SPOTLIGHT SEEND & BULKINGTON





NOVEMBER 2018

DIARY DATES FOR LATE OCTOBER

- 28th Start of Poppy Appeal
- 28th Annual pumpkin competition, Brewery Inn, 3pm
- 31st Nosh and Natter Lunch Club, Community Centre, 12 for 12.30pm
- 31st Brewery Inn Fun Quiz, 8pm

DIARY DATES FOR NOVEMBER

- 2nd First Friday Coffee Morning, Community Centre, 10.30am
- 3rd Grand Autumn Quiz Night, Community Centre, 7.45pm
- 3rd Bulkington Fireworks, playing field, from 5.30pm
- 7th Salisbury Shuttle Shopping Trip call 01225 706526 by Monday 5th November
- 7th Village Lunch at the Well, Bulkington, 12.15 pm
- 10th Gin Tasting, Community Centre, 7.30pm (disco from 9.30pm)
- 11th REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE & SERVICES
- Mobile Library; 9.40 am Seend The Lye: 10.05 am Seend Cleeve phone box: 11.05 am Well Inn car park
- 15th Community Centre Annual Meeting, upstairs Village Room, 7pm
- 16th Sycamore Class cake sale, Seend School
- 16th History of Seend talk, Irene Usher Hall, 7.30 pm

17th LAST DAY FOR CONTRIBUTIONS FOR DEC/JANUARY SPOTLIGHT

- 18th Seend Ramblers details tbc
- 18th Seend Bell Ringers WW1 Remembrance quarterly ring, 5.15pm
- 22nd WI Craft Afternoon, 2 to 4 pm, Pavilion
- 23rd Bedtime Story evening, Seend School, 5.45pm
- 24th Seend Churchyard Autumn Clean Up 10 am to 12 noon
- 25th Hand-sewn Christmas Decorations Workshop, Pavilion, 10am-2.30pm
- 27th Seend Parish Council meeting, upstairs in Community Centre, 7.30pm
- 28th Nosh and Natter Lunch Club, Community Centre, 12 for 12.30 pm
- 28th Brewery Inn Fun Quiz, 8 pm
- 29th SPNP meeting, Pavilion, 7.30 pm
- 29th Serendipity Handbells at Bulkington Village Hall, 7.30pm

DIARY DATES FOR EARLY DECEMBER

- 1st Seend Playgroup's Christmas Fayre, Seend Community Centre, 2-4pm
- 7th Seend School Christmas Fayre, 6-8pm
- 8th Christmas Wine Circle, Community Centre, 8pm
- 12th Christmas Carols & Songs led by Seend Singers, Cleeve House, 7.30pm

DIARY DATES FURTHER AHEAD with more details to follow......

December 15th – Christmas Bingo at the Community Centre

December 21st – Christmas drinks for Seend Club members

January 1st – New Year's Day walk followed by home-made soup

January 25th – Burns Night Supper

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.

Visit www.seend.org.uk and the Spotlight facebook page:

Welcome to November Spotlight.....

Of course, the most significant thing about this month is the centenary of the end of World War I. No doubt there will be plenty of opportunities to reflect on this nationally – through radio and TV programmes and press coverage, but don't forget local events. See the British Legion news on pp13-14, Bulkington News on p.11 and the bellringers article on p6.

There were excellent results from both our villages for their Macmillan Coffee Mornings back in September. Well done to all our generous villagers! And congratulations to Jenny Phillips on her very challenging bike ride for Ride and Stride (p3).

We have a theory. The people in our villages who have the most sociable and fun lives are the ones who go through Spotlight each month and put upcoming events in their diary. Are we right? November offers quizzes, lunches, gin, teas and coffees, a shopping trip and more, and there is advance notice of some festive season events within and without the villages too. On the down side, we have more roadworks to look forward to. Let's hope the end result is worth the inconvenience!

We know we are always reporting that village organisations are looking for volunteers, but this one is really urgent. Unless a new committee for the Link scheme comes forward, the scheme will be suspended. See p7.

Spotlight Contacts: Contributions for the December/January edition (copy by Saturday 17th November please) can be emailed to spotlight@seend.org.uk or delivered to Seend Post Office. Editors: Tessa Doe (01380 828617) and Sue Isaac (828461). Please note that **you should always send emailed items to the Spotlight address**, not to Sue or Tessa – even if they have emailed you from their own email address – just in case they are not around. Joanna Goddard (828488) organises printing Mondays and also types up the items left at Seend PO. Fiona Johnson is the contact for delivery (828401) and Chris Brooker (828047) for advertising.

<u>Lost emails</u>: Emails to Spotlight sometimes go astray for no obvious reason. If email correspondents <u>don't</u> receive an acknowledgement by the end of the Monday after the Spotlight deadline, please ring Tessa or Sue (see above) to check if all is well. And <u>please</u> note the following. **When sending emails to 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.

PDFs: We cannot normally use PDF files of posters etc as they require a specific shape and space. Word documents – without any fancy formatting - give us the flexibility to adapt your wording and pictures to fit the space available. Thanks.

VILLAGE EVENTS IN NOVEMBER AND BEYOND

(For Bulkington events see pages 11-13

Late October and November in SEEND COMMUNITY CENTRE

Nosh and Natter Lunch Club

Wednesdays 31st October & 28th November 12 for 12.30 pm You need to book in advance by calling Pauline on 01380 828638. Only £5 for two courses – all home-made of course. All welcome!





First Friday Coffee Morning in the Lounge

From 10.30am on Friday 2nd November. Come along for proper coffee, home-made cakes and a chat in good company! It's just £2 for coffee or tea - plus a refill - and a slice of cake. All welcome.

??????? Grand Autumn Quiz Night ?????????

Saturday 3rd November at 7.45pm. Quizmasters Graham Hickman and Tony Daly. Teams of up to four - £2 per head entry. Prizes include one for best team name. Bar and interval snacks available. Book a table by calling 828617 and get extra nibbles!

Gin Tasting

Saturday 10th November – Tickets almost sold out at time of writing; check at the Centre or in the village shop. (Non-ticket holders can pay on the door for just the disco after 9.30pm.)

Annual Meeting

Thursday 15th November at 7pm upstairs in the Village Room.

Details of Christmas and New Year events in 'Happenings!' newsletter enclosed.

BREWERY INN

Annual Pumpkin Competition, Sunday 28th October, 3pm ???? Monthly Fun Quiz - Wednesday 28th November at 8pm ????

