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## Editorial

In recent weeks, we have seen some easing of the lockdown restrictions imposed by the Covid-19 pandemic and there is likely to be further loosening by the time the next issue of this parish magazine appears in September. The limitations imposed during the last few months have led to some interesting conversations about what people might be looking forward to most when times are better and, apart from

family visits, top of many lists seem to be trips to the hairdresser or to the pub, simple things which might well have been taken for granted pre-virus. For me, I miss the conviviality of the pub and sitting outside with friends on a summer evening, foaming pint on



the table in front of me. My hair too is badly in need of some attention since it was last attended to in mid-February and I have so far resisted my wife's offers of taking the place of the lady who has so competently looked after my now Boris-style shock of hair for the last twenty two years.

It is interesting too to ponder what the 'new normal' might look like. Will there be lots more people working from home and only visiting the place of work on occasions thereby reducing commuting time, air pollution and changing the face of our towns and cities? Will people continue to take the regular daily exercise which many were eager to adopt when only able to get outside once per day during the strictest lockdown provisions? Will the wearing of face coverings become the norm as the virus will still be with us for some time and will the lessons of silly panic buying be learned? No doubt our individual priorities will have been affected by this strangest of years and the people and things we value will have been re-ordered.

In May we marked the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE day – but fighting continued in the Far East and would do so for a further three months until the surrender of Japan on 15 August. The army fighting in that part

of the world was made up of British and Commonwealth troops from many nations. It is often called the ‘forgotten’ army or the ‘forgotten’ war. It was a bitter war fought in malaria-ridden jungles often in searing tropical heat and monsoon conditions against a brutal enemy where the greatest fear was probably being taken prisoner. Much of the army’s activity was centred on Singapore and what was then Burma and Malaya with fighting also taking place in India. Though there was still some sporadic fighting, the Second World War effectively ended on 15 August 1945. This date is VJ Day and though the events to mark the end of that campaign will be more muted than planned due to Covid-19, they do give us an opportunity to remember ‘the forgotten army’.

***Assistant Editor***

## **An urgent message from Calne Without Parish Council** (which covers Derry Hill and Studley):

“The Parish Council is investigating ways to support clubs and other not for profit organisations in the recovery phase of Covid-19. Organisers are encouraged to contact their [local Councillor](#) or [the Clerk](#) to discuss the support that may be available to meet the requirements for reopening.”

***The rest of the Parish Council news is on pages 25 and 26***

## **Advanced warning – Road Closure Curzon Street Calne**

From 17<sup>th</sup> August to 8<sup>th</sup> September Daily 9am to 4pm.

This is for resurfacing with associated works.

[Further information on Wiltshire Road closures](#)

**Ed**

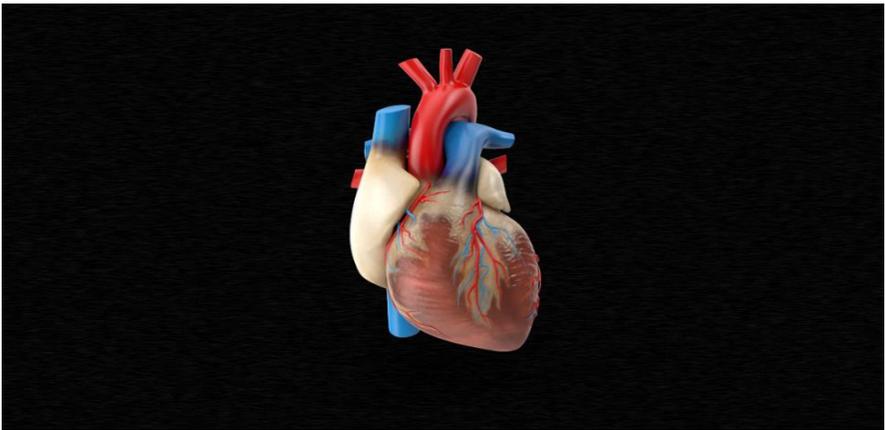


# Derry Hill and Studley Heartbeat

You can win it,  
You can break it!  
You can feel it,  
You can hear it beating!

The heart is a vital organ in our body without which we cannot survive.

But how much do you really know about your heart?



## **Men have bigger hearts than women!**

1. The human body cannot survive without a heart, but the heart can survive without a human body! It sounds weird but it's true. The human heart has its own electrical impulses. This allows the heart to continue beating even if it is separated from the body. However, there is one requirement. It should continue to get a steady supply of oxygen.

2. The human heart beats around 100,000 times in a single day. That's something like 3.6 billion beats in a lifetime.

3. What do we really mean when we say that our heart beats? Our heartbeat is the pumping action of the heart muscles. The heart is a pump that works day and night without rest. The moment the heart decides to take a rest, we are dead!

