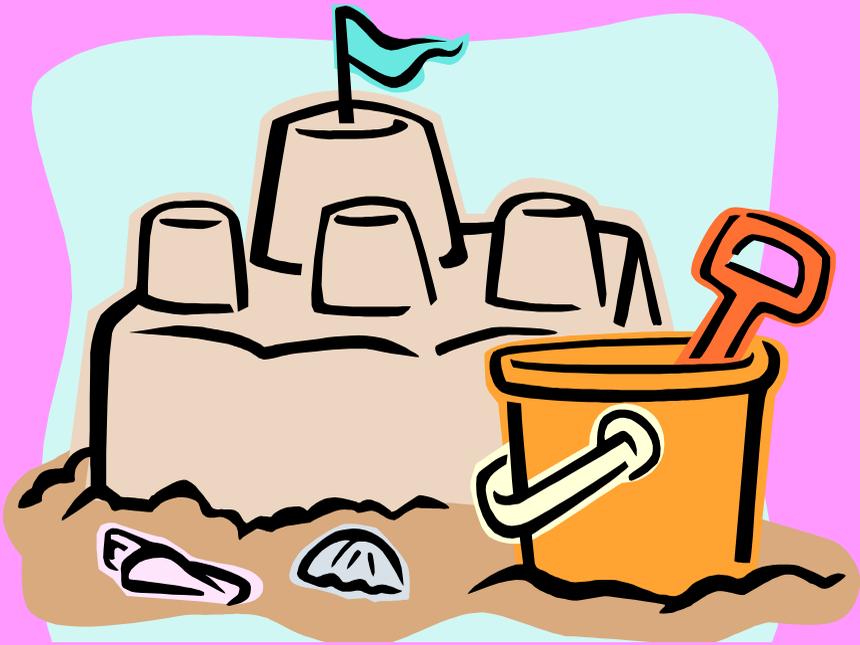


# **SPOTLIGHT**

## **Seend & Bulkington**



**August/September**  
**2010**

## DIARY DATES FOR AUGUST

- 2nd Mobile Library – 9.35am The Lye; 10am phone box, Seend Cleeve;  
10.55am Well Inn car park, Bulkington
- 4th Shuttle Shopping Trip? - ring Terry on 828203 by Monday 2nd to check
- 7th Breakfast in the Community Centre, 7.30-9.30am
- 7th Coffee Morning at The Old Farmhouse, Mill Lane, Poulshot 10am-noon
- 7th Sponsored Walk for Marie Curie
- 8th Ramblers meet 9.30 Rusty Lane
- 9th-11th Bottle Stall collections - see p.6 for details
- 11th WI Treasure Hunt, meet Pavilion 7pm
- 14th Seend Village Fete and Flower Show
- 16th Mobile library – 9.35am The Lye; 10am phone box, Seend Cleeve;  
10.55am Well Inn car park, Bulkington
- 18th Alternative Nosh and Natter in the Vicarage (booking essential)
- 19th Historic Houses Corsham Walk and Supper
- 19th Theatre Club trip to Oliver Twist, Prior Park Bath
- 21st Breakfast in the Community Centre, 7.30-9.30am
- 21st Quiet Day at Ivy House, Warminster (see church news item)
- 25th Messy Church, 3.45pm The Pavillion, Rusty Lane, Seend
- 28th Breakfast in the Community Centre, 7.30-9.30am
- 30th Great Bulkington Railway Teddy Bear Special, 1.30-2.30pm

## DIARY DATES FOR SEPTEMBER

- 1st Shuttle Shopping Trip? - ring Terry on 828203 by Monday 30th to check
- 7th Seend School Parents Social Group AGM, 7pm, Seend School
- 8th Melksham Area Board Meeting, The Oak School
- 11th **LAST DAY FOR ITEMS FOR OCTOBER SPOTLIGHT**
- 13th Mobile library – 9.35am The Lye; 10am phone box, Seend Cleeve;  
10.55am Well Inn car park, Bulkington
- 16th Wessex Fuchsia Group Meeting, The Pavilion, Rusty Lane, Seend
- 16th Theatre Club Trip ‘Voyage Round my Father’, Salisbury
- 18th Historic Houses visit to Dyrham Park
- 18th-19th Potterne Medieval Fayre
- 19th Ramblers meet 9.30am Rusty Lane
- 24th Harvest Supper, 7.30, The Pavilion
- 24th Seend School Family Fun Night
- 26th Julian House Circuit of Bath Walk
- 27th Mobile library – 9.35am The Lye; 10am phone box, Seend Cleeve;  
10.55am Well Inn car park, Bulkington
- 26th Harvest Festival, Holy Cross 11.15am
- 26th Harvest Festival, Christ Church Bulkington, 6pm
- 29th Nosh and Natter, 12 for 12.30 in the Community Centre

### **Newcomer to Seend?**

Call in at the shop/PO and ask for your copy of the **Welcome booklet**, which tells you all you need to know about the village.

And visit **[www.seend.org.uk](http://www.seend.org.uk)** for village history, Shuttle timetable, What's On, useful links (including to Parish Council site) and back numbers of Spotlight and Happenings!

## Welcome to the August/September 2010 edition

As the schools break up and we begin the summer holidays and a well earned rest for many, welcome to the August/September edition of Spotlight. We hope the good weather continues, interspersed with some rain to keep our gardeners and farmers happy. There is still plenty of activity going on in the village over the summer, including some summer fun for younger children on the Lye Field each week. Of course the highlight of the summer is the Seend Fete which promises to be as big an event as ever, combined with our ever enjoyable Flower Show. We do hope you will be able to fully support both of these events. Also over the summer, the Saturday Breakfasts return which I know many look forward to. The vacancy on the Parish Council has been filled by Stephen Diffy who we are sure will be a real asset to the Council.



**Spotlight collection:** Many thanks to all of you who have donated to ‘Spotlight’ by popping some money in the envelopes enclosed in the last edition and handing it to your local collector. If they’ve missed you, you can still hand in your donation to Seend Shop/Post Office. We shall publish a figure when all the contributions have been received and counted.

**Thanks:** Jo and Trevor Bell have decided not to act as Bulkington contacts for Spotlight any more, as nearly everyone emails items direct to the Spotlight address below these days. Tina Yockney has also opted to have her name removed from the list of contacts, although she will still be very much involved in the content and production of the magazine. The rest of the team would like to thank them all on your behalf for their past contributions.

### **THE SPOTLIGHT CONTACTS**

Contributions for the **October issue** (*copy deadline 11th September*) can be e-mailed to [spotlight@seend.org.uk](mailto:spotlight@seend.org.uk) or delivered to Seend PO. Comments and queries to Joanna Goddard on 828488, Tessa Doe on 828617 or Anne Ewing on 828557. Juli Wilfort has also joined the team, collecting and typing up the items deposited at Seend PO.

**N.B.** In future, Anne and Tessa will be sharing the editing of Spotlight, so please send all emails to the Spotlight address or deliver entries to the Shop/PO, rather than gamble on whose turn it is!

**Lost emails:** All too often, an email to Spotlight goes astray for no obvious reason. If email correspondents **don’t** receive an acknowledgement by the end of the Monday after the Spotlight deadline, please ring Tessa or Anne (see above) to check if all is well. And **please** read the following:

**N.B.** When sending emails to [spotlight@seend.org.uk](mailto:spotlight@seend.org.uk) please include the word **SPOTLIGHT in uppercase** as the first word of the Subject. This will help the editorial team sifting through all the messages stopped by the SPAM filter, which sometimes include genuine messages for SPOTLIGHT.

## LETTER FROM THE VICAR

Do you know, I really thought life was going to quieten down a lot after the Christmas rush but I still seem to be chasing my tail – just like most other people I meet, I suppose! This is often called “the silly season”. It’s a time when many people are away on holiday and when it’s difficult to find those extra pairs of hands needed for erecting gazebos for the village fetes, manning stalls and simply helping out with all those things that make up village life. There can’t be many homes that don’t contribute to our community life in one way or another. I try to do my bit by making cakes, and supporting events in the villages as much as possible. Talking about cakes, I have quite a few cookery books at home – one (Philip Harben’s “Cookery Encyclopaedia”) was given to me by my foster mum as a wedding present over 40 years ago. My most recent acquisition is one called “A Million Recipes” – rather more in number than I’ll ever need!

