



News and Notes

for Bodenham, Britford, Charlton All Saints, Nunton and Odstock October 2008

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A message from John Jones (acting Headteacher, Odstock Primary School)

I would like to thank the Editor for giving me the opportunity to introduce myself to you as the acting Headteacher at Odstock Primary School. I have previously been working as a class teacher at Greentrees Primary School in Salisbury. Having gained my qualification as a Headteacher, it is rewarding to be able to lead this school at an exciting time.

It has been a wonderful start to the new year at Odstock Primary School. I have felt a warm welcome from the children, parents, staff and governors, which I thank you all for! I have since had the opportunity to join and discover for myself what a lovely community there is in these villages.

I am delighted to find that I have come to a school which is so enthusiastic for learning and feels a strong commitment to the environment.

It was a great pleasure to find out that nineteen of our pupils have won a Young Writer's competition to become published authors in a book called, 'The Adventure Starts Here—Tales From South West England.' Each child wrote a mini-saga, filled with mystery, excitement and adventure. The book is published on 30th November this year.

Thank you to everyone in the community who donated your old copies of Yellow Pages to our school. The children were proud to send off 139 copies for recycling, as an entry in the 'yellow woods recycling challenge.' Odstock Primary School came second in the whole of South Wiltshire, which is a real achievement for a village school.

Wiltshire Wildlife Trust visited the school last week to present a certificate to the School Council, along with a £200 grant to spend on improving the environment in the school grounds. The school will also receive six beech tree saplings in the Spring to plant out, so the village will see the benefits of this award for many years to come.

I cannot end without reflecting on the good work that Melanie Sweeney has done at this school and wishing her success in her new one.

(Many thanks to John for his article. It's good to hear what a warm welcome he's had. I look forward to receiving front page contributions from other readers. Ed.)

Church of England Services

Sunday, 5 th Oct. Trinity 20	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Harvest Praise Family Service Parish Communion Harvest Service	Britford Nunton Coombe Bissett Homington	AW ACFT AW AW
Sunday, 12 th Oct. Trinity 21	9.30am 11.00am	Parish Communion Family Service	Nunton Coombe Bissett	CH LL
Sunday, 19 th Oct. Trinity 22	8.00am 9.30am 9.30am	Holy Communion BCP Parish Communion Family Communion	Britford Nunton Homington	AW AW KRS
Sunday, 26 th Oct. Last of Trinity	11.00am 11.00am	Family Communion Matins BCP	Nunton Coombe Bissett	RR AT
Sunday, 2 nd Nov. All Saints	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

AW = Revd Alison Williams (* with Ven. Alan Jeans), CH = Revd Charles Hatton,
RR = Revd Roger Redding, KRS = Revd Kate Rosslyn Smith, AT = Mrs Annabel Tier,
ACFT = Adrian Taylor, LL = Lay led BCP = Book of Common Prayer

While Charlton All Saints church is closed, 4th Sunday services at Nunton will include Communion.
Watch for the times of each service, which may vary.

WI

The Autumn meeting was held in the Radnor Hall where a large crowd of members and several visitors were welcomed by the President, Sue Bourne, who then thanked Maria Amey for her beautiful flower arrangement. Theatre and scrabble arrangements were discussed and there were updates on the two new activities – the walking group and the book club.

Doreen Osmond has again produced a varied and interesting programme for the year 2008/2009 with some wonderful help from Jill Dodd and Sheila May.

When the business meeting was over we had a coffee break and the opportunity to visit the raffle, once again set up by Jeane O'Rourke, which made the remarkable sum of £103.

Sue Bourne won the flower of the month with a white rose.

