News and Notes

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

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Chalke Talk

(The newsletter of the Chalke Valley Team)

Notes about News (from the Editor)

Regular readers of *News and Notes* may recall that a while ago I started collecting email addresses so that I could let people know when the latest edition was available on our website. Since then I have gradually added to that list but I am aware that there a quite a lot more that are not included. If you are not on the list and would like to hear when the virtual version of News and Notes is available, or indeed receive other occasional bits of news which emerge between editions, then please send an email using the editor's address at the foot of the page. Incidentally, there are no plans to stop producing and distributing the paper version of News and Notes.

May 2008

I apologise again to those with no interest in the local planning issues for the one or two emails with links to information on the subject, but it has been very useful to be able to make material available in this way for those who are interested. Many thanks to those who have kindly supplied the helpful documents. I shall use this avenue of communication with restraint but there will be occasions when it is valuable to be able to send out notices on various subjects between editions.

I have hijacked this front page article to write about these communication issues but please let me remind you that it is available for contributions from readers every other month. In between, Alison Williams, our vicar, kindly provides the copy. I do, of course, reserve the right to exert the usual editorial discretion on readers' submissions but am happy to consider for inclusion pieces on any subject of local or general interest.

Church of England Services

Sunday, 4 ^t Easter 7	^h May	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Family Service Parish Communion Evensong BCP	Britford Nunton Coombe Bissett Homington	AW ACFT AW AW
Sunday, 11 Penetcost	I th May	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Matins BCP Family Service	Odstock Charlton All Saints Coombe Bissett	AW DB AW
Sunday, 18 Trinity Sun		8.00am 9.30am 9.30am	Holy Communion BCP Parish Communion Family Communion	Britford Nunton Homington	AW AW CH
Sunday, 25 Trinity 1	5 th May	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Family Service Matins BCP	Charlton All Saints Odstock Coombe Bissett	DH DH WC
Sunday, 1 ^s Trinity 2	^{it} June	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Family Service Parish Communion Evensong BCP	Britford Nunton Coombe Bissett Homington	DH ACFT DH WC

DH = Revd Canon David Henley, AW = Revd Alison Williams, CH = Revd Charles Hatton,
DB = Denis Blake, WC = Revd Westley Cole, ACFT = Adrian Taylor
BCP = Book of Common Prayer

BUS STOP PRESS

• If you would like to sign a petition registering dissatisfaction with the current local bus services, please call Doreen Burns on 01722 416377.

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• While we are waiting for the bus service to return to normal, you may wish to call the Link Scheme on 01722 718780 to arrange a vital lift to the hospital, a doctor's surgery etc. (Please call the same number to offer your services as a driver.)

WI Meeting 14 April 2008

Anna Treseder

Sue Bourne, President, opened the meeting by welcoming everyone, including a guest who had discovered us on the internet! Jean Martin had arranged beautiful spring flowers for the President's table. Members were reminded to bring offerings for the Flower of the Month competition – the money collected goes to a very good cause. Congratulations to Liz Stubbs' husband, Bernard, who ran the Marathon in 3.75 hours raising money for charities.

Val Martyn confirmed the next theatre outing is on 19th May; Margaret Barrow will arrange friendly skittles matches as the league competition is now over: Sue Bourne invited members to a friendly scrabble afternoon on 6th May at 2pm at Melstock. Jean Van Hagen read the WI correspondence giving details of those taking part in Quizzical Pursuits on 25th June; Pam Trubshaw mentioned other forthcoming events including "Tea with the Old Dear Without Fear" at Wootton Bassett on 26th June, and "China Day" at Melksham on 8th July and a visit to Waddesdon Manor at Bicester on 17th July. Seven members are going to Kew Gardens. Suzie Appleford is organising the Summer Outing for 16th July. Members voted to visit Forde Abbey. There are 49 seats on the coach. Julia Joynt is holding a coffee morning on 28th April from 10am to noon to raise funds for the WI 90th Anniversary. There will be a Bring & Buy and a Raffle. The Downland Group Meeting is on 19th May in Downton and we are hosting. The Summer Garden Party is at Melstock on 9th June; members are reminded to bring plants, items for a Bring & Buy, and a Nearly New stall. Gill Dodd is co-ordinating the new Walking Group and Reading Group – non-committee volunteers are required to run these!

After coffee Mrs Roz Liddington from Wilton House gave a very amusing, interesting talk entitled, "Of Corsets Art", with pictures and examples of clothing from bygone days, (including Corsets, Gallygaskins, Bum Rolls and Tippetts), some bravely modelled by Anne Waight. Suzie Appleford thanked Roz very much for entertaining us so well.

The next meeting is on 12th May at the Radnor Hall at which the two national WI Resolutions will be discussed –a lively debate.

The Acorn Social Club at the Orchard

Regular Meetings
Wednesdays at 10.30am
Coffee Morning

Fridays at 7.00pm *Bingo*

Radnor Hall News

Harry Joynt Chairman, Radnor Hall Committee

This year's AGM will be held at the Radnor Hall at 7.30pm on Wednesday, 21st May. Why not come along to hear and see what is going on? The hall is being used more and more and we have new caretakers, Daniel and Rowena. The new extension (for disabled loo, two more stage rooms and better fire exit) should be completed or nearly complete by then.

