



# News and Notes



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

December 2014

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## News & Notes

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### Deadline

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

## WW SHY MR RYC HRS TMS!

There's a somewhat esoteric quiz show on BBC2 called *Only Connect*. Generally, the questions are for people much cleverer than I am. At the end, though, there's a do-able section called the Missing Vowels Round, where all the vowels are removed from connected names or phrases, and the letters randomly spaced, so that, for example, *Silent Night* becomes "SL NTNG HT".

Here's a few more, in a similar vein. Good luck with solving them!

1. "NCN RY LDVD SC TY"   2. "GDRS TYMR RYG NTLMN"   3. "JYTT HWRLD"  
4. "WYN MN GR"   5. "HR KT HHR LD NG LSS NG"   6. "CML LYF THFL"  
7. "WTH RKN GS"   8. "NTHB LKM DWN TR"   9. "TH SSS XCRL"  
10. "SWTG LDNS SMN FLD"   11. "WH LSHPH RD SWT CHDT HRF LC KSB YNG HT"  
12. "T HHLL YND THVY"   13. "LT TLT WNFB TH LHM"   14. "GB RLMS SSGE"  
15. "DN GDNGM RRL YNHGH"   16. "T HFR STNW LL"

(You'll find the answers on page 5)

There'll be plenty of opportunity to sing or hear many of these carols in our villages over Christmas. You'll find full details in the pages of News and Notes, as you read it from cover to cover in the usual way.

The title of this piece bears an *Only Connect*-style message from all the staff at News and Notes!

Editor

(PS My favourite round of *Only Connect* is the Connecting Wall, which you can play online. Google will get you there.)

## Don't miss the unmissable!

- ❖ **Pop up Pub at Britford on 28<sup>th</sup> November from 7 to 11pm**  
(At the Memorial and Community Hall, Britford – note revised date)

- ❖ **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Downton Band Concert at Charlton All Saints**  
(See page 2)

- ❖ **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Christmas Coffee Morning at Britford**  
(See page 3)

- ❖ **Church Services all through the month, and**  
**Carols at Christmas**  
(and other dates - see last page and throughout News and Notes)

Coming up

**23<sup>rd</sup> January 2015 - Curry Buffet at Britford** (see page 4)

## Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham WI

Rosemary Stephens

There was an exuberant atmosphere at our 10<sup>th</sup> November Monthly Meeting. Already this month we had hosted the Downland Group Meeting and marked our 70 years since inception with a topical '1940s style' Tea Party. The President complimented members on their enthusiastic support and helpfulness at both events.

The 1940's Tea Party was conceived and organised by an inspired group of members who invited us all to come in suitable period dress and enjoy afternoon tea. What fun – the response to the challenge was impressive and varied! Elizabeth Cutter, President, warmly thanked Sue and Maria Amey, Sue Humby, Julie Anne Hatchman, Heather Marrison and Joy Gibbons for a very, very special afternoon. The raffle successfully raised enough money to fund a bench and commemorative plaque for the Urology Department at Salisbury District Hospital where some members have been working hard to re-establish their garden.

Jennifer Cowan was thanked for her timely flower arrangement of poppies, and Margaret Barrow for organising the food at the Autumn Lunch.

Details of forthcoming events at Institute, County and National level followed. Our theatre group, walking group, pins and needles group, book club and skittles team were all meeting this month. The County Centenary celebrations in spring 2015 would be held in Swindon and Tidworth. There would also be two County visits to Adam Henson's Cotswold Farm next March. The ACWW competition, 'A Wartime Memento', was won by Rosemary Stephens with a gas mask.

The visiting speaker was Bridget Duff, a Salisbury Hospital dietician, who gave us information and advice on her topic of 'Diet and better bones'. It's all downhill after 35 for our bones apparently, but with greater awareness of our daily intake of calcium and vitamin D we could protect them. Bridget reminded us of the best ways to source these elements. Animated discussion followed and she was warmly thanked by Jill Dodd.

The next meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> December will be a Christmas meeting of entertainment and carols plus a Bring and Buy stall and raffle. Members were asked to wear festive hats and, if possible, to bring a present for the Morning Star Appeal, our charity of the year.

## Surviving Winter

Every winter around 200 Wiltshire people die of cold, and hundreds more struggle to survive. According to statistics, over 30,000 Wiltshire households live in fuel poverty.

If you receive the Government's Winter Fuel Payment and do not really need it, please consider sending a cheque to *Surviving Winter 2014/15, Wiltshire Community Foundation, Sandcliff House, 21 Northgate Street, Devizes, Wiltshire SN10 1JT*, calling 01380 729284 or donating via [www.wiltshirecf.org.uk](http://www.wiltshirecf.org.uk).

If you are a tax payer, you can ask for your donation to be treated as Gift Aid.