Anyone visiting me at home might think I’m a good cook with so many recipe books to hand but, sad to say, although I’ve leafed through them all from time to time and enjoyed looking at the illustrations, I don’t often get much further. And it seems to me that this is a good illustration of what life can be like for so many of us. After all, I could read all the cookery books going, but that wouldn’t make me a better cook. Why? Simply because to be come a good cook not only do I have to read the recipe, I also have to follow the instructions!

The Bible is a bit like a cookery book. It contains God’s recipe for becoming a Christian and living a life that is pleasing to Him. A lot of people read the Bible every day and maybe attend study groups. But it isn’t enough just to read and study the Bible. Reading the Bible won’t make you a Christian any more than reading a cookbook will make you a cook. We must follow the recipe in our daily life.

How about you? What’s cooking in your life? The challenge for us is to try to follow Jesus each day as the bible tells us to - and when we do - the Spirit of God will help us - and produce great meals - wonderful fruit - in our lives – not only the fruit that we’re already harvesting in our gardens but also that about which we learn in our readings and in our joyful songs that we share week in and week out in our village churches, where a warm welcome awaits you. We have some extra special things coming up – “Messy Church” (for primary school aged children and their families), coffee mornings, “Nosh and Natter” in the Vicarage in August, Pet Service at Bulkington (everyone welcome – dangerous animals on leads please !), Welcome Service for our new Headteacher and the new intake of pupils at Seend School, the Poulshot Feast, Bulkington Church’s 150<sup>th</sup> celebrations, Harvest celebrations and flower shows – not to mention weddings and christenings.  
 Busy ?

Take me, Lord, from busy-ness  
 to the place of quietness  
 from the tumult without cease  
 into your great unending peace

Help me then, my Lord, to see  
what I am and ought to be.

Oh yes, I forgot to mention our “get away from it all” quiet day. I’ll be there, will you? You can find details of all these events in this magazine – or ‘phone me, or Sue Taylor (01225 709360) for details.

God Bless ... Renée

## EVENTS IN AUGUST

### Summer Saturday Breakfasts



in Seend Community Centre  
Every Saturday until 28th August  
(not 14th)  
7.30am - Last Orders 9.30am  
*The only way to start the weekend!*

## SEEND FETE AND FLOWER SHOW



**Saturday 14th August**  
**Something for everyone**  
**on the Lye Field**  
**and in the Pavilion and**  
**Community Centre**



**The fete starts with the procession at 12.30pm and the Flower Show is open for viewing from 1-5pm (entry forms from Shop, pubs and Community Centre)**

**Not to be missed!**

## EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER



**Traditional Village  
Harvest Supper**  
with musical entertainment  
for all the family



**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September**  
**7.30 pm in the Pavilion**

Tickets £5 available from the Post Office  
Sue or Steve Taylor 01225 709360  
or Tina Yockney 827139



*Proceeds in aid of Church funds*



## *The Return of the Community Centre Nosh & Natter Lunch Club*

*Wednesday 29th September 12 for 12.30pm*

*All ages welcome! You need to ring Lillian and John on  
828540 to book your place a few days in advance. Thanks.*

*(See page 9 for details of Renée's August Nosh & Natter substitute!)*



**See also** page 11 for details of the **Great Bulkington Railway** opening on August Bank Holiday, and page 22 for details of **Seend School's Family Fun Night** on 24th September.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*(Please let us know of any births, marriages, deaths, special birthdays, thanks etc that you would like to see included here.)*

**Thanks** to everyone who helped at or participated in the Church Fete on 11th July. The event raised approximately £1800!

Tina Yockney

## WELCOME TO SEEND FETE 2010

The annual Seend Summer Fete is one of the biggest family events in Wiltshire, and the largest fete to take place locally. Held every year on the Lye Field, the fete is one of the highlights of the Seend Summer.



This year we are delighted that Paul Martin of 'Flog It' fame has kindly given up his precious time to attend our fete and to present the prizes. He will also be spending part of the afternoon giving valuations on small items (not jewellery) for a donation to fete funds. The Fete will be opened by the Fete Princess, Maddie Stegall, and her two attendants Anneliese Wooster and Daisy Hale.

We're also very pleased to welcome as our arena acts this year performers from The Wiltshire School of Gymnastics and Pegasus Falconry with their Falcons and Eagle Owls, plus last year's musical hit, Salmagundi.

There will be numerous stalls at the fete plus pony and donkey rides, ferret racing, model aircraft displays, vintage cars, train rides, a beer tent, a tea tent and of course all the fun of the fair. We hope to see you there!

**WANTED-lots of cakes**-not only for the Cake Stall but also for the Tea Tent. The Tea Tent on the Lye Field will be open for business from 1pm to provide us with much needed refreshments, so we need cakes, cakes and more cakes to sell! **Lin Salter** on **01225 706451** is the contact to receive the Tea Tent cakes. **Rebecca Rowan** on **828684** is the contact for the Cake Stall.

**White Elephant** Now is the time to turn out your cupboards, and spring clean your lofts! **Ron Apted** and his team need all your unwanted treasures! Deliver them to the Pavilion on the following days, at the following times: **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> and Friday 13<sup>th</sup>** between **7pm and 9 pm**. If you can't wait until then just call **Ron** on **828427** and he'll arrange collection.

**Toys, Books, Plants** We need toys for the toy stall, books for the book stall and plants for the plant stall! You can deliver or we'll collect. Please call **Susan Bolton** on **827065**

**Tombola and Grand Draw Prizes** We are still collecting suitable prizes for these stalls. Please contact **Fiona Johnson** on **828401** if you have anything suitable.

**The Fete Programme** is now on sale; price £1, in the Village Shop, The Bell, The Barge, The Brewery and The Three Magpies. Or you can buy one on the day. It's full of information regarding the entertainments, stalls and refreshments. It also contains advertisements from local organizations and companies for whose support we are so grateful.

**Procession Entries** - on wheels or on foot, please be in Dial Close at 12 noon.

**Free Breakfast – An Offer You Can't Refuse!** If you give us just **one hour** of your time on the morning of **Saturday 14 August 2010**, in return **we** will give **you** a freshly baked bap containing fried egg, bacon and sausage, and a large mug of tea! Be at the Pavilion between 7.30 and 8.30am to claim your free breakfast-in-a-bap! See you there!

Fiona Johnson and all your Fete Committee

### **Seend Fete - Bottle Collection for Bottle Stall**

The annual house to house collection of bottles, tins, etc will take place on the following days: **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August for Seend, Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> August for Seend Cleeve and Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> August for Sells Green and Martinslade.** We'll be around early evening – just leave anything you can spare on the doorstep! All bottles of booze/soft drinks, jars of food etc gratefully received. Thank you!



**Collecting Teams will meet at 7.00 pm at the following places:**

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – Seend Community Centre**

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> – The Brewery in Seend Cleeve**

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> - The Three Magpies at Sells Green**

**Important** – We need volunteers to assist with the collections on one or more of the dates. It really is a lot of fun and the more people we have, the quicker it gets done and the quicker we can get inside the meeting place for a well earned drink! If you know you'll be out on the evening of collection in your area, you can still donate by contacting **Mo Weston** on **828343** to arrange a collection point, or you can bring it to the stall on the day of the Fete.

## **CHURCH NEWS**

### **Pause for thought ...**

#### **Sand and Stone**

Two friends were walking through the desert. At one point on their journey they had an argument, and one friend slapped the other on the face. The one who was slapped was hurt but, without saying anything, wrote in the sand: "Today my best friend slapped my face".

They kept on walking until they found an oasis, where they decided to bathe. The one who had been slapped got stuck in the mud and started to drown, but the friend saved him.

After he recovered from the near drowning, he wrote on a stone: "Today my best friend saved my life".

The friend who had slapped, and then saved his best friend, asked him, "After I hurt you, you wrote in the sand – and now, you write on a stone, why?"

The friend replied, "When someone hurts us we should write it down in sand, where winds of forgiveness can erase it away. But, when someone does something good for us, we must engrave it in stone, where no wind can ever erase it."

Learn to write your hurts in the sand, and to carve your blessings in stone. Be kinder than necessary, because everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle.

