



News and Notes

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

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News & Notes

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A note from the Editor,

Firstly to introduce myself, for those I have not yet met, I live in Nunton with my husband Barry. We moved into the area approximately 20 months ago.

Not such a long time ago, but long enough to have experienced two summers and almost two winters, and what a wonderful experience it has been so far.

We have joined in the dancing at Ebbfest, visited the Fete and the Nunton Farm open day, grown a pumpkin for the Pumpkin Competition and sang as loud as we could to the Christmas Carols, these being just a few things that spring to mind as I write.

It is the events, the beautiful countryside and most of all the wonderful people we have met since moving to Nunton that have made us feel so very welcome, so thank you.

So I ask, on this my first foray into editing, for your support and feedback as we wander through the months of News and Notes together.

Also if there is anything you would like to contribute, please let me know.

Heather Norris

Odstock, Nunton & Bodenham WI

13th February Meeting

Heather Marrison, President, welcomed members and thanked Pauline Jenner for her spring flower arrangement. Reports on the monthly interest groups were announced: theatre, Scrabble (we had won 2 matches), skittles, book club, walking, gardening and craft – all were prospering. Hatty Hillier read out details of national, local and county events.

Many coach trips were on offer. Our own visit to the Mary Rose museum had been finalised.

The Denman bursary had been won by Diane Wait, but as she was unable to use it, Jill Dodd (reserve) received it instead. The winner of the competition of a nature photograph was Elizabeth Cutter.

Nature's Magical Moments was our talk for this month. It was given by John Combes, a professional wildlife photographer. He divided his talk into House & Garden, Badbury Rings, Moor's Valley and Brownsea Island. We were treated to brilliant photographs, videos and sounds of waxwings, sparrow hawks, bats, black-caps, dragon flies, terns, spoonbills, avocets and red squirrels. It was a wonderful talk.

The next meeting is on 13th March. It will be our AGM.

Jill Dodd

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Employment Opportunities

Trafalgar Fisheries is a well established local company with two busy fish farms based in Downton and Bickton and are seeking to recruit locally to fill two positions;

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Nunton

Tel: 01722334398, email: elcocks@nunton.org.uk

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

Keith Bradford on 01722 329740, who will be happy to collect.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Rod Poynting is looking for volunteers to help clear a local bridleway. The bridleway runs from the end of Shelf Lane (the track running past the Dairy) to the A338 Bournemouth Road.

The bridleway is very overgrown and has a number of fallen trees and broken limbs across the track which need clearing.

All hand tools will be provided although tough gardening gloves should be bought along if you have them.

The task will be on Saturday 11th March starting at 1030 hrs and finishing around 1530 hrs

so bring some lunch if you can stay for the duration. Meet at the end of Shelf Lane. There is no parking there so please walk or park in Nunton village. If the weather is inclement on the 11th it may be rescheduled for the 25th March. Please let him know if you can come along or need any more information

rod-poynting@hotmail.co.uk

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Nigel Scott email: scott.n_a@outlook.com or
phone: 01722 336894

www.southwiltsmencap.org.uk

Community news & events

Penny Marland from Odstock

is due to become High Sheriff of Wiltshire for one year from April 2017

Her declaration will take place in

Salisbury Cathedral

at the Rule of Law Service on Sunday 2nd April at 4.30pm

All welcome

On Sunday 9th July, is holding a charity garden party at Odstock Manor

Anyone who might be able to help at this event please email :

pennymarland2@gmail.com

Car Boot Sale

Sunday 12th March

Nunton Field

Gates open 10:00am

£5 & £7—Traders Cars and Vans,
30p Public

All proceeds in support of local charity

Registered Charity 1091005



90th Birthday Congratulations

**To Peter Ford who celebrates his
90th birthday
on Saturday 4th March**

Peter grew up in Odstock, where the Ford family name can be traced back for many generations.

He lived there with his mother, builder father, sister and brother until a few years after marrying his dear Muriel, when he built his own bungalow in Nunton.

Peter remained very active as a retired builder until ill health just over 4 years ago, but he didn't let that beat him and you may have seen him doing his three walks every day, whatever the weather.

So, Congratulations Peter Carol, Diane, Graham and Stewart and all the family love you very much, you're a very special Dad, Grandad and Great Grandad and we all think you are amazing!

Happy 90th Birthday

POP UP PUB

at

**Britford Memorial and
Community Hall**

on

Friday 31st March 2017

8.00 - 10.00pm

**REAL ALE £2.50 A PINT
WINE £2.50 A GLASS**

HARNHAM GARDEN SOCIETY

Spring show

Saturday 18th March

2.30-4.00pm

*Harnham Memorial Hall, Watersmeet Road,
Salisbury, SP2 8JH*



Seedy Sunday, 12 March 2017

2-4pm in the Memorial Hall,
Downton, SP5 3PD

Seedy Sunday is now well established in Downton as *the* event promoting sustainable growing. It has something for all gardeners and veg & fruit growers, whether *experienced* or *novice*. And if you are considering planting a few vegetables this year for the first time, there will be experienced people around at Seedy Sunday to give ideas on how to start - you can pick their brains!

