



News and Notes

For Bodenham, Britford, Charlton All Saints, Nunton and Odstock

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And its goodbye from him...

I will have other opportunities to write a "farewell" as a vicar in the Chalke Valley Benefice, but for "News and Notes" I shall write less as a vicar and more as a resident of Nunton. Though the two are not wholly unconnected, and it has been a privilege as vicar to have a key role in major events in village life such as baptisms, weddings and funerals.

I have enjoyed my three-and-a-half years in Nunton, which for me is a return to living in Wiltshire villages (my childhood was spent in three of them, but my adult life until coming here had been in cities). There is a strong community here, and I have been able to become part of it. I threw myself in at the deep end, not long after my arrival, by joining the Radnor Hall Players and (with feigned reluctance) taking on the role of the Pantomime Dame. I suspect that is what is remembered of my first Christmas here, far more than any sermon! It was a great way to get to know people (and for them to get to know me!), and some good friendships were formed.

The summer Fete is a highlight of Bodenham, Odstock and Nunton's year, and great fun. I've loved the scarecrows (and feel rather guilty for never having made one of my own). I've done quite well out of the Fete... at my first one I won the second prize in the raffle, a meal for two at the Radnor Arms (more of which anon) and at the second I came third in the duck race. This is probably the nearest I shall ever come to sporting triumph in my life, and I regret not being paraded around Nunton and Odstock in an open-topped bus with a bronze medal around my neck. With my vicar's hat on, I am grateful for what the Fete contributes to funding the churches.

I've had a bit of involvement with other village institutions, such as Tiny Tots and the Orchard, which is very impressive in the way it organises its own life to foster a sense of community among residents. I've enjoyed the farm Open Days. As a church we've been able to help the Odstock nursery with its parking problems by making the church car park available to them... this in turn has reduced the traffic problems in Odstock.

People in the villages have been very hospitable, and there have been some great church and village social events (and here I also have to mention Charlton-All-Saints, who are really good at that sort of thing!). As a vicar, I have a sort of automatic welcome, but I've really appreciated how people have made Mary feel at home. We've been to some great village parties, and were glad we finally got round to throwing one of our own before we left.

But we have to finish with the Radnor Arms! (Other pubs are available... the Yew Tree is good, too, but further to walk!) My arrival coincided with Ken and Cathy's final months at the Radnor Arms, and with their long history in the village they were very helpful in introducing me to people. As a singleton then, I didn't tend to pop in too much, though it was great going there after pantomime rehearsals. When Mary became part of my life I at first tried to keep low-key about the relationship, but couldn't resist taking her as my guest when I spent the voucher I had won at the Fete. Her version of the story is that I kept ducking under the table when people who knew me came in, but this is a vastly exaggerated account! More recently we have really enjoyed going round for a meal. Neither of us have ever really had a "local" before, but the day that we walked through the door and Marco had got our drinks already poured before we could get to the bar to order them was the day we knew we had one! Great food, good beer, always somebody there to talk to, and close enough to crawl home from... what more could you ask? There are three pubs in Charfield, but none look like a substitute.

I shall be leaving shortly after Easter. I won't be at the Easter Day service here (you've got the Bishop of Ramsbury at St Mary's at 9:30am... I shall be elsewhere in the Chalke Valley) but my final service will be in St Andrew's Nunton on 30th April at 11:30am. It will be followed by a farewell lunch in the Radnor Hall... keep an eye out for details. Less formally, Mary and I plan to be in the Radnor Arms on Saturday 29th for our last drink in there, so if any of you want to join us, we'll be pleased to see you. Even more so if you stand us a drink!

Rick Williams

Rev Rick Williams and Mary are leaving on 30th April

His final service is 11.30am in Nunton Church on Sunday 30th April
We invite anyone who would like to come to a shared lunch in The Radnor Hall after the service.
Bring a plate of food and wish them well
For more details and to give us an idea of numbers, please call Debby Underhill on 01722 329769

Community News & Events

Free of Charge Village Fete Marquee

The village Fete marquee has provided us with many years of good use, but sadly its useful life is now over.

However, there is a large amount of old canvas now available should anyone have a use for it.