*Renée*

## **Church Registers**

### **Baptisms**

25 July Harry William Hiscocks of Seend Cleve  
Jacob Stuart Matthew and Crystal Kate Matthew of Poulshot

### **Weddings**

12 June Jamie David Hiscocks and Clare Louise Gilbert, of Devizes  
24 July Christopher James Mortimer and Katy Hannah Dorken, of Penarth, Vale of Glamorgan

### **Funerals**

2 June Michael Bowden of Poulshot Road, Poulshot. Aged 79  
3 July Yvonne Hargreaves of Poulshot Road, Poulshot. Aged 88  
21 July Betty Kathleen Cornelius of Easterton, Devizes. Aged 93  
23 July Jack Body of Trowbridge. Aged 82 (Service at crematorium)

## **Floodlights at Holy Cross, Seend**

Many thanks to everyone who has sponsored the floodlights recently. They can show the church building at its best. For four hours and for a suggested donation of £10 you can mark the celebration of a birthday or wedding anniversary, or the commemoration of a loved one. The church will be floodlit from 8.00 pm to midnight, unless otherwise requested. . If you would like to make arrangements, please contact Tina Yockney (827139)

15th July Richard and Marion Whitehead to celebrate the 10th wedding anniversary of Alison and John

16th July Bob and Sue McCullough. Flowers in the church to celebrate their wedding anniversary

23 August In loving memory of Don on our wedding anniversary from Renée

## **Wanted - A Donkey !**

Is there anyone out there who could loan us a donkey for a couple of hours for our crib service in the Vicarage garden on 23rd December? We are happy to hire one if available. If you know of anyone who could help us find one, or indeed if you have one yourself that you would be willing to share, please contact Tina Yockney on 01380 827139.



## **Church services during August and September**

### **Sunday 1st August**

8.00 am Holy Communion at Seend  
 9.30 am Family Communion at Bulkington  
 11.15 am Parish Communion at Seend  
 6.00 pm Evensong at Poulshot

### **Sunday 8th August**

8.00 am Holy Communion at Seend  
 9.30 am Family Communion at Poulshot  
 11.15 am Matins at Seend  
 6.00 pm Evensong at Bulkington

### **Sunday 15th August**

8.00 am Holy Communion at Seend  
 9.30 am Parish Communion at Bulkington  
 11.15 am Parish Communion at Seend  
 6.00 pm Parish Communion at Poulshot

### **Sunday 22nd August**

8.00 am Holy Communion at Seend  
 9.30 am Matins at Poulshot  
 11.15 am Family Communion at Seend  
 6.00 pm Pets service at Bulkington

### **Sunday 29th August**

10.00 am Benefice Communion at Poulshot

### **Sunday 5th September**

8.00 am Holy Communion at Seend  
 9.30 am Family Communion at Bulkington  
 11.15 am Parish Communion at Seend  
 6.00 pm Evensong at Poulshot

### **Sunday 12th September**

8.00 am Holy Communion at Seend  
 9.30 am Family Communion at Poulshot  
 11.15 am Family Service at Seend  
 6.00 pm Evensong at Bulkington

### **Sunday 19th September**

10.00 am Benefice Communion at Bulkington with Bishop Stephen

### **Saturday 25th September**

11.00 am 150th Anniversary service at Bulkington

### **Sunday 26th September**

8.00 am Holy Communion at Seend  
 9.30 am Matins at Poulshot  
 11.15 am Family Harvest Festival Communion at Seend  
 6.00 pm Harvest Festival at Bulkington

## MESSY CHURCH IS COMING !

**Where?** The Pavilion, Rusty Lane, Seend

**When?** Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> August, 3.45 until 5.45 pm

**Who's it for?** Primary School aged children and their carers. **Fun and Food for ALL the family**



Run on very similar lines to the Good Friday workshops. Book your place now with Sue Taylor (01225 709360) or sign up on the list at the back of Seend, Bulkington or Poulshot Church. (No charge, but a donation would be welcome, to help towards the cost of food and resources. Wear old clothes!!!) **See you there !**

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How would you like to spend a day without telephones, shopping, cleaning, cooking etc. etc? Well you can !! Why not put aside a day just for you? There will be plenty of time for reflection, reading, a stroll around the beautiful gardens or even a gentle snooze at a

*Quiet Day at Ivy House, Warminster  
on Saturday 21 August 10 am to 3.30 pm*



Interested? If so, please contact either a churchwarden or the Vicar (827285), or sign the list at the back of church. This opportunity is open to everyone. We will share transport where possible. Cost £17 per person, to include morning coffee, lunch and afternoon tea. A deposit of £5 will secure your place.

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### *Will YOU miss "Nosh and Natter" in August?*

... if so, why not come to the Vicarage instead, for a simple one-course lunch and tea or coffee. £2.50 for church funds.

*Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> August 12.30 - 2.00 pm*

**Booking essential** (must be by a note through the Vicarage letterbox, with your telephone number please). Places limited : only 16 servings each time.



### Harvest Festival

**26th September, Holy Cross, Seend, 11.15 am**

**Christ Church, Bulkington, 6.00 pm**

**(flower show on 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup>)**



Harvest Thanksgiving gifts of tinned and dried foods will be very welcome, which will be given to a local Food Bank, as emergency supplies for those in need. We especially need the children to come along and teach the grown-ups the song "Our God is a great big God", which we will learn at Messy Church!

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### Coffee morning

at The Old Farmhouse, Mill Lane, Poulshot. Between 10.00 and 12.00 noon on Saturday 7 August. Proceeds to St. Peters Poulshot.



### Date for your diary

Saturday 16th October 2010 - **NEPALESE EVENING** in the Pavilion - 7pm for 7.30pm. Keep the date free. It will be fun

## **SEEND METHODIST CHAPEL**

### **Services for August & September**

August 8 <sup>th</sup>	10am 'Villages Together'; Revd Mike Burrell from Westbury
August 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10am Revd Roy Fowler with Holy Communion
September 11 <sup>th</sup>	(Saturday) 10am-6pm. Open for Historic Churches Cycle Ride
September 12 <sup>th</sup>	10am Revd Roy Fowler with Holy Communion
September 19 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am at Whitley Chapel for their Harvest Festival
September 26 <sup>th</sup>	10am Our Harvest Thanksgiving Service - Preacher not yet arranged. Gifts of tinned and packet goods gratefully received for Devizes Food Bank
	3pm Bromham Chapel Harvest Festival
	Followed by tea and sale of produce

Thanks are expressed to all who helped and supported our stall at the Church Fete on 10<sup>th</sup> July. £267 has been sent to the Methodist World Mission Fund.

Anne Salter (828502)

## **FROM ROY...**

I have just heard a lecture by Lord Putnam from a series of lectures being given to young people in the House of Lords. The theme of the lecture was how can Parliament re-connect with young people so that the democratic process can be re-vitalised? In particular, he quoted from an article in the New York Times where a father and son, Toby and Daniel Judt, are discussing why young people so often feel that politicians don't get it when it comes to young people's concerns. The son Daniel's point being: "Politics pass, and economies rebound, but the environment doesn't." There's a challenge there to look beyond the current concerns of forming a government and indebtedness to what may well prove in the long term to be the pressing issue of our time and yet is in danger of being pushed out by the issues of the moment.

Lord Putnam sought to answer this by suggesting that the institutions of politics, not least parliament, need to wise up to how they can become less self-regarding. He quoted Lord Macaulay at the time of great Reform Act, who said that institutions are means and not ends. He felt there was a challenge to Parliament to both engage with the digital revolution and to tap into the energy and imagination of the younger generation to engage with their real concerns. The issue of the degradation of our planet will not go away.

I feel that there is a challenge to the church here. I seem to have spent a considerable amount of time over the months caring for the institution of the church – it's easy enough to do. I and all of us in the church need to ask how can we unlock the imagination of our faith to bring vision to the pressing issues of our time? Are we engaged with what really matters? Are we truly alive to the call of God?

God bless,



## **BULKINGTON NEWS**

### **GREAT BULKINGTON RAILWAY EVENT**

On Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> July we ran our miniature trains on the G B R and, at a guess perhaps 300+ people from far and wide came along to enjoy themselves. Half a dozen locomotives from the West Wilts and North Wilts Societies of Model Engineers ran on the railway – some steam and some diesel giving rides to hundreds of children and grownups – we even had a goods train. We did an amazing 246 trips around the 1000 foot track during the day. We had a lot of support from the West Wilts Model Engineers and others in order to run this popular event.



In particular, Lee Thorp and Ben Dobson worked very hard during the day carrying out a multitude of tasks which varied from selling and punching tickets to driving locomotives.

