



# News and Notes

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

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## News & Notes

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## Football, Flags, Fête (at Nunton) and Fatigue (at Wimbledon)

I'm starting to write this before England play their critical game of football against Slovenia and will finish it sometime after the match. I'm a born optimist and so am anticipating that they will progress to the next phase of the competition. Not that it matters, of course. After all, it's only a game!

You could be forgiven for thinking that it's more than just a game in the face of all the St George's flags fluttering from cars and houses.

The Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham Fête Committee have gone into competition on the flag front with some of their own in Nunton, designed to draw attention to the Grand Fête which takes place on 10<sup>th</sup> July. You'll find plenty of details about the Fête and surrounding events on the special page accompanying this issue. The Fête raises money for various local causes, including the church, and so is at least as important as football.....

.....Well, my optimism was well placed and England won the game, although somehow, despite a much better performance, managed to put their supporter's nerves through the wringer again by only scoring from one of the many chances they created.

In the face of such excitement who would have thought that any other sporting event yesterday could rival it. Yet, here we are at Wimbledon with the longest game of tennis ever played still in progress, the fifth set between John Isner (USA) and Nicolas Mahut (France) currently standing at 59 - 59.....

.....and as I put the finishing touches to this edition, the crowds are gathering to see the final outcome of this mammoth, gruelling contest.....

..... Isner has served his 100<sup>th</sup> Ace and with the score at 68 - 68, I must go to press. Assuming the match has finished, I'll let you know who won next month!

*Editor*

## Church of England Services

4 <sup>th</sup> July Trinity 5	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Family Service and Baptism Parish Communion Choral Evensong	Britford Nunton Coombe Bissett Homington	AW AW DH AW
11 <sup>th</sup> July Trinity 6	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Family Service Choral Matins	Odstock Coombe Bissett Charlton All Saints	JT AW DB
18 <sup>th</sup> July Trinity 7	8.00am 9.30am 9.30am	Holy Communion Parish Communion Family Communion	Britford Nunton Homington	AW AW DH
25 <sup>th</sup> July Trinity 8	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Family Service Choral Matins	Charlton All Saints Odstock Coombe Bissett	CH ACFT CH
1 <sup>st</sup> August Trinity 9	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Family Service Parish Communion Choral Evensong	Britford Nunton Coombe Bissett Homington	JT ACFT JT DH

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

## WI Meeting & Garden Party - 14<sup>th</sup> June 2010

Anna Treseder

The beautiful garden at Melstock was the venue for this annual event by kind permission of Sue Bourne. The preliminary meeting started at 2pm and was chaired by Elizabeth Cutter, President. Reports on the Book Club, the Walking Group and the Theatre were speedily dealt with, followed by a summary of forthcoming trips and social events, including the visit to Royal London, the Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham Fête on 10 July, (remember we need cakes, plants and produce for the WI stalls!) the Summer Outing on 14 July, the trip to East Anglia and the Annual Council Meeting.

Fifty two members attended the meeting, joined at 2.30pm by just under forty invited guests including Sandra Mistlin, Liz Barr, Hazel Gillingham, the Rev Alison Williams, and many other friends including representatives from other local WI Groups.

The Garden Party was opened by Elizabeth who extended a warm welcome to all. She thanked Julia Joynt who had arranged the treasure hunt around the garden (which was won by Gill Moulard and Anne Chubb) and thanked those who had donated items for the Bring and Buy Stall, the Nearly New Stall, the Plant Stall, the Raffle prizes, the floral decorations and the amazingly delicious spread of tea, sandwiches, savouries and cakes which followed at 3.30pm, masterminded by Margaret Barrow. Elizabeth also thanked the members who ran the stalls and served the teas, ably assisted throughout by John and Martin, Margaret's family, whose help and support, including transporting items from and to the Radnor Hall and setting up the speaker system, was very much appreciated by all.

