

News and Notes

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

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This month I want to give you a Match report on the football game for the 'Nigel Wait Trophy', not only because this was a really entertaining game to watch, it was also a fabulous community event.

Preparations began months in advance when the plan was hatched by Jim Baird, Tim Shipsey and Declan McGregor to bring back the game between Nunton & Odstock. The OPC kindly allowed the use of Nunton field and Pavilion, the pitch was prepared, nets hung, kits arranged and half time oranges cut.

The day dawned and a brilliant turn out of players for both sides was soon evident, supporters gathered, team pictures were taken and at 11am the Match began.

Supporters were treated to a delicious cup of free hot chocolate to keep warm from Nunton Farm. The players did not need warming up as the game was fast and furious, with exciting play from end to end.

So as 'The Nuns' took on 'The Odssocks' and goals were scored by each side, there were definitely some standout moments as well as the 13 brilliant goals, the amazing jump save by Mark Taylor and the numerous sliding tackles by Jonny Hartley being just a few, as the supporters cheered.

The final score Nunton 8 — Odstock 5. Trophy presented, speeches made, it was back to The Radnor for the organised hot buffet and a few drinks to sooth the aching limbs.. Nigel would have been proud of this event in his name and delighted that Nunton won of course. So a big thank you to Jim, Tim and Deccie for the organisation, and everyone else who contributed by helping, playing and supporting. I for one cannot wait for next year!

Heather Norris

Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham WI Report, January 2018

Heather Marrison welcomed members to the meeting and thanked Anne Waight for the attractive floral arrangement. Business matters attended to included: updates on activities; National WI resolutions; the summer party at Melstock; entertainment options for Wiltshire WIs; and Treasurer's Report. Members were invited to think about filling a vacancy on the Committee in March.

Susie Appleford announced that she and Gill Swatridge would collect pictures of WI members in 2018 for the photographic competition in 2019, and invited contributions.

During the coffee break a draw between Anne Waight and Glenda Scott was announced in the ACWW fundraising moneybox competition. Following the break the visiting speaker, Charlotte Mortimer, gave a serious and fascinating talk on the vital work of the Wiltshire Air Ambulance team, and the importance of funding this 'mini hospital in the air' charity. We learnt that the Air Ambulance receives no public funds and costs over £3 million a year to run. As well as maintaining the Bell 429 helicopter [look for the logo 'GWilts' on its underbelly], there is a dedicated team of highly qualified paramedics and pilots to support, plus administrative staff. Charlotte explained that building is under way for a purpose-built base for the Air Ambulance at Semley near Melksham. From here all of Wiltshire can be accessed in less than 11 minutes for saving lives.

Gill Dodd thanked Charlotte on behalf of those assembled, and a donation was made.

Community News & Events

Film Night at The Radnor Hall

Thursday 15th February at 7.30

Come and see Churchill (Cert PG) in the comfort of your village hall.

The Radnor Hall has teamed up with [Moviola](http://www.moviola.org), a local charity, to provide showings of some of the latest films.

Soft drinks, tea and coffee will be available, or bring your own bottle!

Tickets cost £5.50 in advance or £6.00 on the door and are available from Brian Clake, 01722 340261 or brian.clake@btinternet.com.

Take a look at the [Moviola](http://www.moviola.org) site for reviews etc:
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Home Help required

in Odstock

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Monday to Friday

to look after two children aged 9 & 11 after school and undertake some light housework.

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kate.sarah.allen@hotmail.co.uk to discuss further.



If your hedges need trimming, do it after the birds have eaten the berries, but before the nesting season.

What's the question?

The Chalke Valley Flower Club gets the 2018 season off to an entertaining start with their own Gardeners Question Time. It happens at [Broadchalke](http://www.broadchalke.co.uk) Village Hall on Wednesday 28th March – doors open at 6.15pm for a 7.00 start and tickets are only £6 at the door.



The panel is planned to be Michael Bowyer MBE, Creative Director of Salisbury Cathedral Flowers and international floral judge; Mike Swan, Head of Education at the Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust and wildlife advisor; Clare Boughey, garden designer and conservationist currently volunteering at Horatios Garden, Salisbury.

We send out a special invitation to all who have not tried us out yet or who just want to come along to see what it's like. Our club is about flower arranging but you don't have to be a fanatic to join us; young and young-at-heart, ladies and men or those who just like to join a very sociable gathering are cordially invited.

Perhaps you have a question to ask the panel.

Email it to chalkevalleyflowerclub@btinternet.com or phone 780448 and tell Liz before the end of February.

Liz Long
01722 780448

Oak Tree Monthly Lunch Club at The Orchard, Nunton

Open to anybody in Odstock, Nunton or Bodenham who would like to join us we can arrange transport

Friday 9th February 2018 12-2pm

Would you like to come and enjoy a simple home cooked meal of Cottage pie, carrots and Cabbage, Apple Crumble and custard and tea or coffee

for £7 we need a minimum of 10 people

If you would like to join us please tell Les Pitman 11 The Orchard tel 324770 or

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★ Although all governors are volunteers, support and development opportunities will be provided through an induction process and face-to-face or online training. We don't expect you to be an expert in education and welcome governors from all walks of life to bring different perspectives and views. You just need to be committed to supporting our school community and the educational outcomes of our pupils.