We were then treated, (and indeed it was a treat) to a talk on The Women's Land Army given by Jeane Keane. She dressed as a land girl, and being an actress we heard every word and facts and humour were delivered in equal measure. From small beginnings in 1917, she took us through to 23,000 members in 1918 (leading indirectly to votes for women in 1928). Then, particularly relevant to us, was its re-forming in 1939 under the leadership of Lady Denman (of Denman College fame). The trials and tribulations of these young women, one third of whom had always lived in towns, were described, with the primitive conditions, negligible pay and extreme loneliness until hostels were introduced in 1944. The land Army soon became a serious force with many girls specialising as mechanics, thatchers and Lumber Jills. One thousand of them became fully trained rat catchers. Their social life was helped along first by the British Army and then by the Americans. Many a GI bride was whisked off to The United States.

Forty of us stayed on for a delicious lunch produced by members and master-minded, yet again, by Margaret Barrow. It was altogether a thoroughly good occasion.

The next meeting will be on Monday 13th October when Mrs W Powell will talk on "Belly Dancing Experience".

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Charlton All Saints Church

To allow for all the work associated with the dismantling, repair and restoration of the organ, the church at Charlton All Saints will have no services in it after the end of September until further notice. During the actual work, the church will, contrary to normal practice, be locked at all times. It is hoped that the organ will be in full health and voice either just before Christmas or shortly thereafter.

Please would all Charltonian churchgoers attend other churches in the benefice, but remember to take your own Green Envelope with you so that the collection can "come home", as it were?

Odstock Parish Council

At the Odstock PC meeting on 10th September, it was agreed to increase the level of regular funding to the Radnor Hall Committee and to award a one-off grant to help with the cost of the current improvements.

Last year, a number of unsuitable items had found their way into the community skips which had led to the PC being surcharged. It was therefore resolved to provide a maximum of two skips this year and to site them in the Nunton field during October. Items which should NOT be deposited in the community skips include Tyres, Fridges, Gas Bottles, Televisions, Chemicals, Asbestos, etc. If in any doubt, please contact SDC Environmental Services on Tel: 01722 434319/434320 to obtain advice on the most appropriate methods of disposal. The recycling centre at Churchfields is open daily from 9:00am to 8:00pm.

A number of quotations had been received for the fencing behind the eastern goal and Cllr Whitley was authorised to obtain 'best value' in the execution of the project.

The next scheduled OPC meeting will be held on Wednesday, 3rd December. The Parish Clerk can be contacted on Tel: 01794 341405 or eMail: OPC@SP5.INFO.

ART IN THE BARN

Joy Hillyer, Julia Joynt and her sister, Hilary Bryson, will be holding an exhibition of acrylics, watercolours and sculpture in the gallery above

The Barn Dental and Cosmetic Clinic at Odstock

*from 11th - 25th October
(excluding Sundays).*

*Mon. - Thur., & Sat., 10.00am - 5.00pm,
Fri., 10.00am - 7.00 pm*

Grand Pumpkin Competition

Don't forget that the 2008 Grand Pumpkin Competition weigh-in takes place on Sunday, 26th October at 2.00pm at the Radnor Arms, Nunton!



Cathedral Close Events

Mary Penn

Just in case you might be interested, I am writing to tell you about two unusual and highly recommended events to take place in Salisbury Cathedral Close in mid-October.

Building Bridges

The famous bridge of Mostar, in Bosnia-Herzegovina, so badly damaged during the 1990's war, was built as a link for the people from one side of Mostar to the other. People came from far and wide to visit this wonder of the world.

On 9th October at 7.30pm in the Medieval Hall there will be a presentation by Ruth Waterman, wonderful violinist and daughter of Fanny Waterman who founded the Leeds Piano Competition, who has been working in Mostar coaching the newly emerging Mostar Sinfonietta. She has recorded her work, her adventures, the mixed identity of the members of the orchestra and the players' own experiences during and after the war. She will be in discussion on this evening with Richard Chew, composer who is flying over from Australia for these two events, and Howard Moody, conductor of the Sarum Orchestra. Tickets will be £12 each (to include a glass of wine and canapes) and may be obtained from the Festival Office, 87 Crane Street – open Mon-Fri 10.00am – 5.00pm – Phone 01722 332241.