Doreen Scott exhibited several colourful jerseys destined for children in Zimbabwe which have been knitted by WI volunteers. Anyone who would like to knit, or to donate wool, should contact Doreen or Carol Stratton.

Everyone enjoyed visiting the stalls, chatting to their friends and admiring the colourful surroundings on a warm, sunny afternoon, giving thanks and appreciation to Sue for so generously opening her house and garden again for this event.

The next meeting will take place in the Radnor Hall on Monday 12 July at 10am. The talk, by Mr Ashley Jones, will be on "Removals – Packing, Hints and Tips, and Stories".

## The Big Battlefield Bike Ride

Pippa Warley

"I, too, saw God through mud"  
(Wilfred Owen, not me!)

Sheri Start and I have just returned from cycling through the battlefields of Northern France in aid of Help for Heroes. Between us we have raised over £7000 and are still counting. This is rewarding, makes us feel proud of our achievement and is very much down to the fantastic support of the local community. A sincere thank you from us both to everyone.

Many of you will have visited the Memorials. Here are a few impressions out of the many that affected us

during the ride. It was a challenge, as much for our emotions as our bottoms.

The ages on the gravestones; thousands and thousands of teenage boys and young men wiped out day after day.

The row upon row of gravestones with the inscription "Unknown soldier of the Great War. Known unto God". For me this offers reassurance that, rather than being an anonymous number; just one of thousands, each and every one of them is intimate with his God.

Sheri was a great companion. Her thoughtful words often provoked my weary brain to click into gear - it took me all my powers of concentration to cope with the bike's gears. On the second day, as we pedalled (struggled actually) up long hills in cold rain, we saw a small cemetery ahead. It wasn't a planned stop and we debated whether we should just crack on. Sheri announced we should stop for a moment saying, "I am just going to make time to connect with one person in that cemetery".

We weren't deep and meaningful all the time. By the third day the sun was shining and we were cruising along as we followed the line of the Western Front to Ypres. Another good one from Sheri, "I am really sorry that they all had to die, but I am grateful they did it in a flat place."

The tunnels at Arras were horrific. This was where Wilfred Owen lost his life. His words "I am the enemy you killed my friend" set me thinking and I asked the guide who accompanied us where all the young German dead were buried. It was so obvious that the womenfolk of Germany were also losing their sons, husbands, brothers, friends.....

After a couple of flat days in Flanders, we were in need of a hill. Our final steep ascent was up a bumpy cobbled road to the hill top town of Cassell, from where the view to our destination of Dunkirk was magnificent. The Grand Old Duke of York marched his troops up this hill in 1793. Unlike his poor men, we were rewarded at the top with yet more chocolate "energy" bars and Lucozade.

The padre, who cycled with us and conducted our ceremonies, encouraged us to have a sense of gratitude at all times. Seeing wounded servicemen cycling alongside us using their arms to pedal, inspired us not to complain about aching legs at the end of the day; rather to just be grateful for them.

In 2008, Bryn Parry wrote "the dead we shall remember, the wounded we must look after". Help for Heroes has captured the public's imagination and has raised millions to help rehabilitate service personnel. Sheri and I feel privileged to have been able to make our contribution. Thank you again.

### Matrimony Farmhouse

## Garden Open

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August

6.00 - 8.00pm

Drinks

**Enquiries to Carole Stratton Sal 329720**  
**Proceeds to church and mission funds**

## Britford Parish Council

*Bryan Rycroft, Britford Parish Clerk*

The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2010 at the Memorial Hall. Maggie Rae, Joint Director of Public Health and Wellbeing talked on projects occurring in the local NHS, whilst PC Fritz Macaulay updated the meeting on Police activities. He answered a number of questions including the situation on the Travellers on the byway near Odstock Hospital and the condition of the white lines on the A338. Also mentioned was the fly tipping of a mattress at Britford depot plus disturbance caused by people leaving bottles at the Bottle bank very late at night. It is hoped that people will in future be more considerate to the whole community. The meeting closed at 20.30pm.

