



# News and Notes

for Bodenham, Britford, Charlton All Saints, Nunton and Odstock April 2013

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## News & Notes

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## Deadline

18<sup>th</sup> of each month

## From Revd Jenny Taylor

It is not too late to wish everyone a Happy Easter! We are in one of those marvellous seasons in the Church's year when we have celebrated the wonderful festival of New Life in the Resurrection of Jesus and now we hear again of those rather incredible appearances by Jesus to his disciples after he had risen from the dead. Appearances which transformed those frightened disciples into men who willingly gave their lives in order to pass on the good news of Jesus Christ.

It is a marvellous season because we can so easily identify with those stories. We have all been terrified, anxious and worried or fearful at some stage in our lives – some of us might be so right now. The disciples were given courage in their moments of fear, they were reminded of the greatness of God's power and of the wonder of his love and they went on to fill their lives and the lives of others with that love. The Good News is that so can WE!! Each and every one of us can begin life afresh with the courage and the love to face life's joys and sorrows with the love and power that only God can give us.

I am so happy to be able to share the joy of baptising a new member of our community – Harrison Fraser Jelfs will be baptised on Sunday 26th May in Nunton Church and we send our love and prayers to him and his parents, Nadine and Chris, on this very happy occasion.

Please do remember to call either David Henley (01722 780262) or me (01722 503081), if there is anything at all we can do for you.

## Church of England Services

	7 <sup>th</sup> April 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Family Service Parish Communion & Baptism Choral Evensong (BCP)	Britford Nunton Coombe Bissett Homington	MT ACFT DH LB
	14 <sup>th</sup> April 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Choral Matins (BCP) Family Service	Odstock Charlton All Saints Coombe Bissett	JT DB JT
	21 <sup>st</sup> April 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	9.30am 11.00am	Parish Communion Family Communion	Nunton Homington	DH SW
	28 <sup>th</sup> April 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Family Service Choral Matins (BCP)	Charlton All Saints Odstock Coombe Bissett	JT JP MT
	5 <sup>th</sup> May 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	9.30am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Parish Communion Choral Evensong (BCP)	Britford Coombe Bissett Homington	DH +EC DH

DH = Canon David Henley, JT = Revd Jenny Taylor, LB = Lavender Buckland  
JP = Revd Jonathan Plows, SW = Revd Sally Wells, MT = Revd Michael Turner,  
+EC = Rev Dr Edward Condry, Bishop of Ramsbury, DB = Denis Blake, ACFT = Adrian Taylor  
(BCP) = *Book of Common Prayer*

## Odstock Nunton & Bodenham WI

*Carol Stratton*

Elizabeth Cutter, the President, opened the 11<sup>th</sup> March meeting, which was also the AGM, by welcoming the members and guests and thanking Priscilla Mackay for her beautiful arrangement of cheerful spring flowers.

Announcements were made from the subs groups, Theatre, Skittles, Scrabble, Walking group, Book Club and Gardening Club. Susie Appleford then gave the two choices for this year's Summer Outing. They were a trip to Portsmouth with its many historical sites, and the second was a trip to Bath to include an afternoon visit to the American Museum. The vote was made and the choice was to visit Bath.

Anna Treseder read out the correspondence about events taking place in the rest of the county and Elizabeth announced that the 5th Monday meeting would be a visit to Hamptworth House.

The AGM started with a financial report from Linda Cox, Treasurer, who said that, although it had been a tough year financially with the usual fund raising efforts, targets should be met next year.

The Committee's Annual report was given by Anna Treseder who said that the last year had been a great success with many interesting talks and events, including the Summer Outing and the Christmas Lunch at the White Hart Hotel. She thanked Gill Dodd for the very efficient way she had filled in as President while Elizabeth was sick and thanked Heather Marrison for stepping into the role of Secretary.

The President's report followed. Elizabeth thanked her Committee with special thanks to Anna Treseder who had filled in as Secretary. She also thanked Linda Cox for her successful first year as Treasurer. Elizabeth said she had enjoyed her year but unfortunately because of sickness she had been unable to attend all the meetings and she thanked Gill for standing in for her.

The re-election of the Committee and the ballot for President followed. The result of the ballot was a unanimous vote for Elizabeth to continue for a further year.