If you are interested or wish to inspect it, please ring
Keith Bradford on 01722.329740

Smashing crockery wanted

We are making this request very early, as we are keen to get sufficient crockery for the
Crockery Smash at the Fête in July.

If you have any, (*especially plates*), that you are able to donate, please contact

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Oak Tree monthly lunch club at The Orchard, Nulton

Starting Friday 5th May 2017

12-2pm

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Car Boot Sale

Sunday 9th April

Nulton Field

Gates open 10:00am

£5 & £7—Traders Cars and Vans,

30p Public

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Andy Comley goes back to his roots

Singer-songwriter Andy Comley has moved out of the usual venues and headed back to his roots, by embarking on a tour of rural halls.

Having played on three continents and supported some of the UK's top singer-songwriters such as Boo Hewerdine (Eddie Reader), Emily Barker, and Amy Wadge (Ed Sheeran), Andy explained why he has now set his sights closer to home.

"I believe in community, and arts provision for all, and I understand that the local hall can be an important place for people to meet and create social ties," said the 47 year old, who grew up in the sleepy Hampshire village of Owslebury.

The gigs are sit down-lights out-spotlight on affairs, and Andy says that this format makes for an immersive evening for the audience and performer alike. "People have been responding really well and we've had some really great feedback."

Andy will be playing with double bassist Dave Bulbeck

at

West Grimstead Village Hall, nr. Salisbury on Saturday 6th May

Doors open at 19:00 for 19:45 start

Advance tickets only, £10 online at www.andycomley.com

Britford Easter Coffee Morning

Bring and Buy

Saturday 8th April

10:30 -12:30

In the barn next to St Peter's Church

Parking available

All welcome

Community Policing in Bodenham, Britford, Charlton All Saints, Nunton and Odstock

Our new Community Policing Team (CPT) model has now been fully rolled-out across Wiltshire. We've been working locally under this model since October 2016 from our base at Bourne Hill, Salisbury. Local officers start and finish their duty at Bourne Hill but are still able to use Alderbury Police Station as a drop-in base whilst on patrol.

CPT's combine Neighbourhood Policing, Response teams and Local Crime Investigators so there is a "one team" approach to community policing. It means there is a bigger team of officers and police staff available to attend incidents and improves communication between teams and departments.

We continue to welcome feedback about the new model. Please speak to your local officers to find out more about Community Policing in our local area. You can also find out more, including videos and infographics explaining the new model, on our website www.wiltshire.police.uk

Local Police contacts – call Wiltshire Police via '101' – in an emergency always dial '999'

Under the CPT model, local Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) are your main point of contact for local Community issues.

Your local PCSO is –

PCSO Matt Smith
email
Matthew.Smith@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

**Community Policing Co-ordinator –
Pc Matt Holland**
Use our group CPT email
cptsouthwiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

Community Messaging and social media

Please visit and register your email with our Community Messaging system
www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk – click on join, it only takes a minute.

We email out daily crime updates, witness appeals, local policing news and NHW updates.

If you are a Facebook user please follow/ like our CPT page – search for 'Salisbury Police' on Facebook.

You can also follow us on Twitter [@SouthWiltsCPT](https://twitter.com/SouthWiltsCPT)

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In an emergency always dial '999'



SHORT MAT BOWLS

The Short Mat Bowls Club has now become a regular with a small group of individuals.

We meet every other Thursday from 7.00pm to 9.00pm.

We would like to increase our numbers so if you are interested why not come along to try your hand.

During the next three months we will be meeting on ;

- **Thursday 6th April**
- **Thursday 20th April**
- **Thursday 4th May**
- **Thursday 18th May**
- **Thursday 1st June**
- **Thursday 15th June**
- **Thursday 29th June**

If you would like more information
please contact

Rod Poynting on 01722 322236

or

Keith Bradford on 01722 329740



The Radnor Arms

Book now for Easter Sunday

16th April

Our new Spring /Summer menu is coming soon...

HARNHAM GARDEN SOCIETY

Meeting in Harnham Memorial Hall,
Watersmeet Road, Salisbury SP2 8JH adjacent to All Saints Church,
Starting at 7.30pm. Refreshments from 7pm.
Non-members may attend talks for a £3 fee;
New members are welcome to join the HGS.