The normal Parish Council Meeting followed, items discussed were;

1. The white lines on the A338.
2. The approval of Parish accounts up to 31.03.10. They are now being audited.
3. From Alderbury Parish Council the idea of a bridge across the river to Britford

## Christian Aid Week

*Adrian Taylor*

The total collected from our five villages for Christian Aid this year was £1,054.52. This was a splendid result and exceeded our previously highest figure. Many thanks to all those who contributed to this success, both those who collected and those who donated.

## Guide Dogs volunteer roadshow

Guide Dogs is holding a volunteer roadshow at The Red Lion Hotel, Salisbury on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2010, starting at 5.30pm with a short presentation at 6.00pm.

This free event will give Salisbury residents an opportunity to learn more about the charity and how they can get involved and to meet a guide dog owner and other local volunteers.

The event is being held as part of an appeal for volunteers in Salisbury. The volunteering roles are flexible and offer local people the opportunity to make new friends, develop new skills, learn about Guide Dogs' work and meet some of the amazing dogs the charity trains.

Sharon Heard, Regional Volunteering Co-ordinator for Guide Dogs said:

"There are so many ways to volunteer. In particular we are looking for people that can give the odd hour to help on collections in and around Salisbury. Volunteering is fun and rewarding - you know you are helping to make a real difference to the lives of blind and partially sighted people."

The Guide Dogs service is entirely funded by voluntary donations, and needs support from volunteers to maximise its services for blind and partially-sighted people. The Red Lion Hotel is kindly hosting this event free of charge.

Anyone interested in volunteering for Guide Dogs is invited to attend the Salisbury event and should email [sharon.heard@guidedogs.org.uk](mailto:sharon.heard@guidedogs.org.uk) or call 07920 285752 to reserve a place.

Those who are unable to attend the event but would like more information on volunteering should contact Guide Dogs' Volunteering Team on 0845 3717771 or by emailing [volunteer@guidedogs.org.uk](mailto:volunteer@guidedogs.org.uk)

## Chalke Valley Flower Club

*Liz Long 01722 780448*

Chelsea Gold Medal winner Michael Bowyer thrilled a full house of over 100 admirers at our last meeting in Broadchalke. It was clear to see why the floral designer's association had awarded him their Special Associate of Honour. We appreciated some stunning displays and enjoyed a thoroughly entertaining evening centred on watching a true professional at work. And as if that were not enough, Salisbury's international flower artist went on to win yet another award at the Royal Bath and West Show.

Our next presentation is at Broadchalke Village Hall on 28<sup>th</sup> July starting at 7.30pm. Gretchen White will be demonstrating her skill in an evening entitled "The Murmuring of the Bees" which is a floral art demonstration that she has presented to good reviews all over the south of the country. Tickets are £5 at the door on the night and we look forward to welcoming you. Give us a try and enjoy a social evening among friendly folk.

## Cupboard Wanted

Wanted for Charlton church vestry - a cupboard to house the vases and associated equipment. If you have such a thing and you could let us have it, please contact Anne Blake, Sideswoman, or Denis Blake, Churchwarden, on 01725 511743.

## Car Boot Sale

**Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> July**

Gates open at 10.00am

Selling starts at 11.00am

The Football Field, Nunton

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

*All proceeds to Salisbury Diabetics*

## Coombe Bissett & Homington Garden Club

**Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> July**

**Tea/coffee 7.15pm for 7.30pm start**

**Coombe Bissett Village Hall**

**"Gardening for Wildlife"**

**A talk by Richard Cripps**

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Chairman: Roger Stockton (01722 780866)

Treasurer: Sue Gooden (01722 780596)

## Odstock, Nunton & Bodenham Fête

There's details of the Fête elsewhere, but here's a reminder of some ways to get involved.