Following on from this evening, on Saturday 11th October at 7.30pm in the Cathedral, Sarum Orchestra will be performing Beethoven's Violin Concerto, followed by Stari Most. This is an oratorio composed by Richard Chew, to be performed by Sarum Orchestra with Salisbury Cathedral Junior Choir and Amery Hill School Choir. Tickets for this concert are £25, £20 or £15 each (or unreserved £10) and can be obtained from Salisbury Arts Centre - open Tues-Fri 9.30am – 5.00pm and Sat 9.30am – 4.00pm – Phone 01722 - 321744. Suggest you bring a cushion?!

Both these events are forecast to be truly remarkable and I do hope you might find an interest in attending them. Any profits will be donated to Hope & Homes for Children in Bosnia. See you there perhaps!

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At All Saints' Parish Church there will be frequent lively tours of churchyard and bell tower, you will be guided through church history from Saxon Times and challenged by puzzling architectural features. Historic documents, some dating from medieval times, and photographs of church and people, some displayed for the first time, will be on view. For children we will have displays of your work, your own guide and a special quiz. We will show you how we care for this Grade I listed building, our plans for the future and, weather permitting, include a lime-slaking demonstration. Morning coffee and afternoon tea will be served in the Village Hall.

On **Sunday, 5th October**, a Quarter Peal will be rung on the church bells after the Harvest Festival Service which begins at 9.30am. At 3pm join us at All Saints' to celebrate Church Music, Poetry and Prose through the Ages on a variety of instruments and voices. Tea and biscuits will be served during an interval.

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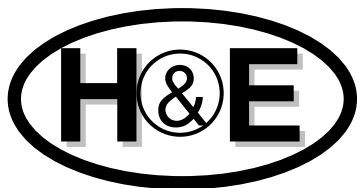
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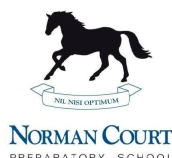
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WI	Second Monday of the month, 10.00am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham
Whist Drive	Every Thursday, 7.30pm, Barker Room, Nunton
Singing Group	Every Tuesday (ex. Aug/Dec.), 7.30pm, Barker Room, contact Adrian Taylor on 01722 325862
Tiny Tots	Wednesdays (ex. Aug.) 9.45 – 11.45am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham (Suzie Orchiton on 01722 502026)
Mobile Library	Britford (recycling area), alt. Thursdays, 9.30 – 9.40am (2 nd , 16 th and 30 th October) Charlton All Saints ('phone box), alt. Fridays, 10.15 – 10.30am (10 th and 24 th October) Nunton (The Orchard), monthly, 11.55 – 12.25pm (1 st and 29 th October)
Acorn Social Club	Coffee Morning – Wednesdays 10.30am, Bingo – Fridays 7.00pm at the Orchard

Diary Dates

4/5 th Oct.	Broad Chalke – History and Harvest weekend - music, dancing, displays, teas etc. (<i>see page 4</i>)
11 th - 25 th Oct.	“Art in the Barn”, The Barn, Odstock (<i>see page 2</i>)
17 th Oct.	Apple Identification, Downton Country Market (<i>see page 3</i>)
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6 th Nov.	“A Komedy of Errors”, Radnor Hall, Bodenham, 7.00pm (<i>see page 3</i>)
11 th Nov.	Christmas Fair, Broad Chalke Village Hall, 10am – 2.00pm (<i>see page 4</i>)

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ODSTOCK ROAD CLOSURE

I have been notified by the Highways Department that the road from Odstock Crossroads to the hospital will be closed for 9 days from 27th October to enable repairs to the two culverts to be carried out as well as other road maintenance. As we all know this road is heavily used and it is high time for some remedial work to be undertaken. Visitors will have to access the hospital via Britford and allow a few more minutes for the journey.
Julian Johnson