4. The human heart is responsible for pumping 2,000 gallons of blood each day. It is not that we have 2,000 gallons of blood in our body but the 10 pints of blood that we have in our body is pumped so many times that the net volume pumped is 2,000 gallons and sends it to different tissues and organs in our body through 60,000 miles of blood vessels!

5. When the heart is relaxed, the pressure exerted by the blood on the chambers of the heart is called the diastolic blood pressure and when the heart is beating/pumping, the pressure exerted by the blood is known as the systolic pressure. A single heartbeat can squirt blood up to 30 feet away!

5. The heart is roughly the size of a large fist and weighs between about 10 to 12 ounces in men and 8 to 10 ounces in women – so there you have it:

### **Men really do have bigger hearts than women!**

If you can make a regular annual donation of just £1 to £5 to help support the maintenance costs of the village defibrillators it would be tremendous. Please make an Annual Standing Order payable to:

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## Derry Hill C of E (VA) Primary School

With the whole school being re-ordered and reshaped in order to meet social distancing requirements we were able to welcome back an additional tranche of children into school early in June, above and beyond the children of critical key workers and others for whom we were required to educate on site since schools were closed nationally on government instruction in March. We were also pleased to extend this to a further group of children at the end of the month.



School is quite different at present, but we have met the challenges we were faced with and are providing some form of normality. At the same time, staff are continuing to provide material on-line for those children of our school who are not yet able to return and are also continuing to provide regular telephone contact with them and their families.

We are of course now in the final term of the school year, one which would normally see a range of school trips being undertaken along with many outdoor activities. These of course cannot be enjoyed in the current restrictive climate, but we will be holding a 'Sports Week and a Stay at Home Sports Day' starting on 30 June. There will be sporting activities, challenges and design opportunities – even our Maths and English classes will be sports-themed. This will be for children and their parents and will provide plenty of opportunities to show off sports skills, determination, perseverance, respect and sportsmanship. The week concludes on Friday 3 July with a 'Stay at Home Sports Day', offering more family fun with plenty of points to be won and certificates to be earned.

On Friday 10 July Year 6 children will be invited to attend the Salisbury Diocese Virtual Leaver Service. As a school we will be holding a Virtual Leavers Service on the last day of term for those of our school who will be moving on at the end of Term 6 which will be on Wednesday 22 July. We hope you enjoy the summer holiday and look forward to the start of the new school year.

***Hayley Roberts, Headteacher***

## Drove Roads

We are all probably familiar with those 'Wild West' films wherein huge numbers of cattle are driven on long journeys across the grasslands of the USA to transportation railway points or to the cities. But did you know that very similar cattle transportation or droving has a long history in England and Wales from the Middle Ages onwards? Indeed, some of the most ancient routes in Britain are the old drove roads. We have the remnants of one in Studley-Stanley. Drovers roads were the routes for droving livestock on foot to market. Many drove-ways started in Wales, and the drovers, many of whom came from Wales, accompanied the beasts on foot or on horseback. Sheep, cattle, pigs, turkeys and geese were taken long distances. The drovers used dogs to help herd the animals.



These were not the roads or tracks connecting towns and villages. Cattle drovers steered clear of the settled population. For most of their length, routes ran over isolated ridge-ways and kept away from villages, a strategy which had the added benefit of avoiding hefty turnpike fees and delays (or animosity and even rustling). The drove roads were rough tracks which were wider than usual roads to accommodate the large herds, at least 40 foot and up to 90 foot wide. In time such tracks became part of the network of the "sunken lanes"

in the English landscape which we see today. Such routes often had generous verges for grazing and dog-leg turns that provide shelter from the worst of the weather. The line of road is often marked by regularly spaced evergreens towering incongruously above the hedge-line, usually scots pine, laurel or holly, but sometimes yew, particularly in Hampshire. There is increasing evidence for large-scale cattle-rearing in Bronze Age and Iron Age Britain. Cattle and sheep were part of the Romano-British economy. By the Anglo-Saxon period there was long distance movement of cattle, including stolen stock.

It was a hard life: the drovers slept in the tracks amongst clumps of trees. Sometimes inns would spring up in remote places to tend their needs as drovers were not always welcome in settlements. One such inn was reputed to be in Studley at the house which is now called The Old Cat Inn. If so it would have served the old drove road which brought cattle from Wales by ferry to Aust then across country to Chipping Sodbury thence to the north of Chippenham out to Studley and on to places like Avebury for the large fairs and markets, then on eastwards to London. The regularity of the Welsh trade across Wiltshire is proved by an inscription in Welsh on a cottage at Stockbridge, still visible in the twentieth century: "Satisfactory hay, sweet pasture, good ale and a comfortable bed"

Extraordinary numbers of cattle and livestock were involved: in 1794, 10,000 cattle were exported from Anglesey alone, while 30,000 passed through Hereford each year. In 1663, 18,574 cattle were recorded on their way through Carlisle, while in Yorkshire during the early 19th century, up to 100,000 were herded each year towards Southern England on Hambleton Street, one of Britain's most ancient trackways. Controlling herds of three or four hundred animals on narrow roads, keeping them healthy, and feeding them en-route over several weeks or months required expertise and authority. There was licensing under the legislation, introduced in 1563, intended to control "badgers" of grain and drovers of cattle, although it seems to have been less rigorously applied to drovers. They were also exempted from the Disarming Acts of 1716 and 1748, which were passed after Jacobite uprisings to try to restore the exiled Stuart King James II and his son

and grandson. They were not necessarily literate but were respected as experts in their trade.

