



News and Notes



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

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Integrity – a rare virtue

As I write, Parliament has just elected a new Speaker, promising integrity in government, a new start. Certainly, in recent months, Parliament has been in the news for all the wrong reasons - fiddling expenses and exaggerated claims for things like duck houses or moat clearance. Few of us live in homes with such luxuries, let alone have second homes against which to claim expenses, so most of us feel little sympathy. We expect better of our leaders.

Politicians may have been working within the rules (just!) but certainly not in the spirit of honest decency, let alone real integrity. I have a book on my shelf on Christian leadership called "Integrity – Leading with God watching". God watches our every move, but as the Bible makes plain, he also sees into our hearts, the desires and thoughts behind our actions. To imagine God watching my every move, let alone looking into my heart, certainly makes me stop and think!

The heart is the place of our affections and priorities. "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" said Jesus, who knew that money can so easily come first. We can't live without money, but money can, if we are not careful, rule our life. We tend to want more than we have; we think more money will make life easier or better. So greed is the most subtle of temptations, always ready to lead us astray. St Paul put it so well: "The love of money is a root of all kinds of evil".

My prayer is that we can learn to replace Greed with two other words beginning with G – Gratitude (to God) and Generosity (to others). Signs of real integrity.

Alison Williams

P.S. July is Fête time! Time for scarecrows to make their annual appearance! Did you know that last year, on long summer evenings, people were driving round our lovely villages just to admire the scarecrows! I'm really looking forward to this year's crop of characters....

Church of England Services

Sunday, 5 th July Trinity 4	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Parish Communion Family Service/Baptism Songs of Praise	Britford Coombe Bissett Nunton Homington	AW JT AW AW
Sunday, 12 th July Trinity 5	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Family Service Matins	Odstock Coombe Bissett Charlton All Saints	AW AW DB
Sunday, 19 th July Trinity 6	8.00am 9.30am 9.30am	Holy Communion Family Communion Parish Communion	Britford Homington Nunton	AW DH AW
Sunday, 26 th July Trinity 7	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Family Service Choral Matins	Charlton All Saints Odstock Coombe Bissett	AW LB AW
Sunday, 2 nd August Trinity 8	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Parish Communion Family Service Evensong	Britford Coombe Bissett Nunton Homington	AW JT ACFT LB

AW = Revd Alison Williams, DH = Canon David Henley, LB = Lavender Buckland

JT = Revd Jenny Taylor, DB = Denis Blake, ACFT = Adrian Taylor

BCP = Book of Common Prayer

WI Garden Party

Julia Joynt

On a rather chilly but rain free afternoon we celebrated our 65th birthday at the Garden Party at Melstock, the home of our President, Sue Bourne. It was attended by about 90 people which included three WI advisers; Hazel Gillingham, Liz Barr and Sandra Mistlin (in her last year as the Wiltshire Chairman) and some twenty or more visitors from local WIs and scrabble and skittle teams. Together with members and their guests it made up a goodly gathering.

Sue then chaired a brief meeting when plans for the reading and walking groups were discussed, and reminders were given for the Fête on 11th July and outings to Blenheim Palace and Bletchley Park. Judy Barke was thanked for her two really beautiful flower arrangements, as was Pat Bennett for the birthday cake.

There was then "free time" to visit the three well stocked stalls; bring and buy, plants and nearly new, and to be tempted by excellent raffle prizes. During this time Martin Barrow treated us to some background music, mostly Big Band and Jazz from the 1940s (to get us in the mood for the next event). This event was a talk and demonstration by Sheelagh Browne of the Fitness League, which was started in 1930 and was then called The Women's League of Health and Beauty, by Mary Baggot-Stack and still has as its president, Mary's daughter, Prunella, now aged 93. Seven intrepid members took to the lawn dressed in white blouses and black trousers, (they were spared the navy blue bloomers worn in the forties), and unrehearsed, they were put through their paces. It was excellent entertainment, but at the same time made us really want to get up and join in this lovely mix of movement and dance to music. I'm sure several of us will be hoping to join Sheelagh's classes.

The cake was then cut by Sandra Mistlin and a scrumptious tea provided by members and masterminded by Margaret Barrow was enjoyed by all. The afternoon closed with the raffle being drawn and thanks and safe journey home wishes from the President.

The next meeting is on 13th July at the Radnor Hall, and the speaker will be Mr N. Thorne on "the Fox Family".

Britford Parish Council

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Summer Concert

Minerva String Quartet

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**7.30pm Saturday, 18th July
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Message from Minerva

As local musicians we have really enjoyed performing as a quartet in a variety of venues over last few years, from Charlton All Saints Church to the Radnor Arms! We try to perform programmes that will appeal to our audience and communicate our enjoyment in making music.

Our summer concert will be no exception and we hope that people will want to join us for an evening of beautiful music and at the same time help raise money for Salisbury Hospicecare.

