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Editorial

May 2023 promises to be significant in modern history as we witness the coronation of a new King and Queen, an event which thanks to modern technology will be witnessed at close quarters by many millions around the UK and the world. This will be the first coronation to be experienced during our lifetimes by the majority of our population, the last one taking place



as long ago as June 1953. The coronation weekend will witness a string of events taking place in our villages so there will be plenty of opportunities to mark the occasion – many thanks to all those involved in putting together a comprehensive range of activities, so soon after marking last year's Platinum Jubilee!

For the second successive year there is also an additional Bank Holiday to enjoy on Monday 8 May – let's hope for some reasonable weather for all three this month as we head towards the summer. In addition to the usual range of sporting events held in May, for those who enjoy it, the month also sees Liverpool hosting the Eurovision Song Contest, an event which in recent years has grown out of all proportion compared with its humble origins when we used to regularly perform well.

In terms of historical anniversaries this month, 1 May 1707 saw the Union between England and Scotland proclaimed and the launch of the first

adhesive postage stamp took place on 6 May 1840. The 'Penny Black' stamp marked a revolution in postal services as it marked the introduction of a universal postage rate to any part of the country which was paid for by the sender. Prior to this postage was paid for by the receiver who could often refuse to accept mail, resulting in an extremely bureaucratic and expensive system.



The days of the 'Penny Black are long gone however with the price of a first-class stamp recently increasing to £1.10.

World Biscuit Day is on 29 May, an event which should have a higher profile as we in the UK are one of the world's largest consumers of sweet biscuits! Cadbury's patented the first chocolate covered biscuit as long ago as 1891 and the following year saw McVities launch the first Digestive biscuit. Reading based Huntley and Palmers produced the world's first biscuit tin in 1831 and by 1900 they had exported their products to 172 countries.

Finally, this month sees 'Star Wars Day' - May the Fourth be with you!

Assistant Editor



Dear Friends,

We are in the Great Fifty Days of Eastertide, the season which culminates on the day of Pentecost, which falls on 28th May this year (services at Bremhill 10am and Foxham 6pm). For many, Easter was over by the end of the bank holiday and is certainly a dim and distant memory by now.

However, the character and content of the readings and liturgy of the church services during Eastertide encourages a sense of celebratory rejoicing and are intended to help us to explore and engage more fully with the message of Easter. Most noticeable are the 'Alleluias' which, having been absent during Lent are now liberally distributed throughout each service. 'Alleluia! Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia!'

Also, the paschal or Easter candle, lit on Easter Day, is lit at every service throughout the Easter season, and is placed in a prominent position, usually near the altar. After the Day of Pentecost the candle is moved to the font, and is lit for baptisms throughout the year. It is also lit for funerals and moved to stand by the coffin, to signify dying and rising with Christ. Another visual aid which remains throughout Eastertide is the Easter

Garden, with the stone rolled away and linen cloths in the tomb, the hillside with three empty crosses.

Eastertide continues with Ascension Day, which falls on 18th May this year (services at St Mary's, Calne 8am and Christ Church, Derry Hill 7.30pm) This is when we remember how Jesus commissions his disciples to continue his work and promises the gift of the Holy Spirit, before ascending to his Father in heaven. The nine days (novena) between Ascension Day and Pentecost is, for many Christians a time of prayerful waiting, in the same way that Jesus' disciples prayed together as they waited for the promised Holy Spirit to come.

And finally, the Day of Pentecost, when

our fervent prayer is for a fresh outpouring of the Spirit on the Church and on all who follow Christ. Red (for the tongues of flame) is the liturgical colour for our worship. We each light our own candles from the paschal candle, as we are blessed and commissioned to dare to grow together in love, to share our riches and minister to each other, to pray for one another and 'to carry the light of Christ into the world's dark places'. The Pentecost service finishes outside the church building, signifying that we make Christ known out in the world through the power of the Holy Spirit, which is aflame within us.

I hope that the message of Easter continues to bring joy; and if that is not possible, then may you find peace and strength in midst of the challenges before you.

With my love and prayers this Eastertide,

LINDA

Thanksgiving Service Christ Church Derry Hill Sunday 7th May at 11.00am



All Welcome

May 2023 Church Services		
Time	Church	Service
Wednesday 3r	d	
10am	St Mary's, Calne	Holy Communion
Sunday 7th Fifth	Sunday of Easter (Easter 4) Co	ronation Thanksgiving
8am	St Mary's, Calne	Holy Communion
9.30am	St John the Baptist, Foxham	Parish Eucharist
10am	St Mary's, Calne	Parish Eucharist
10am	Holy Trinity, Quemerford	Family Service
11am	Christ Church, Derry Hill	Thanksgiving Service
5.30pm	St. Martin's, Bremhill	Thanksgiving Service
Wednesday 10	th	
10am	St Mary's, Calne	Holy Communion
Sunday 14th Si	xth Sunday of Easter (Easter	5) Rogation Sunday
8am	St Mary's, Calne	Holy Communion
9.30am	St John the Baptist, Foxham	Parish Eucharist
10am	St Mary's, Calne	Parish Eucharist
11am	Christ Church, Derry Hill	Parish Eucharist
6pm	St. Martin's, Bremhill	Evensong
Wednesday 17th		
10am	St Mary's, Calne	Holy Communion
Thursday 18 th Ascension Day		
8am	St Mary's, Calne	Holy Communion
7.30pm	Christ Church, Derry Hill	Holy Communion

