



News and Notes

for Bodenham, Britford, Charlton All Saints, Nunton and Odstock October 2010

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News & Notes

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Remembering special people...

On his recent visit to our country, Pope Benedict urged young people to resist the lure of celebrity or materialism, to find true happiness in more lasting things. Contentment is a rare quality and one I admire. Some of my favourite people are not rich in worldly terms, but live gratefully and happily. They enjoy life, take part in their local communities, give generously and make friends easily. Such people leave their mark on others.

I well remember a lovely man, now long dead, a member of my church in Bristol. He was totally content. He never married but had many friends. He regularly invited people to tea – former colleagues and their families, people from church, neighbours. He wrote lots of letters and maintained friendships around the world. Yet life had not been easy for him – he had suffered much during the second world war – not that he spoke about it, but we knew it had left its mark. He was humble and grateful. “God is very good” he would say, “He’s given me so much.”

I imagine we all have special people who have died, and whom we remember with love and gratitude. It is good to thank God for them. Each year the Church celebrates All Souls and All Saints when we remember those who have died, as well as focus on the wider communion of saints – “friends on earth and friends above” as one hymn puts it. Those we grieve may not be famous in the world’s eyes, but they are precious to us, and have left their mark on our lives. So we remember them and how at their funeral service we commended them to God. And we pray that God will comfort us, and give us grateful, contented hearts.

Alison Williams

Church of England Services

3 rd October Trinity 18	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Parish Communion Family Service Harvest Festival Communion Harvest Festival	Britford Nunton Coombe Bissett Homington	AW ACFT AW AW
10 th October Trinity 19	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Family Service Choral Matins	Odstock Coombe Bissett Charlton All Saints	CH AW DB
17 th October Trinity 20	8.00am 9.30am 9.30am	Holy Communion Parish Communion Family Communion	Britford Nunton Homington	AW DH KRS
24 th October Last Sunday in Trinity	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Family Service Choral Matins	Charlton All Saints Odstock Coombe Bissett	AW SP LB
31 st October All Saints	10.00am	Parish Communion	Coombe Bissett	AW
7 th November 3 rd Sunday before Advent	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Family Service Parish Communion Choral Evensong	Britford Nunton Coombe Bissett Homington	AW ACFT JT JT

DH = Canon David Henley, AW = Revd Alison Williams, JT = Revd Jenny Taylor,
KRS = Revd Kate Rosslyn Smith, SP = Sylvia Parrett, LB = Lavender Buckland,
CH = Revd Charles Hatton, DB = Denis Blake, ACFT = Adrian Taylor

Letter from the Editor

Minerva Concert and the Nunton Church Appeal

In last month's News and Notes, I included details of the Minerva String Quartet's concert on 9th October. In a moment of absent-mindedness, I showed the venue as the Radnor Hall.

In fact, this not-to-be-missed concert will be in St Andrew's, Nunton and full details can be found on page 3. As well as hearing splendid music, those coming will be able to see some of the changes already made at St Andrew's, following the recent appeal.

There is still some work to be done at the church. If you have been meaning to contribute to the appeal and not quite got round to it, or maybe not thought about it yet, it's not too late! Please contact me (01722 325862) or pick up a leaflet from the church, if you would like to join many generous neighbours by making a contribution.

Odstock, Nunton & Bodenham WI

Carol Stratton

The September meeting was held on Monday 13th. The President, Elizabeth Cutter, welcomed everyone after the summer break and also the new members. Elizabeth then thanked the hostess, also Sue Amey for the beautiful and sunny flower arrangement she had done for the President's table.

The business part of the meeting followed, with reports from Secretary, Jean Van Hagen and Treasurer, Sheila May.

Forthcoming events were announced which were;

- 20th September - *Book Club*, Any Charles Dickens novel at Ullly Whitty's.
- 27th September - *Walking Group* to meet at "The Royal Oak" North Gorley.
- 15th November - *Theatre Group* "The Picture" meeting at 7.30pm.
- 9th November - "*Share a Skill*" meeting 10am at the Radnor Hall.

Margaret Barrow told members that unfortunately there would be no league Skittles for the foreseeable future but she would be organising some friendly matches later in the autumn and asked if there was anyone else who would like to come to the skittle evenings, which can be great fun.

This part of the meeting was followed by the speaker for the morning, Ann Orr, who is a Legal Consultant. Her talk was "Are you Legally Prepared". This could have been a heavy and depressing subject but Ann made it interesting informative and, at times, amusing. The talk gave everyone food for thought about putting their affairs in order.

Thanks were given by Debby Underhill and the meeting ended with a delicious Ploughman's Lunch.