Charlton All Saints

Summer Barbecue

Hog Roast - Skittles - Raffle

on Saturday, 4th July 2009

in Charlton Courtyard starting at 6pm

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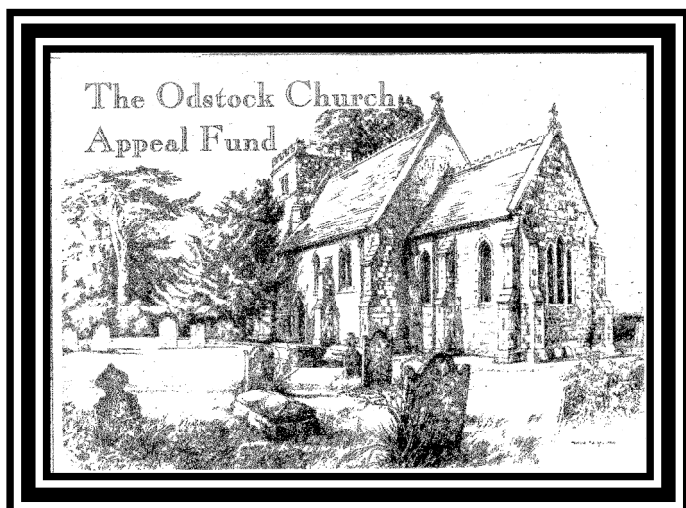
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or Caroline Winternitz 01725 510983
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Charlton All Saints Garden Society

On 18th May, we were treated to a talk with a difference when Mr Douglas Patterson came to explain some of the points considered necessary in Chinese gardens. There are 31 from which there should be no deviation. All the gardens, therefore, are similar. Our next meeting on Monday, 6th July is our outing to Landford Trees followed by supper at a local pub. Details from Barbara Box (01725 510758).

St Mary's Church, Odstock

News and History



St Mary's Church. Odstock is about 800 years old, and parts of the present Church survive from an earlier Norman Church which once stood on the site. The earliest recorded vicar served in 1232, a memorial stone in the church dates from about 1320, the tenor bell was cast circa 1400 and the other bells cast circa 1601 and the Elizabethan pulpit is dated 1570. We understand from the bell experts that all three bells were cast in the church yard. Whatever its history, it represents continuity in the community life of Odstock and has seen the baptisms, weddings and funerals of the inhabitants of this village for almost as long as there has been a village.

Therefore, news of its impending closure in 1995 gave quite a shock to the congregation, as the roof was in a poor state of repair and no funds were to be made available from the Parochial Church Council. The Redundant Churches organisation would not take over the responsibility for the Church at that time, so it was up to locals to support the church repairs or lose this amenity.

A few dedicated local people got together and decided that the dereliction of the church was an unacceptable scenario and so a Registered Charity was set up in 1995 solely to fund the repairs and restoration of Odstock Church. As the full Charity name is too long for most people to fit on the payee space on a cheque, banking for the charity goes under the name of Odstock Church Appeal Fund, which is more memorable and does fit on a cheque quite easily!

With great effort and determination given the urgency of the situation, over a short period of a few years enough money was raised to have the roof refurbished at a considerable cost of £35,000.

The Fund continued fundraising by standing orders, Flower Festival, car boots, selling teas and cakes and other ad hoc events and donations. Plate donations from some collections at christenings, weddings and funerals are donated directly to the Odstock Church Appeal Fund. Service collections all go to the PCC and none of this is used to fund Odstock Church repairs. There are specific forms for donations to the Odstock Church Appeal Fund at the Church entrance.

By 2005 sufficient funds had been raised to have the organ refurbished at a cost of £7,800. Richard Seal the Church organist was a great help in advising and overseeing the refurbishment.

In addition to works paid for solely by the Fund, many locals have aided recent Church improvements;

- Lord Radnor donated the land for the Church car park and Peter Martin paid for the materials and laying of the parking surface.
- Eric Grant, a previous inhabitant of the village, hand-made the entrance gates with materials supplied by the Fund.
- Rita Hobbs refurbished the Altar cloths and made curtains with materials supplied by the Fund.

Last year heavy winds blew the two crosses off the roof and broke them, but fortunately their replacement was covered by insurance. Have you noticed they look really lovely?

Then, most recently, with the help of some generous benefactors and funds raised from a summer concert at the Church, we were able to reach our target and have the Church internally redecorated and repaired at a cost of £22,000. So now the Church looks the best that it has for a long time.

We are now very low on funds but will continue to keep fundraising as the next restoration project will be the repairs to frames and bells, including turning of the ancient bells.

Should you be interested in contributing to the Fund or helping with fundraising please contact Madeline Baker on 01722 329374. All donations no matter how small are gratefully received. As a Registered Charity we can claim Gift Aid on all donations by UK taxpayers. Please make donations payable to Odstock Church Appeal Fund.

The Trustees of The St Mary's Church Odstock Buildings Trust, Registered Charity Number 1040361.

Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham Fête

There's still time to make your scarecrow for this year's competition. The theme is "**Characters from history, legend or fiction**". Please make sure it is on display by Wednesday, 8th July to ensure it is included in the judging.