Sunday 21 st Seventh Sunday of Easter (Sunday after Ascension Day		
8am	St Mary's, Calne	Holy Communion
10am	St Mary's, Calne	Parish Eucharist
10am	Holy Trinity, Quemerford	Family Service
11am	Christ Church, Derry Hill	Parish Eucharist
6pm	Zoom	Evening Prayer
Tuesday 23rd		
7.30pm	Christ Church, Derry Hill	Holy Communion
Wednesday 24th		
10am	St Mary's, Calne	Holy Communion
Sunday 28th		
9.30am	St Peter's, Blackland	Holy Communion
10am	St Mary's, Calne	Morning Prayer
10am	St Martin's, Bremhill	All Age Communion
10.45am	Holy Trinity, Quemerford	Holy Communion
6pm	St John the Baptist, Foxham	Evening Prayer
Wednesday 31 st Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth		
10am	St Mary's, Calne	Holy Communion

Richard, Dan and Lucy would like to thank very much all those kind friends who sent messages of condolence and support following the sad death of Mary (Aylen). May She Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

Coming to Church

Parochial Church Council (PCC) Guidance

We have for some months now been worshipping in church with minimal restrictions regarding Covid, with people making their own choices about wearing face coverings and/or social distancing.

When it comes to Holy Communion, guidance will be given during the service.

We continue to offer **Zoom services** (usually fortnightly) and of course, if you are feeling unwell or test positive for Covid please stay at home.

As ever, our Christian calling is to care for all our brothers and sisters, particularly those who are vulnerable; and there are times in our lives when every one of us (and those we have close contact with) is vulnerable. We ask that everyone continues to take extra care during our services and respects the wishes and needs of those around us so that everyone feels comfortable and safe.

Rev[•]d Linda Carter on behalf of Bremhill, Derry Hill and Foxham PCCs March 2023.

Contact Rev'd Linda Carter to obtain the link for Zoom Services: lindac@mardenvale.org.uk



Church Contacts CHRIST CHURCH - DERRY HILL

Vicar: (Day off Monday. Urgent calls only that day please) Reverend Linda CarterThe Vicarage,Church Road, Derry Hill.O1249 817926Calne. SN11 9NNlindac@mardenvale.org.uk

Lay Pastoral Assistant (LPA)

Please call if you would like a visit or chat - all in strictest confidence Mrs Anita Uttlev 01380 859433

Church Wardens

Mrs Deidre Lias 01249 822157 Mr Peter Rigby 01225 704356

PCC Treasurer (Tr) & Secretary (Sec)

Mr Peter Roycroft (Tr) 01249 660550 Mrs Lucinda Prater (Sec) 07882 469005

If you wish to discuss arrangements for Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals or would like a pastoral visit or meeting arranged then please contact Reverend Linda Carter

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: **Bing** one of our coordinators:

dhsfriend@gmail.com

Ring one of our cod	ordinators:
Carol Rigby	01225 704356
lan Liddle	01249 816229
Richard Gribble	01249 812018
Richard Aylen	01249 814632

Carol, Ian, Richard A and Richard G Derry Hill and Studley Community Support

The Night Sky in May

Despite the lighter skies of this month, the most prominent and brightest feature, after the Moon, remains our neighbouring planet, Venus. It will be clearly visible in the western sky all month from sunset through until midnight at the beginning of the month, a little earlier towards the end of May.

The period between 22-24 May in particular will provide opportunities to view Venus, Mars and the Moon close together, again in the western sky at around 22.00h. On 22 May, the thin crescent Moon will have Venus to its left and on the following evening at the same time the planet will be immediately below the Moon. The two stars sitting horizontally above these two are the twins Pollux and Castor. To the left of the twins Mars can be located – it is much diminished in brightness at present but its reddish tinge aids identification. If conditions do not allow for good viewing of the Red planet, on the next evening, 24 May, Mars will be immediately below the Moon with Pollux and Castor and Venus to their right. Three clear evenings to view these tableaux would be good!

Jupiter is currently lost in the pre-dawn twilight so not visible but ringed Saturn is available to view – for the early risers! At around 04.30h on 13 May, low in the Eastern sky, the planet will be just to the left of the Moon, switching to its right at the same time the following morning.

Low in the Northern sky, the constellation of Cassiopeia can be found.

This is easily identified as the five constituent stars form a rough 'W' shape, though at other times it can be inverted to form an 'M'. Also in the Northern skies, the Plough (or 'Big Dipper') is readily visible, at the moment almost on its end. Following a line from the two end stars towards the horizon, Polaris will be found.



Not particularly bright, this star was an invaluable aid to mariners in days of old when navigation was difficult. It sits almost exactly above the North Pole and is virtually stationary so Earth rotates beneath it, an essential tool for navigators. Polaris is five times heavier than our Sun.

	Sunrise	Sunset
1 May	05.39h	20.31h
15 May	05.16h	20.53h
31 May	04.57h	21.14h

Richard Carter

New knitting, stitching & craft group.

A new group meeting weekly, Fridays 2-4 pm in Christ Church Derry Hill. Bring your crochet, knitting or needlework, all abilities welcome. Share tips, chat and enjoy a tea or coffee, £3.

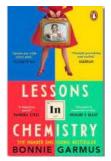


Any queries contact Christine 817780, Liz 812138 or Marcia 820196

Book Club Review

Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus

Set in 1960's American suburbia, Lessons in Chemistry is a book that constantly surprises. The central character, Elizabeth Zott, defies most of the stereotypes of her era. She's a brilliant scientist who doesn't want or need a man to define her, she doesn't understand or adhere to convention and she's determined to do things her way. Settings and scenarios such as a science lab, a tv studio and even a graveyard, are cleverly used to frame defining moments in Elizabeth's life, to reinforce



societal norms and to highlight how she confounds them. The book is witty and laugh out loud and the subject matter is rich and full of interesting characters. It has the persona of a beach read but the emotional tension of a classic. Definitely worth the read.