## Charlton All Saints Church

# Downton Band Christmas Concert

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2014**  
**7.30pm in the Church**

Tasty refreshments and Raffle  
during the interval

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

*Christmas gifts for the  
Women's Refuge are welcome*

## Christmas Services in Britford



**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

4.00pm Carol Service  
followed by  
mulled wine and mince pies

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> December**

Christmas Day  
9.30am Family Communion



*Please Join Us!!*



## Chalke Talk

Barbara Box

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

Many of you receive News and Notes electronically. You may be aware that there is a similar publication, covering all of the Chalke Valley churches, namely ChalkeTalk.

If you would like to receive an electronic copy of ChalkeTalk, please send an email to Helen Atkinson at [chalkevalley@googlemail.com](mailto:chalkevalley@googlemail.com) or you can download it from [www.chalkevalley.org.uk](http://www.chalkevalley.org.uk)

Thanks.

*(I send an email each month to quite a few readers, to confirm that News and Notes is available on the website. Please send an email to the address below if you'd like to be added to that list. It is occasionally used for other urgent messages. Those on the email list still get their paper copy. Editor)*

## Bonfire Bash 2014

Jackie and Graham Barrett

Many thanks to everyone who attended the magnificent **Charlton All Saints Bonfire Bash!**

We made an amazing £400 profit which will go to Charlton All Saints Church Funds.

Special thanks to John Taylor and David Hollands who both helped enormously with the building of the bonfire in the torrential rain!



## Carol Singing

### **Bodenham**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 6.00pm

Starting at Warmans and finishing at The Old Post Office at 7.00pm for drinks and Christmas cheer.

Please come and sing or for the Christmas cheer.

Ring Debby 01722 329769 for more details.

### **Odstock**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 6.00pm

Please meet at Odstock crossroads.

Ring Caroline 01722 324915 for more details.

### **Nunton**

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 6.00pm

Please meet at the bus shelter, Nunton.

Ring Adrian 01722 325862 for more details.

*All very welcome. Carol sheets will be provided, but please bring warm clothes and torches!*

## Cleaner Wanted

**from January 2015**

**2 to 3 hrs per week**

**in Charlton All Saints**

***Please ring 01725 511870***

## *Broad Chalke Village Hall*

will be hosting the theatre group, **Forest Forge's** winter production of

## **'Stardust'**

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> and  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December  
6:30pm.**

Tickets £10 adults, £5 children under 14  
available from The Chalke Valley Stores or  
01722 780789.

*Theatre bar available.*

## Christmas Coffee Morning

### Britford Church

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December  
10.30am to 12.30pm**

Coffee, home-made mince pies  
and biscuits

Books, Christmas Stalls

***Parking available***

## Curry Buffet

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2015 at 7.30pm**

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## Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2014

*Jeremy Metcalfe*

Thank you for your generous support to the 2014 Poppy Appeal. The Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham village collection was £1105. I am also very grateful for the support we receive from New Hall Hospital, The Radnor Arms and The Yew Tree.

The Odstock Church service collection was £450, which is a marvellous contribution.

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.

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

Your generosity enables the Legion to continue with this valuable support.

## Parish Plan

November News and Notes included an article about the possibility of making a Parish Plan for Odstock Nunton and Bodenham, which invited folk to express an interest in being involved. I have had some responses, and will put those concerned in touch. If you would like to be included, please call me on 01722 325862. *Editor.*

## Ladder/Steps Wanted

Keith Bradford (01722.329740)

Have you an old aluminium ladder or set of steps that have reached the end of their life, that you do not use, or want to throw out?

If so, please contact me, and I will collect, to make a small roof ladder for use at the Radnor Hall.

## Giving Tuesday

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**

The Church of England's stewardship movement are backing this global day of giving when we're asked to consider performing an additional act of generosity to bless a neighbour, colleague, friend or charity.

Whether we give our time, make a donation, bake a cake or show hospitality, it's a chance to remember God's love for us, and an opportunity to reflect his love out to others.

You might plan what you will do; or you might simply respond generously to the needs that you encounter on the 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

Whilst it is more blessed to give than to receive (Acts 20:35), in the act of giving, many of us also find blessing!

## A Christmas Concert

in aid of  
the new Breast Cancer Unit  
at Salisbury District Hospital

**Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> December**  
**3.00pm**  
**in Broad Chalke Village Hall**

*followed by tea and cakes*

Tickets from Chalke Valley Stores  
or on the door: £8

## Wanted

***Wool: any amount, type or thickness,  
Toiletries, Hair accessories, Fabric / Felt scraps,  
Ribbon, Elastic, Lace, Buttons, Beads,  
Christmas Wrapping Paper  
Tennis Balls, Balloons, Toys, Colouring Pencils***

**In fact... ANYTHING!!**

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blankets, scarves, mittens.....allsorts!*

## Readings and Carols

**In Remembrance of**

**Christmas 1914**

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

**2.30pm**

**Rockbourne Village Hall**

**SP6 3NR**

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**Christine Wilson 01425 653733**

*Proceeds shared with St Andrew's, Rockbourne*

## The New Breast Cancer Unit Fundraising

**A Proper Pukka Present.....**

**.... on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2015, Broad Chalke Village Hall** will be the venue for a pop-up restaurant presented by *PurePunjabi* in aid of the new Breast Cancer Unit at Salisbury Hospital.