A HISTORY OF SEEND

An illustrated talk by Anne Ewing Friday 16th November at 7.30pm in the Irene Usher Hall

Tickets £6 to include tea/coffee and biscuits available from Seend PO, Anne Ewing (828557) & Tina Yockney (8271 Raffle - In aid of Church funds

Advance notice: **SEEND WI CURRY COOK-OFF**

Saturday 9th February 2019 at 7.30pm in the Pavilion Tasters, full meal and pudding, bar, quiz, raffle, heads and tails per person, tickets £12:00 available from the Post Office or WI members



ANNOUNCEMENTS AND VILLAGE INFORMATION

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

FAREWELLS

We've sadly lost three people recently who meant a lot to the village in different ways. Andy Tilbury was a family- and community-minded man, who was steward of Seend Social Club together with his wife Barbara for several years. Joyce Brand used to run the village shop and was an active member of many village organisations over the decades, and Pat Fisher did much for the village together with her late husband, Peter. Our thoughts are with all their families and friends.

THANK YOU

Betty Noad would like to thank all the lovely people who sent her greetings, cards, flowers and presents for her 101st birthday. It made the day very special for her.

Sue Noad

RIDE AND STRIDE

Jenny Phillips says a huge thankyou to everyone who sponsored her to cycle the "French Version" of Ride and Stride. She raised £825 for the Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust, 50% of which comes back to Holy Cross, Seend.

Jenny, Simon and two friends covered 180 miles over the week (not quite Land's End to John o'Groats!) in the Vendee region of Western France, and visited 41 churches, all very different. They organised the route and accommodation in advance and carried all their kit for the week in their panniers. They started at Fontenay Le Comte and headed west towards the coast, then worked their way back to Fontenay. The terrain varied from good tarmac to rolled gravel, degraded concrete with huge fissures in it, cart tracks, forest trails, rubble and and sand! The weather was excellent with temperatures of 85°F in the shade towards the end of the week. This meant that they were cycling in temperatures of 100°+F on tarmac which was melting - amazing for September! The bikes were all conventional, not electric, and two of the party have had four total knee replacements between them. So, not a barrier to getting out and about and enjoying cycling!

SEEND COMMUNITY CENTRE ANNUAL MEETING

Thursday 15th November 2018 at 7pm in the upstairs Village Room. Free nibbles on the bar afterwards! All welcome.

FUND RAISING IN SEEND COMMUNITY CENTRE

Many thanks to all who helped with or supported our coffee morning on 28th September when we raised a splendid £671.01 for Macmillan Cancer Support – our record sum at one of these mornings so far! We also managed to raise £121.94 for breast cancer research at our 'Wear it Pink' evening on 19th October.

CHURCHYARD AUTUMN CLEAN UP

Weather permitting we will be having a clean up at Seend church on Saturday 24th November between 10am and 12noon. Please come along and help. Even if you can only spare half an hour any help to keep this valuable space tidy will be appreciated.

Anne Ewing

LYE FIELD PLAY AREA – GOOD NEWS

Here is some good news. For the past six months the Seend Lye Recreation Field Committee has been working on finding a way to replace the Lye Field children's play equipment which has reached the end of its useful life. We are pleased to be able to tell you that we have received a significant grant offer from Suez Communities Trust. However, the grant is not quite enough to achieve all that we would wish for our children. Despite the large sum being offered, which is just over £49,000, this project is going to need a bit of community engagement through a community support group to get the project completed. We want to get the best play equipment we can within the budget available. The funding is available now and the project must be started by 18th March 2019. We expect to have the project completed by Friday 14th June, in time for the school holidays and the 60th anniversary Seend Fete and Flower Show.

If anyone is interested in supporting this worthwhile project, through organisation of volunteers, stretching of muscles through hard work, or through cash or service donations, however small, please contact Steve Vaux, Secretary, Seend Lye Recreation Field at seendlrf@gmail.com or leave a voicemail on 01380 828970.

We've put a play area project page on the Lye Field web site at: https://www.seendlyefield.org/a-new-playpark-for-seend.html

SEEND PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP November Update

Our research and consultations have to date established that there is a local need for a limited number of new homes in the Parish. The Steering Group are starting to explore how the Neighbourhood Plan can help deliver this need. Our Parish Neighbourhood Plan can and will contain a housing policy, which indicates the number and type of new housing that is acceptable to the parishioners and will be supported by the community.

The Seend Parish Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group has received information about land in the Parish that the owners would like to be considered as potential sites

for housing development. There is a lot of work to be done on assessing the land submitted as to their suitability for housing sites. The Steering Group are starting this process and will decide if the Neighbourhood Plan should 'allocate' a site or sites for housing (essentially granting outline planning permission through the Plan's policy). Along with site allocation the Neighbourhood Plan can also specify the number of dwellings and any other criteria relevant to the site(s).

You can view the full list on our website (www.seendparishplan.org) together with a map showing the location of the sites. BUT we wish to be clear that the list is *provisional* on many factors such as: the possibility that the land does not fulfill the planning criteria that govern development; the owner might wish for too high a price for the land; the owner decides to withdraw land; the parishioners do not support development on a particular area of land; etc. We know that the land owners are willing to have their land assessed either in part, or in whole and considered for their suitability as development sites.

This process of assessment will be carried out in a transparent open way and will include some wider consultation with the community. This will take place early in the new year, when there will be further information available about other work that the Steering Group has been involved in and is part of the evidence that will underpin site considerations.

The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group are also liaising with the Seend Community Land Trust (CLT) as they begin to look for possible sites to build homes to satisfy local housing need.

All are welcome at the monthly open meetings, which take place on the last Thursday of the month at 7.30pm in the Pavilion. The next Committee Meeting will be Thursday 25th October and then Thursday 29th November. (Some members of the SG meet again between these open meetings to progress the background work, together with our Consultants).

Carola Thorpe on behalf of the S.P.N.P. Steering Group

SEEND PARISH COUNCIL NOTICES

ROAD CLOSURE – BELL HILL CROSS ROADS

Work on the road safety measures for the Bell Hill Cross roads will begin on 5th November and take approximately 3 weeks to implement. One of the road safety measures will be to extend the 30mph speed limit on the Trowbridge Road and the C20 Worton Road from the cross roads.

In order to carry out the work, there will be two sets of road closures:

5th-16th November - Closure A: A361 High Street (part) Seend, from its junction with Bell Hill to its junction with School Road.

12th-23rd November – Closure B: A361 Trowbridge Road (part) Seend, from its junction with Bell Hill for a distance of approximately 220m in a westerly direction. Details of the road closures, and plans for the road safety measures can be found on the PC noticeboard by the post office and on the Parish Council website:

<u>www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk</u>. The plans are quite small, so it may be easier to view them on the website where you can enlarge them.

Please get in touch with the Clerk if you have any queries relating to these works. clerk@seendparishcouncil.co.uk or tel: 07706 850859.

RESPONSE TO PARISH

Seend Parish Council does receive a lot of correspondence from residents about issues they feel strongly about in the Parish. For example, highway issues such as speeding, blocked paths, escaping cattle, broken lighting, blocked drains, noise nuisance, etc. And we do take them seriously. Some are straight forward for the Clerk to deal with by reporting the issue to Wiltshire Council, or getting the Parish Steward to fix it. But sometimes it is hard for Councillors to know how to respond if the complainant is making a general complaint or observation, and does not provide specific evidence for the issue they have raised. If we wish Wiltshire Council to follow up any concerns, they will ask us for the evidence.