The speaker for the morning was Christine Walker, a trainee WI adviser, who spoke about the way the WI subscriptions are divided up within the organisation and what the money is spent on. Delicious cakes were served at coffee time and the left over cakes sold at the end of the meeting towards funds. The winner of the flower of the month was won by Anne Waight with a dark blue Anemone.

The next meeting will be on 8<sup>th</sup> April and the talk will be "Here We Go A-Vicaring" by Rev M Teed.

(Please see the *News and Notes* website (*address below*) for details of future WI events. Ed)

## Charlton All Saints Garden Society

Our first meeting this year will be at 7.30pm on Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> April in the church when our speaker, Colin Fryer, will talk on "Gardens Open".

## Marley Says "Thank You"

*Brian and Lorraine Clake*

Marley the Spaniel became a little lost and confused on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March. He (and we) would like to thank whoever found him in the Odstock area that day and took him to a local vet's practice. We were quickly reunited with one very tired and very smelly dog.

Thank you for your kindness.

**... and so does Steph Elcock**

Thank you to the very kind person who found a wandering (and rather dirty) springer spaniel in Odstock on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March and delivered him to Exeter Street Vets. He was safely returned to his owners much to the relief of his dog walker!

(*News and Notes* readers love a happy ending!)

## Diary Date - Barn Dance

On 17<sup>th</sup> May there'll be a **Barn Dance** at the Radnor Hall. Full details in next month's edition. Enquiries to Carole Stratton on 01722 329720.

## Wedding Flowers in Britford Church

7<sup>th</sup> April 2013

2.00pm to 6.00pm

Teas with home made cake  
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## Car Boot Sale

**Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> April**

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## Walk the Wight

Colin Berry

Dave Ings and I are again taking on the Walk the Wight challenge on 12<sup>th</sup> May, in aid of the Earl Mountbatten Hospice. Hence, once again, we are hoping that the good people who receive the News and Notes will take a moment and make a donation at the web site below. Looking positively, we thank you in anticipation of your generosity and support.

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**Wilton and District Youth Band**

## Jumble Sale

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## Odstock Parish Council

The timetable leading up to the Odstock Parish Council Election on 2<sup>nd</sup> May is published on the Wiltshire Council website. The deadline for nominations is noon on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> April.

The first meeting of the new Odstock Parish Council is scheduled to be held in the Radnor Hall on Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> May following the Annual Parish Meeting commencing at 7:00pm. An Agenda will be published on the village notice boards and at [www.odstock.info](http://www.odstock.info) at least 3 days before the meeting.

Contact the Parish Clerk about all parish matters, including highways issues, on Tel: 01794-341405 or eMail: [OPC@ODSTOCK.INFO](mailto:OPC@ODSTOCK.INFO)

## The Chalke Valley Flower Club

The Flower Club will be meeting again in Broad Chalke Village Hall on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm. The demonstrator is Marion Catt and the demonstration is entitled, 'Supermarket Dash'!

We will also be holding a flower arranging competition for the Dawkins Cup and the Novice Cup, the title being, 'An Arrangement in a Food Container'!

All visitors would be warmly welcomed.

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## Thanks from Debby

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I am recovering well and look forward to being able to get out and about in the the summer. I am not allowed to mix in crowds but love having visitors.

Many thanks again for all the kind thoughts and prayers. It made my stay in hospital pass peacefully.

Love from Debby

*(It's very good to have you home, Debby)*

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The Wiltshire Good Neighbour scheme, delivered by the charity Community First in partnership with Age UK, has helped well over 3,000 older people in rural communities over the past two years. It has now been extended to cover the whole of the Southern Wiltshire Community area, including the parishes covered by News and Notes.

Good Neighbour co-ordinators aid independent living by providing a bridge to connect older residents - who may have home safety, personal and social care, health, isolation financial or other needs - with appropriate services and support groups.

If you, or anyone you know or provide care for, would like to speak to your local Good Neighbour Co-ordinator, please contact Nicola Wilson (07557 110415) or e-mail [southernwiltshiregnc@communityfirst.org.uk](mailto:southernwiltshiregnc@communityfirst.org.uk)

Wiltshire Good Neighbours is a free and confidential service. Local co-ordinators only work part-time, so if there is no immediate reply, please leave a message with your telephone number and your call will be returned.