An authentic, 3-course Indian meal in a sumptuously decorated hall, with the added entertainment of professional classical Indian dancers from London.

Tickets, at £30 per head, are available from the Chalke Valley Stores in Broad Chalke from the beginning of November.

These evenings are very popular, and any tickets not sold by Christmas will go on sale through the *PurePunjabi* website so this is your chance to get them first!

If you would like to see what the evening will be like, do take a look at their website  
[www.purepunjabi.co.uk](http://www.purepunjabi.co.uk)

So, a wonderful meal, fantastic entertainment and really good raffle prizes – buying your ticket automatically gives you a chance to win one of the prizes – a cookery workshop run by *PurePunjabi* (worth £45).

*A fantastic present to treat yourself (or others) to!*

*.....and if you were to come dressed formally or in Indian dress, it would be wonderful.....*

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1 Once in Royal David's City  
2 God rest ye merry, gentlemen  
3 Joy to the world 4 Away in a manger  
5 Hark! the herald angels sing 6 O come, all ye faithful  
7 We three kings 8 In the bleak midwinter  
9 The Sussex Carol 10 As with gladness men of old  
11 While shepherds watched their flocks by night  
12 The holly and the ivy 13 O little town of Bethlehem  
14 Gabriel's message 15 Ding Dong! Merrily on high  
16 The first Nowell

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*Martin and the Bread & Flowers team.*

### Sample Menu

#### Canapés

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#### 1<sup>st</sup> Course

- Chestnut & chorizo soup
- Beetroot cured salmon with pickled beetroot & horseradish
- Wild mushroom risotto with truffle oil & shaved manchego

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Course

- Game bird board (woodcock, grouse, mallard, partridge, pheasant) with herby lentils, red cabbage & parsnip crisps
- Grilled sea bream with smoked mackerel pate & pickled cucumber, served with beetroot, celeriac and roasted walnut salad
- Borlotti beans & kale with anchovy & rosemary sauce

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Course

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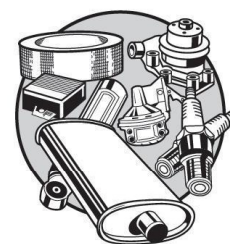
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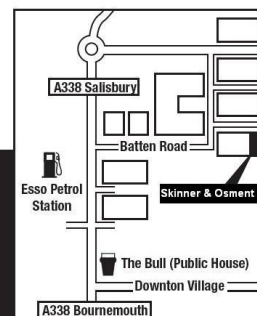
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## Regular Events

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 (4 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup> December)
Acorn 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
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 <a href="mailto:villageprayers@live.com">villageprayers@live.com</a> or come along. <b>Next meeting: 7.00pm – 10<sup>th</sup> Dec. – Barker Room, Nunton</b>

## Diary Dates

9 <sup>th</sup> December	Downton Band Concert, Charlton All Saints Church, 7.30pm (see page 2)
10 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Coffee Morning, Britford Church, 10.30am to 12.30pm (see page 3)
22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Carol Singing, Bodenham and Odstock, 6.00pm (see page 3)
23 <sup>rd</sup> December	Carol Singing, Nunton, 6.00pm (see page 3)
23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Curry Buffet, Britford Memorial and Community Hall, 7.30pm (see page 3)

## Church of England Services

7 <sup>th</sup> December Second Sunday of Advent	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Family Service Family Communion Evensong (BCP)	Britford Odstock Coombe Bissett Homington	AP AT JT RW
14 <sup>th</sup> December Third Sunday of Advent	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion Choral Mattins (BCP) Family Service	Nunton Charlton All Saints Coombe Bissett	RW Lay Led RW
21 <sup>st</sup> December Fourth Sunday of Advent	11.00am 4.00pm 6.00pm 6.00pm	Family Communion Carol Service Carol and Crib Service Carol Service	Homington Britford Nunton Coombe Bissett	RW JT RW JT
24 <sup>th</sup> December Christmas Eve	6.00pm 11.00pm	Nine Lessons and Carols Midnight Eucharist	Homington Coombe Bissett	JT JT
25 <sup>th</sup> December Christmas Day	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) Family Communion Family Communion Family Service	Homington Britford Odstock Coombe Bissett	RW JT RW JT
28 <sup>th</sup> December First Sunday of Christmas	10.00am	Benefice Communion	Charlton All Saints	RW
4 <sup>th</sup> January Epiphany	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Family Service Family Communion Evensong (BCP)	Britford Odstock Coombe Bissett Homington	RW RW AP JT

RW = Revd Rick Williams, JT = Revd Jenny Taylor, AP = Canon Ann Philp,  
AT = Adrian Taylor,  
(BCP = Book of Common Prayer)