At the heart of Seedy Sunday is the **Seed & Plant Swap**. If you have spare seeds (veg or flowers), either ones you've collected yourself or spare commercial ones, please bring them to swap for others. Alternatively just come and pick the seeds you'd like for a donation. Also present will be 'More Veg', who sell seeds in small quantities. You can find out about topics such as composting, keeping pests under control and gardening for wildlife. Bring your garden tools to be sharpened by the charity 'Tools for Self Reliance' whilst you wander round the many and varied stalls. All children will receive a vegetable starter kit and if you have any unwanted garden items, tools or books (but no small plastic pots please) do bring them along for the Recycling Table.

Items on sale include nest boxes, vegetable seeds, wildflower seeds, pea and bean sticks, planters, lavender and other gifts.

And of course tea, coffee and homemade cakes
will be available.

Downton Green Group
www.downtongreengroup.co.uk

Chalke Valley Flower Club

Emily Bloomhead,
a local national demonstrator
will give a demonstration on
Wednesday 22nd March at 7.00pm in
Broad Chalke Village Hall.
Visitors welcome at £6 pay at door.

The Radnor Arms 3rd Anniversary Party

Live Band
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Free Hog Roast

Friday 3rd March

From 7pm

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C of E Primary School



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Parish Spring Clean

The Longford Estate is organising a litter-picking day on Friday 10th March and would welcome help from anyone who is willing to lend a hand. All equipment will be provided, including gloves, bags, litter-pickers, and a route to follow. If you would like to help please email [<opc@odstock.info>](mailto:opc@odstock.info) or ring on 01794 341405 (by Friday 3rd March if possible).

Odstock Easter Lilies

If anyone would like to contribute towards the cost of Easter lilies in Odstock church this year then please contact

*Caroline Cooper at Holly Lodge, Odstock
tel 324915*

Please let her know the details if this is in memory of a friend or family member.

Parish Council News

Below are some of the highlights from the Odstock Parish Council meeting on 13th February 2017.

- It is likely the road through Odstock and Nunton will be resurfaced during April. The work is planned to last 2 weeks and it is hoped it will also include repairing some of the adjacent footpaths. During this period there is likely to be some disruption to traffic, including temporary traffic lights.
- The windows in the Nunton pavilion are in need of replacement. Following a successful funding bid to the Area Board and a further ongoing grant application to Community First, the OPC are hopeful the windows will be replaced over the coming months.
- The Community Speed-watch Team for the Parish is now trained up and operating in both Nunton and Odstock. We are focusing on the areas identified by the Police as particularly dangerous for the community if people speed. If you feel that you would like to be involved in this initiative please contact the Parish Council or speak to the CSW Team when you see them. The commitment is minimal and you will be providing a meaningful contribution to keeping our villages safe.
- The OPC continue to receive numerous complaints regarding dog mess in both the Nunton and Odstock Playing Fields. There is a very serious health threat in particular to children from dog mess. Please ensure you consider others in the community and pick up your dog's mess, bag it, and discard it appropriately in a bin. We continue to find bags hanging in trees and bushes - please find a bin rather than expecting someone else to clear up.
- The 'Wiltshire App' is the new electronic way of reporting potholes, graffiti, street lighting, litter and more. The app is available for Apple devices from the App Store and from Google Play for Android users.

We will be delighted to receive your feedback. If you have any comments on these or any other parish topics please contact :

Richard Parsons our Parish Clerk at [<opc@odstock.info>](mailto:opc@odstock.info) or on 01794 341405.

Church of England Services

1 March ASH WEDNESDAY	7.00pm	Holy Communion with Ashing	Coombe Bissett	JT
5 March 1st Sunday of Lent	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Family Service Family Communion Evensong (BCP)	Britford Nunton Coombe Bissett Homington	JT AT CB RW
12 March 2nd Sunday of Lent	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Parish Communion Choral Mattins	Odstock Coombe Bissett Charlton All Saints	CB JT MC
19 March 3rd Sunday of Lent	9.30am 11.00am 4.00pm	Parish Communion Parish Communion Evensong	Nunton Homington Britford	AP JT RW
26 March Mothering Sunday BST begins	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Family Service Choral Mattins	Charlton All Saints Odstock Coombe Bissett	RW RW CB
2 April 5th Sunday of Lent	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Family Communion Family Service	Britford Coombe Bissett Nunton	RW RW AT

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

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

Bible Study Group The Orchard, Nunton

We shall be using the **York Course** titled **Faith, Hope & Love**. The course is based on the three great qualities celebrated in 1 Corinthians 13. This famous passage begins and ends in majestic prose. Yet it is practical and demanding. St Paul's thirteen verses take us to the heart of what it means to be a Christian. We will hold the 5 sessions during Lent, we like to start promptly at 7.30pm.