With the coming of the railways long distance droving died out. But use your imagination: go to the 'The Old Cat' then walk a little down to the top of the hill looking across towards Stanley: in centuries past that road and wide verge would have been filled with hundreds of cattle at a time coming from Wales. Studley Inn must have been a welcome haven! And in turn of course the small community hereabouts would have benefited from the trade away from prying eyes of the local militia or the excise man. The growth of the railways in the mid-nineteenth century onwards meant the inevitable demise of droving and it became a mere distant memory with an occasional visual or historic clue as in our own village.

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### **Derry Hill WI Walking Netball**

We are very pleased to report that we have restarted training sessions on Monday and Friday afternoons; under guidance from the [All England Netball Club](#). We have had to be inventive in what we can do under the current circumstances, but the members that have taken part in the first two sessions have enjoyed the practice and exercise, so it's a good start.

***Tina and Barbara.***



### **Derry Hill and Studley Community Support continues**

This group was set up at the beginning of the pandemic and continues to help those in need in our community. There have been nearly 40 'missions' carried out by a team of 29 volunteers. These missions include collection and delivery of food and prescriptions, advice and even the delivery of clothes to Bath RUH!

Well done to all those involved. Further details page 22

***Ed***

## The Night Sky in July

The Summer Solstice is now behind us with the hours of daylight beginning to get shorter and by month's end we will have lost about an hour's worth.

As we head towards the Autumn Equinox in late September, the rate of reduction will get quicker, but the bonus is that the skies will begin to get darker and make for easier viewing of the night sky. At

12.34h on 4 July, the Earth will be at its furthest point from the Sun (aphelion) at some 152m km. We will be some 3m km closer in around six months.

July will still give us opportunities to see the phenomenon of noctilucent clouds which were mentioned in last month's article. Having been our companion in the evenings for much of the year so far, Venus disappeared from our view at the beginning of last month but has now reappeared as a morning object. It shines particularly brilliantly before sunrise from about 02.30. Jupiter has dominated the skies during these early hours over recent months but is becoming visible at a more social hour! At around 23.30h on 5 July, low in the southern sky, it will be visible immediately above the full moon with Saturn (ten times fainter) to the left and slightly below the giant planet. The night before, Jupiter will be to the left of the moon.

There are meteor showers this month, both of which run into August. The Alpha Capricornids will be active from 2 July to 14 August, peaking on 29 July with the Delta Aquariids being more prominent from 13 July to 24 August with a peak on 30-31 July.



## The Night Sky in August

The best meteor shower of the year, the Perseids, are seen at their best this month, peaking on 11-12 August when the rate may reach 100 meteors per hour. The meteors are fast and bright with many leaving persistent trails. The moon will be at the last quarter so conditions should be favourable for viewing. The Perseids comprise



debris from Comet 109P/Swift-Tuttle.

Jupiter and Saturn continue to dominate the skies to the south and on 1 August at 23.00h, the Moon will once again be immediately below Jupiter with Saturn to the planet's left. With binoculars it will be possible to see Jupiter's four large moons. Meanwhile towards the East, Mars, with its reddish tinge, rises at around 22.30h and is easily identifiable on 9 and 10 August as the moon passes close to it at 01.00h. At the end of the month on 28 and 29 August, the Moon, Saturn and Jupiter will once again be very close to one another in the southern sky at 23.00h.

	<b>Sunrise</b>	<b>Sunset</b>
01 July	04.55	21.27
31 July	05.31	20.56
31 August	06.19	19.55

***Richard Carter***

# You are now welcome to pray in church

**Christ Church, Derry Hill is open for individual, private prayer for a maximum of 4 people at any one time**

The church will be open at the following times:

**Sunday: midday to 4pm**

**Tuesday to Saturday: 10am to 4pm**

## ***Please do:***

- ✓ use hand sanitiser (provided at entrance and exit)
- ✓ observe 2m social distance
- ✓ use the chairs at the front of church
- ✓ exit by the sanctuary door (front left of church)

## ***Please note:***

- there is no access to Toilet, Kitchen, Choir Vestry, Balcony, Font area, Children's Area or Pews
- avoid using altar rail
- wipes are available for chairs

***Please do not attend*** if you have symptoms of COVID-19 (new continuous cough, high temperature, loss of or change in your normal sense of taste or smell)

You will notice that no Bibles, books, leaflets, devotional items, candles, lighters, pens etc are available. This is to minimise any risk of transmission of COVID-19.