Emir

Calne Without Parish council

What we've been doing in the last month

Over the last month we have continued to respond to planning applications and other consultations that have come our way. It is important for us as a Parish Council to use our local knowledge and voice to help to try to influence local government decisions.

Over the last month we have provided grants to a number of local groups to help facilitate their Celebrations for the Coronation. We hope you all have a fabulous time celebrating.

We have enjoyed having a number of opportunities to engage with local residents at a series of 'Roadshows' and our Annual Parish Meeting. Upcoming "All things Roads" Meeting

A public meeting of local residents and business owners will be held at Calne Community Campus starting at 7pm on 15 May, to discuss "All Things Roads" in the Calne Community Area. There will be an opportunity to listen to updates about air quality, traffic, speeding and congestion and ask questions of the panel. The panel will include Director of Highways, Cabinet Member for Highways, senior Wiltshire Council Officers, the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and local Wiltshire councillors. There will be an opportunity for an open discussion about local issues and members of the public are invited to offer their feedback and thoughts on ways forward.

Reporting issues

We regularly receive reports of work required that we pass onto Wiltshire Council for their attention. Did you know that there is a quick and easy way to report items such as potholes and issues with street lighting straight to Wiltshire Council? Search 'my wilts' app and follow the instructions.

Funding Requests

If you are a local group who is in need for funding please get in touch and we can discuss if a grant application is possible.

If you need to get in touch with the Parish Council please contact the Parish Clerk clerk@calnewithout-pc.gov.uk

07751802761

Katherine Checchia

Parish Clerk www.calnewithout-pc.gov.uk

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way to develop your creative side, and really enjoy the next few months.

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Our classes are popular, and places are strictly limited to maintain high standards of tuition so hurry... don't miss out!

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Lansdowne Hall in Derry Hill, Calne

01249 736 494

The Sixth Vicar of Christ Church Derry Hill

Alfred Lovell Scott was the 6th Vicar of Derry Hill (1889 to 1925). A very special man who dedicated 36 years to Derry Hill and Studley and was witness to huge change.

Alfred was one of 7 children and was born in Natal South Africa in 1854. On 25th June 1889 he married Miriam Vincent at St Stephens Lewisham. He died in St Leonard's-on-Sea in 1940.

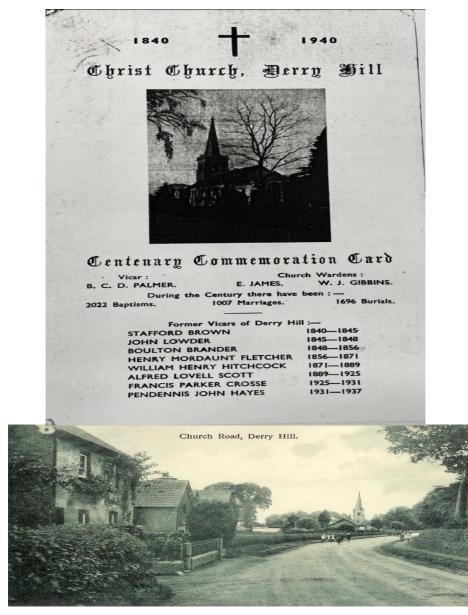
They had two children - Durrent and Miriam. Durrent joined the Canadian forces in WW2, eventually settling in British Columbia. He passed away in June 1978.

The processional cross was presented to the church in memory of Alfred.

Rev Scott's retirement presentation was made at the Old Village Hall. Many came to the presentation - the hall was full. The presentation noted that In his time in the village Rev. Scott had entered into many peoples lives on the occasion of joy and sorrow and had always been a true friend to everyone. 200 parishioners had raised £130 as a gift and presented an album with all the names of those that had donated.

At the presentation, Lord Lansdowne said "If I let myself go and passed in review the years of history in this parish and the history of the Vicars' know who occupied the Vicarage in that time I should keep you here for a long time. I remember the early days of the parish and how it was constituted by bits of geographical piecework. The new parish has thriven and I think it is largely due to the character of the people who, one after another, have been its ecclesiastical heads. I well remember *Mr Fletcher, as some of you do and Mr Hitchcok who succeeded him*". The presentation concluded by highlighting the example the Rev Scott had made of a consistent exemplary life and that he was leaving behind a life which meant more to the village then could at the moment be estimated. Though they regretted that he must leave they realised that he fully deserved his retirement - "it is the people who work the hardest in life that would enjoy the sweetest of retirement".

Rev Scott was instrumental in many families across the village -Lansdowne, Lysley, Angell, Hervey. It would be great to find a photo of Alfred and some more photos of the old vicarage.



Steve Calder

The myth about the gravestone with a circle of glass

For years the myth has been that there is a gravestone in Christ Church graveyard that contains a slice of the heart or brain of the deceased - sealed behind a circle of glass.

Well, the story is not likely to be true - the grave marks the remains of William Lansdale (Lansdall in the census record). William was born in Marylebone London in 1789. He worked most of his life as a Copy Holder (a good job - proof reading publications in the Georgian age).

He died when he was 80, had a pension, was a widower and had lived in Norley Lane since 1851.



He died in 1868. He had a son and a daughter (who married an Angell). He had at least two grandsons.

And the circle of glass on his grave stone? Well, it is a representation of a round magnifying glass - the tool of William's trade as a Copy Holder. An expensive gravestone for a well thought of man.