Do come and join us, we are a friendly group and love to include new members whenever we can. The discussions will be lively but not threatening! The course booklet, which you will find very helpful, will cost £3.59. But there will be no other charge. We meet in the Community Room of The Orchard and the entrance to come in by is situated across the garden behind the Bus shelter on the Nunton/Odstock Road. (Just follow the path near the Post Box) The door will be unlocked between 7.15 and 7.45pm, so feel free to come on in.

Any queries please contact Marian Hearne 01722 335685 or call in and visit me at No 3 The Orchard.

Lent Lunch

Bicycles for South Sudan

It costs £200 to deliver a bike to Cueibet in South Sudan. Join our fundraising event to help us buy 2, 3....!

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Christian Meditation

A Meditation Hour is held every 2nd Wednesday of the month at Lodge Farmhouse, Broad Chalke starting at 3.30pm (home of Janet Roe).

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:

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

The following announcement from Rick Williams and his wife, Mary Frost, was made in church on Sunday 12th February.

Announcement

Rick and Mary are moving on.

Mary has been offered a new job in Bristol and Rick has been given the opportunity to combine parish ministry with art and writing in the Wickwar Benefice.

Rick says:

"The Chalke Valley has been a wonderful place to live and work in over the past three-and-a-half years.

This short period has been a time of dramatic change in my personal life, and I have been grateful for the friendship and support of the people here and the welcome they have extended to both myself and Mary.

I am sorry to leave such a special place, but this provides the opportunity for Mary to move to a job she will find much more fulfilling.

My own post will be a House-for-Duty one, requiring part-time ministry and therefore giving me an opportunity to also spend time on my art and writing.

The benefice is centred on Wickwar, our own house will be in Charfield, one of the team villages, just off the M5 north of Bristol, close to Chipping Sodbury and Wotton-under-Edge.

I shall be leaving just after Easter, so will still be able to play my part in all the exciting plans we have for Lent this year."

Catherine and Jenny say

"We were sad but not surprised when Rick said he was moving on.

We know Mary has skills that are highly sought after in aviation engineering and the best of these roles are in Bristol.

Then, when Rick was offered a role in the Wickwar Benefice that gives him time to nourish his artistic skills, it was inevitable he would leave us.

Our first concern is for Rick and Mary as they go, they will need help and encouragement as they begin this new phase in their lives.

As for the churches in the benefice, remember Jeremiah 29: 11 'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future'. So, we are in safe hands as we begin a new chapter too."

Rick's last Sunday will be 30th April

Prayer Meetings

So that we can pray together for Rick and Mary as they start a new chapter and for our benefice as we say goodbye and look to the future, we will be arranging a Prayer Meeting.

Please join us!

Thursday 2nd March, 6.45 - 7.15pm at The Barker Room, Nunton - To be confirmed

From Julie Poynting, many thanks for your support

I am now on week 7 of my 16 week training plan in preparation for my Inca Trail Trek Challenge to raise much needed funds for the Stars Appeal. I am self-funding my trip so all of the money I raise will go to the charity.

If you can spare a few pounds to help me raise money for this great local charity, please make a donation on my fundraising page - <https://www.justgiving.com/J-POYNTING>. JustGiving sends your donation straight to Salisbury District Hospital Stars Appeal and automatically reclaims Gift Aid if you are a UK taxpayer, so your donation is worth even more.

Alternatively, I have a sponsor form and there is one at the Radnor Arms if you would prefer to donate cash or a cheque.

Thank you to everyone who has already made a donation.

The Stars Appeal needs to raise a million pounds each year to fund their commitment to ongoing work across the Hospital which makes such a difference to patients in so many different wards and departments.

- support groups for cancer patients
- aromatherapy on the Pembroke Unit, Labour ward, Farley Stroke Unit and other areas
- entertainment, support and social activities for older patients through the Engage and Elevate programmes
- recreational activities for Spinal Unit patients
- additional chaplaincy and support for bereaved families
- accommodation for the parents of sick children
- free Wi-Fi service
- The new Breast Unit



CRESS News from Caroline Lamb

In January this year I travelled on my own to Uganda and then on to South Sudan.



It was a brief visit in order to see the CRESS projects and attend the enthronement of Emmanuel Murye as Bishop of Kajo Keji.

More of the story can be read on our website www.cressuk.org or Facebook.