In particular, with two major A roads cutting through our Parish, we know that volume of HGV traffic and perceived speeding is of great concern to parishioners. But, frustrating as it can be, as a Parish Council, we have very little power to initiate some of the changes parishioners would like to see. We are restricted by the policies of Wiltshire County Council. We have recently asked for another Metro Count to be taken along the High Street by the Lye Field.

So when you contact the Parish Council, please ensure that you give us as much information, backed up by evidence (dates. times, locations), so that we can do our best to get the matter resolved.

DEAD ELM TREES

There are still a large number of dead Elm trees in the boundary hedges of gardens around the Parish. It would be advisable to check that they are not likely to be blown down in any gales we may have in the coming winter months, as the resident would be liable for any damage caused by their falling.

SEEND BELL RINGERS WW1 REMEMBRANCE

Seend Bell Ringers will ring quarterly through until early 2019, to commemorate those who fell during WW1 from within the benefice of Seend, Bulkington and Poulshot. A list is on display at the entrance to the vestry in the Church of the Holy Cross in Seend showing all 67 names, military service detail, cemetery and where possible, information on local family connections.

This quarter they will ring on **Sunday 18th NOVEMBER at 5.15pm** (prior to Evensong service) in remembrance of:

COOK, William John Private, 1st/8th Battalion, Royal Warwickshire

Regiment. Age 35

ELLIS, Reginald Bertram Private, 1st/16th Battalion, Royal Sussex Regiment

(Sussex Yeomanry). Age 30

HOLDEN, Ernest Howard Corporal, 1st/8th Battalion, Royal Warwickshire

Regiment. Age 34

MATTOCK, William Alfred Private, 9th Battalion, Royal Irish Fusiliers

(also Wiltshire Regiment). Age 34

MAY, William James Private, 1st/6th Battalion, Gloucestershire Regiment.

Age 20

MERCHANT, John Private, 12th Battalion, Gloucestershire Regiment

(Depot). Age 38

MITCHELL, David Jonathon Driver, 'D' Battery, 295th Brigade, Royal Field

Artillery. Age 29

PEARCE, Matthew George Signaller, 9th Brigade, HQ. Royal Field Artillery.

Age 22

PERRETT, Albert Charles Private, 32nd Company, Machine Gun Corps

(Infantry). Age 19

RANCE, James Private, 2nd Battalion, Royal Dublin Fusiliers.

Age 25

SALTER, Walter Gunner, 81st Siege Battery. Royal Garrison Artillery.

Age 34

SEEND & DISTRICT LINK SCHEME - NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

The Seend Link Scheme, which is run entirely by volunteers, provides transport services to people, many of whom are frail or elderly, to access vital medical and social services. The current committee comprising a Chairman, Secretary,

Coordinator & Treasurer have decided to stand down at the end of this year after completing their three year term of office. Consequently a new committee is required if Seend Link is to continue to provide this much valued service to the community.

To date there has been absolutely no progress in finding a new committee. If volunteers are not forthcoming then it is with regret that I must inform you that the Seend & District Link Scheme will be suspended at the end of the current year.

Can you help? Are you prepared to give up a little of your time to keep this service going? If so please contact the Seend & District Link Chairman at the following email address for more information:

chrismp.gosling@gmail.com

Alternatively: Text or call mobile 07505186095 Please help keep this valuable service going.

Wiltshire Council is holding a series of public meetings during November. See https://ocm.wiltshire.gov.uk/corsham/wiltshire-council-focussing-on-the-future/for information.

CHURCH AND CHAPEL NEWS

A Sacrificial Life

This commemorative year of 100 years since the end of the first world war has led to a greater respect and understanding of the sacrifice that has been made by individuals and communities in the 1st and 2nd World Wars.

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning

We will remember them. "

For the Fallen Poem by Robert Laurence Binyon (1869-1943), published in The Times newspaper on 21st September 1914

On a personal note, my Great Grandfather enlisted with the British army in 1907. In 1914 he took part in the Mons retreat then to Ypres and Hill '60. During the Battle of Aisne he received his first Military Medal for rescuing signallers under shellfire. He received a second MM on the Sonne for volunteering for a special forward observational post. He finished the war as one of only three survivors from the original battalion. Before he died he was a resident at the Royal Hospital Chelsea.

My Grandfather served in the Royal Air Force in the second world war working on aircraft and IFF radar. He sadly died in 2011, just a few months after my daughter was born.

I look to honour those members of my family and previous generations by living a life that looks to serve and encourage a younger generation to live in peace, hope and love.

The early disciples of Jesus Christ encouraged one another in - Romans 12 New International Version.

"Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. ² Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will."

The life and sacrifice of Jesus should challenge and change the attitudes of our hearts and minds. May we look for ways to love and serve others. May we set a legacy of being a living sacrifice for future generations to remember and be proud of.

Steve Dewar

Correction: Mrs Patricia Law has pointed out that we made an error in reporting the internment of her late husband's ashes in Seend churchyard on August 18th. We gave his name as Ronald Law, whereas his full name was Robert Ronald Law, known as Bob. We send our apologies to Mrs Law.



CHURCH SERVICES IN NOVEMBER

The Benefice of Holy Cross, Seend, Christ Church, Bulkington and St. Peter's, Poulshot. You are welcome to worship at any of the services in any of the churches in the Benefice.

Sunday 4th November 2018 (All Saints/All Souls)

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) at Seend

9.15 am Parish Eucharist at Poulshot

11.00 am Morning Praise at Seend

3.00 pm All Souls' benefice service at Poulshot

6.00 pm Evensong at Bulkington

Sunday 11th November 2018 (Remembrance Sunday)

10.45 am Remembrance service at Seend

10.50 am Remembrance service at Bulkington

10.50 pm Remembrance service at Poulshot

Sunday 18th November 2018 (2nd Sunday before Advent)

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) at Seend

9.15 am Morning Praise at Bulkington

11.00 am Parish Eucharist at Poulshot

6.00 pm Evensong at Seend

Sunday 25th November 2018 (Christ the King)

9.15 am Matins at Poulshot

11.00 am Parish Eucharist at Seend

6.00 pm Parish Eucharist at Bulkington

Every Tuesday at 9am there is a short Benefice service of Matins (BCP) at Poulshot.

From the registers

Baptism:

We welcome into God's family;

Hattie Florence Palfreman who was baptised at Poulshot on 30th September

Freya May Povey who was baptised at Seend on 30th September

Marriage:

We celebrate with;

Lewis Holliday and Nicole Santora whose marriage was blessed at Seend on 12th October.