Steve Calder



Introduction

Welcome to my latest Neighbourhood Policing update for Derry Hill and surrounding villages. If there is anything you wish for me to add to these updates, or concerns you may have, please do contact me using my Email address: <u>mark.cook@wiltshire.police.uk</u>

Crime and incident updates

- On 25/03/2023 at 05:19hrs, a driver of a black Renault Clio was arrested on suspicion of driving whilst under the influence of drink or drugs after being involved in a road traffic collision on the A4 at Chilvester Hill.
- Between 27/03/2023 22:00 and 28/03/2023 09:30hrs, a black Mini Cooper S was taken from outside of an address in Calstone. If you have any information which would assist us with our enquires in relation to this matter, please call 101 quoting this reference number: 54230032848
- On 31/03/2023 at 10:00hrs, a grey Porsche Macan pulled out into the path of a Volkswagen Touran resulting in a head on collision. The driver and passenger of the Volkswagen received minor injuries.
- 05/04/2023 at 09:52hrs, a two vehicle road traffic collision between a silver Ford S-max and a green Skoda Yeti on Snow Hill, Hilmarton. Thankfully neither driver stained any injuries.
- Between 16/04/2023 13:00hrs and 17/04/2023 18:30hrs, Unknown suspect(s) have vandalised fencing and stolen 12v batteries in the area of Robbins Piece in Calstone.

• On 19/04/2023 at 14:32hrs, a two-vehicle road traffic collision involving vehicles travelling on the A342 in the direction of Chippenham. A silver Hyundai was looking to join A4 via the slip road. The Hyundai stopped and a white Ford Transit van following collided with the rear of the Hyundai, having failed to see it stop.

Anti-social Behaviour

Although we attempt to monitor the social media groups within our local policing area, this does not replace the official reporting of any crimes or Anti-social Behaviour.

If you experience any crime



or anti-social behaviour, please do report it to us on the 101 number, or via the online reporting form on the main Wiltshire police website.

We will always endeavour to investigate any reports of crime and antisocial behaviour to bring the person or persons responsible to justice.

Where this is not possible, any reports will always be collated to establish problem locations, crime or anti-social behaviour trends which do enable us to target patrols in the right places and the right times.

Road safety





We are continuing to monitor any collisions or incidents on the A4 and surrounding routes of Derry Hill and will look to target those locations for preventive patrols and enforcement action where possible.

On Wednesday 29Th March, our roads policing officers were out in force in Chippenham and surrounding areas as part of Project Zero patrols, targeting drivers who commit any of the fatal five offences.

These include drink driving and using a mobile phone while behind the wheel of a car. 78 offences were detected in one day.

Local PCSO awarded with High Sheriff Award for 'Excellent Community Policing'



A Wiltshire Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) has been awarded a High Sheriff award for his work within the community.

Mark Cook has worked for the Force for 17 years, 11 of which have been spent in Calne.

Yesterday (27/03) Mark was surprised by the High Sheriff of Wiltshire, Lady Lansdowne at Calne police station and was presented with his award.

Lady Lansdowne, described Mark as 'the best example of excellent community policing'.

She said: "It was lovely to give Mark his award. Born

in Calne, he knows the town and surrounding villages really well and really

puts that knowledge to good use. Everyone loves him and he does so much good locally.

He has been the Bowood Bobby too for many years and often takes a drive through the park to make sure Bowood is safe and I see him out and about while walking my dogs.

He always has time for a chat. He is very approachable and good with all ages and at a time when trust in the police is not as it should be, he is the best ambassador Wiltshire police could have to build relationships with the public.

It was a pleasure to surprise him with the High Sheriff award in my last week as High Sheriff. I think he thought he had been summoned to the Police Station as he had done something wrong but far from it!"

Mark was delighted to receive the award and meet Lady Lansdowne. He said: "It's really nice when your work is recognised like this, as I just do a job that I love."

PCSO Mark Cook said: "I am part of a much wider team of officers who help to police Calne. We all work together each day to keep people as safe as we can.

It was such a surprise when the High Sheriff, Lady Lansdowne arrived at Calne police station to present the award. I was completely taken back by it. It was also nice to discuss some of the work she has done and hopes to do in the future surrounding issued affecting the safety of women and girls.

I am extremely proud to be able to serve the town where I grew up and to be able to give something back every day to the community of Calne."

Sgt Mike Tripp who works with Mark said: "Mark's commitment to his role has resulted in countless positive results for the police and the community as a whole.

Mark is extremely well known and respected within the community and this award highlights the value he holds to the residents of Calne."

Policing Rural Communities



The Rural Crime Team are a dedicated team with specific policing priorities, these being Agriculture, Wildlife, Heritage and Equine crime. These four areas of business are the main focus of the team's engagement and proactive work however, the team are committed to tackling policing issues across all rural communities, whatever those issues may be.

The Rural Crime Team does not work alone in policing the rural communities of Wiltshire. All areas have dedicated Neighbourhood Teams, supported by response teams, investigators and support departments in the force.

The Rural Crime Team itself provides specialist skills and support to this wider pool of resources assisting with rural crime and wildlife matters. The Rural Crime Team also work closely with a number of partners.

If you wish to contact the Rural Crime Team, please email them on: rctc@wiltshire.police.uk

As with all crime, this needs to be reported on 101 or via the Wiltshire police online crime reporting form.

Closed fishing season – 15th March to 15th June 2023



The coarse fish close season is approaching (at the time of writing this update) meaning it's illegal to fish for coarse fish in rivers until 15th June inclusive.

Don't forget, there are plenty of still waters or canal coarse fisheries where you can fish.

These rules are aimed at protecting fish stocks and making fisheries sustainable. Freshwater fish include salmon, trout, coarse fish and eels

Learn more here: Freshwater rod fishing rules: Overview - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Operation EASTER

Operation Easter - 26 years of stopping egg thieves and egg collectors. The national enforcement campaign to protect our nesting wild birds is underway for 2023. Egg thieves will go to any lengths to raid the nests of rare wild birds. Operation EASTER is determined to stop them in their tracks.



The taking of wild bird eggs is a serious crime yet it remains an illicit hobby for some determined individuals.

