly aggressive predator of our native insects, and a serious threat to bees and other pollinating insects.

To date, there have been 13 confirmed sightings of the Asian hornet in England and six nests have been destroyed. Two of these nests were found in Hampshire last year, so it is very likely that it will soon arrive in South Wiltshire.

Where has it come from?

As the name suggests, the Asian hornet comes originally from Asia. It was introduced accidentally to south-west France in 2004, probably in a consignment of pottery from China. The French authorities were slow to react, and it spread rapidly across France and soon reached Spain, Portugal and the Channel Islands.

Why is it such a serious threat?

This hornet has badly damaged the French beekeeping industry and altered the natural biodiversity across regions of France. Its risk to humans is no greater than other hornets or wasps, but it poses a hazard to people who are allergic to wasp stings.

What does it look like?

The Asian hornet is smaller than our native European hornet (Vespa crabo), measuring around 25mm in length. Unlike the European hornet its abdomen is mostly black, with a single yellow band towards the rear. It has characteristic yellow legs (which is why it is often called the yellow legged hornet) and its face is orange with two brownish red eyes.

Asian hornet nests are usually built high up in tall trees. These tend to be very large (around 60 x 80 cm).

Life-cycle of the Asian Hornet

Spring: Mated queens hibernate over winter and emerge in late winter and early spring to start new colonies.

Summer: During the summer a single colony produces around 6000 hornets. From July until the end of November Asian hornets prey on honey bee colonies. The hornets hover outside the hive entrance, waiting to catch foraging bees as they return to the hive. Eventually the bees stop foraging, the honey bee colony is weakened, and the hornets are able to overcome the bees' defences and enter the hive, killing the entire colony.
**Autumn:** During autumn the hornet colony produces around 350 new queens and male hornets. Some of these new queens will mate successfully and survive through winter. After mating the queens leave the nest and find somewhere to hibernate until spring. The old queen and nest die out.

**What should you do if you see an Asian Hornet?**

It is important to report any suspected sightings as soon as possible. When a sighting is confirmed, experts from the National Bee Unit (NBU) and the Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA) will work quickly to find and destroy any active nests in the area. (On no account should you attempt to destroy the nest yourself.)

If you spot one, please try to and capture/ kill it, or to get a good photograph. A free app ‘Asian Hornet Watch’ is available for iPhone or Android, or you can send a photograph and location details to alertnonnative@ceh.ac.uk or complete a report on-line at http://www.nonnativespecies.org/. This website also has downloadable information and identification sheets.

Sally Nelson
Find Out More About Playing Croquet
At Hamptworth Croquet Club

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

We are one of the few clubs in the region who play throughout the year - most have a closed season between October and April - so we are open for play and would love to meet you.

Hamptworth Croquet Club is a part of the Hamptworth Golf and Country Club (Just off the A36 near Landford. Post Code SP5 2DU). We have five croquet lawns and our own little pavilion, but we also have full use of the Golf Club clubhouse, coffee, bar and catering facilities (they do make good cakes!!).

So whether you are an individual, a couple or a member of a group (such as WI, U3A, Activities Club, Lunch Club etc), please make contact and we will do our best to arrange your croquet experience. All you will need is a pair of flat shoes (trainers are perfect) we will provide everything else.

We will also be holding an Open Afternoon on Sunday 12th May between 1.00pm and 5.00pm for anyone who would like to just drop in and find out more.

Please share this message with anyone who you think might be interested. We would love to see you all. For more information please call or text Steve on 07912 608733.

Hamptworth Croquet Club looks forward to welcoming you. See you soon.
CALENDAR GIRLS

A Talk by Tricia Stewart - Miss October

Tricia, played by Helen Mirren in the film CALENDAR GIRLS, has some fantastic stories and insights into the history of the original Calendar Girls.

Michael Herbert Hall, South Street, WILTON SP2 0JS

On

Tuesday, 2 April 2019, from 2:00 to 4:30pm

£10 includes Tea & Cake

For tickets please contact:

Sally Hadley 01725-510308 or Dee Prince 01725-511766

Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham WI
Come and join us for a

PASSOVER SUPPER

Radnor Hall

Thursday 18th April 6.30 pm

£12.00 per person including wine

Bookings from
~ Caroline Winternitz 01725 510983 ~
~ Tommy Winternitz 07777 665903 ~

A family occasion
To commemorate the first night of the Jewish Passover festival
Which celebrates God’s deliverance of his people from Egypt.
Jesus celebrated the Passover with his disciples
the Thursday before his crucifixion

The symbolic Passover meal is followed by
A hearty lamb casserole

Proceeds in aid of Chalke Valley Benefice 2019 Lent Project
An Evening of Entertainment
IN AID OF THE CHALKE VALLEY LINK SCHEME

Saturday 11th May 2019
at 7.30pm
at All Saints’ Church in Broad Chalke
£7 ticket to include interval drink

Performers, from Britford to Berwick St. John, include the Chalke Valley Ladies’ Choir and Barber# with a number of vocal and instrumental soloists too.

Tickets available at Chalke Valley Stores (The Hub), Coombe Bissett Stores, by phone at 01722 718353 and on the door.

Please come and support.
BISHOPSTONE VILLAGE HALL

SPRING 2019 EVENTS

MOVIOLA at Bishopstone
Friday 26th April First Man (12A)
May 31st June 28th Titles to be announced in the May edition
July 26th Film and BBQ
Tickets for all films £6, available from <bvhticketoffice@btinternet.com> or from 01722 781044 or 780002.
Cash bar, snacks and ices available. Doors open 7pm.

BISHOPSTONE COMMUNITY LUNCHES WITH SPEAKER
Wednesday 3rd April
Speaker Francis Taylor, Orangutans and dragons of Indonesia
To book, please phone 781044 or 780002, letting us know if you have any specific dietary requirements or need transport. Lunches cost £7.50 including a glass of wine or soft drink. Home cooked lunch is served around 12.30pm.
It also is planned to have a selection of old photographs of the village for viewing.
Note: This is the last Community Lunch for the winter season. The next one will be on October 2nd.

BABY AND TODDLER PLAYGROUP
The playgroup meets on Friday mornings during term-time from 9.30 – 11.00am. Find our Facebook page Bishopstone Playgroup, or contact Kate Pendleton on 01722 780655 or email <kmpendleton@hotmail.com> for more details.

“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. £5 per session, (apart from anyone’s first free taster class).
Contact Jenny on 01722 780683, email <jennyberwynjones@yahoo.co.uk> or just turn up to any class to try it out. Jenny Berwyn-Jones is fully trained and insured.

PILATES AT BISHOPSTONE
Contact Claudine on 07788 587937.

SPECIAL EVENTS
IMPROVISATION SHAKESPEARE: “Bursting with love, poetry, comedy, tragedy, soliloquies, power struggles, mistaken identity and the supernatural, Improvisation Shakespeare buckle on the Bard’s britches to bring you an entirely new and improvised Shakespeare play, based on audience suggestions”
Friday 5th April, Doors open at 6.30pm for a 7.00pm start. Tickets, Adults £10, Concessions £8. Children £5 from bvhticketoffice@btinternet.com or 01722 781044. An optional whisky and salad supper will be available after the show for £5.00 (booked in advance along with the event ticket).

SPRING FAYRE
The annual Spring Fayre will be held on Saturday 25th May. There will be the usual stalls including a tombola.
Always a success is the plant stall which is where to come for seedlings and herbaceous plants to enhance your garden, and to donate those which others might like to buy!

All in a good cause, donations to any of the stalls are very welcome.
Contact any committee member.