The local constabulary was in attendance and many children had their finger prints taken! We had a splendid Coconut Shy (thanks to Ian Symes & Family) which was very popular and contributed £60 towards our event. Liz Futter and her hard working helpers ran the cakes & teas tent. There were hundreds of beautiful cakes and (non-fattening?) sticky buns which our ladies from the village had donated.

Altogether we made an amazing total of £532:00 through our joint efforts for two very worthy charities, Dorothy House Hospice and Wiltshire Air Ambulance.

I would like to express my grateful thanks to everybody for all their hard work and enthusiasm – in particular to Audrey McDonald and Jane Coles who suggested the event back in February.

### **Teddy Bear Special on the Great Bulkington Railway**

On August Bank Holiday Monday (30<sup>th</sup> August) we will giving train rides to visitors of all ages on the Great Bulkington Railway from 1330 – 1430 hours. This is not a major event as most of the model engineers will be at another village fete that weekend. We expect to only have one or perhaps two trains running. Rides cost a pound each in aid of West Wilts Model Engineers.



**SPECIAL OFFER**. All persons (of all ages!) who bring along a teddy bear will be given ONE Free Ride!

Light refreshments will be provided by Liz Futter and friends in aid of Christ Church Bulkington.

We are located corner of Mill Lane next to Bulkington Village Hall.

Neve Boulton, Chief Engineer/Engine Driver. 01380 828101

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## **SEEND CLUB AND ORGANISATION NEWS**



### **MOTHERS UNION** **SEEND AND BULKINGTON BRANCH**

Mrs M. Gange, the Salisbury diocesan president of the Children's Society was the speaker at the June meeting of the Seend and

Bulkington Mothers Union Branch.

Originally, the Society was known as the Waifs and Strays. It has now developed to help homeless children. We tend to think that street children are a problem in third world countries, but Mrs Gange said that numbers of children (approx 275 per day) leave home because of neglect or violence and have nowhere to go in this country. The children are easy prey for drug dealers and sex offenders.

The Society tackles this problem by training and employing project workers who seek out and help children to find safe accommodation. Often, giving the 'Big Bag' containing toiletries and something to eat to the child, provides the project worker with an opportunity to talk and then offer further help.

Giving donations of money to the Children's Society is a way for everyone to help in this work.

#### Future Dates

August 9 <sup>th</sup>	The branch is invited to visit West Lavington 12 o'clock Lunch, meeting and Service
August 18 <sup>th</sup>	Lunch at Squirrels (Southwick) 12:30
August 29 <sup>th</sup>	Cream Tea at P. Willcox' house, N. Bradley £4 ticket – money for the Manchester Link
September 9 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday. The M.U. has a stall in the Brittox, Devizes Home made produce, cakes, preserves and garden produce
September 15 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Carole Jones, monthly meeting

### **SEEND AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB**

The day trip to Wisley in June was much enjoyed by a full coach load of people. We had lovely weather, and the gardens looked beautiful, my particular favourite being the new planting around the new glass house. There is so much to see there and it is impossible to do it justice in one day. Despite the high prices the plants in the plant centre are of very good quality and quite a few managed to make their way onto the coach.



The July visit was to Cranborne Manor in Dorset. I was unable to go at the last minute but have been given various descriptions of a beautifully maintained garden separated into compartments and including a fountain shaped like a flower that

needed time to wait and watch for the water to trickle from the petals. Everybody then went on to Wimborne and variously had lunch, walked around the Minster and/or investigated the shops.

Thank you to Edna Fry, Jill Godwin and Sylvia Hinton who helped on the stall at the Church fete. We will need volunteers again for the Lye Field fete in August. Contributions and queries to Joyce please.

Our first meeting of the new season will be in September with a talk on Barnsdale, the garden of the late Geoff Hamilton. In the spirit of Geoff Hamilton the competition will be for a useful, home-made item for the garden. Non-members are welcome.

P.S. I recently visited Brokerswood near Westbury for an afternoon walk with my daughter and my dog. It was mid week and therefore completely empty apart from us, so it was very peaceful. We kept away from the pond to start with and followed the tracks through the woods. My dog was enjoying frequent sniffing stops and during one of these moments of enforced idleness I spotted a movement on the ground. I assumed it was a grasshopper but on close inspection saw that it was a tiny froglet half the size of a fingernail. We then realised that we were standing in the middle of a rush of froglets making their way down to the pond which they could not see but instinctively knew was there. We carried on, this time on tiptoe and placing our feet very carefully, and found that every track and pathway however small was alive with these tiny creatures on their migration. They were hopping through grass and round stones, under and over twigs and branches and many had got into dead ends and clearly would not make it at all. There were literally thousands of them. We went down to the water but could find no sign of any jumping in, so assumed that we had arrived at the start of the event. Alas we did not have time to wait for the mass plunge but hoped that there would not be too many who perished before they got there. So our peaceful walk was much more exciting than we expected. Of course we had forgotten the camera!

Sue.



### SEEND WI

Our visit to Marlborough College on 14 July proved to be a fascinating evening with the immensely knowledgeable and amusing college archivist Dr Terry Rogers who showed us the nooks and crannies with a wonderful range of anecdotes. And the weather held fair after threatening all day – so we were very lucky.

We have put our order in for a fine evening on August 11 when we will be exploring on foot the more unusual aspects of our village in a treasure hunt. Teams of three to meet outside the Pavilion at 7pm. Our President Susan has kindly invited everyone back to her home, Thyme House, for light refreshments afterwards.

September 8<sup>th</sup> finds us back in our usual haunt of the Pavilion when architect, Howard Waters, will be talking about building design. And we are holding a cake stall at this meeting, so put a note on your calendar to bake that cake!

From September on we will have the regular book and magazine box – so make sure you bring along all those summer reads!

For more information please contact Fiona Johnson on 01380 828401.

Sarah Todhunter

## **ROYAL BRITISH LEGION**

### **Annual Lecture**

The first of the annual lectures will take place in the Pavilion at 1930 hrs on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2010. The subject is “ENIGMA. How the cracking of the enemy’s codes led to the world’s first computer.” The speaker will be Hugh Davies. This lecture is open to all comers, whether members of the RBL or not, and tickets (price £6.00 including a glass of wine) can be obtained from the village shop, committee members or at the door.



### **A Concert of Peace and Reconciliation**

This concert entitled “The Angel and the Fallen” and featuring Hayley Westenra, The Band of the Adjutant General’s Corps, St John’s Singers, English Youth Ballet and Salisbury Cathedral Junior Choir will take place in Salisbury Cathedral on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2010 commencing at 7.30 pm. Tickets (prices from £10.00) can be obtained from the Salisbury Playhouse Box Office (Tel: 01722 320333) or from [www.cathedralconcerts.co.uk](http://www.cathedralconcerts.co.uk)

Proceeds to the Royal British Legion.

Roger Brind

## **Workers Educational Association**

Our Autumn series of illustrated lectures starts on Monday 11th October. It will be given by Robert Baggs who will be talking about the artists and patrons who made the Florentine Renaissance in the 15c. There will be seven sessions of two hours each, and the fee will be £47 (concessions available). No previous knowledge required. To book a place, please phone Pam on 828597 or e-mail [pmmchurch@hotmail.com](mailto:pmmchurch@hotmail.com)



### **Theatre Club Dates**

Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Aug  
Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Sept  
Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov  
Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec

“Oliver Twist” Prior Park Bath  
“Voyage Round my Father” Salisbury  
“Sound of Music” Bristol Hippodrome  
“Messiah” Bath Abbey

## **SEEND SHUTTLE**



### **First Wednesday Shopping Trip**

We will attempt to run a shopping trip in August and September but Terry is getting embarrassed each month through having to cancel because of lack of numbers. He is inclined to think that we have exhausted the popularity of the trip and maybe we should stop altogether or go somewhere different. If anyone has any comment or suggestions to make would they please get in touch with him on 828203.

### **New Organiser for Cleaning Rota Needed**

Now Tessa has retired from the Shuttle Committee we would be very grateful to anyone willing to take on this not very onerous task. Tessa would be happy to fill you in with the details (phone 828617). Our lovely regular cleaners have a rota lasting up until October but they just need someone to phone if they have any problems, someone to gently remind them when it's their turn and to sort out the next rota with them. In the mean time cleaners can phone Anita, the Shuttle secretary, on 828757.