Whole clutches of eggs can be taken from some of the UK's rarest birds with potentially devastating impacts. The eggs are stored in secret collections.

If you have any information on egg thieves, or those who disturb rare nesting birds without a license, you should contact your local police by dialling 101 - ask to speak to a wildlife crime officer if possible. Nesting will be in full swing in April so please contact Wiltshire Police if you see anyone acting suspiciously around nesting birds by reporting online. https://crowd.in/OnFrQ2

Information can also be passed in confidence to Crimestoppers via 0800 555 111.

Social Media and Community Messaging



Regular updates for the Calne area can also be found on Community messaging and our Facebook page: Calne police

Rise Up Event Held at Kingsbury Green Academy

Students from Ascend Learning Trust join in a celebration of Dance. Kingsbury Green Academy hosts the Rise Up Dance event.

Kingsbury Green Academy hosted their



very first Primary and Secondary Dance Show on Wednesday 29th March. The Dance show is not a competition like other festivals and events on the annual calendar of support for schools around Calne but more of a celebration and storytelling opportunity. The show included local schools from the Kingsbury Green Sports Cluster and also schools from the Ascend Learning Trust.

The evening hosted a total of 12 Dances, which were performed to an audience of over 150 with all proceeds going to Springboard a local SEN Pre-School supporting parents with children with additional needs. The theme for the show was The Journey which felt appropriate given the last couple of years' events. Behind the scenes a huge team of technical experts, dance teachers and Young Leaders from the Power of 10 team helped to prepare the venue and work on filming, set design and sound and lighting.

The Ascend Learning Trust's Rise Up events continue throughout the year, with the next event being held at Lawn Manor Academy in June. Phil Smith School Sports Coordinator and Show Producer at Kingsbury Green Academy went on to mention "Huge thank you to all involved especially Alice Mitchell Head of Performing Arts at KGA for spending the last 4 months planning the show. A wonderful evening with a special guest appearance from a giant cuddly Mascot from Springboard. I'm already looking forward to making this an annual event and coming up with a theme for even more schools to embrace in 2024."

Amy Norris Ascend Learning Trust

Heartbeat Appeal

Heartbeat wants to thank all its kind donors without whom we couldn't run the defibrillator service in the village. We are not funded by the NHS or Government; we are entirely dependent on voluntary funding.



If you can help either by an Annual Standing Order for £10 or by a one-off donation it would be appreciated, the bank details are:

Account: Derry Hill and Studley Heartbeat Sort Code: 30-91-99 Account No: 52349360

We are also looking for the support of 2-3 village volunteers to:

- Help check the defibs each month (no previous experience required we will train you).
- Organise awareness sessions
- Help us fundraise.

If you are interested and want to chat about what is involved then please call me on the number below.

Many thanks for your support.

Julian (Chair, Derry Hill and Studley Heartbeat) 07769 970401 / julesoliver3@gmail.com

There was an unintentional error in last month's Heartbeat Article (below) so we have reprinted it in full. Apologies for any misunderstanding. Ed

How Does a Defibrillator Work?

As the name suggests, defibrillation stops **fibrillation**, the useless trembling that a person's heart muscles can adopt during a cardiac arrest. Simply speaking, a defibrillator works by using a moderately high voltage (something like 200–1000



volts) to pass an electric current through the heart so it's shocked into working normally again – at least that's the objective!

The kind of defibrillator you see on TV consists of an electric supply unit and two metal electrodes called **paddles** that are pressed very firmly to the patient's chest using insulating plastic handles (so the person using them doesn't get a shock too). In a hospital the doctor manually sets the voltage and usually increases it if the first attempt fails. The important thing is getting the current to flow through the heart, so where the paddles are applied is crucial. They must also make good electrical contact with the skin, so a solid or liquid conducting gel is usually applied to the patient's chest first.

Our automatic defibrillators in the village are designed to be used by untrained people and issue precise audible instructions telling the user exactly what to do and where to place the pads. They use sticky, selfadhesive electrode pads instead of paddles for safety and simplicity: once the pads are stuck on, the operator can stand well clear of the patient's body and that reduces the risk of their getting an electric shock. Our automatic units test the heart first before applying an appropriate electric shock if needed. If the patient's heart is working correctly our automatic units do not give an electric shock, so they are completely safe!

Don't have nightmares!

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Jazz Club Marden House Calne

It's interesting how the club has "taken off" after the pandemic. For instance, the recent show with the wonderful **Catherine Sykes** was graced with an audience of 64 and it has been like that since our "come back" concert in August 2021.

So, hoping this will continue, we have another amazing concert on Tuesday 30th May with 2 top pianists playing together, designed by and



featuring our most frequent performer **Dave Newton** with a fellow Scot **Euan Stevenson.**

We've heard this ensemble of **TWO PIANOS** and it is utterly incredible. Sweet Georgia Brown has never been given quite such a run for her money!

Tuesday 27th June will be our 18th anniversary for which there will be a hoot of a celebratory concert now being secretly devised!

No bar but bring your own refreshments, small tables provided. Admission still only $\pounds 10$

Please pay at the door and do please reserve seats by email to harphammusic@hotmail.com

James and Brigid 01249 812300 or 07976 945055

Mobile library visits to Derry Hill

Lansdowne Hall Derry Hill

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Kingston House Derry Hill 10.10 – 10.30 Mondays: 8th May 2023



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Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who took part in the consultations and evidence gathering exercises that have taken place over the course of 2022 as part of the Calne Community Neighbourhood Plan review. The Steering Group have been busy analysing feedback and doing evidence collection and research.

Summary of 2022 consultations



- ☑ January to March: Launch Consultation ☑ May - July: Homes and Housing Need
- Survey
- June July: Local Green Space Survey
- July October: Local Heritage Assets call nominations
- September October: Call for Sites

Find out more here: https://www.calnecommunityplan.com/blog

What's happening in 2023?

