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From the Editor

Well it looks like everyone had a great time at the Jubilee celebrations! Congratulations to Corsley for winning the cricket match and to all those who entered the various competitions held in Chapmanslade. I hope you enjoy the biggest edition of The Bridge ever!

> Viv Thomas Editor

Please submit your articles either by email to me at viv.thomas146@btinternet.com or take them to either
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Deadline for articles or adverts for the next issue of The Bridge is 4pm 19th July.

Please note that no items will be accepted after this date

What's on

July

Tuesday 2nd

Coffee Morning – 10.00 - 12 noon, Corsley Reading Room

Wednesday 4th

WI outing to Winchester

Thursday 5th

Warminster Area Board – 6.30pm for 7.00, Chapmanslade Village Hall

Saturday 7th

Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches Bargains In The Barn – 10.30 - 12.30pm, High House Farm, Corsley

Corsley litter pick – 11.00, meet opposite the Royal Oak

Thursday 8th

Sea Sunday – 11.00am, St Mary's, Temple

Thursday 12th

Chapmanslade Parish Council Meetings—7.30pm, Chapmanslade School

Saturday 14th

Chapmanslade Litter Pick – 12 noon, meet opposite The Three Horseshoes

Wednesday 18th

Light Bites - tea and homemade cakes – 3 - 4pm, Corsley Reading Room

August

Sunday 5th

Chapmanslade Relax – 1pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

Tuesday 7th

Coffee Morning – 10.00 - 12 noon, Corsley Reading Room

Saturday 11th

Chapmanslade Litter Pick – 12 noon, meet opposite The Three Horseshoes

Wednesday 15th

Light Bites - tea and homemade cakes – 3 - 4pm, Corsley Reading Room

Monday 27th

Corsley Show

September

Tuesday 4th

Coffee Morning - 10.00 - 12 noon, Corsley Reading Room

Thursday 13th

Chapmanslade Parish Council Meeting – 7.30pm, Chapmanslade School

Saturday 15th

Howden Jones in concert at Chapmanslade Village Halle

October

Tuesday 2nd

Coffee Morning – 10.00 - 12 noon, Corsley Reading Room

Thursday 11th

Chapmanslade Parish Council Meeting – 7.30pm, Chapmanslade School

Saturday 20th

Chapmanslade Village Hall Quiz Night

November

Tuesday 6th

Coffee Morning – 10.00 - 12 noon, Corsley Reading Room

Thursday 8th

Chapmanslade Parish Council Meeting – 7.30pm, Chapmanslade School

Thursday 15th

Corsley Reading Room AGM – 7.30pm, Corsley Reading Room

December

Tuesday 4th

Coffee Morning - 10.00 - 12 noon, Corsley Reading Room

SEA SUNDAY

11.00am, Sunday 8th July 2012 St Mary's, Temple

Staff Wanted

Casual, flexible staff to help out at small catering events – serving tea, coffee, washing up, etc. Help loading/unloading food trays. £6.50 per hour. Must have own transport, mileage paid. For more information/informal chat, please contact Kim Clark 01373 832151

The Corsley Show Monday 27th August 2012

Stewards required

Do you have an hour to spare to help out at this year's Corsley Show?

If so, please telephone Colin Cary on 01373 832157 or email him at colin.cary@btinternet.com

Your assistance would be very much appreciated and you will receive free entry to the Show

Jubilee bells

A quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles consisting of 1260 changes was rung on the bells of St Margaret's Church on Sunday 5th June to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of the accession to the throne of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II. Ringers taking part were:

Treble – Mike Clarke, 2nd – Heather McCombie, 3rd – Wendy Charlesworth, 4th – Adam Ricketts, 5th – Dick Collins (Conductor), Tenor – Paul McCombie.

Congratulations are due to the ringers of the treble, 2nd and tenor bells who rang their first ever quarter peal.

The Corsley bell ringers meet every Friday at St Margaret's Church from 7.30pm to 9pm. Every tower in the country needs new ringers! Come along and see what ringing is all about! For more information contact Dick Collins on 01373 832789.