External and internal doors will be kept open to minimise the need to touch door handles.

All accessible areas will be cleaned when the church is closed each day.

The PCC Meeting on 30th June considered the latest Government announcement regarding the re-opening of churches for worship. Further information about when we will hold services in Christ Church and what form they will take will be made available on the church noticeboard and website <https://www.mardenvale.org.uk> in due course.

***Thank you***

***Rev. Linda Carter and Derry Hill PCC***

## The Parish Giving Scheme (PGS)



In 2018 Derry Hill Parochial Church Council (PCC) decided to use this scheme as a way of ensuring a regular source of income for our church. It is very simple: anyone may donate, the only thing that is fixed is the date on which a donor's contribution is collected – it's always the first day of the month. The donor decides the amount they will give, and how often – monthly, quarterly or annually; and may allow the PGS to apply an annual increase to an individual's contribution in line with the rate of inflation - they always contact the donor well in advance of any annual increase to check that the increase is acceptable. If the donor is also able to make a Gift Aid declaration, then PGS will reclaim 25% of any donation from HMRC. **All** of the donor's money goes to our church, plus the associated Gift Aid. Usually on the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month the basic donation gets to our bank, followed a few days later by the reclaimed Gift Aid. We currently have 23 regular donors – some annual, most are monthly– and it all runs like clockwork! A big thank you to all of them.

The PGS continues to grow across the Church of England, with 30 member dioceses now registered with the Scheme and this month (May 2020), they processed just over 49,000 regular gifts to 2,884 parishes through the PGS, with around 55% of donors opting to increase their giving annually in line with inflation. PGS have just announced the launch of their new telephone service on 0333 002 1271, so prospective donors can set up a regular Direct Debit donation to their parish over the phone – no forms to fill in! It has certainly proved very popular - the team received more than 350 calls in the first ten days!

If you wish to join the scheme you will need to quote our parish code, 34064487, and the call handlers will guide you through the process.

To find out more, please visit their website  
[www.parishgivingscheme.org.uk](http://www.parishgivingscheme.org.uk)

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Reverend Linda Carter*

## **Dear Friends,**

The last few weeks have caused many to reflect on what 'family' means to us, whether that's because our family members are scattered and we miss their company or whether it's because we have been sharing a lot more time with them (at very close proximity) than we normally would. We have also heard the term 'household' a lot more. Household, home, family – what do these words conjure up in your imagination?



According to the Office for National Statistics (ONS) Statistical Bulletin for Family and Households 2019 there were 19.2 million families in the UK. A family is a married, civil-partnered or co-habiting couple with or without children, or a lone parent with at least one child (at the same address). The married or civil partner couple family remains the most common family type, representing two-thirds of families, although the co-habiting couple family is the fastest growing. In 2019 there were 2.9 million lone parent families.

In 2017 there were 27.2 million households in the UK, giving an average household size of 2.4 people. A household is one person living alone, or a group of people (not necessarily related) living at the same address who share cooking facilities and a living/sitting room/dining area. A household can be one family, more than one family or a group of unrelated people. In 2019 there were 8.2 million one person households. Multi-family households have grown the fastest but currently represent the smallest share of households in the UK – 297,000 in 2019.

These are dry statistics, but behind them are the real human stories being lived out. Stories of the joys and wonder, of disappointments and challenges of family life. I wonder whether any of us think that there is such a thing as the 'ideal' family, or whether there is an ideal biblical view of family. In the 1980s a movement called 'Focus on the Family' came to prominence, which advocated a particular view of the Christian family. I'm not sure how many biblical families would have made the grade...

The Bible does not depict the kind of 'nuclear' family unit some might imagine as the ideal.

Think of Isaac and his wife Rebekah who played favourites with their sons Esau and Jacob, leading to Jacob deceiving his father and cheating Esau out of his birth right. This meant Jacob had to flee for his life to work for his uncle Laban who promised Jacob his younger daughter Rachel (who Jacob really loved) in marriage and then gave him the elder daughter Leah and tricked him into labouring for seven more years for Rachel. Are you keeping up?

How do you think the family dynamics in Jacob's household played out? Leah gave Jacob sons, but Rachel was unable to, so she gives

Jacob her maid Bilhah as a surrogate. Leah later does the same, giving Jacob her maid Zilpah. Eventually, Rachel bears a son, Joseph – who is Jacob’s favourite, the one who receives the coat with the long sleeves (ok technicoloured if you prefer), and the cycle of jealousy, sibling rivalry and deceit goes on. (Genesis 25 on...)