SEEND METHODIST CHURCH

Seend Methodist Church Services

November 11th at 10am - Mr Tom Hill

November 18th at 10.30am - Villages Together at Bromham

Revd Wendy Tucker with Holy Communion.

Everyone always welcome, Anne Salter.

Dear Friends,

Recently my aunt brought a photo for us to see at a family gathering. It was of my Grandfather, in a Captain's uniform, aged about 25, sitting on his horse in front of the family home just before he went to fight in the First World War. Unusually for an officer in a gunnery regiment he survived, so there are other photos – including one of a very old gentleman with a



very small me on his knee. All the photos we have of him are black and white and my memories of him are in the same tones as he died when I was still a small girl.

In today's High Definition, multi-coloured, video available on every phone world that might seem strange. The thing with black and white is that it can makes the subjects of the picture seem like they are from a history book, or from someone else's longago memory – like perhaps they never really happened at all. Perhaps you will have seen Peter Jackson's film 'They Grow not Old', where he has restored and coloured old footage of soldiers in the First World War. Somehow those men have become once again real, not characters in a history book or a family story, but real men. It makes a moving, wonderful and yet sobering thing to view. Whilst the colour and the natural movement makes us remember them as real people, we can also get some impression of the horror of what they were involved in too, that also looks all too real.

Each November for 99 years we have been remembering those men and those who died after them in subsequent wars. As time goes by those names that are on our war memorials have become merely black and white photos and part of our family storybooks – no one living remembers them as the vibrant, real young people they were – and it is all too easy to forget the actual horror of war and death too.

It is important then, every year, and especially at times like this centenary year, to bring to mind the reality of real people who sacrificed much for their homes and loved ones and of the horror of what human beings continue to do to other human beings. Let us long for and work towards the time when:-

He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more; but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken. [Micah chapter 4 verses 3&4]

God bless

Wendy <><

BULKINGTON NEWS

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

The Macmillan Coffee Morning 2018, Bulkington Village Hall, done for another year! A heartfelt thank you to each and every one of you that donated cakes, prizes and money for the day. The villagers and surrounding people that came to fill themselves with cake and drink copious amounts of tea and coffee. Our two lovely stall holders Sew Country Creation and The Secret Crocheter along with The Great Bulkington Railway providing train rides to entertain the small (and big) children. Congratulations to our winner of the children's colouring competition! Daisy-Mai aged 6, who won an individual cookery lesson donated by The Farm Cookery School in Bromham. Final total = £720.00, without all your support we could never have made this happen. See you same place and time next year!

Claire and Penny.



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Our Bulkington village Act of Remembrance starts at 10.55am at the War Memorial and continues in church with a short service led by Rev. Maureen Allchin. All welcome.

BULKINGTON VILLAGE HALL

The Hall can accommodate up to 60 people and has full disabled access. It is available for hire at very reasonable rates and is suitable for meetings, social events, exercise, music, art, etc. For further details phone Roger Futter 01380 828485 Also available for children's parties with rides on The Great Bulkington Railway. Phone Neville Boulton 01380 828101.

BULKINGTON LADIES' GROUP

Serendipity Handbells performing at Bulkington Village Hall on Thursday 29th November at 7.30pm.

The programme will consist of well-known tunes and Christmas music interspersed with seasonal poems. This will be followed by the usual cheese and wine and raffle. We would like to extend this to a wider audience than our usual small group, so please encourage friends and neighbours to attend.

We are not playing at Church this year, so this will be your chance to enjoy the mellow music of the hand bells. Everyone welcome! Entrance is by a small donation of £2 to cover costs.

Liz Futter 828485

The **Mobile Library** will visit the car-park of The Well in Bulkington on 12th November, 11.05-11.30am. Please support this. It really could be a case of use it or lose it.

All welcome to

THE TEA, CRAFT AND CHAT SOCIAL GROUP

We next meet from 2-4pm on 5th November at The Old Stables, Contact Andie Elliott on 828277 Bring your own craft item or leave it at home and just come and chat!

The Church-hosted Bulkington Village Lunch will take place on Wednesday 7th November at 12.15pm at The Well.

Join Me For Lunch

Contact Phyl Yarde in advance for the menu (828116). New people are always welcome to join us. It is a good social event for the entire village and area.

Benefice BUZZZZ Group will meet on Wednesday 14th November at 3 pm

at the home of Paulette Bremner Milne at Bear Cottage, Poulshot, tel. 828527. We will be discussing the film "The Shack". Those of us who saw the film last time will no doubt want to talk about it; there is so much to be unpacked. Everyone is welcome to this informal and pleasant group, led by Rev. Jane Knowles

BULKINGTON FIREWORKS

Saturday, 3rd November 2018 on the village playing field GATES OPEN 17.30 FIRE LIT AT 18.00 FIREWORKS AT 18.30

Entry - Adults £4; under 16s FREE. BBQ, hot and cold drinks available to buy This event is supported by:







Wholesale Hawthorn





HEALTH & SAFETY NOTICE:

No personal use sparklers or fireworks allowed on site.



BULKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

Purchase of Defibrillator – with the generous financial assistance of the Melksham Area Board, Bulkington has its own Defibrillator. Tim and Sam Taylor from The Well have kindly agreed for the Defibrillator to be fitted outside the pub and there is training available for twelve personnel. Once the date for training is confirmed details will be advertised and it is hoped local residents will come forward to undertake the training.

Bonfire Night – See above notice. Please be considerate when parking.

New Road Signage at Pantry Bridge – we are grateful for the support of the Melksham Community Area Transport Group who have arranged for new road signs to be erected at Pantry Bridge. This bridge on the road from Bulkington to Keevil is not wide enough for two vehicles to cross from opposite directions so extreme caution is required. It is hoped that the new signage will alert drivers to the potential hazard and prevent accidents.

Emergency Planning Committee - In support of the Bulkington Emergency Planning Committee, a storage unit will be purchased to house the equipment necessary to respond effectively to the onset of adverse weather conditions. Once funding has been sourced, it is intended to locate the storage unit at the back of the bus shelter which is central to the village.

<u>Benches in Bulkington</u> – there are four benches located on the various walks around Bulkington which were in desperate need of repair. A huge thank you to Mr Ron Elliott who has refurbished them. It is wonderful to see them being used once again.

SEEND CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

SEEND SHUTTLE COMMUNITY BUS

Salisbury Shopping Shuttle Wednesday 7th November

Please call Rex or Jan Gudge on 01225 706526 by Monday 5th November to book a seat on the Salisbury Shuttle on Wednesday 7th November.

Thanks, Rex

(You can find the Shuttle's scheduled services timetable and private hire info on the village website: www.seend.org.uk and just click on 'Seend Shuttle.)



THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

In Memoriam

This month we remember:

William John Cook 1st/8th Bn Royal Warwickshire Regt 2nd Nov 1918 Reginald Bertram Ellis 1st/16th Bn Royal Sussex Regt 1st Nov 1918 William James May 1st/6th Bn Gloucestershire Regt 14th Nov 1918 David Jonathon Mitchell D Bty 295 Bde Royal Field Arty 25th Nov 1918

They shall grow not old as we who are left grow old, age shall not weary them nor the years condemn, at the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them.

It is also with great sorrow that we report the death of Joyce Brand, a very long standing member of the Seend Branch of the Royal British Legion, who died

suddenly but peacefully on 6^{th} October 2018. Our thoughts and commiserations are with her family at this difficult time.

Remembrance Parade

All Members are reminded that the following Parade and Service will take place on Remembrance Sunday/Armistice Day, 11th November 2018.

Parade at the Old Rectory end of Church Walk at 1030 hrs, march to the War Memorial for the laying of wreaths and then continue into Church for the Sunday Service with Act of Remembrance at 1100 hrs.

Please do your best to attend this service.

Dates to remember

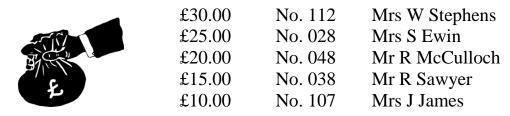
11th Nov 2018 The story of the Great War through music and words to be held in St John's Church, Devizes at 3.30pm. Tickets £11 (U16 £5) from Devizes Books.

<u>24th Jan 2019</u> Next Committee meeting to be held in the Kennet Room in the Community Centre commencing at 1930 hrs.

Roger Brind

100+ CLUB DRAW

The Lye Field 100+ Club October draw took place in the Community Centre. The results are as follows: -



Congratulations to all the winners! There is still time to join and we have even bigger prizes at Christmas!

Karen Cubberley, Seend Lye field Committee

SEEND WINE CIRCLE – 8th December, 8pm, Community Centre Wines for the Festive Season

By the 8th December attention should be turning to Christmas parties and the festive season. The December Seend Wine Circle will be presenting you with some ideas for wines you may find accompany your celebrations perfectly.

Tickets are £12 per person and I have it on good authority that Jen's world famous mince pies will be returning for another year alongside the usual bread and cheese.

If you're interested in coming, please email <u>Seendwinecircle@gmail.com</u> and look out for more information via Facebook. It's always an excellent evening.



SEEND WI

A very lively and well supported evening was spent at our October meeting, full of fun and laughter when members, friends and family took part in our annual quiz night. Everyone answered most of the

questions, most of the time, set by quiz master Chris Downham. Even those who found it challenging, enjoyed the delicious nibbles and cake. The evening concluded with a game of Heads and Tails, followed by the raffle. It was a lovely way to celebrate our 99th birthday.

The next Craft afternoon will be on Thursday 22^{nd} November 2 pm to 4pm in the Pavilion. You don't have to be a member of the WI to take part.

All meetings take place in the Pavilion, Rusty Lane, Seend at 7.30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month unless otherwise notified. For more information, please contact Joyce Harvey on 01380 828511 or check www.seendwi.weebly.com

WESSEX FUCHSIA GROUP

November 27th, Pavilion, 7.45pm – Wiltshire Air Ambulance will talk to us all about their work in the community.





SEEND & DISTRICT RAMBLERS

By the time you read this, members will have attended their annual weekend away, this year being held at The Valley of Rocks Hotel, Lynton, full report next month.

November walk will be led by Colin and Denny Noad on Sunday 18th November. Members will be notified by email with details once known, otherwise call 01225 852306. New members welcome.

Lin Salter 01225 706451

SEEND COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS

www.seendcommunitycentre.com – bookings 07703 814111. See the events section at the beginning of this magazine – and the enclosed copy of 'Happenings!', our quarterly newsletter.



SEEND SCHOOL NEWS

Yet again Seend School were the top performing school in Melksham with 59% of children completing the challenge, ahead of our closest rival at 42%. This shows how important reading is to the children and the parents

and is something to really be celebrated.

We are holding our much-loved bedtime story evening on November 23rd at 5.45pm. Children are invited back to school in their pyjamas and with their favourite teddy to hear a story or two, have a biscuit and a drink of hot chocolate. This is a free event

and funded by our Friends of Seend School. Some of the children in Sycamore have been inspired by a lesson about the living and working conditions of cocoa farmers. As a result, they have asked to raise money by holding a cake sale on 16th November.

The Seend branch of The Royal British Legion have donated a plaque to the school which commemorates the fallen soldiers from the Parish of Seend. On the afternoon of October 12th, a short dedication ceremony, carried out by Rev. Ali Bridewell, took place. School Council and the year 6s represented the school and the Ode of Remembrance was read by one of the children. We are honoured to house this plaque as a reminder of the sacrifice made by the local soldiers.

Jackie Chalke, Headteacher

Seend School Christmas Fayre

Friday 7th December 6-8pm.

Join us for games, stalls, raffle and mulled wine! All money goes to enrich the education of the children of Seend School.

SEEND PLAYGROUP NEWS

We welcome Carwyn and Ellie-Rose to playgroup and hope they enjoy their time with us.

The children were pleased to see their under-the-sea creatures returned to them to take home. We were very pleased with the £25 cheque from the Flower Show Committee to buy more craft materials. Thank you very much.

Our walk collecting blackberries to make blackberry and apple crumble was enjoyable. Some of the children had purple mouths, enjoying one in the mouth and one in the pot. On Friday 5th October the photographer came and we have received our photographs, with all the children smiling beautifully in them. We have found stones/rocks around the village from Melksham, Bath, Bristol and Seend and rehidden them.

Please come to our Christmas Fayre on 1st December in the Community Centre and bring the family. We have Father Christmas reading a story to the children, and an elf helping to give out presents. 31 tables are booked with lots of ideas for Christmas presents and there are lots of great prizes in the raffle. The bar will be open.

Rose Dick (Playleader) 828003

HAND SEWN CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS WORKSHOP

Sunday 25th November, Seend Pavilion, 10am – 2.30pm. Cost - £30

All materials and equipment will be provided.

No previous sewing experience required.

For more information please email: emmybettysewingclasses@gmail.com

or call: 01380 828045, 07783410514

SEEND PARISH COUNCIL

NB. The following minutes are a shortened version of the full minutes taken at the Parish Council meeting on 25th September 2018. These have not yet been ratified by the Parish Council and may be subject to change. A full copy of the minutes can be found on our website: www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk

The meeting held on 25th September was attended by eight Councillors with Mrs Heatley in the Chair, Councillor Jonathon Seed and Mrs Sue Bond (Clerk). Apologies were received from Mr James and Mrs Akerman

<u>Local Councillor Matters</u> - Councillor Seed reported that there were currently two boundary reviews (one Parliamentary and one County) taking place. This is further reported later on in these minutes under Electoral Boundary Review

<u>Minutes and Matters Arising</u>: Minutes of the 28th August meeting were approved.