The Steering Group are working on finalising evidence base work and drafting the plan updates. We are aiming to consult on the whole draft of the updated Neighbourhood Plan in the early Autumn. Find out more on page 3 of this update.

Thinking about housing

We are undertaking an assessment of all sites that land owners have put forward to be considered as housing sites. National independent company AECOM are now assessing the individual sites to see which may be suitable for allocation for housing sites in the Neighbourhood Plan.

Running alongside this work, the Calne Community Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group commissioned a Housing Need Assessment (HNA) which helps us to understand the needs of the existing community and future residents, including, for example, affordable housing and housing for older people. See the full reports on our website (calnecommunityplan.com).

All this work will help to inform the question about if, and where, the Neighbourhood Plan should allocate a site for housing this time as it did in the first Plan. We will only allocate if there are clear benefits to doing so and there is community support.

Haven't we already got too much housing?

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What would our children like to see the Calne Area look like in the future?

Young people are some of our strongest advocates for addressing climate change and their view of the future can help us take a new look at the opportunities open to us.

The review of the Calne Community Neighbourhood Plan will help guide development in the area for the next 10 to 15 years and we'd like to know what our young people think should happen.

We have questionnaires designed for both primary and

secondary school pupils, these will be offered to the schools within the plan area, but we know that many children living in our area attend the secondary schools in Chippenham and the primary schools at Cherhill, Heddington and Hilmarton so might be missed. Please give them the chance to be involved, go to the calnecommunityplan.com website today and follow the link.

To find out more about the Plan go to www.calne communityplan.com **Sue**

Coleridge in Wiltshire

A talk by Nick Baxter



Calne Library Tuesday 9th May 2023 2pm to 4pm

The Irish bard, Thomas Moore, commented on the effect Wiltshire had on Samuel Taylor Coleridge as "a giant refreshed with sleep."

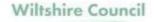
Join local historian Nick Baxter and explore the Romantic poet and philosopher's life in Wiltshire. Once resident in Church Street, his life in Calne was productive and one of celebrity.

This talk is part of Local History Month 2023.

Tickets £4 each from Wiltshire & Swindon History Centre To book your place call 01249 705500







Mothers' Union Prayer & Fellowship Group

It was lovely to welcome everyone to our meeting on Wed 5th April and so nice to welcome Diedre back with us again. Our opening prayers and reading were done by Jean followed by discussions about the DH&S Coronation Programme and our summer outing which we are all looking forward to in July. We then had great fun with our beetle drive, kindly organised by Robyn who also provided prizes for the winners. We then enjoyed refreshments which included home-made Easter biscuits made and served by Nan and Christine W.

Our next meeting is on Wed 3rd May at 2pm in Christ Church when we will be marking the Coronation of King Charles III the following Saturday. Everyone is doing their best to write a poem, of any type, or a prayer relevant to the occasion and our refreshments will consist of homemade cake provided by Judi and Christine W. We will be bringing our own cups and saucers, just to make it a little more special, although the tea does taste nice in those mugs – or maybe that's just who makes it!! Everyone who wishes to join us will be most welcome.

Barbara Parry

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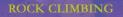
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Jane Clark Childminding supports the Great British Spring Clean

The natural environment and its wildlife is very important to us at Jane Clark Childminding and so we were delighted to learn of the Great British Spring Clean (17th March - 2nd April 2023).

We approached Calne Without Parish Council and asked if they could help us get involved in the campaign safely by purchasing children's litter picking kits. We were thrilled to hear that the idea was fully supported and are very grateful to the Parish Council for their financial contribution.

We organised two litter picking events and were excited to wear the hi viz jackets and gloves and use the pickers and special rings to secure the bin bags to make them easier to use. We made sure that we were equipped for the wet weather too! On our travels walking around the village we unfortunately found lots of litter including plastic bags, straws, plastic bottles, hot drink lids, drink cans, discarded bus tickets, plastic sweet and chocolate wrappers, foil and pipe cleaners.

We were sad to find a great deal of litter in the Chapel Street area but happy that Petty Acre (The Green) was very clean.

We have been busy



learning about why it is important not to litter and how to protect our natural world by reducing, re-using and recycling our waste through activities such as junk modelling, sorting and storytelling. We are looking forward to future litter picking opportunities and urge other groups and individuals in the Parish to get involved by contacting the Parish Council to hire equipment as we did, so that together we can make a difference in keeping our local community clean and safe for all.

Katie Griffin Early years practitioner

The Coronation of King Charles III

The plans for how our community will celebrate the forthcoming coronation are now well advanced and ready to be launched on an unsuspecting citizenry. In summary, it looks like this – all timings are subject to change as today we have little knowledge of the actual timings of the Coronation activities.



Sat 6th May

Assembly at the Hall for an unveiling and associated proclamations Coronation Breakfast at the Hall Community screening of the Coronation Single Wicket Cricket Match on Petty Acre Barn Dance

Sun 7^{th.} May

Church service in celebration of the Coronation Charles' Commonwealth Conundrum The BIG Coronation Lunch on Bowood front lawn Event at the Lansdowne Arms

Mon 8th May

Volunteering with refreshments Charles' Commonwealth Conundrum Local street parties

Our plea today is for you to consider whether you wish to be involved in some of these activities and let us know – see below.

The Single Wicket Cricket competition is intended to be a light-hearted yet traditional event. For those of you living around Petty Acre this will be with a soft ball! So, will you participate? Let me know at the above email. If you have essential cricket gear you are prepared to loan, we would be delighted to hear from you (bats, stumps, wickets). All members

of the community are cordially invited to come and watch. Perhaps bring a deckchair and some light refreshments with you? The Fete Committee will lay on a bar-tent.