Jubilee Big Lunch Village Photo

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Abandoned Cake Tin

I have a large cake tin, with a garden scene, at my house ~ 74 High Street, Chapmanslade (after the Jubilee) Please collect ASAP

Denise Page

Corsley Reading Room

As part of Corsley's Diamond Jubilee celebrations, an open day was held at Corsley Reading Room on Tuesday 7th June. A steady stream of visitors from far and near was welcomed to an exhibition of memorabilia from the 1950s and 60s. Corsley Women's Institute set up a kitchen display with items from that era, many of which are still in use, and Corsley residents provided photographs, household gadgets, books, toys and other miscellaneous items to provide an impressive display. At various times during the day groups gathered around parts of the display sharing memories and talking about those early years of the Queen's reign at Corsley,

while others sat down to enjoy some splendid refreshments

provided by the Reading Room Committee. A raffle was held and £210 was raised for Diabetes UK.

The present Corsley Reading Room building has served the village since 1892 and, like many other village halls, its fortunes have ebbed and flowed. The management committee work very hard to provide an attractive and safe venue for use by people and organisations from local communities. For more information contact the booking officer, Rosemary Collins, 01373 832789 or visit: www. wvha.org.uk/corsley

The Jubilee Celebrations in Chapmanslade

Some weeks ago I was invited to join a very small Jubilee committee. There were very few meetings, but the amount of work done by these totally committed people was quite amazing. They seem to have the knack of making decisions and then finding just the right people to lead and to find teams to man every aspect of the superbly successful series of Jubilee events over two full days.

I said many "thank you's" after the village photograph and the three cheers for the Queen, but on behalf of us all I would like to thank the following special people. Phil Jefferson (Chair of Jubilee Committee and Commemorative Medals), Frank Lake (Chair of Village Hall Committee), Denise Page (Secretary, Refreshments and Flowers over 2 days), Adam Oakley (Sports, Publicity and so much more), Tim Humphreys (Barbecue), Ken Davies (Bar), The Cley Hill Stompers and Lou Knight (Musical Entertainment), Joyce Jefferson (Exhibition of Village Memorabilia), Frank Lake and Ernie McKenna (Village Photograph), Patrick Cusworth (Boules Tournament), Gwen Curtis and Jill Wrintmore (Scarecrow Judaina). Chris Smith from Barter's Farm (Garden Frontage Competition judging).

Special thanks also to Denise's team who provided and served refreshments throughout the two days and to all the teams who worked so hard to make it possible for Sunday's activities and games to take place. There are too many to mention

here but we have sent individual thanks too them. And many thanks to Sue Waterman, who put forward so many ideas that were incorporated into the two days. Everyone was thrilled to see her out and about and looking her usual smiling self.

Jubilee medals were presented to all underelevens in the village and in Chapmanslade School and then the photograph was taken just before yet another storm. Glee Baron (99), Mary Mead (92) and Stan and Nell Lamb (both 87) took up central positions amongst over 300 villagers who gathered to be included on it. Copies of the picture can be obtained by emailing Frank Lake at frank.lake@virgin.net.

The rain came and went and came again but never once dampened the spirits of villagers and visitors, who were as determined as ever to prove that we love and admire our Queen and that the spirit of Chapmanslade is as strong and steadfast as ever.

The 'Bridge' cricket match against Corsley was a huge success. We congratulate Corsley but feel it was all down to the 3rd umpire and technology! It was good to see the Chapmanslade Cup – huge and solid silver. Perhaps the only time that we have had anything that was bigger, better or more valuable on our side of the valley!

Finally, a huge thanks to Wales and West Utilities (who were responsible for digging up the road at Dead Maids several times earlier this year) and to www.gadgethelpline.com (Crispin Thomas) for their sponsorship of our events, each to the tune of £500.

A Homage to Queen Elizabeth II on her Diamond Jubilee.

What must it be like, to be a Royal? To be a Queen o'er subjects loyal, A life of duty and devotion, A steady hand in a sea of emotion. Polite, sincere and gracious too, No matter what one's asked to do.