## Denis at De Havilland's

*Denis Blake*

When I joined De Havilland's (The De Havilland Aircraft Company Ltd to give it its full title) at the main Hatfield factory in July 1958, exciting things were happening. The Blue Streak ICBM was under construction at Hatfield and was being tested at Spadeadam in Cumberland. Test firing of some rocket-motors took place at Scratchell's Bay on the Isle of Wight, very near The Needles.

At Chester, the DH110 Sea Vixen was in production and Vampire and Venom single-seat jet fighters were operational squadron service.

On the civil side the famous De Havilland Comet airliner had suffered its catastrophic crashes following metal-fatigue in the corner of a cargo-hatch. Its updated – and utterly beautiful – new incarnation as the Comet 4 was in full production at Hatfield and work had begun on the DH 121 Trident, an airliner with three engines in a "cluster" at the tail.

The Comet had been the world's first civil jet-propelled airliner and the Comet 4, while I was at Hatfield, had just beaten the Boeing 707 into trans-Atlantic operation. Stirring days indeed!

I was in the Personnel Department and as part of my (excellent) training I spent a period of weeks in every department from Wages, Ratefixing, Machine Shop, Foundry, Sub-Assembly, Wing Shop, Production Line and Flight Testing. While in the last of these I was given a ride in a Comet 4C (the one with the delicately-shaped wing-tanks on the leading edge of the wings) way up to Scarborough and back, listening to my leg being pulled from the Flight Deck. For example, "Anyone back there got an AA book?" and "No! Don't land there; it's the A1!" The aircraft I was in was shortly after delivered to Aerolineas Argentinas.

At Hatfield we also produced the special royal plane for King Ibn Saud of Saudi Arabia. Its furnishings and paintwork were quite incredible – luxurious is an inadequate adjective here. With the Comet 4C in production for BOAC and the Comet 4B for BEA, Hatfield was busy – not forgetting the Trident. This was a new design with its three engines right aft. One engine on each side near the tail planes and the third inside the fuselage at the base of the tail fin, with a revolutionary "swan-neck" air intake. Pan American Airways (PanAm) showed great interest in this aeroplane and were provided with all the information and plans they could possibly desire. They never, in the end, ordered any Tridents but Boeing very soon produced their Boeing 727 airliner which looked EXACTLY like our Trident. I need not say more!

There was always something going on at Hatfield. Not only was I busy, in the end being appointed Deputy Personnel Manager of the factory but also getting to watch aeroplanes! Watching a Comet doing stall-tests was VERY exciting. Also exciting was watching our Chief Test Pilot, the famous John Cunningham, defying orders to take the Trident for taxi-trials only but opening up all three throttles and taking the aircraft G-ARPA up for its maiden flight. I was at the end of the runway from which he took off.

The Personnel Department was always busy and there were seven of us and three excellent secretaries to run and look after, as mentioned before, 12,000 employees. It was an office in which laughter played a very large part and it included the Reception Office wherein I saw Douglas Bader, as Aviation Manager of Shell, come stumping up the steps to check in before going down to the Flight Hangar in order to take up his small aircraft so as to keep sufficient flying hours in his logbook.

In the six years I was with DH I saw most of their aircraft: the Tiger Moth, the Chipmunk, the Beaver and the Otter (these three from DH Canada), the Vampire, the Venom, the Sea Vixen, the Comet and the Trident. When I left in 1962, DH had become part of Hawker Siddeley and so the DH 148 was launched as the HS128, the short-haul four-engined airliner still in use from, for example, London City Airport, and also in the Royal Flight.

I had a very happy and rewarding six years.

*(Denis, thanks for responding to my challenge for an article to complete the "Trains and Boats and Planes" series, and for entertaining us again. Ed.)*

## It's a Knockout!

This year's ONB Fête will include a series of fun team games and competitions. We are looking for people to put together a team of 4 - 6 [minimum age 6] to take part. This can be family groups or groups of friends. More details will be published in future editions of News and Notes, but it's not too early to start the selection process, so that you're all ready for 6th July.