## **SEEND AND DISTRICT RAMBLERS**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July** proved to be a very hot day when 13 ramblers joined Colin and Denise Noad for their circular walk of 6 miles, commencing from the village of Marshfield. We experienced spectacular panoramic views across the valley, stopping in the shade half-way round. Our grateful thanks to Colin and Denise for researching such a lovely walk.



**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August** - Meet in Rusty Lane for a 9:30 a.m. departure. The walk will commence from the free car-park in Station Road, Radstock. Directions: When arriving in the centre of Radstock on the A362 at traffic lights and roundabouts, turn sharp left into Fortescue Road. Continue past shops and Victoria Hall, go straight on at junction. Car-park is on the right-hand side before the church. Bring refreshments for a stop. Ron Apted is organising this walk. For further information contact him on 01380 828427.

**Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> August - FETE DAY.** We look forward to seeing as many members as possible, to give a hand in the refreshments marquee on the above day. Help during the morning and most crucially during the afternoon will be invaluable.

Any baking of cakes towards this event will be gratefully appreciated. Let's hope for a very successful and fine day!

**Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> September.** Meet in Rusty Lane for a 9:30 a.m. departure. Estimated 5 / 6 miles duration. Leaders Colin and Jo Waldeck (01380 828946). Details not yet finalised at the time of going to press.

Lin Salter 01225 706451

## **SEEND COMMUNITY CENTRE & CLUB NEWS**

**Please see the enclosed edition of 'Happenings!'** for progress reports, views of past events and news of things to come.

Just to whet your appetite, **Saturday Breakfasts** started on 24<sup>th</sup> July and continue until 28<sup>th</sup> August (but not on 14<sup>th</sup> August as that's the Flower Show), and **Nosh'n'Natter** returns on 29<sup>th</sup> September.

If you'd like to **get involved** in helping to keep the Community Centre going or in organising events, please contact any Committee Member or leave a note in the Suggestions Book behind the bar. Thanks.

**Outdoor games:** Family members of Seend Club can ask to use a range of outdoor games on the patio or on the grass on fine evenings. Ask at the bar.

### **Historic Houses Dates**

Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> August	Berkeley Castle
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Corsham Walk & Supper
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Dyrham Park
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	AGM & Talk on Gibb family
Dec	Longleat & Lunch



### **WESSEX FUCHSIA GROUP**

This regional group meets regularly in Seend and holds its annual show here.

**Monthly meetings** - Irene Usher Memorial Hall, commencing 7.45 p.m.  
Non members welcome.

Thursday 16th September - Carol Gubler - "Getting Fuchsias Ready for Winter".

Thursday 21st October - AGM followed by American Supper.

Thursday 19th November - Richard Pooley - "Insects"

For more details contact Mrs Jill Holloway 01225 754666.

### **100+CLUB 2010/2011**

Membership for 2010/11 has finally settled at 194, only 2 down on last year, so a very satisfactory conclusion to the sign-up campaign. Subscriptions totalled £2,910, of which £970 goes to the Lye Field and £1940 is returned to subscribers as prize-money. 144 subscribers gift-aided their subscriptions which means a further £201.60 for the Lye Field. We welcome 11 new subscribers and wish them and everyone else good luck for the forthcoming draws. 100+Club numbers for new members and members with initials **A** to **J** are listed below; numbers allocated to members with initials **K** to **Y** will be listed in the October edition of Spotlight together with the results of all the draws since May.



**100+Club numbers for 2010/11**  
**new members**

Antony Bailey	33
Mrs A Bailey	129
Dougie Bartholomew	187
John Isaac	68
Mrs Phillipa Jackson	76
Ms Viv Luckett	78
Mrs M Morrison	99
Stephen Nunn	177
Kevin Rigg	90
Mrs Celia Rigg	156
Ms Nicky Scott	26

**Existing members A-J**

51	Adams, Mrs G J
148	Agass, Ms G
103, 25	Akerman, Mr E
128, 58	Allen, Mr RP
161	Ames, Mr R
32, 191	Anstey, Mr R
172	Apted, Mr R
15	Bailey, Mrs R
13	Barnes, Mr D.
67	Barnes, Mrs H.
132	Bolton, Mr A M
63	Bolton, Mrs S
124	Bottomley, Mrs A
12, 52	Brand, Mrs J
138	Brind, Maj. R
4	Broadbridge, Mr H A
147	Brown, Mrs P
108	Bryan, Mrs J
29	Burden, Mr A
9, 34	Burden, Mrs M
73	Burgess, Mr. G
188	Burgess, Mrs. A
39	Burrard, Miss E G
136	Church, Mrs P
171	Cooper, Mr C
75, 84	Cottle, Mrs M
2	Cubberley, Mr S
114	Cubberley, Mrs K
19	Dearling, Mr P

101	Delamere, Ms T
127	Doe, Ms T
40, 170	Doig, Mrs E
70	Duparcq, Mr C
22	Duparcq, Mrs D
80	Ellinger, Mr R
169	Elliott, Mr J
55	Elston, Mr G
167	Elston, Mrs K
165	Ewin, Mr AK
202	Ewin, Mrs S
59	Ewing, Mr P
180	Ewing, Mrs A
109	Ferris, Mrs M
37	Fisher, Mr P
115	Fisher, Mrs P
141	Fisher, Mrs R
145	Frith, Mr D G
85	Garton, Lady Lucy
93	Giles, Mrs J
199	Goddard, Mrs J E
116	Godwin, Mrs J
87	Goman, Mr J L
195	Gompels, Mr D
100	Gompels, Mrs M
42, 193	Goodier, Mrs B
110	Greenwood, Mrs J
134	Griffiths, Mrs H
111	Grinham, Mr P
24	Haines, Mr. N
31	Haines, Mrs N
178	Hanson, Mrs M J
65	Hardstaff, Mr J
186	Hawkins, Mr J J I
61	Hawkins, Mrs P
97	Heatley, Mr R
198	Hill, Lt. Col A J
146	Hill, Mrs A J
96	Hodgkinson, Maj. A R
88	Hook, Mrs H R
112	Howe, Mr R
122	Howe, Mrs E J
102	Hunt, Mr BA
135	Hunt, Mrs A

49	Hutchings, Mrs H	92	Jackson, Mrs Valerie
27, 54, 105	Hutchinson, Mrs A	107	James, Mrs J
30	Hutchinson, Mrs M A	187	Johns, Mrs Sue
35	Hyde, Mr D	46	Johnson, Mr M
104	Iles, Mrs J	154	Johnson, Mrs F

## **SEEND PARISH COUNCIL**

The meeting held on 29 June was attended by eight Councillors, with Mrs A Heatley in the Chair. PC Emily Thomas, Cllr J Seed and members of the public were also in attendance. Apologies received from Mrs. G. A'Bear, Mr. M. Beasley, Mrs. L. Waylen and Mrs. R. Fisher (Clerk). The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming our newly elected councillor, Mr Steve Diffey.

### **Dates of future Melksham Area Board meetings are as follows:**

All meetings run from 7.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. with tea/coffee from 6.30 pm.

28 July	Shaw School
8 September	Melksham Oak School (tbc)
13 October	Melksham Divisional Police HQ
1 December	Semington Village Hall
2 February 2011	Melksham Oak School (tbc)

Further details about the **Area Board** can be obtained from the Wiltshire Council website [www.wiltshire.gov.uk](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk)

The PC will undertake a review of **notice boards** in the village, who owns them and their state of repair.

An enquiry was made as to whether the **speed limit** in such lanes as Spout Lane, Seend Cleeve and the Pelch could be reduced to 20 mph? Jonathan Seed and PC Thomas confirmed that there is a review taking place on speed limits and 'C' roads are being reviewed next year. However, the 20 mph limit is more likely to be used near schools for safety purposes.

**Spout Lane** – A further email has been sent to the Caravan & Camping Club (Estates Dept) which has confirmed they will investigate ownership of the ditch, and respond.

**Road signage, Martinslade** – Mrs Savage has met with local residents about where the signs should be placed. This information has been returned to Mark Stansby, Traffic Engineer, Wiltshire Council.

**Spiderweb Paddock** – The Enforcement Officers have visited Spiderweb Paddock by prior arrangement (as well as one unannounced visit) and they are content that no-one is residing there. However, they will continue monitoring the situation.