The flower of the month competition was won by Mary Goward with her Magnolia Grandiflora. The next meeting will be on 11th October. The talk will be "The Ebbles Valley" by Mr Rex Sawyer.

* for details re Ebbles (next col.) see page 5

The Radnor Hall

Friday October 22nd at 7.30 pm

RADIO BANSKA

Five member multi-instrument band, taking an exciting tour of music from around the world, from Morocco, Jamaica and Buenos Aires to Paris and the Balkans! Radio Banska create intelligent music with Latin, east European, middle eastern and jazz influences. A dynamic rhythm section complements driving guitars and melodic violin. Another high quality professional event provided by Rural Arts Wiltshire/ Rural Arts South Gloucestershire, the area's rural touring scheme.

The usual tables of six, pay bar and snacks.

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from Harry Joynt 01722 329782**

Bible Study Group

We have got a group going! We have just completed our first six week study of Colossians to try to become "Confident Christians"! It has been very relaxed and fun, using an easy to follow book and taking turns to lead the session.

Would you like to join us or find out more? Our next series of sessions starts on Monday 11th October and takes place fortnightly.

For details, please ring Debby Underhill on 01722 329769.

Britford Parish Council

Bryan Rycroft, Parish Clerk

The next Council Meeting will be at 7.30pm on Wednesday 6th October in the Village Hall.

On Saturday 23rd October, at the Britford depot site between 9.30am and 11.30am, a compactor vehicle will be present to receive items of rubbish. A supervisor will be there to reject any items that are not permitted to be carried.

The Parish Audit for 2009/10 has been passed by the external auditor as correct. It may be viewed between 7th and 21st October by application to the Parish Clerk. Copies can be obtained at the cost of £4.

Local Vocals

A new monthly singing group is happening near you. It will give an opportunity to find your natural voice, build your confidence, and sing for fun in a supportive group. Simple harmonies, chants and songs will be clearly taught as we go along - you don't have to be able to read music.

Singing is good for you - everyone can sing (whatever they may have been told).

Where? The Radnor Hall, Bodenham

When? 7.30 - 9.00pm Mon. 4th Oct, 1st Nov, 6th Dec

Cost: £5 per session (£3 plus 8 Ebbles* for LETS members). Enquiries Clare on 01722 330872.

Grand Pumpkin Competition

Don't forget that the 2010 Grand Pumpkin Competition weigh-in takes place on Sunday 31st October at 2.00pm at the Radnor Arms, Nunton!

Hanging Rail For Sale

*Denis Blake,
Yew Tree House, Lower Road, Charlton All Saints.*

Mobile hanging-rail for suits, skirts etc. It is on 4 easy-rolling castors and the whole thing comes to pieces for storage purposes. It is virtually new and makes an ideal temporary hanging place during the course of redecoration, for example. £10 and buyer collects. 01725 - 511743 or e-mail blakesyewtree@hotmail.co.uk.

Downton Neighbourhood Policing Team

Police Surgeries/ Consultations

Coombe Bissett – Local police will be available at the Community Coffee morning at Coombe Bissett church every Wednesday between 11am and 12noon. We are not just there for the excellent coffee and biscuits! Please take the opportunity to come along and discuss local Policing issues, report any ongoing problems or simply have a chat with one of your local officers.

Downton – Downton NPT officers are available at 'Police surgery' sessions at Downton Library – every Tuesday morning – 10am-11am, and every Thursday evening – 6pm-7pm. Please pop in and speak to us about any local policing issues or problems.

Homington – A local NPT officer will attend the coffee morning at Homington Church between 10.30am-11.30am on Sat 11th September. We will aim to regularly attend these events which are held each month.

You can contact Downton NPT via 0845 408 7000 or email – downtonnpt@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

Pc Matt HOLLAND – Community Beat Manager

Odstock Parish Council

In previous years, skips have been provided for the removal of parishioners' unwanted items. This was always a very popular service but there were occasions when more refuse was deposited near to, rather than in, the skips. Odstock Parish Council has resolved to discontinue the skip service. Instead, Wiltshire Council will be making available one of their regular refuse collection vehicles (RCV) on Saturday, 2nd October, 7:15-11:30am. For this to be successful, every parishioner will need to be aware of this service in order that they can prepare to make use of the service. Odstock PC is grateful that the landlords of the Yew Tree in Odstock and the Radnor Arms in Nunton have given their permission for the RCV to use their respective car parks as a collection point. The RCV will be available in the Yew Tree car park from 7:15 to 9:15am and in the Radnor Arms car park from 9:30 to 11:30am. Please do not bring unacceptable items to the collection points. Garden waste will NOT be accepted. If in doubt, contact Wiltshire Council prior to 2nd October. Tel: 01722-434319/434320. Full details of what can and cannot

be disposed of are listed on the notices which can be downloaded from www.odstock.info and viewed on the village notice boards during September. The next scheduled meeting of Odstock PC is on 8 December. An Agenda will be published on the village notice boards and at 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

St Andrew's Church, Nunton

Minerva String Quartet

*with music by Vivaldi, Mozart, Dvorak,
Shostakovich, and light music too,
by Cole Porter and others.*

9th October at 7.30pm

Another chance to hear our resident string quartet - not to be missed!