<u>WW1 Trees</u> – At the August Parish Council meeting, it was agreed that the Parish Council should buy a bench instead of trees to commemorate the 25 soldiers who died in WW1. Councillors were shown a picture of a bench made from galvanized steel that had the silhouettes of soldiers. Mrs Heatley reported that the Seend Royal British Legion Branch were willing to pay half the cost. Councillor Seed said that we might also be able to apply for a grant from the Area Board. Clerk to investigate this. Mrs Heatley had also contacted the Seend PCC who had agreed that the bench could be placed by the War Memorial in the churchyard. All councillors voted in favour of purchasing the steel bench. <u>Defibrillator</u> The Clerk reported that the Landlord of The Three Magpies had raised £273.60 from the sale of beer from a donated barrel by Wadworth. Once the phone box is painted in readiness to house a defibrillator, the Clerk will apply to the BHF for a grant to help purchase one, also using the donation from The Three Magpies and the money donated earlier in the year.

Police Matters - The following incidents had been reported.

29th August – money stolen by deception in Seend.

 2^{nd} September – 3 car collision by the Lye Field, damaging the boundary wall.

<u>Neighbourhood Plan</u> - Mrs A'Bear reported that the workshop organised jointly with the Seend CLT had been very positive. Still working with the consultants, Place Studios Ltd, and all is on schedule.

Highway Matters

Bell Hill Road Safety Measures - Work to improve road safety at the Bell Hill crossroads is due to begin on 5th November. Councillors had been shown the drawings, which have not altered the plans from what was originally agreed. One of the Councillors pointed out that on the plans, the road sign at the top of the cross roads only signed for Trowbridge and not Melksham, and that it might be worth asking if the road sign could also direct vehicles to go left to Melksham via the Semington bypass rather than go straight across and down Bollands Hill. Another Councillor also asked if there could be a sign for Bollands Hill that said it was not

suitable for HGVs. The Clerk to ask Highways about the signage. The work will take approximately 3 weeks. (*See notice on p5.*)

High Street Speeding —Wiltshire Council had received three Community Issues raised by residents on the speeding of vehicles in the High Street. These had been submitted directly to the Highways Department, who had now asked for the Parish Council's view and whether they supported the resident's concerns. As the three complainants had not provided details of the locations and evidence of speeding traffic, they should be asked to supply evidence to back up their concerns. Councillors were sympathetic to the residents' concerns, but it was hard to know how to resolve the issue. Councillors agreed that another Metro Count should be taken along the stretch of road by The Manor House near the Lye Field.

Planning Matters –

Application Number: 18/08178/TPO

Site Location: The Vicarage High Street Seend SN12 6NR

<u>Proposal</u>: T3- Horse Chestnut tree - Reduce crown by 30% to minimise risk of limb

failure. All Councillors voted in favour.

Application Number: 18/08428/FUL

Site Location: Camping & Caravanning Club Site, Spout Lane, Seend

<u>Proposal:</u> Construction of motorhome service point, widening of existing roads, resurfacing of existing car park.

<u>Resolution:</u> As the plans only altered the internal layout of the club site, and did not increase the number of pitches, therefore not causing any additional traffic, all Councillors voted in favour.

Reduce the height of all of the trees by about 20%, and remove some dead wood in the Silver Birches and Rowan. Thin the crown of the Maple by about 20%, and reduce its height by approximately 10 feet. Have the TPOs removed from the trees. Resolution: Councillors voted in favour of the pruning, but not removal of the TPOs.

Application Ref: 18/08674/FUL

Site Location: 19 Dial Close, Seend SN12 6NP

<u>Proposal</u>: Replacement of conservatory roof with a carbon grey replica tiled roof. <u>Resolution</u>: Two councillors declared an interest, so did not vote, but all other councillors voted in favour.

<u>Electoral Boundary Review</u> - Councillor Seed reported that there were currently two Parliamentary boundary reviews taking place. One that was nationwide, and one that specifically related to Wiltshire. With all the new houses being built in Wiltshire, there would need to be some changes to the electoral boundaries to ensure that the number of voters in each area remained fairly balanced. For Seend, its boundary may remain unchanged with its close affiliation with Melksham Area Board, or it may be joined with Bromham, Rowde and Poulshot to make a new area with closer links with the Devizes Area Board. The Parish Council had received correspondence from both the Local Government Boundary Commission and Wiltshire Council asking for its views on what changes the Parish might like to see. Councillor Seed advised the PC

to wait to see what Wiltshire Council proposed before responding to the LGBC. Wiltshire Council was likely to produce its own response by the end of September. There would then be time for the Parish Council to formulate a response in time for the LGBC deadline of 5th November. Councillors agreed that once Wiltshire Council's response was known, then a meeting should be held to discuss what response Seend Parish Council would make direct to the LGBC.

<u>Financial Matters:</u> There were 6 cheques for signature. Bank reconciliation to end of April 2018 - £24,275.39

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 27th November.

NEWS FROM WILTSHIRE COUNCIL

October is a month of change in our weather and our politics. The Party Conference season is over – although the relevance of these political jamborees seems ever less relevant to our lives here in Wiltshire. Our weather has certainly turned and as you read this in November winter will be upon us with all the changes that that brings to our everyday lives. Wiltshire Council has also addressed political change and has put a submission, with cross Party support, to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England, the body that determines our future political map. This august body has already determined that our Councillor numbers will stay unchanged at 98 in order to support our successful Area Board system. However, there needs to be a redistribution of voters across many Council Divisions in order to make them all within a ten percent equality of each other. This means significant change in many Divisions and very little in others. Only time will tell whether the Commission will accept our carefully-crafted local suggestion or impose their own. One aspect we are certain of is that by the spring of next year we will know what the future local government map of Wiltshire will look like. In our own area of Summerham and Seend the local proposal is for Semington, Steeple Ashton, Keevil and Great Hinton to form a new south Melksham rural Division taking in Berryfields, Broughton Gifford and Bowerhill industrial area. Seend, Bulkington and Poulshot look set to join with Potterne, Erlestoke, Worton, Marston and Coulston to form a new Devizes community area Division. Any individual or Council can put a submission to the LGBCE and if residents are unhappy with the proposals they should do so.

There is little doubt that local government is deep into a period of austerity. We have had to make significant budget efficiencies for many years. Central government funding for this financial year was poor and next year looks even worse. Wiltshire will cope even though our belt tightening is reaching the point of showing itself in service delivery. It is during these periods of financial difficulty that some compassionate decisions taken by the Council shine out brightly, such as the recent decision to allow care leavers a council tax exemption from when they leave care aged 18 until they are 25. This really will help some of the most vulnerable in our society to get ahead after an uncertain start.