Fast forward to the Gospel accounts of a young pregnant woman who marries a man who is not the father of her firstborn son. As a young man he attracts great crowds (and the attention of the religious authorities) and his family turn up to one of his rallies to try to persuade him to come home. Someone tells Jesus: “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” And he replies: “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking at those who sat around him, he says: “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

I wonder how that went down with his ‘family’?

We need to remember that in Jesus’ day families were less likely to be the nuclear two parent + 2.4 children and rather more extended ‘households’. Jesus’ statement is drawing a wide circle, incorporating “whoever does the will of God”. He is not rejecting his family but including all God’s people.

We all already represent many different patterns of family in our homes. When I think about the church family, I am hopeful that we reflect the kind of love that lives up to Jesus’ words and that we are the kind of church which embraces all-comers. I’d like to think that when we meet again in person it will be a proper family reunion where anyone and everyone is welcome regardless of race, gender, age, sexuality, wealth; whether we are single, married, co-habiting, whether we prefer dogs or cats (or neither...!), because the church family should provide a home where we can all belong; where we are taken in, loved and valued – not for our net worth or because we are successful or good – but because God loves us so very much. All of us.

“Enlarge the site of your tent, and let the curtains of your habitations be stretched out; do not hold back; lengthen your cords and strengthen your stakes.” Isaiah 54:2

With love, **Linda.**

## Gardening Steve

Hi fellow gardeners, I hope you are all making your gardens nice during these strange times we are in. Gardens are something that we can escape to and enjoy time in. Things are now beginning to slowly get back to normal, it's nice to see visitors coming back to Bowood even though the house and adventure playground remain closed, the grounds and terraces are open to enjoy. It's nice now that we have had a lot of rain to water the gardens as the last 2 months have been exceptionally dry.



BOWOOD TERRACE BOX

Jobs in the garden. Now is the time to cut the box hedges, cut these

on a dry day always using a sharp hedge cutter or shears. After cutting spray the hedge to control box blight there are various types to buy. Dead head roses to encourage more flowers, cut the whole flower stem to the nearest strong stem from the top. Apply a second dose of rose food. Start now by summer pruning all wall climbers especially around windows and guttering. Continue to feed all tubs and baskets with a feed, I recommend Miracle Gro. Regular mowing of lawns helps keep the grass down. Keep the borders weed free with regular hoeing. Anyway, happy gardening and stay safe.

*Stephen Starr*

**Bowood gardener**

## Still not keen to leave the house and go shopping or do other tasks?

**Derry Hill and Studley Community Support** has been operating since the beginning of lockdown and is continuing to help those who find it difficult to go out.

We offer a range of help from shopping, picking up prescriptions, dog walking or just a friendly confidential chat.

Please get in touch if we can help

**Email** the dedicated email account: **dhsfriend@gmail.com**

Or

**Ring** one of our coordinators:

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Ian Liddle	01249 816229
Richard Gribble	01249 812018
Richard Ayles	01249 814632



### **Prayer support is also available:**

Prayer is an important part of our spiritual life ask for prayer. If you have a particular prayer request you can ring Rev. Linda Carter 01249 817926 or email [lindac@mardenvale.org.uk](mailto:lindac@mardenvale.org.uk) or one of the co-ordinators above and they will write out your prayer and put it on the prayer tree in church. Linda will use these in her daily prayers in church unless you wish it to be kept confidential.

***Carol, Ian, Richard A and Richard G***

**Derry Hill and Studley Community Support**



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## Derry Hill and District W.I.

News and information that will take in the next two months July and August. This is normally the time when we would be planning our summer activities for our August meeting, but as I write things are still in no way back to normal and the only way we are all able to meet is in our Zoom session.



We are however keeping occupied with puzzles, conundrums and competitions; the latest being a rainbow using any material available. This was judged by the members, with Sally the winner, Barbara second and Tina third. The remainder were very inventive using pencils, buttons and even a collection of socks!



Congratulations to Sally, who was the unanimous winner!



Second Barbara



Third Tina

We are still having our weekly phone chats, and every couple of weeks our Zoom session, all of which are well received by our members. This is all for now hoping in September to have more news. For any other information please contact Janet on 01249-814152 or email [janet.baumber@btinternet.com](mailto:janet.baumber@btinternet.com)

*Barbara Barnard*

# Calne Without Parish Council News July/August 2020

## Footpaths and Right of Way



If you are interested in helping look after the footpaths and rights of way throughout the Parish, we would like to hear from you. As part of a project to improve our footpaths, cycle paths and bridleways the Parish will be undertaking an audit of all the rights of way in our area and is looking for volunteers to help. Please contact the Clerk [clerk@calnewithout-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@calnewithout-pc.gov.uk) if you can assist or if you have information about a particular path that you use regularly.

## Community Governance Review

Wiltshire Council's Electoral Review Committee is running a consultation about changes to Calne Without Parish Council and the suggested creation of a new Parish for Derry Hill and Studley until 12<sup>th</sup> July 2020. Residents should have received a letter explaining the recommendations of the Review Committee but if not you can find out more and respond to the consultation by [clicking here](#).