**72A Seend Cleeve** – The property owner attended the meeting and confirmed that he has heard nothing more from Highways regarding the wall that has been built. We await Highways reply although the owner has the full support of neighbours and Parish Council.

**Caravan Bollands Hill /Pelch** – E-mail received from Steven Jenkins, Planning Enforcement Officer. He has investigated the case and issued a Planning Contravention Notice on the owner of the site. It is evident that the land is not being used for its original purpose, and there is also no consent for the equestrian use of the land. Steven Jenkins has written to the owner and informed him that he can to apply for planning permission for the change of use, but it is his opinion that he will not get it. The owner has been given a certain amount of time to let him know his intentions. Steven Jenkins will then report back to the PC.

**Bench in Love Walk** – Renée Coulson, Vicar of Seend, who attended the meeting, is keen that the bench is replaced.

### **Planning Matters**

#### **Approval has been received for the following applications:**

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| E/10/0217/FUL | Mr & Mrs Giles Old Wyatts, Row Lane, Seend<br>Re-modelling of existing garden including: erection of pergolas, loggia and arbour; erection of 1.8 metre high waney edge fence to rear boundary; levelling works; creation of retaining walls and steps; creation of wildlife pond; creation of 'natural' swimming pool; and changes to Row Lane boundary (including extension of existing dry stone wall, creation of new retaining wall and planting 'shelf' and erection of temporary 0.9 metre high oak cleft post-and-rail fence) |
| E/10/0395/FUL | Mr Hiscock 56 Pelch Lane, Seend<br>Creation of all weather horse arena  |
| E/10/0409/FUL | Mr Stynes 39 The Lye, Seend<br>Proposed two storey side extension and lean to front porch   |
| E/10/0480/FUL | Mr Lynch 59 Seend Cleeve<br>Erection of raised deck area/balcony to rear of dwelling  |
| E/10/0497/TCA | Church of the Holy Cross<br>Reduction of two tulip trees in the churchyard by 50%   |
| E/10/0535/FUL | Mr D Akerman Unit 10, Broad Lane Farm, Seend<br>Change of use of unit 10 from boat building (B2 use) to furniture removals business (B8 use)  |
| E/10/0538/FUL | Mr B Nichols Stocks Farm House, The Stocks, Seend<br>Erection of a single storey timber construction tractor store  |

- E/10/0607/FUL Mr A Whitewick Rowbarns, Seend Cleeve  
Proposed side extension and conservatory
- E/10/0609/TCA Mr J Smallshaw 15 Dial Close, Seend  
Works to trees at the property.
- E/10/0642/FUL Mr Akerman Broad Lane Farm, Seend  
Replacement dwelling with garage (amended siting)

**The following plans have been refused:**

- E/10/0505/FUL Mr & Mrs Bond 61 Seend Cleeve  
Replacement of existing dormer window with new dormer window
- E/10/0562/FUL Bell Inn, Bell Hill, Seend  
Erection of smoking shelter (retrospective application)

**The following applications were considered, and no objections raised:**

- E/10/0685/TCA Mr & Mrs Hamblin, 3 Hillcrest, School Road, Seend  
Removal of a conifer from the roadside boundary of the property
- E/10/0736/FUL Mr & Mrs K Goddard, Wyatts Leaze, Trowbridge Road, Seend  
Erection of timber framed conservatory and creation of glazed link

**The following site will be visited before application is considered:**

- E/10/0683/FUL Mr D Meharg, Seend Row House, Row Lane, Seend  
Retention of hardstanding and drive. Use of hardstanding for stationing of vehicles and machinery  
(NB. This site was visited on 1 July – there are no objections to this application but a comment will be added suggesting additional tree screening be planted).

Letter received from Wiltshire Council asking if the PC is prepared to continue to form part of the **Melksham Community Area**. All agreed to remain under Melksham.

**The PC would welcome the views of parishioners on whether the name of Station Road should revert to Bollands Hill.**

**Adverts/Flyers.** There have been many posters advertising events placed all around the village. This is illegal and parishioners should be aware of this.

**War Memorial** The war memorial will remain in its present position, and it will be ascertained whether any repairs or refurbishment need to be carried out, and quotes obtained. The War Memorial Trust website gives information about grants that are available with various restrictions.

**Neighbourhood Policing Teams**. Email from Chief Inspector Bob Edge informing the PC of an important update about the Wiltshire Police's efforts to further promote public awareness of Neighbourhood Policing Teams and explain how to get easier access to our team's details and policing information in our area. Details are available from [www.wiltshire.police.uk](http://www.wiltshire.police.uk) or from the Seend Parish Council's website.

**CCTV**. Email from PC Emily Thomas asking for details of premises in our areas which have CCTV installed as the Neighbourhood Policing Teams have been asked to do an audit. If you have CCTV, please can you advise Wiltshire Police.

Please note that contact details of all our Parish Councillors are held on the new **Parish Council website**: [www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk). **Parish Council meetings** are normally held on the last Tuesday of each month in the Seend Community Centre in Rusty Lane, starting at 7.30 p.m. Any interested members of the public are welcome to come and listen.

Mrs Rosemary Fisher, Parish Clerk  
[www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk)

## **SCHOOL NEWS**

### **Seend School**

Seend School successfully came to the end of another year. An amazing performance of Alice in Wonderland was given by the junior children and this was enjoyed by all who came. The year 5 and 6 children returned exhausted (as did the staff) from a super residential trip to Danywenallt.



The year 6 pupils did particularly well in their end of year tests which is testament to the hard work they, and the teachers, put in. The year 6 children are looking forward to a trip to Christie Miller for some ten pin bowling and lunch on the last day of term. As we say goodbye to the 17 year-6 children, we welcome 12 new children into reception.

The school is due to have some considerable work done over the holidays. Two classrooms and the hall are due to be re-painted, the outdoor classroom is to be installed, as is an all-weather and safety surface, around the timber trail. The all-weather surface has been made possible by the extensive fundraising of the PSC. The start of the school is going to be delayed by a couple of days, to allow the classrooms to be put back together again.

I would like to appeal to all the local residents to be vigilant over the summer holidays as we have recently had a few cases of uninvited people on the school site who have left litter and broken glass. There have also been reports of people on the roof so please report anything untoward to the police. Many thanks and have a lovely summer.

Jackie Chalk (B. Ed. Hons)

## **Seend School Parent Social Club**

Seend School PSC would like to invite parents old and new to our **Annual General Meeting** on Tuesday 7th September in the School Hall, at 7.00pm. There will be drinks and nibbles on offer and it will give you a chance to see who we are and what we are about.

Later in the month, September 24th - we will be having a **Family Fun Night** in the school grounds. It will be a great opportunity for new pupils and their parents to come along and join in the fun. There will be a BBQ, refreshments and games so come along.

Our **Christmas Fayre** will be held on Friday 3rd December 6.00 – 8.00pm. Chuffy the Train will be back by popular demand and Father Christmas will be dropping by. We will have stalls, refreshments and lots of games for the children to play. Please put the date in your diary and we look forward to seeing as many parents, friends and villagers as possible.

Emma Smith

## **Sponsored Cycle Ride**

First, I just want to thank everyone for their fantastic support and messages. They really help and really are very much appreciated. Thank you! I am very much on the mend, still bruised and hobbling on my crutches, but very much on the way to recovery.



Graham, Tony and I met and discussed our next steps. I know that a lot of people have said that they will pay the sponsorship money as we did conquer Dartmoor and then had an unfortunate accident, and for this we are very grateful. We would very much like to finish the ride, although obviously this will not be for a few months, and perhaps Devon is out seeing as I'm not sure that, understandably, the wives Ellie, Donna or Esther will let us out to play down that way again!

With the above in mind, we would like to propose that we collect the sponsorship money at this point, on the understanding that when back up to full ramming speed we will finish the ride, either in Devon or somewhere a bit closer to home. We fully understand if people would like to wait until the ride has been completed, so please do not feel compelled to pay at this time, although any money we can get in at this point will obviously help hugely towards the all weather surface funds.

Finally, I know that a lot of you been asking for photos of the Dartmoor ride. We have these posted on our skittles website, please feel free to take a look. They can be found on [www.seendcleveesc.org.uk](http://www.seendcleveesc.org.uk)

If you are happy to part with your sponsorship money at this stage please can you give it to Ellie Oddy, Donna Hickman or Julie Hall at the school.

