



News and Notes

for Bodenham, Britford, Charlton All Saints, Nunton and Odstock November 2015

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Message from Revd Jenny Taylor

We have just surfaced from the most glorious time in the Chalke Valley – Harvest Festival – our churches have looked beautiful, they have resounded with wonderful harvest hymns and we have been able to donate to those in need through the Trussell Trust and Tear Fund. I think we have all rather enjoyed those delicious harvest lunches and suppers too! The children from Longford School had a lovely Harvest Festival in St Peter's, Britford – their next service in church is their Carol Service on 18th December – do try and join us if you can.

However between then and now there is a complete change of mood in our churches, and indeed nationwide, when we remember all those family members and friends whom we have loved and lost and, of course, all those who have died in wars as they served our country. It is one of the marvels of our church that she holds all things together; the joys and the sadnesses, the glories and the tragedies. Our communities are cemented as we celebrate and as we cry together – do try to join us whenever you can.

Church of England Services

1 st November All Saints	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Family Service Family Communion Evensong (BCP)	Britford Odstock Coombe Bissett Homington	CB AT JT CB
8 th November Remembrance Sunday	10.55am 10.55am	Remembrance Service Remembrance Service	Coombe Bissett Charlton All Saints	JT RW
15 th November 2 nd Sunday before Advent	9.30am 9.30am 11.00am 4.00pm	Parish Communion Revive Parish Communion Evensong	Odstock Broad Chalke School Homington Britford	RW Lay Led AP JT
22 nd November Christ the King	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Family Service Choral Mattins (BCP)	Charlton All Saints Nunton Coombe Bissett	RW AT RW
29 th November 1 st Sunday of Advent	10.00am	Benefice Communion	Nunton	RW/AR
6 th December 2 nd Sunday of Advent	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Family Service Family Communion Evensong (BCP)	Britford Odstock Coombe Bissett Homington	+NH RW JT/AR RW

+NH = Bishop of Salisbury, CB = Revd Catherine Blundell, JT = Revd Jenny Taylor,

RW = Revd Rick Williams, AR = Anne Claar Thomasson-Rosinagh,

AP = Canon Ann Philp, AT = Adrian Taylor

BCP = *Book of Common Prayer*

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Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham WI

Rosemary Stephens

The meeting on 12th October was busy with 60 ladies and one gentleman present! Susi Appleford thanked Ann Waight for the lovely flowers on the front table and then asked for updates from the different groups. Sue Bourne reported that the Theatre Group would be going to see the 'Four Magna Carta Plays' on 27th October. Margaret Barrow reminded the Skittles team that the first League match of the season would be on Monday 26th October against Amesbury WI at Downton's Sherwood Rooms and Rosemary Stephens reported that the next Walk would also be on 26th October, starting from The Fox and Goose pub in Coombe Bissett. Elizabeth Cutter said that the Book Club was currently reading 'Coco Chanel' by Axel Madsen and meeting on the 19th October to discuss it. The Pins and Needles group meets on the first Monday of the month so the next meeting will be at Dee Prince's on 2nd November. The ACWW competition of a knitted winter hat was won by Carol Stratton.

Michael Portillo would be speaking at The Annual County Meeting on 20th October at Salisbury City Hall. Members were warned that it would run later than usual.

On 9th November, the Downland Group meeting will be a special Centenary Tea. Numbers were taken and those attending were asked to 'dress up' for the occasion and reminded that the entertainment would be Lynda Warren on 'The Golden Age of Musical Theatre' when we would, no doubt, be expected to join in a song or two! A discussion followed about the viability of the Group system within Wiltshire and whether it was time for change. Members were asked to vote on whether they wished to remain in the Downland Group now it had dwindled to only three Institutes.

Downton WI had invited us to their birthday meeting on 19th October and Broad Chalk to their 18th November meeting, both at 7.30pm. The hospital needs help with another garden and working parties would be on Friday 23rd October, 6th and 20th November between 10.00am and 1.00pm. On 30th November, we will be holding a Craft Workshop in the Radnor Hall from 10.00am to 12.00noon making Christmas cards, ornaments and sewing a simple clutch bag.

The Christmas Lunch will be on 17th December at Sarum College and Sue Amey will be taking bookings at the November meeting. Dee Prince explained that this year our usual festive Christmas meeting on 14th December would feature a 'Christmas Jumper' competition!