The Parish Council has written to Cllr Clewer, Chair of the Wiltshire Electoral Review Committee to give its view. The letter is on the Parish Council website and can be viewed [here](#).

## Dog Waste Bin for Studley

The purchase of a dog waste bin for Studley was approved by the Parish Council at its meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> June. The bin's location at the time of going to press is still being discussed with landowners but the Council hope to have it in place as soon as possible. Signs will also be purchased and put up in appropriate locations to remind owners to pick up after their dogs. Community Police officers and Wiltshire Council Dog Wardens can serve you with a fixed penalty notice if you fail to do so and if prosecuted you could be fined up to £1000.



The cost to the community of providing serviced dog waste bins is high, each bin costing £2.50 per week to empty on top of the purchase price of around £160. Over £1000 of your Council Tax is spent by the Parish Council each year to prevent the problems caused by the minority of dog owners who do not act responsibly.

## Garden Waste Collection Renewal



Wiltshire Council has asked that residents renew their garden waste collection subscriptions by 14<sup>th</sup> August 2020. Details of how to do this are available [here](#).

## **Sarah Glen**

Clerk, Calne Without Parish Council  
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## Derry Tots!

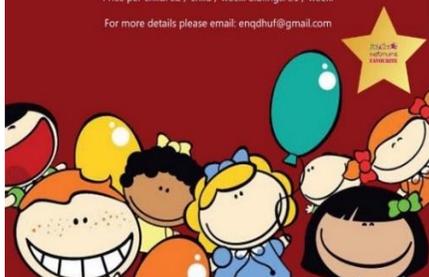
### Derry Hill under 5's play group

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## BOOK REVIEW

At book club this month we experimented by reading our first play, '**Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike**', a comedy written by Christopher Durang, which won the Tony Award for Best Play in 2013 and had the playwright's fellow Yale alum, Sigourney Weaver in the first production.

The play revolves around the relationships of 3 siblings, all of whom are named after Chekhov characters by their amateur dramatic enthusiast, professor parents.

Vanya (who is gay) and Sonia (who is constantly bemoaning her rather Chekhovian lot in life and the fact that she was adopted) have spent their adult life looking after their

now dead parents, neither have ever worked and they are supported by Masha, their movie star sister. The other resident of the house is their cleaning woman Cassandra, who like her namesake, is prone to making dire prophecies that no one believes and has some of the best comic scenes in the play such as the voodoo doll scene.

This stagnant, depressing (albeit comically portrayed) environment is turned upside down when Masha arrives home for a costume dress party in an influential neighbour's house insisting they all go as Snow White and The Seven Dwarfs with herself dressing as Snow White naturally. Masha brings with her all her insecurities following the breakdown of her 5<sup>th</sup> marriage and a stalling career, in which she cannot find roles as an older woman and is constantly being reminded of the ageing process. She also brings with her a new, somewhat dim-witted but very handsome much younger lover, Spike, who has only one claim to fame to date – nearly landing a part in a sequel and who likes nothing better than stripping down to reveal his muscular fit body. Conflict explodes as Sonia's resentments and Masha's competitive nature and insecurities clash and Vanya tries to keep the peace. Further complications arise when their pretty young theatre-infatuated neighbour Nina enters into their lives, and Vanya is persuaded to let Nina read his secretly written play inspired by Konstantin's imagined



symbolist drama in 'The Seagull', in front of the others. The catalyst for change is in place as an entertainingly eventful weekend begins to unravel....

Christopher Durang's play resonates with Chekhov's themes and motifs, but he said himself that, "My play is not a Chekhov parody...I take Chekhov scenes and characters and put them into a blender."

Reading a play is tricky as it is really a blueprint that is not written for the audience, but for the craftsmen and artists that will bring it to life. It is the final production with staging, scenery, lighting, costumes, fine interpretations and performances by the actors, all orchestrated by the director's mastery and vision, that make us go ooohh and hopefully ahhh as great truths are revealed. That said it was an interesting foray into the script world although I know there will be some who will be glad to get back to the novel form this month.