Tickets £7 (incl. glass of wine & snacks)
from Margaret Morgan (01722 338868)
and Adrian Taylor (01722 325862)

in aid of the Nunton Church Appeal Fund

Trussell Trust

Rich Parsons, 01722 338603.

We are getting ready for The Trussell Trust's annual Christmas Box Appeal. Every year, we take thousands of donated presents to Bulgaria's poorest and most vulnerable people. We distribute boxes to orphanages, Roma communities, refugee centres, women's refuges and poor rural schools. The difference these gifts make is amazing. As well as bringing joy to people who would not otherwise have a Christmas gift, we've also been able to offer further help to many families and individuals simply because we gave them a shoebox. This year, we need your help more than ever. We have the opportunity to give out more boxes to more people in poverty, but this will only be possible with your help.

Leaflets giving details of how to fill and present your shoe box will be available in all four churches in the News and Notes area, or available from Debby Underhill (01722 329769). Boxes may then be taken direct to the Trussell Trust or be left at Nunton Church by 19th November.

If you would like your school, church or business to get involved please get in touch and we'll send you support material. If you would like to volunteer to help us sort and pack the boxes then please get in touch with me.

Cleaner Required - Odstock

1 to 2 hours per week, paying £10 per hour. Please apply to David Coleman at Simplytrak, Parsonage Barn, Odstock. Tel: 01722 335111.

Would you like to learn to play Bridge?

I have been playing bridge for over 70 years and would like to pass on my skills! I need 2 or 3 people to make up a four to learn to play the game.

If you are interested, please give me a ring on 01722 336960.

Voting Registration

Voters across the county are now receiving their annual voter registration forms which could be the difference between having their say and losing their voice next year.

Election staff at Wiltshire Council will be sending out forms to households across Wiltshire over the coming weeks to ensure people are on the electoral register that will be the basis for the planned referendum on voting reform on 5th May, 2011.

By following the instructions on the form, people can ensure they are able to have a say next year.

John Watling, head of electoral services, said:

"Registering to vote is simple, quick and easy. If people's details haven't changed they can simply reply by phone or online via the internet. The annual canvass form needs to be updated with the details of everyone in each household who is eligible to vote. The form then needs to be returned to us as soon as possible.

This year's general election was very high profile and we were very pleased with the increase in registration shortly before polling day. However, some people may not realise that they have to register every year. By completing the annual canvass form that comes through their door, they can be assured that their vote will be secured for next year."

Adrian Green, Electoral Commission regional manager, said: "Next year will be an important one for voters in Wiltshire, but people can't take part if they're not on the electoral register.

"If anyone knows they are going to be unable to attend a polling station on May 5 they can apply now for a postal or proxy vote. Details about alternative ways to vote can be found at

www.aboutmyvote.co.uk."

For more information, people can contact the Wiltshire Council election team on 0300 456 0112 or visit www.aboutmyvote.co.uk.

Coombe Bissett & Homington Garden Club

7.15 p.m. Tea/Coffee for 7.30 p.m.

All Welcome – Visitors £2.00

Monday 18th October

Bulbs for Autumn Planting – Tim Woodland

Monday 15th November

Adventures of Four Gardeners in Chile

Stephen Griffiths – Head Gardener at
Abbotsbury Sub Tropical Gardens.

Monday 17th January, 2011

Annual General Meeting

Diocesan Music in Worship Day

On Saturday 13th November 2010 the Diocesan Music in Worship Day will take place at the Dorford Centre, Dorford Baptist Church, Bridport Road, Dorchester, Dorset. The day will start with Opening Worship and will be followed by a keynote address from David Ogden. David is well known as a conductor and composer and is much in demand as a conductor and director of choral and church music workshops, courses and festivals in the UK and abroad. His unique mix of highly skilled music-making, inspirational teaching and leadership and sense of humour makes him an extremely popular choice for workshops of all kinds. He is Director of Music at Westbury-on-Trym parish church in Bristol and is also a Special Advisor for the Royal School of Church Music.