21st April Wildflowers – Sue Bright from Bright Seeds of Burcombe

CHALKE VALLEY FLOWER CLUB

On 26th April

We have an illustrated talk on
"The History and Future of Cottage Gardens"

by Neil Lovesey

Together with a plant sale in Broad Chalke Village Hall

at 7pm.

Visitors are very welcome - pay at the door, £6.

Chalke Valley Link Scheme

The Scheme's AGM will be held at
Broad Chalke Village Hall
on Thursday 27th April at 7.30pm

The Scheme is a registered charity whose volunteers provide transport and other good neighbour support to residents of the Chalke Valley who need it.

The Scheme's volunteers and users are invited to attend the AGM.

Contact the Secretary, John Lace
Bingham's Farmhouse, Bowerchalke
01722 780214

Any nominations for election to the Scheme's Committee should please be sent to him by 20th April.

ODSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

The timetable leading up to the Odstock Parish Council Election on 4th May is published on the Wiltshire Council website.

The deadline for nominations is 4pm on Tuesday 4th April and the first meeting of the new Odstock Parish Council is scheduled to be held in the Pavilion, Nunton Recreation Field on Monday 15th May following the Annual Parish Meeting commencing at 7pm under the Chairmanship of

Mr. Gavin Simmonite, the current OPC Chairman.

The Annual Parish Meeting is required to be held each year by law between 1st March and 1st June and is the opportunity for electors to discuss all parish affairs and pass resolutions about them.

The Agenda is required to be published seven days in advance and electors are encouraged to notify the Clerk to the Council in good time to have any matter listed as an agenda item.

Please contact the Parish Clerk about all parish council matters, including highways issues,

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Charlton All Saints Garden Society

Monday 24th April,

7.30pm - in the Church

Speaker: Tim Woodland - Pests and diseases of bulbs



Church of England Services



2nd April 5th Sunday of Lent	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Family Communion Family Service Evensong (BCP)	Britford Coombe Bissett Nunton Homington	RW RW AT JT
5th April	12.15pm	Lent mid-week Communion	Nunton	RW
9th April PALM SUNDAY	9.30am 10.50am 11.00am	Parish Communion ((CW) Village shop for Blessing of Palms, 11.00am in Church Choral Mattins	Odstock Coombe Bissett Charlton All Saints	CB JT MC
10th, 11th & 12th April	8.30pm	Compline	Coombe Bissett	CB JT RW
13th April MAUNDY THURSDAY	6.30pm	Passover Super	Radnor Hall, Bodenham	RW
14th April GOOD FRIDAY	12.00-12.50pm 1.00pm –1.50pm 2.00pm –3.00pm	Devotional Service Prayer Walk, Odstock to Nunton Devotional Service	Odstock Odstock Nunton	
16th April EASTER DAY	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW)	Homington Odstock Charlton All Saints Coombe Bissett	JT BoR BoR AP
23rd April 2nd Sunday of Easter St George	9.30am 9.30am 11.00am	Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Family Service (CW)	Charlton All Saints Homington Odstock	JT BoR JT
30th April 3rd Sunday of Easter	11.30am	Farewell to Revd R Williams Benefice Communion (CW)	Nunton	RW
7th May 4th Sunday of Easter	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion (CW) Family Communion (CW) Family Service Evensong	Britford Coombe Bissett Nunton Homington	JT JT AT DB

CB = Revd Catherine Blundell, JT = Revd Jenny Taylor, RW = Revd Rick Williams,
DB = David Blundell, AP = Revd Ann Philp, MC = Michael Chandler, AT = Adrian Taylor

BoR =Bishop of Ramsbury

Team Rector ~ Revd Catherine Blundell: 01722 780134 Team Vicar ~ Revd Jenny Taylor: 01722 503081
Team Vicar ~ Revd Rick Williams: 01722 330628 Team Administrator ~ Mrs Helen Atkinson: 01722 781112

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



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A short introductory talk is followed by 20-25 minutes of silence (with tea and chat to finish if you would like to stay on).

The group uses the John Main tradition of meditation where a mantra is repeated silently to oneself to aid concentration.