## *Sue Deedigan*

### **CALNE JAZZ CLUB**

We hope to get back in session on

**25<sup>th</sup> August with Kit and Aaron**

This may well be an outdoor event

BYO REFRESHMENTS (no bar at the venue)

ADMISSION £10 on the night

Please check before hand by

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*James and Brig*



## A wonderful book about a special child and his parent's quest to give him a full life

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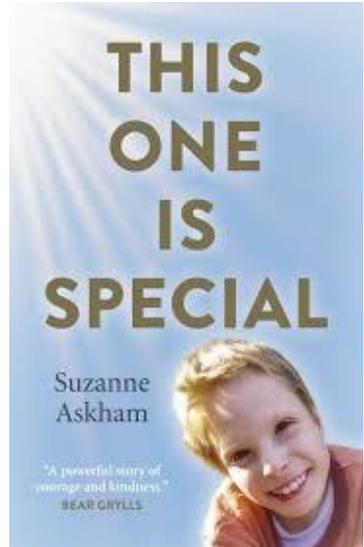
### About the author

Suzanne Askham is an author and editor whose world was turned upside down when her first child was born with profound disabilities. Suzanne has spent over 100 nights in intensive care units, both as a parent carer and as a patient. In her highly personal account, 'This One is Special', she is able to share many practical and intuitive tips to help anyone going through challenging life conditions. Suzanne lives with her family in Old Derry Hill.

'This One is Special' by Suzanne Askham is published by O-Books and is available as a [paperback and e-book](#).

This is a very readable, interesting and moving book, I urge you to read it.

**Ed**



## NHS Test and Trace scams



The NHS Test and Trace service plays an important role in the fight against coronavirus and it is vital the public have confidence and trust in the service. However, we understand the concerns people have about the opportunity for criminals to commit scams. What you need to know:

Contact tracers will only call you from the number 0300 013 5000. Anyone who does not wish to talk over the phone can request the NHS Test and Trace service to send an email or text instead, inviting them to log into the web-based service.

All text or emails sent by NHS Test and Trace will ask people to sign into the contact tracing website and will provide you with a unique reference number. We would advise people to type the web address <https://contact-tracing.phe.gov.uk> directly into their browser, followed by the unique reference number given to you, rather than clicking on any link provided in the message.

The NHS Test and Trace service will never:

- ask you to dial a premium rate number to speak to them (for example, those starting 09 or 087)
- ask you to make any form of payment or purchase a product or any kind
- ask for any details about your bank account
- ask for your social media identities or login details, or those of your contacts
- ask you for any passwords or PINs, or ask you to set up any passwords or PINs over the phone
- ask you to download any software to your PC or ask you to hand over control of your PC, smartphone or tablet to anyone else
- ask you to access any website that does not belong to the government or NHS

If you think you have been a victim of fraud, please report it to Action Fraud at <https://www.actionfraud.police.uk> or by calling 0300 123 2040. If you live in Scotland, please report directly to Police Scotland by calling 101.

[By Action Fraud](#)

## Be cautious over cold callers

Scams over the phone are nothing new, but, in the current climate, they are being adapted. Criminals are exploiting the need to keep ourselves safe and take protective measures during the COVID19 pandemic so are reinventing their scams to use Coronavirus as a hook.

Any unsolicited phone calls should be treated with extreme caution, and if they are asking for payment details it is highly likely to be a scam.



Face masks, hand sanitiser and other protective products are in high demand, and fraudsters know this. We have also seen lots of activity online with many offering these products to lure people in, but the true reality is that they do not have these products and never will do - it is all a scam.

If you are looking to purchase these items, do not panic or rush. Do your research into who you are buying from and look for reviews, this can help determine whether it is a legitimate company or not. Most importantly though, never give payment or personal details during any unsolicited calls, emails or text messages.

If you think that you may have done, contact your bank immediately, change any passwords you may have divulged and report the incident to Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or online at [www.actionfraud.police.uk](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk)

**Sian Rivers** (Police, Communications Officer, HQ)

# SHARE SOME LOVE TO THOSE WHO NEED IT MOST

The most vulnerable in our community need some extra support during these difficult times. Residents of our local care homes may not receive visitors and would therefore love to receive **letters, drawings** and **paintings** from children who are currently not at school, to help brighten their days.

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## **PLEASE POST!**

**TO ENSURE THE RESIDENT'S SAFETY, PLEASE POST THE LETTERS DIRECTLY TO THE LISTED HOME ADDRESSES!**

**Public Health England (PHE)** has advised that people receiving parcels are not at risk of contracting the coronavirus. From experience with other coronaviruses, we know that these types of viruses don't survive long on objects, such as letters or parcels.  
Further info: [royalmail.com/coronavirus](https://www.royalmail.com/coronavirus)



Kindly organised for the community of Calne, by Calne Town Council

## The Bremhill Village Home Produce and Garden Show 2020

The produce show will be on **Saturday 5th September** this year. The link to the schedule and class notes is here:

[www.bremhill.com/show](http://www.bremhill.com/show).

There are many things to keep you occupied during lock down, ready for the show - so get going now. And encourage your children, grandchildren other family, friends and neighbours to start planting, painting, making things and planning their entries. Please print off extra copies for people who may not have printers and to pin to notice boards around the parish.

Still in lockdown in September? or a second lockdown?

Then we are planning to have a "VIRTUAL SHOW"

A challenge for the judges. Fewer classes and maybe some different ones. In the cooking section (presentation will be everything), a suggestion has been for a construction (biscuits or sponges) to look like one of the village halls or churches in the parish.