The duties are endless, with plaques to unveil, Planting trees, cutting ribbons, naming ships to set sail. Guards to inspect, politicians to meet, Hospitals, schools, there's so much to complete. Ambassadors, Dignitaries, all need to be seen, For Commonwealth countries she's also their Queen.

Foreign places to visit and speeches to make, Formal dinners to host, no rest can she take. In bright coloured coats matching hats that delight, For the gathering crowds, it's a heartwarming sight. Waving our flags of red, white and blue, We line the streets for a glimpse of you.

As mother and wife, she takes all in her stride With corgis at heel and horses to ride. Annus horribilis and family strife, Are proof of living a human life. With official Red Boxes arriving each day Life is a juggle of work against play.

For 60 years of dedication, It's time now for great celebration! A Diamond Jubilee, so rare, It's up to us to show we care. 60 years of triumph and gladness, Not forgetting all the sadness.

But now in happiest times historical, You bring to us a charm most magical. So with teas and parties and lots of fun, We share our joy with everyone. Thank you Your Majesty, for your life of toil, You've shown us all what it's like to be Royal.

> Carol Seward Carol read her poem at the Corsley Big Lunch

Jubilee

After a weekend plagued by wind and rain, the day of the great match dawned fine and hopes rose high. The match (scheduled to start at 2.30pm)

was somewhat delayed as the captains and recruiting sergeants collected the names of those wishing to partake. Numbers were swollen by the sight of the fine claret jug which was to be presented as the winning trophy.

Eventually all keen would-be participants were recorded and no less than 21 per side were noted down! This meant the rules needed slight adjustment: everyone would bowl an over, a batsman reaching 15 runs must retire and no more than 13 fielders would be on the field at any one time.

Soon the innings were swaying backward and forward until Corsley eventually reached 152 runs.

A fine tea was taken and during this spell many pundits opined that too few runs had been scored. This was reinforced by the Corsley spies who had been secretly watching Chapmanslade practice sessions.

match and other cricket news

The first wave of Corsley fielders were led out by Chris Seviour, the vice-captain, and he was soon hard at work raising Corsley's spirits as Chapmanslade scored rapidly.

At the halfway stage, the match hung in the balance. The second wave were led in by Pearce the wily veteran who had kept back several experienced bowlers and against these accurate trundlers Chapmanslade made valiant efforts but were eventually brought to a halt 30 runs short. It must be said that Chapmanslade did not run out of batsmen but they did run out of overs to face.

Congratulations were given all round, then Roy Priestley, the Corsley Cricket Club President, presented the coveted trophy.

By this time, John White had his barbecue well and truly alight and delicious burgers and sausages were soon being enjoyed, the bar sold out of beer and as a finale, many people climbed Cley Hill to watch the beacon being lit.

Thus ended a memorable day, thoroughly enjoyed by all and with the prospect of a return fixture next year.

I am sure that all who enjoyed the day would like to join me in giving thanks to the two umpires who stuck heroically to their onerous task, to Neil Carpenter for sourcing the claret jug and for many other contributions, to John White for the barbecue, to the bar staff and tea providers and to everyone else who helped to make this such a pleasant day.

Roy Pearce

Junior Match

The junior match ended in a tie, with both teams each scoring 18 in their 10 overs. Top scorers were:

Corsley

Ethan Ford (5), Adam Ledbury (5) and Jack Butler (3).

Chapmanslade

Henry Foster (5), Jamie Fuller (3) and Vlad Waterfield (3).

All the boys and girls who took part demonstrated a high level of skill and enthusiasm.

The match ended in high drama as Chapmanslade, requiring two runs to win from their final delivery, scored just the one! A tie represented the ideal result and exemplified the spirit in which the game was played.

Andrew Hillier

Other Corsley Cricket Club news

Some matches have been cancelled due to rain, but five have been played. All have been lost but they were all closely contested and thoroughly enjoyed.

More players are still needed to make this club a continuing village institution!

