



News and Notes

for Bodenham, Britford, Charlton All Saints, Nunton and Odstock April 2010

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Easter - why I believe!

Twice I have visited Israel / Palestine and seen for myself the land of the Bible. I have walked the places Jesus knew. I strolled between ancient olive trees on the Mount of Olives, paddled the shores of Lake Galilee, and I got very lost in the alleys of the Old City in Jerusalem. I also walked the *Via Dolorosa* – the path Jesus walked to his cross outside the city walls. The Christian narrative has left its mark in geography as well as history. You can walk in the steps of Jesus.

Early one morning, I went by myself and sat in the garden where you can see into an empty tomb. It was quiet and very beautiful. And I prayed. It is easy to worship there – it is a welcome escape from the bustle of the city. It didn't matter to me whether or not this was the *actual* tomb where Jesus was buried, but it was an *empty* tomb. Jesus could not be held by death. People meet the risen Christ in many different ways and places.

Israel / Palestine today is rarely out of the news – but sadly not because of Jesus. Today the land is divided by political discord, much suffering, and with massive security everywhere. Jesus also inhabited a world of political intrigues, injustice and conflict – and he was condemned to death. The Bible says that he died *for us*. But he *rose again* – to bring new life and victory over evil and death. Easter is why I am a Christian.

Sometimes people say they find the Christian faith simply too hard to believe.

Maybe if I saw Jesus for myself, I could believe? That's what one friend of Jesus said, nicknamed 'doubting Thomas'. He did see the risen Jesus. "Because you have seen me" Jesus said, "you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed".

Alison Williams (01722 330628)

Church of England Services

1 st April Maundy Thursday	7.30pm	Last Supper Communion	Charlton All Saints	AW
2 nd April Good Friday	Noon 2.00pm 2.00pm	Devotional Service Devotional Service Devotional Service	Britford Coombe Bissett Nunton	DH AW DH
4 th April Easter Day	8.00am 9.30am 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 4.00pm	Holy Communion P Communion + Baptism Family Communion Family Communion Family Communion Easter Blessing	Homington Britford Charlton All Saints Coombe Bissett Odstock Homington	JT AW CH JT AW AW
11 th April Easter 2	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Family Service Matins	Odstock Coombe Bissett Charlton All Saints	AW AW DB
18 th April Easter 3	9.30am	Parish Communion	Nunton	CH
25 th April Easter 4	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Family Service + Baptism Choral Matins	Charlton All Saints Odstock Coombe Bissett	AW AW RR

DH = Canon David Henley, AW = Revd Alison Williams, CH = Revd Charles Hatton,
JT = Rev Jenny Taylor, RR = Rev Roger Redding, DB = Denis Blake

WI Meeting - 8th March 2010

Elizabeth Cutter

After welcoming more than 50 members to the Annual General Meeting at the Radnor Hall on March 8th Sue Bourne, President, thanked Hattie Hillier for the lovely flower arrangement. Reports on the Theatre Group, Scrabble League, Skittles League, Book Club and Walking Group followed and new members for these monthly groups are always welcome. Forthcoming outings were announced and Debbie Underhill asked for volunteers to join the Chalke Valley Link scheme. The Flower of the Month competition was won by Anne Waight with a tiny blue Iris – a welcome sign of Spring.

AGM business entailed the Treasurer's Report, by Sheila May, and the Secretary, Jean Van Hagen's, Committee Report summarising the year. Jean finished her report by extending heartfelt thanks to Sue Bourne for all her hard work and enthusiasm as President.

The President's address followed and reiterated what a successful year it had been. Sue thanked the Committee for their hard work and gave special thanks to two husbands for their continued support – John Barrow and Bill Van Hagen. She also presented flowers to the three retiring Committee members: Doreen Osmond, Val Martin and Julia Joynt and welcomed Liz Hardman, Carol Stratton and Christine Powell on to the Committee. A presentation of picture frames, containing limericks composed by members, and a rose bush, appropriately named 'Lovely Lady', was then made to the President as she is standing down after many years of loyal service. The meeting then voted in Elizabeth Cutter as the new President.

The next meeting is an extra meeting to the published programme. It will take place at 10.00 on March 29th at the Radnor Hall when five members will give a flower arranging demonstration.

Charlton All Saints Garden Club

Programme for 2010

Meetings are on Mondays and start at 7.30pm in the Church

26th Apr: Marion Emery - Gertrude Jeykell

24th May: Kevin Mason - Simple propagation demonstration

Summer Garden Party to be arranged

27th Sep: Alan Edmonson - Pruning demonstration

25th Oct: David Poynter - Wildlife and birds of Botswana

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Easter Lilies

If anyone would like to contribute to the cost of Easter Lilies in Odstock church this year then please give donations to Caroline Cooper at Holly Lodge, Odstock before the start of Holy Week.