Neighbourhood Policing

Pc 1157 Matt Holland, Community Beat Manager Downton Neighbourhood Policing Team

Neighbourhood Watch

We are currently in the process of contacting our existing co-ordinators to update our local records and obtain e-mail addresses to enable us to distribute bulletins and information electronically. This process is well advanced and we would anticipate that our first 'E-bulletin' will be circulated before the end of April.

The new system will enable us to provide relevant and up-to-date information to coordinators and NHW members.

Local crime report

During the period 18/03/08-20/04/08 there were 6 reported crimes at SDH and only 2 other crimes across the 'News and Notes' area –

21/03/08 – 3 off-road motorbikes stolen from shed at Bodenham – 2 bikes have subsequently been recovered and 3 suspects arrested by local officers.

29/03/08 – 6 metal gates stolen from field entrances – Odstock Down

Police also dealt with a serious Road traffic collision on the A338 at Charlton-All-Saints on the evening of 15/03/08. The collision resulted in 2 fatalities. Any witnesses to this collision who have not already spoken to police should contact the Southern Roads Policing Unit based at Amesbury.

New Local Sergeant

Our new Sergeant is A/Ps Kerry LAWES. She is responsible for the Neighbourhood Policing Teams based at Alderbury and Wilton.

How to contact your local police

You can contact the team directly by phoning 0845 408 7000 and entering our extension no. – 742820 or 742822. You can also email us at: matt.holland@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

Car Boot Sale

Sunday, 4th May at 12.00 Noon The Football Field, Nunton Admission £5 & £7 – Traders Cars & Vans,

Admission £5 & £7 – Traders Cars & Vans 30p Public

All proceeds to Breakthrough Breast Cancer and Marlborough House

Britford Primary School

Languages Are Fun

On 31st March 2008 all the year 4s from seven schools went to Trafalgar School for a Languages Day. The languages were French, Swedish and Spanish. It was really fun at Trafalgar School because we did lots of activities like decorating palms and learning about how they celebrate Easter in Spain, painting boiled eggs and learning the colours in French, and learning how to say some words in Swedish. At the end of the morning we all enjoyed a picnic lunch.

Gemma Hughes and Samuel MacDonagh

Britford Reign in the Rain

On Friday 28th March 2008 Britford Netball Team travelled to Laverstock, in the rain, to play in a netball tournament against other schools. They first played against St Andrews and won 1-0. After that they played against Whiteparish and won a fantastic 2-0. Then, the rain started to kick in and the tournament had to be abandoned due to the drenching weather – at that time there were mini streams running through the court. A teaching assistant, Mrs Gordon, who accompanied the children said "I am really proud of the children at Britford". Claire Leese and Caspian Taberham

Book Characters Come to Life

On 20th March the books at Britford School came to life because we were celebrating World Book Day. Everyone dressed up as book characters and some children brought books too. It was really funny, there were characters from fairy books to Alice in Wonderland. Our teacher came as the Queen of Hearts and she threatened to behead us!

First we hot-seated, next we filled in our passports about our character. We listened to stories from lots of teachers and teaching assistants and we read to the little ones and much more!

"I think it was really fun", said George alias Farmer Hogget, "I hope we can do it again next year".

Craig Cosens and George Hounslow

Sleepy Heads Bring their Teddies to School

On Wednesday 19th March Britford Primary School had a bedtime hour from 6pm – 7pm. We all came in our pyjamas and brought our teddies with us. Chris Ewington from Spire FM read to all of us 'We're going on a Bear Hunt' which he said was his favourite story – he even made us sing! After more stories we all had a mug of hot chocolate and a nice teddy bear biscuit. We were all tired at the end, especially our teddies.

Sophie Doel and Craig Cosens

The Gymnastics Festival 2008

On and April 2000 Prittered Drimery Cohool

On 2nd April 2008 Britford Primary School, with many others, took part in the Gymnastics festival at Trafalgar School at Downton.

We had been practising for some time with our gymnastics teacher Lindsey and our school teacher Mrs Salisbury. When we arrived at Trafalgar their hall was huge! At least 4 times as big as ours. Eventually it was our turn, but we couldn't get the CD player to play the music loud enough, so the school went and got another one. This one worked, so we could do our routine to "Mars, the bringer of war" by Holst from The Planets, which fitted in with our literacy work. The routine of the planets went well and we got a huge clap! Afterwards we were given biscuits and a drink. All the schools did really well and we enjoyed our performance.

George Hounslow Year 5

Become a School Governor

At Britford, we have vacancies for a Local Authority (LA) and a Community Governor. We are looking for enthusiastic and committed people to step forward as governors. It's an opportunity for you to have your voice heard and to influence education in your area. If you would be interested please contact Mrs K Graves, headteacher or Mrs K Roche, Clerk to the Governors.