Fixtures for July

Sunday 8th Keevil Away

Sunday 15th Broughton Gifford Home

Sunday 22nd Deverills Home

The Jubilee Celebrations in Chapmanslade

The competition winners were:-

Scarecrow - Official Judge

Children 1st The Brownies, 2nd Isobel and Abi Page, 3rd Sue Waterman's Grandchildren

Adults 1st Jacky Gray, 2nd George Brown, 3rd Adam Oakley

Scarecrow - People's Vote

Children 1st The Brownies, 2nd Sue Waterman's Grandchildren, 3rd Isobel and Abi Page

Adults 1st Jacky Gray, 2nd Adam Oakley, 3rd Budgie

Decorated Garden - Official Judge

1st Jill Wrintmore, 2nd Paul Harvey, 3rd Catherine Short

Decorated Garden – People's Vote

1st Jill Wrintmore, 2nd George Brown, 3rd Catherine Short

Poetry

Children 1st Megan Lintern, 2nd Equal, Anna Kline & Gemma Humphreys

Adults !st Equal – Gwen Curtis and Dennis Barnard

Boules

Singles Marie Cusworth
Doubles Jo and Chris Lintern

Congratulations to all of them and many thanks to everyone who entered our competitions or took part in judging them.

Commemorative medals

We still have some medals that are available to children up to the age of 11 who live in the village or who attend Chapmanslade School or Busy Bees. If your child hasn't received theirs and would like one, please contact Phil Jefferson (01373 832845 or phil.jefferson@virgin.net) after 11th July. First come first served!

Thank you!

On behalf of the Jubilee Committee and the villagers of Chapmanslade I would like to thank all the wonderful cake makers, who kindly donated such a magnificent selection of cakes to the successful Jubilee Celebrations.

We received many compliments on the variety and quality of them all. They kept arriving throughout the day, enabling us to provide tea and cakes until the very end of the day! — an amazing achievement!

Thank you all, Denise Page

And the light shone forth... The Corsley Cley Hill Jubilee Beacon Conflagration

Seventy or more hardy souls tramped up to the Beacon site and were treated to a glorious sunset which was followed by a strange pink moonrise, which some among our number, down below in the village, at first mistook for the lighting of our Beacon. Once more the Gods of fine weather were appeased by the hedonistic cavorting earlier

on and so had looked favourably upon their favoured flock in Corsley.

A short, croaky and terminally dull speech, unlikely to rouse the passion in even the simplest invertebrate was made by the (fortunately) outgoing Chair of Corsley Parish Council.

At 10:15 precisely (our designated lighting time) a burning brand was

thrust deep into the wooden pyre, shortly followed by another one as the first went out and then a third was tried, all the time the assembled multitude offering 70 different ways of starting a fire.

Three cheers for Her Maj was followed by rousing patriotic songs and more quaffing of falling-down water. Far into the night continued the quaffing, chatting and merry making with the last hardy souls making their unsteady way down the Hill long after midnight, and some arriving home even

longer after sunrise as befuddled brains made for muddled paths in the dark.

Huge thanks to Messrs Olly and Hedley Hares for providing both the beacon container itself and cutting it to shape, followed by Olly's heroic driving skills getting all this with a tractor and trailer

> up the near vertical slopes of Cley Hill, and without squashing a single Gentian or Adonis Blue to boot.

Thanks to the National Trust, English Heritage and English Nature without whose permission this event wouldn't have happened, also not forgetting Des Aylesbury for allowing us to use his track, and the

Burroughs' for allowing temporary access across their fields, and to those masochists who wanted to go the (very) long way round.

Sadly no little green men or their spaceships made an appearance

Yours, Ivor Match & Willy Burn - Conflagrationists par excellence – have beacon will travel. Ps if anyone finds Chris Da Costa between the Hill and Home please point him in the right direction – Claire's still looking for him as it's his turn to do the dishes.