A questionnaire re 'Where to hold the Summer Party in 2016' was explained and handed to members to fill in and return. A decision will be made on the basis of the answers. Wendy Duke gave a brief history and account of the day to day running of 'Morning Star', our 2015 charity. Items for the Christmas appeal should be brought to the November meeting.

After a busy meeting, at last our lonesome gentleman, Chris Usher, came into his own and beguiled us with vinyl records, still photos and slides about 'stars' from the '50s and '60s. His talk entitled

'Museum of Childhood' included 'The Three Stooges', 'The Rat Pack', 'The Goons', Marilyn Monroe and Doris Day, right through to Pat Boone, Elvis and Cliff. It was a veritable 'feast of nostalgia'.

Our next meeting on 9th November features Cherry Barlow talking about 'the Real Owl Experience'.

Longford C of E Primary School

Nicolette Beardsmore, Parent Governor

Time flies when you're having fun and it's hard to believe that half-term holidays start on 22nd October. But the children have been very busy:

Year 5 enjoyed a CSI-themed Science day at Alderbury and West Grimstead Primary School where they tried to identify the murderer, who left a note. They started by testing the composition of inks by chromatography (to see which pen was used) and they took finger prints to see who used the pen. Finally, they tested the composition of some sand found near the body of the victim.

Year 6 took part in a hands-on NSPCC workshop aimed at helping them to keep themselves and others safe.

Year 4 have been creating signs and posters for a new 'Chill and Chat' room in the school and Kestrels (Reception and Year 1 children) have been busy writing about the delightful Julia Donaldson story 'Room on the Broom' and following instructions to make Gruffalo Crumble.

Finally, Magpies (years 2 and 3) are busy finding out about toys as part of their Magic Toy-Maker project and thinking about how to keep themselves safe on line.

On 13th October, the school celebrated a Harvest Service at St Peter's Church in Britford and the children and their families donated tinned and packet food for the Trussell Trust. They collected together over 35kg of food!

Friends of Longford (FOLS) held their AGM this month. They held an election for a new Chair, as Nic Ford, who has been the main driving force of the organising committee, is stepping down after 4 1/2 years in the role. Many thanks to Nic for her hard work in developing FOLS activities, not least the stall at the Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham Fête, which is now an annual event and always popular with the children. Emma Harper is now the new chair and will be driving forward our fundraising events.

The School shortly hopes to take delivery of a bike rack, kindly donated by Trafalgar School in Downton, so staff, pupils and visitors may safely lock up their bikes, trikes and scooters.

STOP PRESS: We are delighted to announce that one of our pupils, who sat the 11+ last month, has passed. All that hard work and dedication has paid. Well done!

Wool Wanted

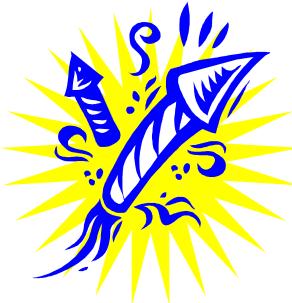
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Flooding & Water Management in Britford

Britford Parish Council invite you to attend a meeting at 7.30pm on Thursday 26th November in the **Memorial & Community Hall** when it will:

- Present to the village the 3/5 year plan.
- Give an update on the work carried out so far.
- Outline what are the next steps to be taken.

The Charlton All Saints 2015 Bonfire Bash



Saturday 7th November
from 6.00pm

next to the Village Barn

Traditional Bonfire Refreshments
£5.00 Adults, £2.50 Children (5-16 years)

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Home Help Wanted

Around 6 hours a week (weekdays), although initially a little more, in **Charlton All Saints**.

Duties to include house cleaning, laundry and errands (shopping etc).

Applicants must like cats and dogs!

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A Concert

will be given by the

Chalke Valley Ladies Choir

at 7.30pm on Saturday 12th December
in Bishopstone Village Hall

Tickets: £5
from Chalke Valley Stores or on the door

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The Radnor Hall, Bodenham
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Thursday 26th November
Bar and Snacks - £10

Friday and Saturday, 27th & 28th November
Bar and Supper - £12.50

Seating at tables of eight

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Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2015

The Legion created the Poppy Appeal to help those returning from the First World War. A century on from the start of that conflict, they are still helping today's Armed Forces families in much the same way, whether coping with bereavement, living with disability, or finding employment.

The poppy is a powerful symbol - it is worn to commemorate the sacrifices of our Armed Forces and to show support to those still serving today and their loved ones.

Money raised through the Poppy Appeal goes directly to the welfare work, providing through-life care to anyone who currently serves in the British Armed Forces, who has previously served, and their families.