What do Governors do: they have 3 roles, to provide a strategic view, to act as a critical friend and to ensure accountability.

How much time will I have to commit: Governor duties differ depending on your circumstances and the time you have available. The full governing body meets 6 times a year and you will probably belong to a sub-committee so there is an expectation that you will at least be able to attend as many of those meetings as you can.

At Britford School these are some of the things we are proud of:

- Excellent teaching in small groups including specialist music teacher
- High academic achievements and success rates in the 11+
- Participation in regional sports festivals
- A good Ofsted report in 2005 and a good PE Ofsted in July 2007
- An excellent working environment for pupils to develop fully
- High expectations of pupil behaviour.

Headteacher: Mrs K Graves
Clerk to the Governors: Mrs K Roche
Britford C of E (VC) Primary School
admin@britford.wilts.sch.uk / 01722 327292
High Road, Britford, Salisbury, Wiltshire SP5 4DS

Grand Pumpkin Competition 2008

Pumpkin seeds now available from The Radnor Arms - £2.50 per pack. Weigh-in to take place on Sunday, 26th October at 2.00pm

Odstock Primary School WW2 Day

The children enjoyed a re-enactment day at the end of term. Everyone came dressed in costumes from the World War 2 period. We had lots of evacuees, military personnel, nurses and even a land girl or two. Even the teachers came in period dress and wore their hair in some interesting styles.

We had a fantastic feast of food made from ration recipes and ended the day with a good old fashioned sing song. The day was really interesting and lots of parents and families came to join in. The Salisbury Journal came and took some brilliant photos and made a video of the day. If you would like to watch it, look on http://www.salisburyjournal.co.uk/news/videonews/

Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham Fête

First, a reminder about Competition announced last month. The theme is **Film Characters** and we suggest that scarecrows are not displayed until 21st June so that they're still in good for judging on 11th July, the day before the Fête. Entries will be welcomed from all the five villages covered by News and Notes.



Then, some contact details for various aspects of the Fête and related activities:

- **Bike Ride** enquiries to Nigel Start (07789 651459)
- Raft Race enquiries John Packwood (01722 410674)
- Grand Draw donation of prizes, please, to Keith Bradford (01722 329740)
- Bric-à-brac to Diane Berry (01722 323648)
- Classic Vehicles enquiries Colin Blackaby (01722 329989)
- General offers of help to Brian Clake (01722 340261)

Missing

dark ginger cat called George.

If found, please phone 01722 326802.

Charlton All Saints Garden Society

19th May Bedding Plants and Annuals (Please note date) *Kelvin Mason*

Summer outing, September and October meetings to be arranged Barbara Box, 01725 510758 – oldcharlton@btinternet.com

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Chalke Valley Flower Club

Ann Thompson, Publicity

On Wednesday, 28th May at 7.30pm, we welcome area demonstrator David Martin to our meeting in Broadchalke Village Hall His theme is "Steps along the Way". There will also be a competition this month. The subject is Recycling, a topic which concerns all of us. Do have a go and show us what you can do with your plastic bottles etc.

Sue Combes has a few places left on the club's visit to Hidcote and Kifsgate gardens on 25th June. If you are interested please contact Sue.

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Whist Drive	Every Thursday, 7.30pm, Barker Room, Nunton				
Singing Group	Every Tuesday (ex. Aug/Dec.), 7.30pm, Barker Room, contact Adrian Taylor on 01722 325862				
Tiny Tots	Wednesdays (ex. Aug.) 9.45 – 11.45am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham (Suzie Orchiton on 01722 502026)				
Mobile Library	Britford (recycling area), alt. Thursdays, 9.30 – 9.40am (1 st , 15 th & 29 th May) Charlton All Saints ('phone box), alt. Fridays, 10.15 – 10.30am (9 th & 23 th May) Nunton (The Orchard), monthly, 11.55 – 12.25pm (14 th May)				
Acorn Social Club	Coffee Morning – Wednesdays 10.30am, Bingo – Fridays 7.00pm				
<u>Diary Dates</u>					
4 th May	Car Boot Sale, Nunton, 12.00 noon (see page 2)				
11 th May	Open Gardens - Hale (see page 4)				
18 th May	"An Afternoon in the Countryside" at Hut and Lodge Farm, Broadchalke, 2.00pm, (see page 5)				
19 th May	Charlton All Saints Garden Society (see page 4)				
21 st May	Radnor Hall AGM, 7.30pm (see page 2)				
28 th May	Chalke Valley Flower Club (see page 4)				
8 th June	Open Gardens - Woodgreen (see page 4)				
5 th July	Car Boot Sale, Nunton, 12.00 noon				
12 th July	Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham Grand Fête, Nunton Field, 1.30pm (Peter Pod and the Peas on 11 th July)				
2 nd August	Chalke Valley Fête and Broadchalke Flower Show, The Sportsfield, Broadchalke				
4/5 th October	Broadchalke - History and Harvest weekend - music, dancing ,displays, teas etc.				
26 th October	Pumpkin Competition Weigh-in, Radnor Arms, Nunton (see page 3 re obtaining seeds)				

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