Many thanks  
Simon Oddy

## **Fun in the Sun**



Wiltshire Council in conjunction with Seend School is offering **free sports coaching** for young people over the summer. From Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July and weekly thereafter till the 31<sup>st</sup> August, there will be 1.5 hour coaching sessions for 5 to 11- year-olds on the Lye Field. Sessions will be at 2-3.30pm. There will be a range of activities on offer including cricket, volleyball, athletics and football. For further information contact Jackie Chalk, Seend School, email head@seend.wilts.sch.uk, or Amanda Cox at Wiltshire Council on 01380 724911, ext 4505, or email amanda.cox@wiltshire.gov.uk

## **SEEND SPORTS RESULTS AND FIXTURES**

### **Cricket – Captain – Ben King**

#### **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Barrow Nomads**



Saturday saw Seend face the touring team of Barrow Nomads, known for their youthful team and pace in the field. Spirited by the return of retired player Jeff Mattock, who was still complaining about his hamstring, Seend started well in the field with Nathan King and Jack Davis both taking two wickets as Barrow set a reachable 139 for Seend to chase. Seend capitalised on the aging field and Ben King (75 not out) and Dan Waylen (61 not out) reaching the target in 19 overs losing no wickets in the process to take an easy win.

#### **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July – Home vs Compton Bassett**

Seend started the match batting and a poor performance saw us being bowled out for just 101, the only player of worthy mention was stand in captain Dan Waylen who was looking to emulate his performance of the previous weekend but who was unfortunately cut down on his way to another 50 by a poor shout for a single by Paris Goddard shortly after declaring “I’m not going for any stupid singles, I’ve got a bad knee”. However Seend managed to overcome this poor batting performance with a good show in the field, no doubt helped by the fact that the other team only had ten men. With Tom Wallis (4 for 29) and Russell Collins (3 for 6) both making up for their fleeting performances at the crease Seend managed to bowl Compton Bassett all out for just 80 runs to secure victory.

#### **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Home vs Broughton Gifford**

A similar match, it seemed, to the Barrow Nomads encounter, with Seend bowling first getting Broughton Gifford all out for 140. Contributions from Russell Collins (4 for 15), Tom Wallis (2 for 21), Paris Goddard (2 for 11) and Jake Sainsbury (2 for 25) made up for the five drops in the field and left Seend with a comfortably reachable target. A repeat of the Ben King and Dan Waylen show ensued, making 73 and 65 respectively, led to the team reaching 144 in just 15 overs to win the match by ten wickets.

### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Away vs Keevil

With the wounds still festering following the local grudge match against our near rivals professional advice has been to let the dust settle before a considered report can be put out. However, as a trailer, we can say that Dan Waylen continued his outstanding season with a knock of 75.

*Players so far this season:- Ben King, Russell Collins, Tom Wallis, Paris Goddard, John Wiltshire, Mark Wiltshire, Will Croucher, Jake Sainsbury, Will Goodier, Dan Waylen, Chris Waylen, Charlie Waylen, Harry Waylen, Freddie Goddard, Jack Davis, Greg Bowen, Will Purdy, Nathan King, Andy Furness, James Dancey, Jeff Mattock,*

### Short Mat Bowls – Cox Colin Waldeck

The boys are presently on a 5 Fjord tour in Scandinavia where they are taking the sport to pastures new. Colin's emails have not been getting through so I'm afraid it will not be until after the fete that the full report will be to hand. We all look forward to greeting the boys upon their return and trust that the mishaps which occurred on last years infamous goodwill trip to St Petersburg will have been avoided. However knowing the lads as I do I'm holding my breath, nervously avoiding answering the phone lest, yet again, I might hear the heavy sighs of the British consulate.



### Tennis – Chair – Elaine Davis

**Ladies captain – Pam Akerman :-** team from, Susie Meharg, Carol Whitley, Victoria Bowes, Jeanne Bergen, Christobel Garrett, Elaine Davis, Pam Akerman and Celia Rigg. Played 8, won 4, lost 4.

### **Men's Captain – Frankie Goddard:-**

With our captain injured and out for the rest of the season, Chris Ellinger has taken over the post. Team from Chris Ellinger, Mark Newman, Dan Waylen, Charlie Scott, Lawrence Jackson, Tom Jackson, Frankie Goddard, Matthew Hardman, Paul Addington. Played 8, won 4, lost 2, drawn 2.

With 3 matches to go the men's team have a great chance of finishing as runners up and getting promotion. The match last week which I watched on crutches saw the team of Tom, Paul, Charlie and Chris produce a standard which could quite easily have graced one of the top divisions. Congratulations to them!

**Mixed A:- Captain Mark Newman:-** Team From Mark Newman, Dan Waylen, David Meharg, Elaine Davis, Sally, Carol Whitley, Susie Meharg and. Chris Ellinger. Played 7, won 4 lost 2 drawn 1.

**Mixed B:- Captain Ric Ellinger:-** Team from Ric Ellinger, Chris Ellinger, Lawrence Jackson, Pam Akerman, Frankie Goddard, Susie Meharg, David Meharg and Susie Meharg. Played 10, won 9, lost 1.

The mixed B team have had a tremendous season and easily top their division with promotion virtually guaranteed.

All the teams have done very well this year with none in danger of dropping down a division. Well done to all.

**Results for the next spotlight by the 10<sup>th</sup> September to the fracture clinic (outpatients) – Frankie Goddard - 828488**

**'The Badgers'**

Worton and Cheverell F.C. <http://www.wortonandcheverellfc.co.uk> are looking for boys and girls to join their teams ranging from under-7s to under-16s. Parents or 18+ yr olds who feel they are missing out (or need to get fit !) can take part in regular Monday evening indoor soccer at West Lavington School (8.00-9.30). Contact Steve Dagnall on 01380-727976.

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**BITS'N'BOBS**

**BATTLE OF BRITAIN  
70<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

SATURDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2010

Keevil Village

Royal Air Force Battle of Britain Memorial Flight  
Spitfire & Hurricane flypast (weather permitting)

Full size Spitfire Static Display

In Aid of



The Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund

Enquiries to Rob Kevan  
01380 870500 [robkevan@btinternet.com](mailto:robkevan@btinternet.com)

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**Potterne Mediaeval Fayre and Market**

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2010  
12 to 5pm, Five Lanes Farm, Potterne  
Fun for all the Family

[www.potternemediaevalfair.web.com](http://www.potternemediaevalfair.web.com)

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**Grow (Enhancing Community Support)**

Support service for the voluntary & community sector, funded by Wiltshire Council. For information call 0845 0345250 or visit [www.growwiltshire.org.uk](http://www.growwiltshire.org.uk).

## **Sponsored Walk for Marie Curie**

Walk Ten is a 10k evening walk through beautiful Wiltshire scenery on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2010. As the dusk settles we'll be lighting up the night, ending in a summer night's celebration with music and entertainment.

Registration is only £10 per adult, under 16's go free! At the end of your walk there will be drinks and snacks available to buy and we'd love those involved to bring their picnic blanket and favourite treats to enjoy after the walk as we celebrate Marie Curie nurses at ten o'clock. This is the time that many families across the UK will be opening their front door to welcome nurses into their homes to help them care for their loved ones. For more details about the event, see: [http://www.mariecurie.org.uk/events/walking/Stourhead\\_Wiltshire.htm](http://www.mariecurie.org.uk/events/walking/Stourhead_Wiltshire.htm)

## **WALK FOR JULIAN HOUSE**

Julian House would like you to join us in the 10<sup>th</sup> Circuit of Bath Walk. Since its launch in 2001 the walk has grown and grown and we would really like to make this the biggest one and, of course, raise the most money yet! The more people that take part, the more money can be raised to help our work with homeless men and women.



You can register by filling in the on-line registration form on our website by clicking the link below <http://www.julianhouse.org.uk/support/circuitbath.html>. However, if you would prefer to receive a paper copy of the sponsor form, please contact me on the number or email below

Cathy Adcock, Community Funding Coordinator  
Direct Line 01225 354656 Email [cathya@julianhouse.org.uk](mailto:cathya@julianhouse.org.uk)

## **STOP PRESS**

The showing of Location, Location, Location featuring Weavers Cottages was postponed from 15th to 22nd July. We hope interested parties still saw it!