Charles' Commonwealth Conundrum invites you as residents or groups to prepare and place a tableau in a prominent place such as your front lawn or playground. King Charles is unsure which countries form the Commonwealth today and wants your help. So, a bit like the Jubilee scarecrows, will you prepare a display or scene that allows one to guess the Commonwealth Country? If you are prepared to do this please just email us and we will create a list and a trail for people to follow the scarecrow trail. If that isn't clear enough, email us with your questions.

The BIG Coronation Lunch We are again privileged to be able to hold our BIG Lunch on the front lawn at Bowood House. While more details will follow, we would ask you now please to register your interest – even though you may have already done so once. This is the official registration period when we need to understand how many of you wish to attend. We will again be producing wrist bands which must be collected and worn throughout the day as this will gain you access into the House & Gardens grounds until 17:00 when they close.

The Barn Dance Tickets will go on sale for this event in due course. Please keep an eye on all social media channels and The Hub at <u>www.derryhillandstudley.org</u>.

Volunteering King Charles has asked for the 8th May to be a volunteering day. We have a number of activities requiring your help for a couple of hours on Monday 8th morning. Like the Jubilee Tidy Up, there will be refreshments served at the hall on completion. Please let us know if you can spare the time.

Local Street Parties If all that isn't enough for you then we suggest you could round off the celebrations with your own local street party. Go ahead and organise that amongst yourselves. Chapel Street – Looking for a leader to sort that please!!!!

So, please complete the table below and send it in to me at <u>peterprater@btinternet.com</u> or post it through my door at **5 Chapel Street** asap. Further details of each event will follow in due course. If you can't copy me the table, just send me the key information via email.

Name	
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Event	Active participation			Onlooker
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Commonwealth				not follow the
Conundrum				trail
The BIG Coronation	Adults? Children		Children	
Lunch @ Bowood			(under 11)?	
Volunteering with	Adults (I imagine)			
Refreshments				

And remember, keep an eye on the new Derry Hill & Studley community activities website "The Hub" at <u>www.derryhillandstudley.org</u>.

Peter

May 2023 Crossword

ACROSS 3 Light beer (6) 4 Meet (9)

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l Greek cheese (4) 2 Oiled (10) 6 Pigs (5) 8 Call on (5) 9 Caretaker (7) 10 Young plant (8) 12 Disease outbreak (8) 15 Picnic basket (6)

Rub-A-Dub Pre-School

It's hard to believe that we have reached term 5 already this year.

We've had a fantastic time fundraising recently, we had great weather for our Easter trail and by the time you read this we will be preparing to host the Coronation Barn Dance.



Thank you to all in the community that have supported us at all our events.

Now that the weather has started to improve, we've loved being back out enjoying the garden and are looking forward to our Dads Den day and Sports Day.

You may have seen that we are starting to take bookings for our afterschool club starting in September 2023. We will be providing after school care for pupils of Derry Hill School. Please get in touch if you want more information.

Email rubadubpreschoolenquiries@gmail.com

We have spaces in our preschool for September, we are now open 8.30-17.30 Mon to Friday term time only.

Kate Checchia

Chair of the Committee rubadubchair@hotmail.co.uk

Can you still be you with dementia?

By 2025, more than one million people in the UK will have dementia. For Dementia Action Week (15-21 May), we reflect on a common worry for people when they first learn they have dementia: that they will lose the essence of who they are.

We see this with some of our residents and their families. While the concern is perfectly understandable, it's important to remember that dementia is something you *have*, not something you *are*. Even though the person may struggle with memory or concentration, or show unusual behaviours, they are still themselves.

Life and care after a dementia diagnosis

While everyone experiences dementia differently, the right support and focusing on the things you can do and enjoy can help you feel positive and well.

• First, stay stimulated. Many care settings provide activities specially designed for residents with dementia. If you are not in care, support groups can provide stimulation, as well as comfort and a sense of community.

• Keep your diet and lifestyle in check. Drinking enough fluid, and eating good mix of vegetables, whole grains, low-fat dairy and lean protein is a good start. Daily exercise (which may include gardening or house chores) keeps the blood flowing – which supports cognition – and increases key chemicals that protect the brain.

• Monitor your mood. Depression can be common among people living with dementia. Remaining social and stimulated can help keep it at bay and speak to a professional if you are worried.

Living with dementia, or supporting someone with it, is a unique journey. The charity Alzheimer's Society has great resources, and Wiltshire charity Alzheimer's Support is great for groups, activities and more. And, if you ever want to explore what care may look like for yourself or someone you love living with dementia, get in touch with us at Kingston House in Calne for a no-obligation chat or visit on 01249 471 516.

Catherine Beswick, Home Manager,

Kingston House Care Home

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What's on

The Hub is our new village web site and is part of the legacy from last year's Jubilee and a platform to better communicate the plans for the Coronation in May. The Hub has the village calendar on the home page.

People can register their event for inclusion on the village calendar by using the contact tab on the website or emailing derryhillandstudley@gmail.com

If you would like to know more - or get involved then please get in contact with the Community Committee (Peter Prater, Alison Maddicks, Neil Hare, Liz Vaughan, Martin Handyside, Rosamund Millett or Steve Calder).

Steve Calder.





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Derry Hill and Studley Fete 2023

Hi everyone. Just a quick update on all things related to the Derry Hill and Studley Village Fete 2023

Firstly, please can you all put Saturday 8th July in your diaries / family calendars for this year's Fete.

The fete committee is busy planning another fun filled family day out and all the usual favourite activities, stalls, arena acts, fun and games will be held again this year. We are currently working on ideas of a theme around a 'Celebration of Wiltshire', so please look out for further information around that in terms of the Arts and Crafts competitions over the next few weeks. We look forward to seeing you all there again this year!