Dates for 2017 are:

12th Apr, 10th May, 14th Jun,
12th Jul, 9th Aug, 13th Sep, 11th Oct, 8th Nov, 13th Dec.

For more information contact Anna Watson (01722 780028) or Janet Roe (01725 519242)

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Pub	Eat/Drink	ETA	ETD
Fox & Goose Coombe Bissett	Coffee	11.00am	11.45am
Yew Tree Odstock	Drinks	12.00 noon	12.45pm
Radnor Arms Nunton	Lunch	1.00pm	2.30pm
White Hart Bishopstone	Pudding	3.15pm	4.30pm
Queens Head Broad Chalke	Drinks	4.45pm	6.15pm
Horseshoe Inn Ebbesbourne Wake	Drinks	6.30pm	7.15pm
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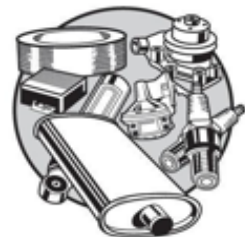
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Quick fruit cake

By Jane Parsons

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- 2 tsp mixed spice
- 2 cups self raising flour
- 1 cup water

Pre-heat the oven to 180°C.

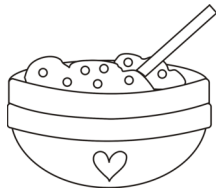
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Getting to know you, Marco Stefanini, The Radnor Arms

1. Who in your life has inspired you most and why?

Two people; Firstly, my Grandmother who made me understand the importance of family values and secondly, my Father who started out with nothing and became a successful businessman. By example, he showed me that with hard work and determination you can achieve what you want.

2. Where in the world is your favourite restaurant and why?

Byblos in Liguria, Italy. Local produce, sea view, simple but delicious dishes, fantastic atmosphere and a lot of happy memories.

3. What do you like most about running the Radnor Arms?

Running a pub for me is more than a job, it is a style of life. I'm am passionate about my work. I want to make sure that everyone that visits has a great time - every time. At The Radnor, I am fortunate to have a great team working with me and an extensive local clientele - many of whom I consider good friends!

4. If a film was made about your life which actor would play you?

Difficult question – Jason Statham (Marco does not say why, perhaps we should ask him?)

5. What's your favourite sport?

I love all sport! In the little free time I have between running The Radnor and having a young family, I play golf, I run and am a regular at Stonehenge CrossFit in Harnham. But for me, No.1 sport will always be skiing. I was bought up in the Italian Alps. As a youngster I was a member of the Ski Club and, after qualifying as a ski instructor, I trained ski racers. The mountain scenery, the clean air and the fresh powder - it's unbeatable!

Next month...getting to know you Chris Binns

WI Monthly Meeting March 2017

AGM's always sound dull but this meeting most certainly was not – it was full of information past, present and future within the umbrella of the Women's Institute.

It was good to see so many members present and to welcome Christine Walker, one of our County Advisors. The hostesses were thanked for organising the hall and Louise Jeffrey's bowl of spring flowers was much appreciated.

Our regular monthly business was conducted swiftly with reminders of dates for Theatre visits to the Playhouse, Walks, Garden Club, Pins and Needles, Book Club, Skittles and Scrabble. Members could refer to their monthly diary for further details and for details of the Wiltshire Federation events, including a trip to Longleat with a private tour of the house and a VIP lunch. Notice was given of another popular 'Wiltshire weekend' at Denman College in October with courses covering Fitness, Mediterranean cookery, Digital photography, Silver jewellery, Royal palaces, Life Story writing, and Arts and Crafts gardens!

Sue Amey clarified details of our Summer Outing on 12th July to Portsmouth Docks and notice was given of a fund-raising Quiz Evening with American supper on 19th May. 5th May is the 'WI Lonely Bouquet initiative' to make up posies of flowers, label from the WI and leave somewhere public to brighten peoples' day.; Several members expressed an interest in participating.

This month's ACWW winner for 'a hand made Easter card' was Elizabeth Cutter. Our Charity for 2017 will be the Salisbury Women's Refuge.

Next meeting is 10th April when the talk 'Anything Goes' – Edwardian Elegance to the Roaring 20s.