Bob's bafflers

- 1 'Englander' is an anagram of which country?
- 2 The dish Eggs Florentine contains which vegetable?
- 3 Which building was erected in 1851 for the Great Exhibition?
- 4 Which branch might you hold out to seek peace?
- 5 The holiday camp 'Maplins' featured in which TV series?
- 6 And in which fictional Essex seaside town was 'Maplins' to be found?
- 7 Which country has the shortest coastline in the world?
- 8 Which fault line is San Francisco on?
- 9 Who was King at the time of the Gunpowder Plot?
- 10 Which local community radio station, which can be heard in Corsley and Chapmanslade, began broadcasting on 105.5fm on 1st April 2012?
- 11 In which royal castle is St George's Chapel?
- 12 Which song, a favourite of the late Princess Diana, do these lines occur? "Well I hardly know this beauty by my side; I'll never forget the way you look tonight"

Answers on page 47

Tennis Club News

The Ladies Doubles Tournament took place on a changeable afternoon at the Memorial Field on the 17th June. After some absorbing sets, Sue Newell and Jane Snedden emerged as narrow winners. Sue's reliability blended with Jane's strong forehand to make an irresistible combination.

Runners-up after a play-off were Sonia Glenn and Jenny Bishop who performed consistently throughout. Third place went to Sue Kerfoot and Penny Plumb who also played well.

Thanks are due to Sonia Glenn for arranging the event and to Marlene Latchem for helping to organise on the day.

After the tournament, tea was enjoyed in the Pavilion.

Cake Monster

The Men's Doubles Tournament is due to take place on Sunday, 1st July, followed later in the month by Mixed Doubles Tournaments on the 29th July and on the 5th August.





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Chapmanslade **Loose Women**

July Meeting

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> Sue Waterman 01373 832428

susan.waterman@blueyonder.co.uk)

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank everyone for their very kind messages, cards and offers of help during my recent hospital stay and present course of treatment. The warmth and support of friends has meant so much and I really do appreciate your thoughtfulness. It has given me great encouragement and strength.

With best wishes.

Sue Waterman

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The absurdity of wordity

These have been sent to me by a regular contributor – for his own safety, Bob's identity has been withheld

Did you hear about the cross-eyed teacher who lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils?

Broken pencils are pointless.

I tried to catch some fog, but I mist.

What do you call a dinosaur with an extensive vocabulary? A thesaurus.

England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool.

I used to be a banker, but then I lost interest

I dropped out of communism class because of lousy Marx.

I got a job at a bakery because I kneaded dough.

Haunted French pancakes give me the crêpes.

Velcro - what a rip off!

A cartoonist was found dead in his home. Details are sketchy.

Venison for dinner again? Oh deer!

The earthquake in Washington obviously was the government's fault.

Ooops, sorry Bob!

Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches

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Bargains in the Barn

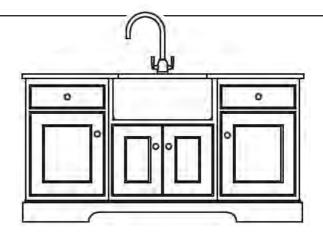
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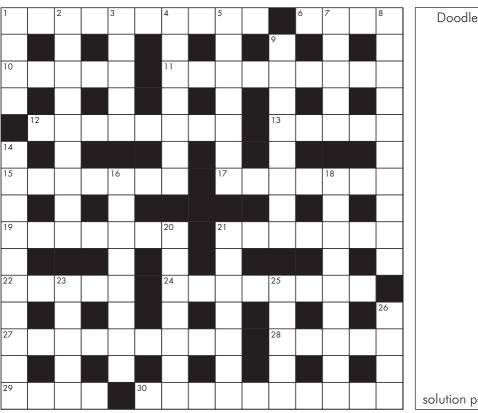
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Canopus



Doodle pad

solution page 48

Clues across

- Exasperated by Brie, apparently (7,3)
- Upside of March for Julius? (4)
- 10 In which collateral is provided eventually (5)
- 11 Sheer drop of European Community one penny in cost (9)
- 12 Recommended but opposed, right? Wrong! (8)
- 13 Lantern doesn't weigh much (5)
- 15 If it's in, it's on the way! (7)
- 17 Swimmer I object about, a neat arrangement! (7)
- 19 Charming, but you can't lose a few, I'm told (7)
- 21 Abstain in disbelief or be arrested (7)
- 22 Be insubordinate about sound level? (5)
- 24 Order a singer, with nothing to order (8)
- 27 Be alive about semester developed by fanatic (9) 21 See 5 dn.
- 28 Crushed fruit that is unsullied, to a point (5)
- 29 Not the only fish in the ocean, surely? 4)
- 30 Animated Berber carries mismatched real ale container (4, 6)