Any questions in the meantime, or if you would like to get involved in the fete with a stall, or join the fete team, then please let me know. It would be great to have you on board.

Distribution of Fete Funds from 2021 & 2022 Fetes:

The fete committee is also in the process of distributing £2,250 to 14 local community groups. We are distributing the money raised in response to funding requests from the local community groups.

Some examples of how the money will be used are as follows;

Support the Rub-a-Dubs playgroup, Provision of vital equipment for on-going maintenance to the Heartbeat Defibrillator Charity,

Support to the Derry Hill School library project. Provision of funding to support the: Scouts, Brownies, Derry Hill Youth Club, Derry Hill United Football Club, Women's Institute, the InSPIRE Magazine; and the Lansdowne Hall.

The Fete Committee is proud to be able to support the community groups in such a way and we couldn't do it without all your help and support. So, thank you to all of you who attend and get involved in the fete.

We can't wait to do it all again this year. Let's hope for another nice sunny day on $8^{\text{th}}\,\text{July}!$

All the best, *Tom Metcalfe* – Chair – Derry Hill and Studley Village Fete Committee. 07841 131623 Tom_metcalfe@sky.com



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Calne Recreation Ground junior parkrun

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It's a free event – just register at parkrun.org.uk to get your barcode.

Join us at Calne Rec any Sunday morning at 8.50. We are always looking for additional volunteers – we're a friendly bunch and you can help as and when it's convenient. <u>email</u>: <u>calnerecreationgroundjuniors@parkrun.com</u>

www.parkrun.org.uk/calnerecreationground-juniors

Derry Hill and District W.I.

Easter holidays have come and gone so we are now back to WI meetings and events. Our March Annual Meeting went well. We have a new committee member – Margaret Bell. Margaret will be a great addition to the



team, we are very lucky! We also thanked two long standing members of the committee who have stood down this year. Both Jackie and Tina were presented with plants for their gardens. Sally thanked them both for all their hard work over many years.

Barbara asked us to help knit hats for a friend's charity, so our members have been busy knitting 'Hats for the children of Nepal' These will be sent to the organisers who will them ship them out. We counted 65 hats – well done ladies!

We are looking forward to hearing David Dawson, Director of the Wiltshire Museum in Devizes, talking about Devizes' Castle at our meeting on 26th April. Our local history is always very interesting and David brings this to life.







Sally hosted an afternoon tea on 27th April. This was a double celebration, a 90th Birthday and, while were all together, a toast for King Charles wishing him well for his Coronation.

The May speaker is Nick King who will talk about 'The History and What Goats Milk is Used For'.

We meet on the 4th Wednesday of the month at the Lansdowne Hall, 7.30pm. Why not come along and give it a try.

Tina

WI Walking Netball

We are back after our Easter break! We are looking forward to playing on the outside court in the sunshine throughout the

next term. We will also be planning social events during the summer - can't wait!!

If you would like to come and have a go it is £2 per session, Monday and Friday at 1.45-2.45 pm on the outside multi-pitch next to Lansdowne Hall. An excellent way to socialise, have fun and keep fit.

Tina (01249 814145)

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Wellbeing notes

The patina of a person

There's an upcoming auction in the neighbourhood on 11th May: <u>The Fine</u> <u>Contents of a Wiltshire Property.</u> I may attend because there's a similar scene I'm working on in the novel that I'm currently writing. It'll be useful research.

There's something about antique objects that is innately pleasing, despite or maybe because of, the way they've changed over time. Consider my great grandmother's sewing box, pictured here. Maybe one day the

parquetry lid will be restored, but even so. it will never again look new. Its surfaces reveal the passage of time and that is surely part of its charm. Wear and tear. interspersed with licks of polish...



there are no short cuts when it comes to creating an aged surface, or patina.

And so it is with people. We all age differently, and we all face different choices when it comes to the process of time. Do we apply skincare creams, including sun block, daily; do we opt for more drastic intervention? How do we react to the arrival of white hair? And do we keep our bodies flexible through exercise?

We each find our own answers to these questions. However, the icon of older beauty for me will always be the white-haired woman (or man), with serene and cared-for features, who accepts and embraces her true age. She has learned the art of self-acceptance, and to love life fully. That is truly something to aspire to.

Suzanne Askham

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CATERING ASSISTANTS REQUIRED



An exciting opportunity has arisen to join our existing Catering team in both the Treehouse Café and The Stables Pantry at Bowood House & Gardens.

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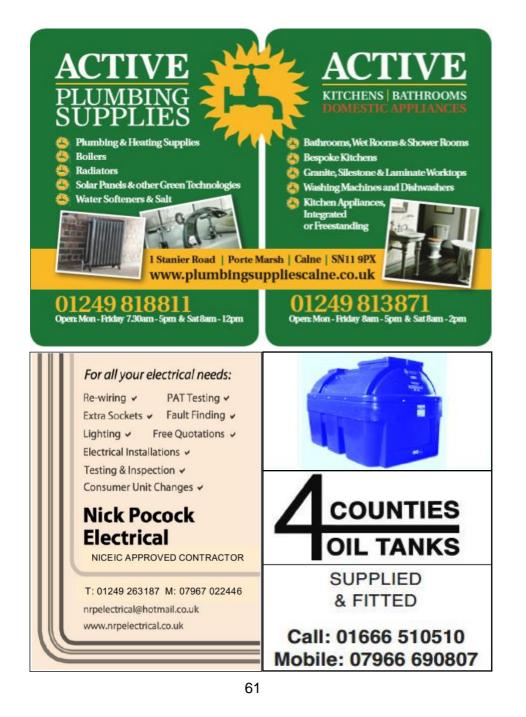


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