Following this there will be an opportunity to attend a workshop in the morning and afternoon. The workshop leaders will include: Trevor Jarvis, who will specialise in Choral direction and plainchant; Paul Taylor, the Archdeacon of Sherborne, who will offer workshops on Music for Evensong and in the Eucharist; Robert Fielding who will offer organist workshops for beginners and non-beginners. Chris Moorsom and Steve Ball will lead workshops for Worship Groups, Glyn Bush and Ralph Cree provide sessions on rhythm and drumming and David Bruce-Payne will offer a chance to have a go at Music Composition. The day finishes with all the groups coming together to make a joyful noise in the plenary worship session. Between them the workshops cover a wide range, from traditional to modern, formal to informal, vocal, instrumental and mixed groups. A wide range of interests are catered for.

Bookings are already coming in, and several of the courses are proving to be very popular, so if you are interested please get your booking forms as quickly as possible from Jill Minchin at 'Music in Worship', 8 Alexandra Road, Dorchester, Dorset DT1 2LZ, email: salmusic@hotmail.co.uk or telephone (01305 263757).

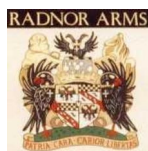
Last Push for the Fifield Church Restoration Project

On Sunday 24th October, Michael Beck (renowned Wally Wheelbarrow fundraiser for the Stars Appeal and Fifield Bavant's oldest resident) will be undertaking a pram push to raise funds for the Fifield Church Restoration Project. He will be visiting churches of the Chalke Valley Benefice that day, ending up at Salisbury Cathedral. If you would like to sponsor Michael, sponsorship forms will be available in the following churches that Michael will visit on the day: Berwick St John, Alvediston, Ebbesbourne Wake, (Fifield Bavant - church is currently closed for building works), Bowerchalke, Bishopstone, Coombe Bissett, Homington, Odstock, Nunton.

If you would like to sponsor Michael, but can't get to any of the above churches or would like more information on this event, please contact The Appeal Co-ordinator Will Hillary on 01722 780271.

Thank you.

RADNOR ARMS



Thursday 7th Oct - Mushroom Gourmet Night

4 Courses - £18.95

Wild Mushrooms picked by Kenny

Friday 15th Oct - Fish and Chips

Two Courses - £10.95

Thursday 21st Oct - Fish Gourmet

4 Courses - £18.95

Tuesday 26th Oct - Steak Night

Rump or Sirloin from local butcher - £9.95

Friday 5th Nov - Pudding Night

Ken's Steak and Kidney Pudding and Steamed Pudding - £10.95

Please call 01722 329722 to book

Rockbourne Fair

Salisbury Racecourse, 20th to 22nd October

Shopping, dining, socialising and fundraising will be on the menu when the Rockbourne Fair returns to Salisbury Racecourse on 20th, 21st and 22nd October. The annual Christmas shopping fair, which is expected to attract thousands of people from Wiltshire, Hampshire, Dorset and beyond, is now in its 22nd year and firmly established as one of the region's 'must-attend' events.

This year there will be around 90 stands, nearly 40 of which will be new to the Fair, with stall holders from across the UK selling exclusive and original goods that make perfect Christmas presents spectacularly showcased across three gift halls. In the Food Hall, shoppers can taste and take home a wide selection of gourmet food and drink from speciality cheeses, smoked salmon and fine teas to the ever popular plum pudding!

When the retail therapy all gets a bit much, shoppers can relax in the Racecourse's excellent restaurant. The Fair will remain open until 7.30pm on the Thursday evening for late night shopping and, as ever, there will be plenty of free parking.

All proceeds from the Rockbourne Fair are donated to the Salisbury District Hospital Stars Appeal - a local charity which helps make life better for local people undergoing hospital treatment by funding additional equipment and facilities, above and beyond those provided by the NHS, at Salisbury District Hospital. Money raised at this year's fair will help support a number of projects across the Hospital, including the provision of family accommodation for the parents and siblings of babies

born premature or critically ill and Face the Future, a support group which offers free skin care and make-up sessions to local women undergoing treatment for cancer.

Jane Corani, who is a member of the voluntary organising committee, said "Come and get all your Christmas shopping under one roof. We have 90 stalls providing original, high quality and well priced presents, including gifts for children, beautiful jewellery, luxurious clothes and shoes, and a speciality food and drink hall packed with delicious tempting treats!"