Please support our Service men and women in this year's appeal. Local volunteers will be collecting in all our villages. Thank you for your support.

Downton Band Christmas Concert

7.30pm Wednesday 16th December 2015

All Saints Church, Charlton

Admission free

Tasty refreshments and Raffle during the interval.

A retiring collection will be divided between the Band and the Church

Christmas gifts for the Women's Refuge (labelled lady, boy, girl) are welcome.

Charlton All Saints Garden Society

On Monday 28th September, Alan Edmondson - Mastermind of Gardening - came to give a talk on the A to W of pruning. He answered questions on how to manage all sorts of plants, from fruit trees to roses, dispelling fears on pruning clematis and wisteria. He was very enthusiastic with plants he liked and those he didn't. We look forward to him returning next year.

The Trafalgar School Association

presents their annual

'Bubbly' Quiz

20th November at 7.00pm

The Trafalgar School at Downton SP5 3HN

Tickets £6 adult , £3 under 16's

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Ploughman's Supper, Licensed Bar, Raffle

A Bottle of 'Bubbly' for each member of the winning team! (Max. 6 people per team)

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Festive Coffee Morning and Fund Raising Bazaar

St Mary's Church, Homington

Saturday 5th December

from 10.30am

Enjoy a chat and a cup of coffee whilst choosing Christmas gifts, decorations, homemade produce etc. plus the chance to win a CHRISTMAS HAMPER in the raffle.

*All proceeds are for Pancreatic Cancer UK
and Homington Church Fabric Fund.*

Everyone is welcome, so please come along.

The Marchioness of Lansdowne

invites you to the

Bowood House Christmas Extravaganza

Thursday 26th November 10am-8pm

Friday 6th December 10am-3pm

to be held at

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Tickets £6 in advance or £8 on the door.

Visit www.bowood.org for further details and advanced ticket sales.

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Britford Memorial and Community Hall

Friday 4th December 2015

7.00 - 11.00 pm

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*Caroline Lamb, Jeremy & Maggie Metcalfe,
and Rachel Gordon*

will be talking about their 2015 September trip to
South Sudan

on **Friday 30th October at The Radnor Hall**

and **Thursday 12th November
at Broad Chalke Village Hall**

At 7.30pm with Drinks and Nibbles

News and Notes Website

Editor

For those new to the villages, or to the world of the internet, I thought I'd include a few words about the News and Notes website.

Primarily, it is designed to provide News and Notes online for those who live out of the distribution area, or for those who have difficulty laying their hands on the paper copy that is delivered!

Around the time of delivery each month, I send an email to a fairly large distribution list to confirm that the new edition is available. The distribution list has also proved useful for between-issue matters.

If you're not already on the list, and you'd like to join it, I'd like that too. You can do so by sending an email to editor@newsandnotes.co.uk, or by using the online form at the *Emailing List* menu item on the website, www.newsandnotes.co.uk. I use the emailing list sparingly.

If you go to the website, you'll see other things too, including some useful links to other sites of local and wider interest, the WI programme, an opportunity to sign up for local Press releases, an archive of previous editions of News and Notes and details of how to advertise your business in News and Notes.

WI Gardeners – 2016 Programme

All meetings are at 2.00 p.m. at The Radnor Hall. Guests are welcome to our talks at a cost of £3.00 each.

Thursday 4th February – Talk

David Usher - 'The Answer Lies in the Soil.'

Thursday 3rd March – Talk

Dinah Lindon-Critchley - 'Roses.'

Thursday 7th April – Talk

Rosemary Le Grand – 'Glorious Gardens of France.'

Thursday 2nd June – Talk

Neil Lovesey - '12 months of Colour.'

Thurs 1st September – Talk

Ray Broughton – 'Making the Most of Your Greenhouse and Topical Tips'.

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The Nomads Tent will again create their **Eastern Bazaar at Tolland House, Tolland Royal, SP5 5PP, from Sat 31st Oct to Sun 8th Nov (10am-4pm)**.

An Aladdin's cave of irresistible temptations for Christmas with: *Contemporary, traditional and vintage rugs, carpets and kilims, Moroccan pottery including every day crockery and large vases, Colourful leather pouffes, Rajasthani painted and natural wood furniture, chests and tables, Exciting jewellery, Christmas decorations, Lanterns, boxes and other gifts/presents, Throws, bedspreads, cushions, slippers and scarves.*

Treat yourself to a little escape with some relaxing and enjoyable shopping.