New volunteers to join the flower rota once or twice a year to keep our church looking at its best would be very welcome - phone Caroline on 01722 324915.

Walk the Wight

Colin Berry

On the 16^h May, Dave Ings of Nunton and myself are taking part in a charity walk across the Isle of Wight, known as "Walk the Wight".

This is an annual event that was started many years ago to raise funds for the Earl Mountbatten Hospice appeal (www.iwhospice.org/WTW).

It is almost, to the yard, the same distance as a marathon at 26.5 miles, only it's a walk not a run. At our age, just as well!

Now, if you would like to support our efforts in the name of the above charity, or out of sheer pity, then please access the web link www.justgiving.com/toolbank and pledge your donation. Please note, we are part of the Toolbank team, but you can still aim your donation and comments at Dave or myself.

I would also be happy to accept any other form of monetary donation on the official form they have provided. Contact details below.

Many thanks in anticipation of your support.

Colin Berry, Odstock, 01722 323648

Dave Ings, Nunton, 01722 323713

Inter-Village Quiz

**Friday 23rd April 2010, 7.30pm
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Chris Clark 01725 510891

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or Jenifer Withers 01725 510796

Any profits to Charlton All Saints church fund.

Charity Cycle Ride across the USA

Edward Pickup

On 1st April this year, I am cycling solo and unsupported across America following the TransAmerica Trail, a route that connects Virginia's Atlantic Coast with Oregon's Pacific Coast, and covering ten states in between. It's a journey of some 4,300 miles.

I am a 19 year old, from Odstock, on a gap year between school and university and am undertaking this fairly epic challenge in order to support the Special Boat Service Association.

In March 2009 my father died of cancer. At the time we had just been posted to South Africa - so recently that the container carrying all our stuff hadn't even arrived there! So everything was in turmoil.

The SBSA helped us in getting back to the UK, arranging the funeral, and sorting out our accommodation while we were waiting for our house. These, as well as the hundreds of other things they did for us have made, and continue to make, a huge difference. My personal experience has helped me to realise how invaluable the work they do is.

I really feel that the SBSA is a worthwhile cause and would like raise some money to support them. During my challenge I am going to be keeping a blog which can be found at the website below and there will be a link to my 'JustGiving' page in the charity section.

Alternatively, if you would like to make a contribution without using the internet, I would be most grateful for any funds sent to Chalk Pit Cottage, Odstock, Salisbury SP5 4JE

<http://transamcycle.wordpress.com/>

Chalke Valley Flower Club

Liz Long 01722 780448

In April the members of our flower club will be off on a training course to improve the quality of their hanging baskets.

26th May is the date to mark on the kitchen calendar because it is the big event called our "Open Evening" for 2010. We have local demonstrator, judge, speaker and teacher Michael Bowyer coming to Broadchalke for an evening of flower arranging and entertainment.

Michael has won individual and group medals at the Chelsea Flower Show and other prestigious events, designed flower festivals, has demonstrated and spoken across the world and many will have seen him on TV with Alan Titchmarsh in The Great British Village Show.

Tickets at £7.50 per head will be available nearer the event but for the time being make a note of the date.

Odstock, Nunton & Bodenham Fête

As always, planning is under way for this year's fête. The Grand Fête itself will take place on 10th July at 1.30pm in Nunton Field.

The night before the Fête, there'll be dancing in the marquee to Peter Pod and the Peas. Keep a look out for details of ticket sales and then get yours quickly to avoid disappointment.

Immediately after the Fête, rafts will once again be racing down the Ebbel. It's not too early to start thinking about your craft and crew and you'll find details of how to enter in next month's News and Notes.

There's always plenty to do in the months, weeks and days that lead up to the fête and if you'd like to be involved, please contact Debby Underhill (01722 329769) or Keith Bradford (01722 329740).

The funds raised by the fête each year are used in a variety of ways. There is always a sizeable donation to church funds which is very much appreciated by those on the PCC with the increasingly difficult job of making ends meet! In addition, from the proceeds of last year's fête, donations have been made to the hospital's Stars Appeal, the WI, The Orchard, The Radnor Hall and Odstock Primary School.

Annual Church Meetings

April is the time for the Annual Parochial Church Meetings. Anyone is welcome. Churchwardens and the Church Councils are elected. It is a chance to hear news and plans – and also give thanks to God for our life together!

Charlton All Saints

Monday, 12th April, 7.30 pm in Church

Britford

Tuesday, 13th April, 6.00 pm in Church

Odstock with Nunton & Bodenham

Monday, 19th April, 7.30 pm in the Barker Room

Coombe Bissett & Homington Garden Club

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Treasurer: Sue Gooden (01722 780596)

Monday, 19th April – 7.30 p.m.

Coombe Bissett Village Hall

Small Greenhouses- Wilf Silcox

This talk precedes our Garden Club Outing to Kew Gardens in May.