★ We are particularly interested in hearing from anyone with an interest, skills, experience or understanding in any of the following areas of Finance, Human Resources and Public Relations but please do not let that put you off.

★ For more information about Longford C of E School please have a look at our website:
www.longford.wilts.sch.uk

★ For further information about what governors do there is a wealth of information on the internet such as:
www.nga.org.uk/Be-a-Governor

If you are interested in joining us then please contact me, Mrs Janette Bennett, Chair of Governors (and also a Co-opted Governor!) by email jan.bennett@longford.wilts.sch.uk or leave a message at the school 01722 327292 and I will get back to you.

Mrs Janette Bennett
Chair of Governors
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Braised Ox cheeks with Carrots (Also works well with Shin of beef) From Brian & Vivienne Case

Serves 4

2 tbsp flour
Salt and pepper
2 Ox cheeks (approx. 1 kg) trimmed, each cut into 4 equal pieces.
4 tbsp olive oil
1 medium onion, finely chopped
1 stick celery, sliced
3 cloves of garlic, finely chopped
4 medium carrots, cut into chunks about 4cm long
4 sprigs of thyme, leaved only
1 bay leaf
1x5cm strip of orange peel
750ml red wine
1tbsp runny honey (optional)

Method

Heat the oven to 140°C/gas mark 1. Season the flour with the salt & pepper and put in a plastic bag. Add the bits of ox cheek and toss well until the meat is lightly coated, shaking off excess as you take it out.

Heat the oil in a heavy-based casserole on the hob. Add the meat in batches and cook over a high flame for 2 minutes each side, turning the pieces until they are browned all over. As each batch is done, scoop it out and put it in a bowl.

When you've removed the last batch, stir the onion, celery and garlic into the oil in the pan. Turn down the heat a little and let the vegetables soften for 4-5 minutes. Next, add the carrots, herbs and orange peel and toss everything together, then pour in the wine, scraping any crusty bits from the bottom of the pan. Add the meat and any juices from the bowl, then bring the whole lot to a gentle simmer.

Cut a circle of greaseproof paper or baking parchment to roughly the same size as the dish, then press it down over the surface of the stew – it will help keep the meat and veg submerged while they cook. Put the lid on the dish and place in the oven

Cook for 2-3 hours until tender



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Longford's Waterways and Fishing

Longford has the advantage of having the most fantastic yet complex system of waterways I know of any rural estate. The Avon Valley has such a rich diversity and is crisscrossed by an extensive water management system developed by man's intervention.

The two main feeders of the valley that flow through the Estate are of course the River Avon and its tributary the Ebbles, the confluence of which is just south of Longford Park.

These two arteries provide a resource rich in indigenous fish species but also "riparian habitat" whereby flora, fauna and invertebrate life is abundant, creating a fantastic wildlife corridor. The Estate holds such a buffer in the highest conservation regard with the aim of protection where possible.

Habitat needs to be managed and enhanced and our able River Keeper, Peter Orchard, oversees this huge task.

There are however threats via diffuse pollution, nitrates and the significant effect that abstraction now plays which changes the ecology of the river hugely.

Adjacent to the River are the traditional water meadows. The first were developed as early as the 16th Century when there was a desire for those that worked the land to introduce water to low lying areas so that a thin layer of water was spread over the grass sward. This in turn encouraged early growth providing a first "bite" for livestock given that water raises soil temperatures by 5°C promoting germination which gave the livestock, mainly sheep, the nutrition required in early spring which more latterly is enjoyed by cattle.

The water meadow systems continue to be controlled and irrigated using channels, sluices and hatches and this to a more or less degree continues today. These carriers also form a vital safe haven for spawning fish and therefore again a managed habitat is vital.

The Avon has the most amazing number of fish species; there is a run of Atlantic Salmon and we have recently nurtured the passage to their spawning grounds by the installation of a fish ladder with a second to be installed this summer.

There is a run of Sea Trout, Wild Brown Trout and Grayling as well as coarse fish which includes the famous Avon Roach, Chub, Dace, Carp and Barbel to name a few.

We have an angling syndicate, however we are very careful not to commercialise this entity too much as we wish to retain the feeling of a wild fishery.

There are however opportunities to join and therefore, if you are interested, please do not hesitate to contact fish-ing@longford.org.uk

Birds of Wiltshire

7.30pm Tuesday 27th February

Charlton All Saints church

Admission £5 on the door

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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.

16th February

How to grow clematis successfully with pruning demo.
Marcus Dancer who will be bringing plants for sale.

Church News & Events

Lent is almost upon us and it only seems like yesterday we were all celebrating Christmas! We all know this season is on the way, but it always seems quite a shock when we wake up on the morning of Ash Wednesday! In the Valley this year, as Catherine said in last month's Chalke Talk, we will be raising funds for the "Chalke Valley Welcome Packs" which will be distributed to military veterans through Alabaré in partnership with "Our Wilton Trust" which is a new charity providing homes, a training hub and café for veterans. Our "Welcome Packs" may well be the first possessions which our veterans will be able to call their own. Please do support our Lent Lunch on Saturday 17th February and look out for all the literature about our project.