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

- **Peter Pod (10/7) tickets** from Brian Clake on 01722 340261.
- **WI Stall** - donations of cakes, plants, produce of any sort, cut flowers, groceries and anything edible to Sue Bourne (01722 329734) or to the stall on the day.
- **Grand Draw** - donation of prizes, please, to Keith Bradford (01722 329740)
- **Books** for the book stall may be left in the porch at St Andrew's, Nunton. Call Adrian Taylor on 01722 325862, if you need help.
- **Bric-à-brac** to Diane Berry (01722 323648)
- **General offers of help (particularly Sunday clearing)** - Brian Clake 01722 340261
- **Classic Vehicles** enquiries Colin Blackaby (01722 329989)
- **Raft Race** enquiries and entries to Jon Packwood on 01722 329527. **(NB please return trophies to Jon or Stuart Ford)**



.....and, of course, put 1.30pm, 11th July in your diary and come to the Grand Fête!

Chalke Valley Flower Club

Liz Long (01722 780448)

We are a local club yet our popularity brings members and guests from Fovant to Harnham, Tollard Royal to Barford and all points between. So you may live a little away from the Chalke Valley but we invite you to come and join us.

On 22nd July Sue Hooper intends to show you a "Palette of Colours" at Broadchalke Village Hall. Starting at 7.30 pm you'll enjoy a friendly welcome with a fascinating demonstration of floral design by this artist who travels the south of England demonstrating her skills. If you came to our "Al Fresco" evening in June then you will have appreciated the variety that can be conjured up from one meeting to the next.

Guest tickets are £5 at the door and we are looking forward to seeing you there.

News from Odstock School

Junior Good Citizen Champions

Sam and Laurence

On Monday, 1st June, the year six children went to Salisbury Football Ground to take part in the Junior Good Citizen. We went to seven different rooms. We learned safety in our homes, internet, fire safety, medicines and drugs. We earned points by being interested and knowledgeable about the subjects. Lots of schools took part and we came first.

River Project - Visiting Artist

Katie, Rosina, Callum and Lauren

On 2nd June, we started to make our fish for our river project. First we drew a template and cut it out, covered the fish with balls of paper and then made patterns with tissue paper. Then after a couple of days the visiting artist, Lulu Stevens came and we painted our fish and put them on our river with the dragonflies, a bird, a frog and tadpoles we had also made. It made a beautiful display.

Kwik Cricket

Charles

On 5th June we went to a Kwik Cricket Tournament. We went by bus. We had lunch and then it was our turn to play. After all our matches we were in sixteenth place.

Sailing

Gabrielle and Abigail

On 8th June, Years 5 and 6 took part in a sailing festival. We were really excited and quite nervous as we drove to the sailing place and all of us had a lot of fun. We were in pairs and each took a turn to sail. There was a man and a lady to help us. We had to be careful. We put on our life jackets and made sure they were tight. Sometimes it was scary but we were brave. We had fantastic fun sailing.

Maths Games Winners

Jerin

We had a very exciting day playing maths games at Downton Primary School. We went there in a taxi. After three games we had a break with juice and biscuits. After six games they read out the scores and two from our school went through to the regional final.

Cake and Plant Sale

Aliesha and Jamie

On Friday, 19th June we had a cake and plant sale. The hall was packed with people and there were all sorts of things on sale. As well as cakes and plants there were bookmarks, cards, bags and door signs, all home made. The cakes were delicious and were all sold. We made over £40.

Cake Stall for the Bishop's Garden Party

Margaret Henley would like to thank everyone who made cakes for, or contributed in any way to, the Cake Stall which was organised by the Chalke Valley Benefice Churches for the Bishop's Garden Party at "The South Canonry" on Sunday, 14th June. She would especially like to thank Debby Underhill and all her helpers who produced such a wonderful selection of cakes from the Eastern end of the Benefice.

All the cakes were sold and the magnificent sum of £430.75 was raised for the Salisbury/Sudan Link, which was even more successful than last year.

Well done everyone!

Christian Aid Envelope Collection

Adrian Taylor

Many thanks to all those involved in the Christian Aid collection in our five villages this year, both those who gave such generous donations and, of course, those who gave their time to do the collecting. Once again we collected over a thousand pounds, £1007.23 to be precise, which is a terrific result!

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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.), 7.30pm, 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 (9 th & 23 rd July) Charlton All Saints ('phone box), alt. Fridays, 10.25 – 10.40am (3 rd , 17 th and 31 st July) Nunton (The Orchard), monthly, 11.55 – 12.25pm (8 th July)
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

4 th July	Charlton All Saints Barbecue, The Courtyard, 6.00pm (<i>see page 2</i>)
6 th July	Charlton All Saints Garden Society Outing (<i>see page 2</i>)
10 th July	Dancing to Peter Pod and the Peas, Nunton Field 8.00pm (<i>Tickets - 01722 340261</i>)
11 th July	Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham Grand Fête, Nunton Field 1.30pm, Raft Race 6.00pm
18 th July	Summer Concert by the Minerva String Quartet, Radnor Hall, 7.30pm (<i>see page 2</i>)
25 th October	Grand Pumpkin Competition Weigh-in, Radnor Arms, 2.00pm
26 th October	Charlton All Saints Garden Society, 7.30pm