We are also doing a special appeal for the refugees – if you wish to help you can donate through the link on the website.

Thank you all for your continued interest – I just hope and pray that perhaps like Rwanda this turmoil will lead to international players and the UN helping the South Sudanese people find a better government.

Caroline Lamb

Comedy Night at the Yew Tree

The Yew Tree in Odstock is hosting a
comedy night
on
Friday, 3rd March at 8pm

to raise money for Salisbury District Hospital's
Stars Appeal.

Laughter will be provided by
Young local comedian Andrew White
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Easter Biscuits

By Rebecca Smith

1 medium egg
100g (4oz) butter, softened
75g (3 oz.) caster sugar
200g (7oz) plain flour
½ teaspoon of ground cinnamon
½ teaspoon of ground ginger
50g (2oz) currants or mixed fruit
5 teaspoons milk
About 2 tablespoons of caster sugar

6cm (2.5 inch) fluted cookie cutter
2 greased baking sheets
Heat your oven to 200°C, 400°F, gas mark 6



Method

1. Separate the egg yolk and egg white.
2. Mix the butter and sugar in a large bowl until creamy. Then add the egg yolk and beat in.
3. Sift the flour, cinnamon and ginger into the mixture, then add the currants/mixed fruit and the milk.
4. Mix everything together until a firm dough forms.
5. Sprinkle a clean work surface with flour, and roll out the dough until about 5mm (¼ inch) thick.
6. Cut out the biscuits using the cutter.
7. Using a fork, beat the egg white until frothy, and brush a little on the top of each biscuit.
8. Sprinkle a little caster sugar over each biscuit.
9. Bake in the oven for 12-15 minutes until golden brown.

Next month..

Marco Stefanini
from
The Radnor
Arms
answers my
questions for
getting to know
you.

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Getting to know you, Adrian Taylor....where better to start than our much loved ex-editor

What is your favourite food?

Individual favourite is cheese on toast, topped with diced shallot and agave (Be careful not to burn the toast). Favourite cuisine is Thai.

What is the best place you have ever visited and is there anywhere on your 'to visit' list?

New York. It never sleeps.

Liverpool is on my 'to visit' list. The home of the Beatles, and the most important city in the country that I've not been to yet.

What is the most inspirational film you have watched or book you have read and why?

If I were to choose a book, it would be the Bible, of course, but I'll choose the film of Dr Zhivago; an epic story set in stunning scenery, with Julie Christie on the cast list.

Which super hero best describes your character?

I'm not an expert on super heroes, but, having done some research, I'll choose Fairly Tall Man. He serves the community by getting items, for shorter customers, from the highest shelves in Waitrose, and doesn't even ask them to get things from the bottom shelf for him. He's truly a supermarket hero.

Are you an early riser? What time does your day start?

For a long time, while I was the Editor of News and Notes, I habitually got up at around 5.30am and started doing things. Now, I sometimes lie in until as late as 7.00am

Regular Events	
WI	Second Monday of the month, 10.00am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham
Singing Group	Tuesdays (ex. Aug/Dec.), 4.30pm or 7.00pm, Barker Room, contact Adrian Taylor on 07753 829027
Tiny Tots	Wednesdays (ex. Aug.) 9.45 – 11.45am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham (Suzie Orchiton - 01722 502026)
Mobile Library	Britford (The Green), 10.10am – 10.30am (Wednesday 1st March, Wednesday 19 th March)
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. 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. 2nd and 4th Mondays at Radnor Hall, 7.30 - 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 or come along. Next meeting: 7.00pm – 15th March – The Barker Room, Nunton
Diary Dates	
3 rd March	3rd Anniversary party, The Radnor Arms, 7pm onwards (see page 4)
3 rd March	Charity Comedy Evening , The Yew Tree, from 8pm (see page 8)
8 th March	Christian Meditation (see page 7)
11 th March	Volunteers wanted (see page 2)
12 th March	Car Boot Sale, Nunton Field (see page 3)
12 th March	Seedy Sunday (see page 4)
18 th March	Harnham Garden Society Spring Show (see page 3)
22 nd March	Chalke Valley Flower Club, demonstration (see page 4)
22 nd March	The Filling Station, The Radnor Hall, 7.30pm (see page 7)
25 th March	Lent Lunch, Radnor Hall, 12noon – 2.00pm (see page 7)
30 th March	Quiz Night, Longford CofE School, 8.00pm - 10.00pm (see page 4)
2 nd April	Rule of Law Service, Salisbury Cathedral. 4.30pm (see page 3)
10 th April	Messy Church
24 th June	School Summer Fair, Longford CofE School, 2.00pm - 4.00pm
7 th July	Ebblefest, Nunton Field
8 th July	ONB Fête, Nunton Field