Jonathon Seed

SEEND SPORTING AND DRAMATIC NEWS

Tennis:

The annual Chippenham and District Tennis League Presentation
Dinner held at the Seend Community Centre in late September
proved to be a great success. Seend tennis players were well represented and all rose
to applaud the Seend Men's team when they were awarded yet another trophy for
finishing the 2018 season by again winning their division.

The Community Centre was shown off at its best for the evening thanks to the wonderful and inspirational decorations, photos of which can be seen on the the club's website. The pictures show just how versatile the hall can be with the right artistic flair be it for weddings or special evening occasions.

Football:

I have enjoyed going up to the Lye Field this Autumn to again watch football being played in Seend. Local club Spencers, which fields the odd player from the village, host their home games in Seend delivering one of the main sports the Lye Field was designed for. Maybe soon we will see a Seend-based team also taking to the field. In the meantime I hope that 3pm on alternate Saturdays might prove to be something of a draw for all who cannot get a ticket for Old Trafford (or Selhurst Park. Ed.)

The Turf:

Again we have a locally-connected horse starting to perform well on the national stage. Guildhall, a two year old colt whose "grandmother" Shannon Princess came from Seend Green House, has had only two outings but could promise much. First time out in August he came in third at Sandown behind the two favourites and then at the end of September won over a mile on heavy going at Ayr, albeit with relatively short odds of 13: 8. There may be one more outing this year and the confidence that he will make the trip cautiously grows. **Stop Press**: Guildhall came 4th on Friday!

Last month also saw local favourites Frankie Dettori and Enable join up to complete a sixth Arc for the Italian and a second successive victory in Europe's most expensive race for his mount who has been out of action for nigh on a year because of injury. Perhaps Rob will create a new cocktail to mark the occasion.

Short Mat Bowls:

Things have been somewhat quiet for the boys over the last few weeks who, Colin tells me, have been undertaking high altitude training in the Snowdon National Park. Having twelve team members hunkered down in Colin's four man tent for seven days and nights of uninterrupted rain was intended to lead to the kind of bonding that Colin had long sought to achieve and the hope that this would lift the team's morale where much before had failed. Sadly not. Six of the team are no longer speaking to each other, the tent is in shreds and three restraining orders were needed before a truce was declared. Fear not, Colin has another plan up his sleeve. He has

promised me a full report on the white water rafting extravaganza when they get back for the annual SMB Christmas bonanza in early December.

Results: Seend 0: Avebury Trusloe 18.

Results, fixture details and sporting news to the members' bar by November 17th please.

Frankie Goddard on 01380 828488.

BITS AND BOBS

THE SEEND FUND - Your local fund

Remember the Seend Fund is your local fund. Anyone living in or closely associated with Seend can apply by e-mailing the secretary (anitashea@hotmail.co.uk) or writing to her at 34 Seend Cleeve, Melksham SN12 6PY. If you find yourself in financial difficulties the fund might be able to help with anything from school uniforms to heating bills. Don't hesitate to send details, saying how much you need, what it is for and when you need it by. Even if the fund has helped you before, your request will be sympathetically and confidentially considered. Although the fund is intended to help individuals, if there are any organisations or groups who need support to include someone with special needs in an educational activity, or who know of members who are struggling financially, the Fund may be able to help.

SAD NEWS FROM TRAIDCRAFT PLC

Many of you have bought Fairtrade goods from Traidcraft stalls or from Oxfam shops over the years and through doing this have helped the producers in the Global South work their way out of poverty. The company, Traidcraft plc, which supplies Fairtrade goods unfortunately may have to cease trading by the end of this year. It pays the producers up front in dollars so when the pound lost value against the dollar, due to uncertainty about Brexit, the company sustained huge losses. It has also, like many companies, seen reduced sales in Britain over the last few years.

This does not mean the end of Fairtrade. There are several companies that sell Fairtrade produce direct to the consumer such as Divine and Cafedirect and of course several supermarkets sell their own brand of Fairtrade coffee, tea, chocolate and wine. However there are many products that are not sold in supermarkets such as rice and pasta, dried fruit and nuts, biscuits, clothes and crafts.

So please buy as much of these as you can before Christmas to support Traidcraft!

Traidcraft Exchange

The charity arm of Traidcraft plc—Traidcraft Exchange will continue its work as it is separate from the sales side of the company. It is an international development charity which uses the power of trade to bring about lasting solutions to poverty. It is

hoping to be able to offer support to some of those producers who may be particularly badly affected if Traidcraft plc does have to cease trading.

Traidcraft Exchange's current campaign is called 'Who Picked my Tea?' This is focussing on the workers on the tea estates in Assam, Northern India. Some of the tea produced there is sold on Fairtrade terms but the bulk of it is not — most of the Traidcraft tea comes from Africa - and the women who pick the tea have pitifully low wages and deteriorating living conditions. Traidcraft Exchange is asking us to challenge the 'Big Six' by first of all asking them to say which estates they buy their tea from. Transparency like this would shine a light on exploitation and mean that we — and more importantly people in Assam — could hold companies to account.

For information go to www.traidcraft.org.uk/tea-campaign or ask Antonia Tolhurst.



The eighth CHRISTMAS COUNTRY FAIR in aid of The Soldiers' Charity will be held on Saturday November 17th -

10am to 2pm at the MARKET LAVINGTON COMMUNITY HALL.

Start your Christmas shopping with us! Lots of stalls featuring handmade crafts and produce. Free Entry - Coffee and Cakes! Tombola!

If you make things to sell and would like to book a stall please contact Sue Bonney on 01380 812757 or email: thebonneys@waitrose.com

WILTSHIRE GUILD OF SPINNERS AND WEAVERS CHRISTMAS SALE OF HANDMADE TEXTILES AND CRAFT WORK

Friday 23rd November and Saturday 24th November 2018 at The Textile Studios - 3 St Mary's School Building, High Street, Steeple Ashton, BA14 6EU

10:30 am to 3:30 pm on both days

Come and buy unique Christmas gifts and decorations hand-made by our members.

Free Event Disabled access



STEEPLE ASHTON FILMS Steeple Ashton Village Hall Saturday 17th November 2018 – 7.30 pm (doors open at 7 pm for refreshments)

THE MERCY - Directed by James Marsh and featuring **Colin Firth, Rachel Weisz, David Thewlis and Mark Gattis,** among others, this is the incredible story of Donald Crowhurst. The story of Crowhurst's dangerous solo voyage and the struggles he confronted is one of the most enduring mysteries of recent times. This is the last of the Steeple Ashton Films for this year. We look forward to seeing you in January, hopefully, for "Mamma Mia – Here we go again!". Tickets £6

available from Steeple Ashton Village Shop or can be reserved. Please ring Alison Wilson on 01380 871345.