And also at Tolland House on Wed 4th Nov (6.00 – 7.30pm), Lt.Gen Sir Barney White-Spunner, noted military historian and former Commander of the British Field Army will give a talk in aid of *Combat Stress*: "Of Living Valour – The Story of the Soldiers of Waterloo" tells the story of the ordinary soldiers who, over three days, fought one of the most significant and bloodiest battles in English history. Gleaned from unpublished sources, letters and diaries, their daily routine, fear, exhaustion and personal feelings provide a unique perspective on the events of 200 years ago.

For further information and for tickets for the talk (£10) telephone 01725 516222.

Broad Chalke Bygones.....into the 80s

Friday 20th November at 7:00pm

Broad Chalke Village Hall

A films-and-supper evening of village reminiscences, showing old local footage of Broad Chalke in the 70s and 80s. Tickets £10, available from the Chalke Valley Stores only until Wednesday 18th November, include a 3-course 1980s style supper. Bar available. Proceeds to the Hall. 80s dress very welcome - so we can all have a laugh at how we used to be.....

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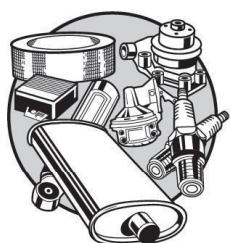
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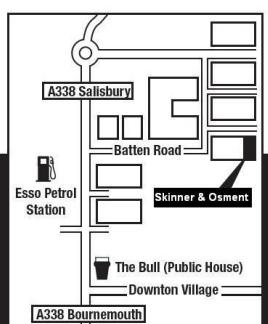
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Regular Events

WI	Second Monday of the month, 10.00am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham
Singing Group	Tuesdays (ex. Aug/Dec.), 4.30pm or 7.00pm, Barker Room, contact Adrian Taylor on 01722 325862
Tiny Tots	Wednesdays (ex. Aug.) 9.45 – 11.45am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham (Suzie Orchiton - 01722 502026)
Mobile Library	Britford (The Green), alt. Thursdays, 9.30 – 9.45am (5 th and 19 nd November)
Acorn Club	Coffee Morning – Wednesdays 10.30am at the Orchard
' Local Vocals'	Singing group for everybody. No need to read music. 1 st and 3 rd Mondays each month. Radnor Hall, 7.30 - 9.30 pm. Please check with Clare Chitty 01722 330871
Circle Dancing	Simple dances from many countries to join in with, no partner or previous experience necessary. 2 nd and 4 th Mondays at Radnor Hall, 7.30 - 9.30 pm. Contact Clare Chitty 01722 330871
Village Prayers	If you'd like prayers to be said for someone you know, a particular situation or yourself, you may either put a note in the Village Prayers box at St Andrew's, Nunton or St Mary's, Odstock, email details to villageprayers@live.com or come along. Next meeting: 7.00pm – 19th Nov. – Barker Room, Nunton

Diary Dates

30 th October	South Sudan – Cress Presentation, Radnor Hall, Bodenham 7.30pm (see page 4)
7 th November	Bonfire Bash, Charlton All Saints, Village Barn, 6.00pm (see page 3)
10 th November	ONB PCC Meeting, Barker Room, 7.30pm
12 th November	South Sudan – Cress Presentation, Broad Chalke Village Hall, 7.30pm (see page 4)
20 th November	Bubbly Quiz, Trafalgar School, Downton, 7.00pm (see page 4)
26 th November	Flooding and Water Management in Britford, Britford Memorial and Community Hall, 7.30pm (see page 3)
26 th November	Cabaret, The Radnor Hall Bodenham, 7.30pm (see page 3)
27 th November	Cabaret, The Radnor Hall Bodenham, 7.30pm (see page 3)
28 th November	Cabaret, The Radnor Hall Bodenham, 7.30pm (see page 3)
2 nd December	Filling Station, Radnor Hall, Bodenham, 7.30pm (see page 5)
4 th December	Pop Up Pub, Britford Memorial and Community Hall, 7.00pm – 11.00pm (see page 4)
5 th December	Coffee Morning and Bazaar, St Mary's, Homington, 10.30am (see page 3)
12 th December	Chalke Valley Ladies Choir Concert, Bishopstone Village Hall, 7.30pm (see page 3)
16 th December	Downton Band Christmas Concert, All Saints Church, Charlton, 7.30pm (see page 3)
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8 th July	ONB Fête Dance, Nunton Field
9 th July	ONB Fête, Nunton Field