The **2016 Members Report** was given by Sue Amey who is reminded us how busy the year had been and how enriching with all the activities and events on offer. The monthly talks had ranged across a variety of topics from christening gowns to nature in the back garden. The internal groups had been well supported and some of the Pins and Needles group had made the colourful new cover for the President's table. Our annual events; the Summer Party in Sue Bourne's lovely garden, our three stalls at Nunton Fete and our Christmas Lunch at the White Hart, were all very well supported and the Fete gave us enough income for a Denman bursary. The autumn lunch was delicious, thanks to Margaret Barrow and team, and the Christmas meeting was great fun with its in house entertainment. A new venture for 2016 was the successful Dance evening and American supper and thanks were given to Dee Prince and Sally Hadley for arranging this. There had been several 5th Monday meetings – a highlight being the wreath making workshop in October. Finally Sue thanked our President, Heather Marrison, for her leadership.

Heather responded with the **Presidents' Address** when she thanked everyone who had helped in any way to make the WI inspiring and run smoothly. She thanked the retiring members of the Committee; Elizabeth Cutter and Linda Cox, for their support and energies over several years. Stella Flux was warmly thanked for taking over the role of Treasurer mid year when necessary. The rest of the Committee were thanked for their specific roles; Sue Amey for acting as secretary amongst other roles; Hatty Hillier for taking bookings for County and National events; Rose Stephens for the monthly diary and MCS work; Sally Hadley and Dee Prince for the programme; and Margaret Barrow for organising the skittles group and making sure we were all fed! A special thanks went to Sue Bourne for opening her house and garden for us in June and for organising the Scrabble and Theatre groups. Heather summarised by saying that every member contributes to the success of our WI.

Stella Flux gave the **Treasurer's Report** for 2016. The books had been audited and we were financially secure although she recommended that some fund raising be done in 2017 to support funds. She explained that our WI only receives half of the annual membership as a proportion also goes to Wiltshire Federation and National WI. She hoped that the members felt they had good value for money having heard the previous reports. She then proposed that the Treasurer's report be passed and Peggy Knight seconded this.

Debbie Underhill joins the remaining Committee members and after the ballot Heather Marrison was once again elected as President.

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Regular Events	
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
Tiny Tots	Wednesdays (ex. Aug.) 9.45 – 11.45am, The Radnor Hall, Bodenham (Suzie Orchiton - 01722 502026)
Mobile Library	Britford (The Green), 10.10am – 10.30am (Wednesday 29 th March, Wednesday 26 th April)
Acorn Club	Coffee Morning – Wednesdays 10.30am at The Orchard
'Local Vocals'	Singing group for everybody. No need to read music. 1 st and 3 rd Mondays each month. The Radnor Hall, 7.30 - 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 07889 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 or come along. Next meeting: 7.00pm – 20 th April – The Barker Room, Nunton
Diary Dates	
2 nd April	Rule of Law Service, Salisbury Cathedral. 4.30pm
6 th April	Short Mat Bowls (see page 3) & 20 th April
8 th April	Britford Easter Coffee Morning (see page 2)
9 th April	Car Boot Sale, Nunton (see Page 2)
10 th April	Messy Church (see page 6)
12 th April	Christian Meditation (see page 6)
13 th April	Passover Supper , The Radnor Hall (see page 6)
21 st April	Harnham Garden Society (see page 3)
24 th April	Charlton All Saints Garden Society (see page 4)
26 th April	Chalke Valley Flower Club (see page 4)
26 th April	The Filling Station, The Radnor Hall (see page 6)
27 th April	Chalke Valley Link Scheme AGM (see page 4)
30 th April	Rick Williams Lunch, The Radnor Hall (see page 6)
5 th May	Oak Tree Lunch, Nunton (see page 2)
6 th May	Andy Comley at West Grimstead (see page 2)
24 th June	School Summer Fair, Longford CofE School, 2.00pm - 4.00pm
1 st July	Charlton All Saints BBQ
7 th July	Ebblefest, Nunton Field
8 th July	ONB Fête, Nunton Field
8 th July	Cream Tea at The Old School House, Charlton All Saints