LAVINGTON COMMUNITY CHOIR

The choir is excited to have been invited to be part of a special concert with music by local composer Nick Hale to commemorate World War I at Market Lavington Church on the afternoon of Sunday November 11th. We will begin rehearsals on September 6th and encourage new and returning choir members

to be part of this amazing event. The choir meets every Thursday at 8 for 8.15pm and you are very welcome to just turn up. More information from pboyagis@gmail.com

WILTSHIRE TORTOISE GROUP

Dr Frances Baines MA, VetMB, MRCVS 'Sunlight for Health'



Sunday 18th November, 2.30 pm Sutton Benger Village Hall (SN15 4RP)



DEVIZES KATS & KITS IN CARE CAT SANCTUARY Jumble Sale

Saturday 17th November from 10am in Devizes Scout Hall, Southbroom Road, SN10 5AD

Xmas Gift Stall

Saturday 1st December from 9am in The Brittox, Devizes Inexpensive stocking fillers, gifts, sweets, lucky dip, fudge, books, bric-a-brac and lots more

Kats & Kits – your local sanctuary for elderly and special needs cats. 07976 624770.























Christmas Music Events

Christmas Carols and Songs at Cleeve House, Seend

Trowbridge Road, Seend, SN12 6PG 01380 827129 led by The Seend Singers

Wednesday 12th December at 7.30pm - Followed by refreshments

Come and join our Christmas celebration. There will be a Collection in aid of Wiltshire Young Carers info@cleeve-house.com www.cleeve-house.com





LAVINGTON COMMUNITY CHOIR

Our Christmas concert is on Friday 21st December at Market Lavington Community Centre and will feature music by John Rutter as well as other Christmas favourites.

MELKSHAM CHORAL SOCIETY CHRISTMAS CONCERT

SATURDAY 8TH DECEMBER

At 7.30pm in the Baptist Church in Old Broughton Road near Lidl in Melksham. It will include Handel's Messiah (part one) and Vaughan Williams Fantasia on Christmas Carols with excellent soloists and organist. Tickets in advance are £10 or £12 on the door and will include coffee and mince pies. The able bodied will be asked to sit on pews in the gallery. Do bring a cushion.



Email me, anitashea@hotmail.com if you would like tickets.



"Carols: 'Mediaeval to Modern'

including Traditional and Seasonal favourites"

with conductor Philip Springate
Saturday 8th December at St. Mary's Church Calne at 7.30pm.
Tickets £10 at the door, via www.calnechoral.co.uk or any choir member.

Tis nearly the season to be jolly, so it must be time to get your tickets for the annual Edington Arts Advent Concert! This year the choir of Keble College Oxford will be coming to Edington Priory Church on Saturday 1st December, to sing a programme of carols and Advent music starting at 7.30pm. Mulled wine and mince pies will be served during the interval.

The programme will be available online at www.edingtonarts.org in due course, but this concert has been sold out for the past two years, so don't delay. Tickets are £20 front nave and choir stalls, £15 rear nave and raised sides, and £10 sides. 18 and under FREE. Ring Chrissy on 01380 831256, or email Sue on sue@edingtonarts.org.

And finally...

Sadly, Polly, my obese parrot has just died. It is, however, a huge weight off my shoulders.



USEFUL CONTACTS: Please tell Spotlight if your group's contact details change

Church: Revd Ali Bridewell. 01380 739064. Revd Joshva John, 01380 828137. Benefice

Administrator: Mrs Sue Taylor 01225 709360. Churchwardens: Seend: Len Murray, 828513,

Mrs Tina Yockney 827139; Bulkington: Mrs Liz Futter 828485, Mrs Anne Saywell 828931;

LPAs: Jane Goman 827121, Liz Futter 828485, Rosie Forsey 828843, Len Murray 828513, Sue

Noad 870343, Sue Rose 871665, Hilary Hutchings 828129, Tina Yockney 827139.

Bell Tower Captain: L Murray 828513.

Irene Usher Memorial Hall (The Pavilion) Bookings - Richard Walker on 828250

Bulkington Village Hall - Nev Boulton 828101 or Roger Futter 828485

Seend Community Centre - 828796. Bookings: 07703 814111. Seendcommunitycentre.com

Seend Shuttle: Enquiries: seendshuttle@gmail.com or Alison 07951 030491

Seend Parish Council Clerk – Mrs Sue Bond 07706 850859 www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk

Seend's Wiltshire Councillor - Jonathon Seed 01380 850695 jonathon.seed@wiltshire.gov.uk

Seend Village Website: www.seend.org.uk – webmaster Neil Yockney 827139.

Seend School - 828334

Bulkington Website: www.bulkington.org.uk

Rights of Way Warden – Paul Millard, 01225 712821

Seend Fund: 01380 828757

MP Claire Perry, 01380 729358 (M-F 9.30am-1pm) claire.perry.mp@parliament.uk

MEP - Graham Watson 01458 252265. **Melksham Area Board** – 07917 721371

Police: PCSO Maggie Ledbury (Internal:101 Ext 77436089 or Mobile: 07471028939

100+Club Draw - Karen & Steve Cubberley - steven@cubberley.com - tel: 828423

Book Clubs - the original: Sylvia Ewin 828325 - the other: Frank Teasdale 828617(+ Brewery)

Bouncy Club – Rebecca De Voogd 07840 382351

Cricket Club - John Wiltshire 07791 144248

Fawlty Players Panto Group - Tessa Doe 828617& find Seend Village Pantomime on facebook

Fete – Liam Bergin – liam@thirdberg.com or 07738 269739

Flower Show -Carole Vince 828579

FoSS (Friends of Seend School) Peter Kay, friendsofseendschool@gmail.com

Historic Houses Club - Mary Warren 01225707357 or Neil Yockney 827139

LINK Scheme - 075320 55560

Lye Field Committee – www.seendlyefield.org

Neighbourhood Watch - Brian Hunt (Seend) 828581; Cavan Moroney (Sells Green) 828606;

Owen Burton (Seend Cleeve) 828820; John Scott (Bulkington) 828026.

Preschool - Rose Dick (Playleader) 828003

Poetry Group - Tessa Doe 828617

Ramblers - Gerald Salter 01225 706451

Royal British Legion - Roger Brind 828830

Seend CLT - www.seend clt.org info@seendclt.org

Seend Singers - Bob McCulloch 828508

Short Mat Bowls Club - Colin Waldeck 828946

Table tennis – Chris Brooker, 828047

Tennis Club - Ric Ellinger 828687

Theatre Club - Sylvia Ewin 828325; Marion Whitehead 828612

WEA – Tessa Doe 828617

Wheelchairs to borrow - Sue and Graham Jones in Seend Cleeve, tel: 01380 828354

WI - Fiona Johnson on 828401 and Gill Acornley 01225 707218

Wine Circle – Steve Parsons 07974 347487 or Simon McManus 07896 711764

Seend Post Office & Village Store

01380 828250

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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	9.00 - 10.30	Closed
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	* note early closing	