Chalke Valley Flower Club

Liz Long, 01722 780448

Floral art can be used to really stretch the imagination so, when Karen Cannon comes to Broadchalke Village Hall on 27th October, she has labelled her show "Within Boundaries". We are sure it will be a demonstration in the best possible taste and if you want to see something different then this could be your night out. The evening starts at 7.30pm with £5 tickets for guests at the door. There will also be a photo competition for members hoping to win The Hartgill Cup with some imaginative work there too. If the events look inviting then you will be most welcome to join us for a sociable evening, a coffee and a friendly group of pleasure seekers having fun.

Healing and Wholeness

A short, Celtic service of Healing and Wholeness is held every Third Thursday, in Bowerchalke Church, from 11 - 11.30. It is a time of peace, music, and the hospitality of prayer. For more information, or if you need a lift, or help in easier access to the Church, please ring Lavender Buckland 01722 780488

Chalke Valley Churches Website

Coming...Coming...Coming...

The Chalke Valley Churches Website [under construction]

This new website will aim to provide an overall picture of Chalke Valley church life: from Tuesday Fellowship to Men's Breakfasts, from Discussion Groups to our Sudan Project, from Treasure Seekers to Festivals, and much, much more. There will be an online Diary of events, booking information for Valley suppers, concerts and talks, a Talent Bank, and opportunities to join in.

We would welcome your help in finding lively, outdoor photographs to include on the website, of people doing things! Please send them to Lavender Buckland on ljbfish2@btinternet.com.

Ebbles

Editor

If you're reading News and Notes from cover to cover, which I hope you are, you'll have seen the mention of *Ebbles* in Clare's note about her new singing group. I knew nothing of this local currency until now. If you didn't either and want to find out more, visit <http://www.salisburylets.org.uk/>

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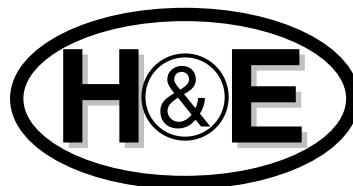
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**The Nomads Tent returns to Tollard House
Sat 6th to Sun 14th November 2010
10am to 5pm every day, free entry.**

The Nomads Tent, importers of tribal rugs and crafts, and Paddy Seymour present a spectacular selling exhibition. All are welcome and there is ample parking. Lunches (including a free glass of wine for Nomads Tent visitors) and light refreshments throughout the day will be available at the highly acclaimed King John Inn at Tollard Royal (for reservations 01725 516207).

In this selling exhibition you can find something for every pocket and Christmas presents with a difference:

- tribal rugs, carpets, runners and kilims
- cupboards, bedside tables, mirrors, kilim-covered stools, trunks and other furniture
- block prints from Jaipur, Rajasthan, cushions, bedspreads, bags and purses
- jewellery, Christmas tree decorations, glass and ceramics

For further information telephone 01725 516222

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Chalke Valley Fellowship

Christmas Fair

Tuesday, 9th Nov. 10.00am - 2.00pm

Broad Chalke Village Hall

Free refreshments

In aid of Salisbury Hospice

If you would like to make & donate cakes/biscuits/savouries/preserves etc for the Salisbury Hospice cake stall at the Fair please contact Katie-Jayne Jennings on 01722 781200

Regular Events

WI	Second Monday of the month, 10.00am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham
Whist Drive	Every Thursday, 7.30pm, Barker Room, Nunton
Singing Group	Every Tuesday (ex. Aug/Dec.), 7.00pm, 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, 9.40 – 9.55am (14 th & 28 th October) Charlton All Saints ('phone box), alt. Fridays, 10.25 – 10.40am (8 th & 22 nd October) Nunton (The Orchard), monthly, 11.55 – 12.25pm (27 th October)
Acorn Social Club	Coffee Morning – Wednesdays 10.30am, Bingo – Fridays 7.00pm at the Orchard
Open Circle Folk Dancing/ Local Vocals	Dancing: 2 nd & 4 th Mondays each month, 7.30pm, Radnor Hall Local Vocals: 1 st Monday each month, 7.30 pm Radnor Hall contact Clare Chitty on 01722 330871

Diary Dates

2 nd Oct	Refuse Collection, Odstock, 7.15 - 9.15am, Nunton 9.30 - 11.30am (see page 3)*
9 th Oct	Minerva String Quartet, St Andrew's, Nunton, 7.30pm (see page 3)
22 nd Oct	Radio Banska, Radnor Hall, 7.30pm (see page 2)
23 rd Oct	Refuse Collection, Britford, 9.30am to 11.30am (see page 2)* * see Parish Council items

It's Carnival time!

Salisbury is set to come alive when an illuminated carnival procession will weave its way around the city streets on Friday 22nd October 2010 at 7.30pm. If you'd like to participate, rather than just come and watch, all you need to do is contact Salisbury City Council on 01722 342866 or go to:

www.salisburycarnival.co.uk