We would love to have more ideas from you just in case it is a virtual show.

All stay safe and enjoy gardening or making things

***Marilyn Adcock***



## Studley Methodist Church

Please see notice board for details of any activities.

***Tina***

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## Coffee, Crafts & Chat

Unfortunately, this is postponed until further notice.

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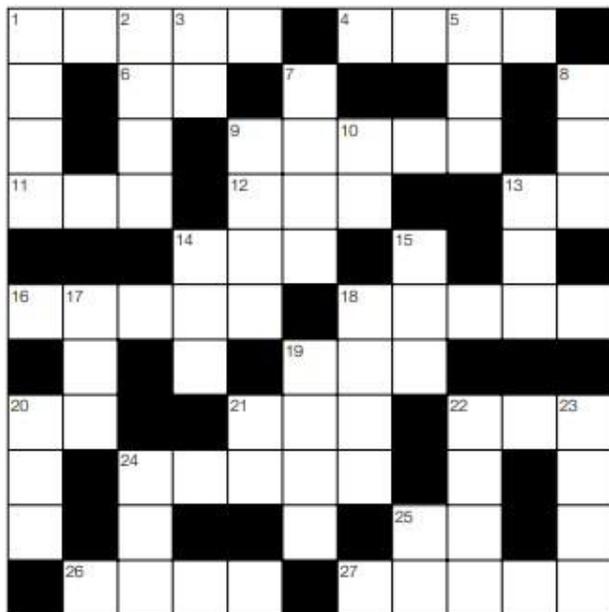
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- 19 Flying prefix (4)  
 20 Unhinged (3)  
 21 In the direction of (2)  
 22 Sword fight (4)  
 23 Tide of minimum range  
 24 Child's bed (3)  
 25 Short for mother (2)

## July / August 2020

### Across

- 1 German for ladies (5)  
 4 Fourth dimension (4)  
 6 See 3 down (2)  
 9 Fable writer (5)  
 11 Conclusion (3)  
 12 Keep, briefly (3)  
 13 Act (2)  
 14 Jump on one foot (3)  
 16 Pleased (5)  
 18 Picture holder (5)  
 19 See 15 down (3)  
 20 Personal pronoun (2)  
 21 Golf peg (3)  
 22 Boy's name (3)  
 24 Routine task (5)  
 25 Personal pronoun (2)

- 26 "Go no further!" (4)  
 27 Dance named after a horse's gait (5)

### Down

- 1 Broad valley (4)  
 2 Fermented honey drink (4)  
 3 For example (3)  
 5 Atlas part (3)  
 7 "SOS!" (4)  
 8 As well (3)  
 9 Nautical greeting (4)  
 10 Type of storage card (2)  
 13 Poorly lit (3)  
 14 Type of beer (3)  
 15 Curved line (3)  
 17 Highest in a suit (3)  
 18 At no cost (4)

## Some useful sites to help you pass the time at home

### **For the kids**

[kidsactivities](#) Lots of ideas and resources for kids

[Childsfarm](#) Lots of ideas and resources for kids and colouring in sheets (Mum and Dad too?!!)



### **Grown ups**

**Some theatres** are allowing you to watch one of their plays.

[The National Theatre](#) is streaming for free every Thursday 7.30pm for a week a succession of decent plays.

[The Hampstead Theatre](#) are putting on some cracking plays

[The Countryside Alliance](#) Have some Interesting articles for adults on countryside matters

**Here is a massive bank of further information including virtual visits to museums from [Wiltshire Council](#)**

**Ed**



## Some useful links if you or someone you know needs some support

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[enquiries@ageukwiltshire.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@ageukwiltshire.org.uk) or call 0808 196 2424
- [Independent Age Helpline](#) 0800 319 6789
- [Silver Line](#) 24/7 telephone support service for older people
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- [British Lung Foundation](#) listening ear service
- [Macmillan Cancer Care](#) helpline 0808 808 00 00, 7 days a week, 9am to 5pm
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- [CALM](#) Helpline for men open 5pm to midnight seven days a week. National number: 0800 58 58 58
- [Mens Health Forum](#) 020 7922 7908
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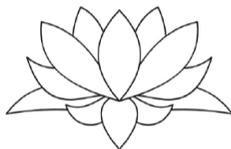
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[lindac@mardenvale.org.uk](mailto:lindac@mardenvale.org.uk)

A donation to the church for the cost of the lighting is welcome.

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#### **ALTAR GUILD**

*Flowers in Church:* The Flower Guild are inviting flower sponsorship for the single pedestal in Christ Church, Derry Hill each week. If you would like to do this or sponsor part of a pedestal, in memory of a special occasion then, to find out more contact Claire Satchell, on **07968 091217** or email [newleaffloristry@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:newleaffloristry@hotmail.co.uk)



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