'Blitz' Day at St Peter's, Britford

St. Peter's Church is holding a 'Blitz' Day on Saturday, 8th May. Please come and help if you can. Secateurs and shears may well be useful, as well as items for cleaning and polishing the interior.

Think Safety before doing it yourself

As spring is upon us and summer is approaching Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service has issued timely advice to all would be Do It Yourself enthusiasts.



"Statistics and experience show that at this time of year there is an increase in calls, which are found to have been caused by activities associated with DIY. These range from fires ignited by blow torches involved in paint stripping, to electrical appliances and other equipment which may have been stored in a damp garage or shed over the winter period."

Always check that the task you are undertaking is within your capabilities. Take expert advice. Many of the modern DIY Superstores from which materials and equipment are bought will offer such advice. Safety instructions should be read in full and complied with."

Always: -

- Check you have the correct tool for the job.
- Ensure children and pets are safe, with obstructions removed from your workplace.
- If you have to check or repair an electrical tool turn it off at the main. Don't be tempted to cut corners because you are some distance from the power switch.
- Always uncoil electrical extension cables fully, as these can overheat and cause a fire.
- Never use multi-way adapters when working with high amperage tools.
- Gas appliances should only be repaired by an approved contractor.
- Flammable liquids should be used in accordance with manufacturer's instructions, secured in containers and used in small quantities, well away from the house and other risks – naked flames or cigarettes.
- Ventilate when using adhesives and flammable liquids by opening windows and door and always ensure that no naked flames or power tools are close by.
- If you spill a substance on your clothing or overalls remove them and clean them thoroughly.

Home makeovers are popular, but by following these simple rules, accidents, fires and tragedies can be kept to a minimum.

Remember to check your smoke alarms weekly.

For further information and advice please contact Melanie Jezzard – Community Safety

Email: Melanie.jezzard@wiltsfire.gov.uk

<http://www.wiltsfire.gov.uk>

Lent Lunch

Debby Underhill

Many thanks to all who came and helped at the Lent Lunch. We had a lovely time and were very grateful to Caroline Lamb who came and talked about her visit to Kajo Keji in Southern Sudan last year. The result was that she set up the Chalke Valley Lent project this year to provide £10,000 to fund a communication and outreach co-ordinator to cover an area of the size of France. The only means of communication is word of mouth and word of mouth! We have so much and they have so little, no sanitation, nearby water supply, electricity or education. It was a very moving talk and we were able to provide £359 to help. If you want to find out more, please pick up a leaflet from one of the churches.

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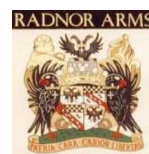
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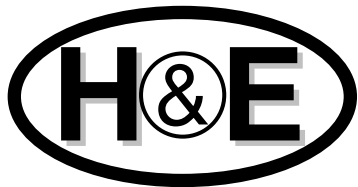
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Regular Events

WI	Second Monday of the month, 10.00am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham
Whist Drive	Every Thursday, 7.30pm, Barker Room, Nunton
Singing Group	Every Tuesday (ex. Aug/Dec.), 7.00pm, Barker Room, contact Adrian Taylor on 01722 325862
Tiny Tots	Wednesdays (ex. Aug.) 9.45 – 11.45am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham (Suzie Orchiton - 01722 502026)
Mobile Library	Britford (The Green), alt. Thursdays, 9.40 – 9.55am (1 st , 15 th & 29 th April) Charlton All Saints ('phone box), alt. Fridays, 10.25 – 10.40am (9 th and 23 rd April) Nunton (The Orchard), monthly, 11.55 – 12.25pm (14 th April)
Acorn Social Club	Coffee Morning – Wednesdays 10.30am, Bingo – Fridays 7.00pm at the Orchard
Open Circle Folk Dancing	2 nd , 4 th and 5 th Mondays each month, 7.30pm, Radnor Hall, contact Clare Chitty on 01722 330871

Diary Dates

11 th April	Car Boot Sale, 12 noon, Nunton Field - (<i>see above</i>)
12 th April	Charlton All Saints APCM, 7.30pm, Church (<i>see page 3</i>)
13 th April	Britford APCM, 7.30pm, Church (<i>see page 3</i>)
19 th April	Odstock with Nunton and Bodenham APCM, 7.30pm, Barker Room (<i>see page 3</i>)
23 rd April	Inter Village Quiz, Radnor Hall, 7.30pm (<i>see page 2</i>)
26 th April	Charlton All Saints Garden Club, Church, 7.30pm (<i>other dates 24/5, 27/9 & 25/10</i>)
23 rd May	Garden Open for NSPCC, Matrimony Farmhouse, 2.00pm (<i>see page 4</i>)
3 rd July	Charlton All Saints BBQ
9 th July	Peter Pod and the Peas
10 th July	Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham Fête, Nunton Field, 1.30pm