Just as Lent comes quickly so we will be celebrating an early Easter this year too – do look out for all the services throughout Lent and Easter - wouldn't it be simply wonderful to see such vibrant congregations at Easter as we saw at Christmas!

One thing is for sure, Christmas is only completed at Easter when the glorious gift of a baby – God living among us as one of us – beats the curse of death and rises to new life as the Christ so that we all may have the gift of faith which draws us ever closer to God.

The Revd Jenny Taylor

Ploughman's & Soup Lunch in aid of Alabaré Homes for Veterans



Saturday 24th February

Radnor Hall, Bodenham

12:00am - 2:00pm

Tickets £6 from Debbie Underhill - 01722 329769

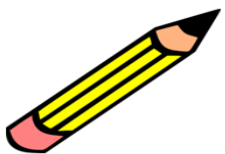
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Pencils for Cueibet



Not quite the same as sending 40 bicycles, but just as important for the 500 plus pupils of Cueibet Church Primary School. Geoff Taylor and Archdeacon Alan Jeans will be travelling to our link Diocese of Cueibet, South Sudan, on 5th March. Part of the journey from the capital, Juba, involves flying 200 miles in a three-passenger light aircraft, so they won't be carrying much baggage. But they will have room for pencils. The pupils of Coombe Bissett and Longford Schools are already collecting to help their counterparts in Cueibet. If you would like to join in, you can leave a pencil* on Emily's Desk upstairs in the Hub or give it to Catherine or Jenny when they are whizzing up and down the Valley.

* for lots of good reasons, please don't give your chewed ones or your favourite crossword stub – a simple HB wooden pencil will do – not even the luxury of rubber on the end!

Chalke Valley Churches at Nunton

Holiday Messy Church

"Money Matters"

on

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The Bible Study Group will be meeting again this year at The Orchard, Nunton.

As usual we shall be meeting at 7.30 until 9.00 pm on Tuesday evenings.

This year we shall be exploring the Gospel according to Matthew.

The Rev. Ann Philp has agreed to be our tutor and guide for the six sessions leading up to Holy Week, and hopes to help us understand more about the Gospel from which we heard during our Church Services last year.

Ann says that the sessions will be hard work but she hopes we shall benefit from it.

Dates: Feb. 13th, 20th, 27th March 6th, 13th, 20th

Any problems or queries please contact Marian Hearne 01722 335685



Church of England Services



4 February 2nd Sunday before Lent	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion (CW) Family Communion (CW) Family Service Evensong (BCP)	Britford Coombe Bissett Nunton Homington	AAJ AAJ AT CB
11 February Sunday next before Lent	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion (CW) Choral Mattins (BCP) Family Service	Odstock Charlton All Saints Coombe Bissett	JT MC JT
14 February ASH WEDNESDAY	7.00pm	Holy Communion with Ashing	Coombe Bissett	JT
18 February 1st Sunday of Lent	9.30am 11.00am	Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW)	Nunton Homington	CB JT
25 February 2nd Sunday of Lent	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion (CW) Family Service (CW) Choral Mattins (BCP)	Charlton All Saints Odstock Coombe Bissett	JT JT DB
4 March 3rd Sunday of Lent	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Holy Communion ((CW) Family Communion (CW) Family Service Evensong (BCP)	Britford Coombe Bissett Nunton Homington	JP JT AT DB

CB = Revd Catherine Blundell, JT = Revd Jenny Taylor,

DB = David Blundell, AP = Revd Ann Philp, MC = Michael Chandler, AT = Adrian Taylor

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Team Administrator ~ Mrs Helen Atkinson: 01722 781112

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

Thank everyone who contributed to Carol Singing for Embrace

Odstock made £87.10, Nunton £35.71 and Bodenham £88.65 added to the collection at the Carol Service at Odstock Church we have been able to send £404.01 to Embrace to help the Children in the Middle East, and a lot are refugees!

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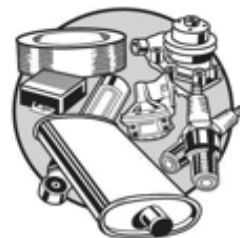
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Regular Events

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
Mobile Library	Britford (The Green), 10.10am – 10.30am (Wednesday 31 st January)
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 71878
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: Thursday 15 th February 6pm. The Barker Room, Nunton.

Diary Dates

9 th February	Oak Tree Lunch (see page 2)
12 th February	Messy Church (see page 5)
15 th February	Film Night, The Radnor Hall (see page 2)
16 th February	Harnham Garden Society (see page 4)
24 th February	Ploughman's and soup Lunch, Bodenham (see page 5)
27 th February	Birds of Wiltshire (see page 4)
28 th March	Chalke Valley Flower Club (see page 2)
13 th July 2018	Ebblefest Dance
14 th July 2018	Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham Village Fete