## Wedding Warning for Britford!

*Rod Shipsey*

There will be a wedding at The Old Forge, Britford, on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April. We do hope that we will not disturb our neighbours too much!

## Grand Pumpkin Competition 2013

Seeds for this year's Grand Pumpkin Competition will be on sale at the Radnor Arms from 31<sup>st</sup> March at £2.50 per pack. The weigh-in is planned to take place on Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> October.

## Shed security from the NPT

Garden sheds are particularly vulnerable to thefts, as their structure can be flimsy. Protecting your garden equipment can also increase the security of your home as garden tools can be used to gain access to your property. A good closed shackle padlock, with an alarm if it will be heard, is a good starting point, but it must be secured to a good quality hasp, fitted with a back plate and with the screw heads disabled. Back plates should also be fitted to the door hinges and any brackets, and their screw heads disabled. If your shed has a window, fit some wire mesh on the inside or board it over if it is not necessary. Marking your tools to make them identifiable as yours with bright paint, or scratching your postcode on them, will make them less desirable to steal. Any equipment with a serial number should be registered with Immobilise.com. Chaining large items together makes them difficult to remove. If possible, more expensive items should be stored within a locked garage or inside the home.

*Pc 1157 Matt Holland and Pcs 6237 Luke Taylor (Tel: 101) Neighbourhood Policing Team*

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For more information about the open day or membership rates and benefits, please visit: [www.downtontennisclub.co.uk](http://www.downtontennisclub.co.uk)

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### Tue 16<sup>th</sup> Apr - Steak & Kidney Pudding

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## DELICIOUS CAKES FOR SALE!



Fundraising for trip to Kenya in 2013 to support education of local children

Lemon Cheesecake £5.00, Carrot Cake £4.00  
Victoria Sponge £4.00, Flapjacks £3.00

Please call/text Raggy Beard, 07809 670998 or 01722 410977

## Regular Events

WI	Second Monday of the month, 10.00am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham
Singing Group	Every Tuesday (ex. Aug/Dec.), 7.00pm, Barker Room, contact Adrian Taylor on 01722 325862
Messy Church	10am - 12 noon at St Andrew's, Nunton and the Barker Room, for parents, grandparents and child carers with their children from 0 - 5 years: Coffee/ tea, chat, activities, Bible stories, singing and a simple lunch. <i>For more details, ring Marian on 01722 335685. Next Meeting: 6<sup>th</sup> May</i>
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 (11 <sup>th</sup> & 25 <sup>th</sup> April) Nunton (The Orchard), monthly, 11.55 – 12.25pm (10 <sup>th</sup> April)
Acorn Social Club	Coffee Morning – Wednesdays 10.30am at the Orchard
Open Circle Folk Dancing/ Local Vocals	Dancing: 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Mondays each month, 7.30pm, Radnor Hall Local Vocals: 1 <sup>st</sup> Monday each month, 7.30 pm Radnor Hall Contact Clare Chitty on 01722 330871

## Diary Dates

7 <sup>th</sup> April	Wedding Flowers, Britford Church, 2.00pm to 6.00pm (see page 2)
14 <sup>th</sup> April	Car Boot Sale, Nunton Recreation Field (see page 2)
20 <sup>th</sup> April	Jumble Sale, St George's and All Saints Church Hall, Lower Street, Harnham, 2.00pm (see page 3)
27 <sup>th</sup> April	Downton Tennis Club Open Day, Wick Lane, 2.00 - 5.00pm (see page 5)
29 <sup>th</sup> April	Charlton All Saints Garden Society, Church, 7.30pm (see page 2)
7 <sup>th</sup> May	Flower Demonstration in aid of the British Heart Foundation, City Hall, 2.30pm (see page 3)
8 <sup>th</sup> May	Spring into Action, Coombe Bissett Village Hall, 10.00am for 10.30am (see page 2)
17 <sup>th</sup> May	Barn Dance, Radnor Hall (more details in next month's N&N)
1 <sup>st</sup> June	Riding for the Disabled Summer Fête, The Pembroke Centre, Wilton from 12noon (more details next month)
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Dance in the Marquee, The Recreation Field, Nunton
6 <sup>th</sup> July	Odstock Nunton and Bodenham Fête, The Recreation Field, Nunton