## **Some Dates for your Diaries beyond the Summer**

- 8th October - British Legion Lecture, Pavilion
- 11th October - WEA lectures on the Renaissance, Community Centre
- 16th October - Nepalese Evening in the Pavilion
- 23rd October - Dance for Dorothy House in the Community Centre
- 30th October - Quiz Night in the Community Centre
- 31st October - Safari Church
- 13th November - Murder Mystery in Bulkington
- 20th November - Wine and Food Fair in the Community Centre
- 27th November - Concert in Seend Church
- 4th December - Christmas Entertainment in the Community Centre
- 11th December (provisional) - Middle Eastern dance, Community Centre

## **MELKSHAM AREA BOARD - Special young people event:**

The Melksham Area Board will be holding a special meeting on September 8 from 7 - 9pm at the new Melksham Oak Community School where up to eight groups of young people will be able to present their ideas for projects. The theme is transport and access, which could include projects such as extending opening hours to make a service more accessible, or providing a free shuttle bus service. Almost £5000 has been delegated to the Melksham Area Board for this purpose.

Sarah Howes (sarah.howes@wiltshire.gov.uk) at Canberra Youth Centre can help with applications or project ideas. The deadline for applications is 31st July 2010.

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## **Spotlight Printer**

Did you know that the printer our team of volunteers use to produce Spotlight, Lamplight, Happenings, Panto Programmes and other newsletters etc is becoming increasingly unreliable, more difficult and expensive to maintain and before long it may not be possible to get any spare parts? We are therefore investigating the provision of a replacement machine. This will be an A4 laser printer - therefore much better print quality than at present, no messy ink smudges, it will print a double sided set of sheets at a time (no collating!), and it could have a colour print option. Our existing machine would be used to staple and fold to produce A5 booklets (as Spotlight). Regular users would have a PIN to restrict use of the machine. The cost per page would be less than 4 pence, excluding the cost of the paper. A colour page would be about double this.

Before we take the plunge, we need to know what groups, organisations, individuals in Seend and nearby could use this facility. If you are interested could you please let me know, and provide an estimate of the monthly/annual A4 pages you believe you would require, and how many of these might be in colour? Many thanks.

Neil Yockney at neilyockney@btinternet.com  
Tel: 01380 827139

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## **PERSONAL ADS**

*To place a small ad (individuals, not businesses, thanks) please give your ad plus £2 to the PO/Shop.*

**Wanted** : Grazing - Seend Cleeve or surrounding area - to lease with view to purchase. We are looking for an area of grazing which we can fence securely to make a safe haven for our ponies and their feed/water following numerous incidents of theft and now criminal damage at our current location. Anything considered, although five acres plus preferred. We are happy to include uplift clauses etc to alleviate any concerns regarding development etc if required.

Please contact us at 108 Seend Cleeve or on 07885 103071 without any obligation at this stage. Thank you S & J Wilfort

**COMPOSTING**: I have a compostumbler in which I can take several people's grass cuttings for a fee. It would have to be delivered to my house because I do not have transport. Contact Andrea Tilley; telephone number 828967 if you are interested

### **Avoiding date clashes**

Can we just remind people that Neil Yockney will be delighted to put any community events you are planning on to the 'What's On' page of the Seend website ([seend.org.uk](http://seend.org.uk)). If everyone uses this facility and checks it when choosing a date for their village 'do' we might avoid too much happening at once! You can contact him at [neilyockney@btinternet.com](mailto:neilyockney@btinternet.com) or on 01380 827139.



**People** by Betty Brett (*the most senior member of Seend Poetry Group*)

'There's nought as queer as folk',  
My husband used to say.  
'There's nought as queer as folk',  
In his funny Yorkshire way.  
I've met a lot of people  
In my very long life.  
I knew a lot of people  
As a Vicar's wife.  
Of all the people I ever knew  
The ones that I like best, of course,  
Are - You!

### **And finally.....**

Some thoughts on town versus country...

'Anybody can be good in the country. There are no temptations there.'

*Oscar Wilde*

'It is my belief, Watson, founded upon my experience, that the lowest and vilest alleys of London do not present a more dreadful record of sin than does the smiling and beautiful countryside'.

*Sherlock Holmes a.k.a. Sir Arthur Conan Doyle*

'No city should be too large for a man to walk out of it in a morning.'

*Cyril Connolly*

'God made the country and man made the town'.

*William Cowper*

## **USEFUL CONTACTS:**

Vicar: Rev Renée Coulson 01380 827285  
Benefice Administrator: Sue Taylor 01380 828733  
Churchwardens: Holy Cross Seend; S Taylor 01225 709360 Mrs Tina Yockney 827139  
Christ Church Bulkington: Mrs Liz Futter 828485 Anne Saywell 828931  
St Peter's Poulshot: Mrs Janet James - 724944 Paulette Bremner Milne 828527  
LPA's: Audrey McDonald 828376 and Liz Futter 828485 Bell Ringers: C Mayell 828627  
Minister Methodist Church - Revd Roy Fowler - 01249 813340  
Irene Usher Memorial Hall (The Pavilion) Bookings - Richard Walker on 828250  
Bulkington Village Hall - Nev Boulton 828101 or Roger Futter 828485  
Seend Community Centre & Club - 828796 (bar opening hours only)  
Hall bookings: Frank Teasdale 828617; Skittles bookings: Stan Wiltshire 828559  
Seend School - 828334  
Seend Shuttle Community Bus: Private hire bookings - Alison Cobbing 828568  
Seend Parish Council Clerk - Rosemary Fisher 828281  
Seend's Wiltshire Councillor - Mr Jonathan Seed 01380 850696  
Seend Website: [www.seend.org.uk](http://www.seend.org.uk) - Neil Yockney 827139  
Bulkington Website: [www.westwilts-communityweb.com/site/Bulkington](http://www.westwilts-communityweb.com/site/Bulkington)  
Public Footpath Warden - Mrs Esther Daly 01672 513157  
Connect 2 (transport to RUH; book at least one day ahead) - 08456 525255  
Community Beat Manager for Seend PC Emily Thomas. She can be contacted on 0845 408 7000, or e-mail [melkshamruralsouthnpt@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:melkshamruralsouthnpt@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk)  
MEP - Graham Watson 01458 252265

## **CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS**

*100+Club Cash Draw - Bernie Prolze 828391*  
*Book Club - Sylvia Ewin 828325*  
*Bouncy Club - Clare Stynes 01380 827164*  
*Brownies - Helen Hook 828477*  
*Cricket Club - Peter Wallis 828757*  
*Fawley Players Panto Group - Tessa Doe 828617*  
*Fete Committee - Fiona Johnson 828401*  
*Football Club - Dave Beaumont 01225 785067*  
*Fun Station, Bulkington - Anne Saywell 01380 828931*  
*Gardening Club - Joyce Brand 828433*  
*Historic Houses Club - Tony Ewin 828325*  
*LINK Scheme - 075320 55560*  
*Lye Field Committee - Dave Sawyer 828583*  
*Mothers' Union - Elizabeth Campbell 828451*  
*Neighbourhood Watch Coordinators - Tony Ewin (Seend) 828325;*  
*Owen Burton (Seend Cleeve) 828820; John Scott (Bulkington) 828026.*  
*Other Book Club - Frank Teasdale 828617*  
*Preschool - Liz Futter 828485*  
*Poetry Group - Tessa Doe 828617*  
*Ramblers - Gerald Salter 01225 706451*  
*Royal British Legion - Roger Brind 828830;*  
*Poppy Appeal - Anthony Hodgkinson on 828545*  
*Short Mat Bowls Club - Colin Waldeck 828946*  
*Tennis Club - Ric Ellinger 828683*  
*Theatre Club - Sylvia Ewin 828325; Marion Whitehead 828612*  
*WEA - Pam Church - 828597*  
*WI - Sarah Todhunter on 828730 and Jo Vaux on 828970*  
*Youth Club (Seend and Bulkington) Elanor Oddy 07517 905446*

(Please email Spotlight or call Tessa on 828617 if your group's contact details change.)

# Seend Post Office & Village Store

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Mon	9.00 - 5.30	9.00 - 5.30
Tues	9.00 - 5.30	9.00 - 5.30
Wed	9.00 - 5.30	9.00 - 4.30*
Thurs	9.00 - 1.00	9.00 - 1.00
Fri	9.00 - 5.30	9.00 - 5.30
Sat	8.30 - 1.00	9.00 - 1.00
Sun	9.00 - 10.30	Closed
Bank Holidays	9.00 - 10.30	Closed

\* note early closing