### Grand Draw

To sell or buy tickets, please contact Keith Bradford (01722 329740). **Keith will also welcome donations of suitable prizes.**

### WI Stall

Donations of cakes, plants, produce of any sort, cut flowers, groceries and anything edible will be welcomed from members of the WI and any others who can help. They may be taken to the appropriate stall on the day or given to:

*Pam Trubshaw* (Nunton - 01722 323472),

*Carol Stratton* (Britford - 01722 503311),

*Liz Hardman* (Salisbury - 01722 504323),

*Anna Treseder* (Harnham - 01722 335724)

or *Sue Bourne* (01722 329734).

### Bric-à-brac

Anything for the stall will be welcomed by Diane Berry (01722 323648)

### Book and video stall

If you have books or videos for the stall please contact Peter Stannard on 01722 327766

### General offers of help (always welcome!)

Please ring Brian Clake on 01722 340261.

### Suggested recipe for Cake Competition

*(See page with Fête details)*

Classic Victoria Jam Sponge Cake - recipe from Delia Smith :

4 oz / 110 g butter

4 oz caster sugar

4 oz / 110 g SR flour

2 large eggs (beaten)

Few drops vanilla essence

Little hot water if required.

To finish – Jam and sifted icing sugar.

*Oven* : Gas 3 / Electricity 170 C

2 x 7 inch cake tins, greased and lined with parchment / greaseproof paper.

*Method*: Cream the butter and sugar till pale and fluffy. Add the beaten eggs, a little at a time, beating well between each addition. Stir in a few drops of vanilla essence. Use a metal spoon to fold in the flour, a little at a time. If the consistency is too thick, add a little hot water. Divide mixture between the two tins. Bake 25 – 30 minutes. Cool, then sandwich with jam.

## Charlton All Saints Garden Society

*Barbara Box*

On 24<sup>th</sup> May, Kelvin Mason gave a productive talk on simple propagation, explaining the differences between soft wood, ripe wood and hard wood cuttings. From the enthusiastic reception he received, there may be a surplus of plants in the village. If anyone is interested in swapping successes, please let me know.

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For Care and Support call 01722 718830

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### SUMMER SHOW

SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2010

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## Downton NPT – Neighbourhood Watch Bulletin

### Downton NPT Priorities

The local Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) priorities for the current period were decided at a recent meeting of our Neighbourhood Tasking Group (NTG) and some of those are set out below.

Please attend one of our surgeries or email us to have your say on the priorities.

### Speeding - across all parishes

We continue to carry out regular speed enforcement checks and are actively promoting our Community Speed Watch (CSW) scheme.

We are still looking for CSW volunteers; please let us know if you are interested in starting a CSW scheme in your area.

### Foot Patrols by local officers

Local officers will carry out regular foot patrols to improve the visibility of local policing and provide reassurance to residents.

In larger villages (Downton/ Redlynch) our foot patrols will target areas prone to ASB.

In smaller villages, officers will utilise busier times/ locations such as schools and local shops in order to meet and consult with local people.

### Police Surgeries

In line with the Policing Pledge an officer from Downton NPT will be available to discuss any of your concerns at the following events:

### Wednesdays 11am-12pm

Coombe Bissett - Church (at existing coffee morning).

We will also hold regular surgeries in Downton as soon as our Library Police Office is in use.

### Neighbourhood Bulletin

### Burglary Crime Prevention Advice

With the warmer weather here it's important that you follow the advice set out below:

- Close and lock windows/doors when you are not in the room, especially when leaving the house or in the garden.
- Double check that doors and windows are locked at night.
- Keep valuable items out of view and reach of windows and doors.
- If you see anyone acting suspiciously take their description and details of any vehicle registration, including direction of travel and call the police on 0845 408 7000 or 999 if they are about to break into a property,
- Stolen property can now be returned to the owner using a system called immobilise visit [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com) details.

### Distraction Burglars and Bogus Callers Crime Prevention Advice

Follow the SOS – STAY OUT STRANGER advice when you get a caller at the door. Keep your door shut and locked and use a spy hole or window. Do NOT open the door if you do not recognise or are not expecting a caller. Avoid keeping large amounts of cash at home.

### New look website

Wiltshire Police have launched a new and improved website to make it more accessible to the public, with improved navigation, meaning that it will be easier to find the information that you need. You can now also register with your local Neighbourhood Policing Team to keep up-to-date with what is happening in your area and have your say on local priorities. Log on to [www.wiltshire.police.uk](http://www.wiltshire.police.uk) to see the changes and register your details for the chance to win a Corei3 laptop, donated by Intel. The competition will run until Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September and the winner will be selected at random on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2010 (Terms and Conditions apply).

### Neighbourhood Watch

Neighbourhood Watch is a successful crime prevention initiative. It is underpinned by a simple idea and a central value shared by millions of people – 'Getting together with neighbourhood to take action can cut local crime'. If you would like to join your local Neighbourhood Watch but are not sure who to contact or would like to set up a scheme, please ring email [downtonnpt@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:downtonnpt@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk) or ring 0845 408 7000.

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**Where? Broadchalke School**

**How much? £20 suggested donation  
towards running costs**

Please bring your parents along for a finale fish  
and chip supper on the last day!

**For more information please call:  
Katie-Jayne Jennings 01722 781200**

### **Would you like to become a rainfall observer?**

The Environment Agency and the Met Office have around 50 voluntary rainfall observers across South Wessex which read the rainfall every day. This data is of great value and helps with our understanding of rainfall patterns across the UK. We are currently looking for a rainfall observer in your area.

If you are interested in becoming a voluntary rainfall observer, all equipment provided, please ask yourself the following questions:

*Are you able to read a rain gauge every morning at 9am GMT? - Late readings or missed days are acceptable, as long as these details are clearly recorded.*

*Do you have a spacious garden? - It is important that the gauge is not over sheltered. Objects will need to be roughly twice as far away from the gauge as they are high. For example a 4 meter high tree will need to be 8 meters away from the rain gauge location.*

If the answer to these questions is 'yes' or you would like more information please contact:  
*Katherine Holmes, Rivers House, Higher Shaftesbury Road, Sunrise Business Park, Blandford DT11 8ST*  
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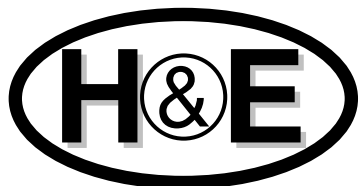
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Mobile Library	Britford (The Green), alt. Thursdays, 9.40 – 9.55am (8 <sup>th</sup> & 22 <sup>nd</sup> July) Charlton All Saints ('phone box), alt. Fridays, 10.25 – 10.40am (2 <sup>nd</sup> , 16 <sup>th</sup> and 30 <sup>th</sup> July) Nunton (The Orchard), monthly, 11.55 – 12.25pm (7 <sup>th</sup> July)
Acorn Social Club	Coffee Morning – Wednesdays 10.30am, Bingo – Fridays 7.00pm at the Orchard
Open Circle Folk Dancing	2 <sup>nd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Mondays each month, 7.30pm, Radnor Hall, contact Clare Chitty on 01722 330871

## Diary Dates

3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Charlton All Saints BBQ, 6.00pm, Charlton Courtyard (see page 2)
6 <sup>th</sup> July	ONB Fête Quiz Night, Yew Tree Inn (see page 4)
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Peter Pod and the Peas, the Marquee, Nunton Field (See page 4)
10 <sup>th</sup> July	Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham Fête, Nunton Field, 1.30pm Raft Race at 6.00pm
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Car Boot Sale (see page 3)
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	A Peal of Bells, 7.30pm. Radnor Hall (see page 5)
28/29 <sup>th</sup> July	Treasure Hunters (see page 6)
8 <sup>th</sup> August	Garden Open, 6.00 - 8.00 pm, Matrimony Farmhouse (see page 2)