Clues down

- 1 & 16dn Brush off a frozen lamb joint? (4,8)
- 2 Come in! Small thanks in here for amusement
- 3 Fight for a bit (5)
- 4 Sediment brought to account? (7)
- 5 & 21dn Somehow, he'd get fire from the liberator (7,7)
- Performing a crescendo in glissando context (5)
- It's certainly not sour in the centre, my dear (10)
 - Top outfitter? (8)
- 14 Was dessert served on high by her? (10)
- 16 See 1 dn.
- 18 Bursar lives on Long John's island, right? (9)
- 20 Controversial, me? I vote differently (7)
- 23 I wager the Spanish are nuts! (5)
- 25 Snap part of enclosed leather? (5)
- 26 Contract in wood (4)

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Science Teacher training in Juba

Following a very successful 'Workshop' last year to train science teachers in South Sudan a Team is going out to Juba again, from 20 July to 9 August 2012 . A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed between the South Sudan Ministry of

School. (This Lab was designed after advice from the Head of Science at Frome College and was opened in November 2011 by the Bishop of Salisbury.) The Resource Centre will enable apparatus to be constructed locally.



Richard Dean, David Richardson (Physics), Mike Hackston (Biology) and Lynne Yates (Chemistry)

Education, Juba School and the Institute of Physics in London. The Institute is providing £7,000, a little under half the cost of the project. I am grateful to Andrew Campbell of Chapmanslade for his invaluable help with putting together the legal side of this Memorandum.

During the first week of their visit the Team will train technicians and help to set up a Resource Centre in the Science Lab at Juba There is a Charity called LabAid, based in Amersham, which collects redundant apparatus from Schools and Colleges, equipment that would otherwise go into a skip, and recycles it to make it available for schools in the developing world. We have acquired from LabAid seven boxes of equipment, containing microscopes, dissecting kits, test tubes, beakers, etc., which I delivered to a packing warehouse near Heathrow Airport on 11 June. Some

quantities of Hydrochloric Acid, Ammonia and Magnesium tape have been bought. In addition, a range of tools to facilitate work in the Resource Centre has been sent out, including a pillar drill and table saw. One of the teachers in the Team lives in Suffolk and these tools were surplus at a nearby RAF base.

The equipment, weighing altogether just under half a ton, has been sent out by air freight using a firm called Avient. One of its Managers has a daughter who belongs to the Brownie pack which meets at St. Francis' Church, Salisbury. One evening he was waiting for his little girl and happened to see the notices in the church about Sudan and Juba School. He wanted to know more and so we got connected. We have received a favourable price for the air freight. 'God moves in a mysterious way his wonders to perform'.

Most science teachers in South Sudan have never done any practical work during their own education and so during the second week of the Team's visit, 30 teachers from 15 secondary schools across South Sudan, will be coming to Juba School. This group will include four outstanding teachers who were trained last year — men with the potential to train their colleagues in the use of apparatus. Each day the Team will teach some secondary classes at Juba School and so model to the Sudanese teachers how practical work can engage students and aid their understanding of concepts.

This training in South Sudan is, perhaps, a drop in the ocean, but we believe it is a very necessary first drop, as it can affect the thinking and aspirations both of the South Sudan Ministry of Education and the teachers and students who are trained.

Richard Dean

A Retreat to Iona 2013



Rev. Di Britten and Rev. Anne Bennett-Shaw invite you to join them for a retreat to Iona, staying at the Bishop's House close to the Abbey. October 7th - 14th 2013.

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The Rector writes:

I recently attended a concert and found myself thinking about the effect music has on our lives. An amateur choir joined professional musicians and soloists to perform works by Mozart and Schubert. The music was uplifting. It had the capacity to move its listeners from the ordinariness of daily routines. It was easy to feel 'enveloped' in the rich harmonies created by voice and instrument. Each section of choir and orchestra had their own part to sing or play. It was only as the parts came together that the richness of the music was appreciated. Only when everyone contributed was the beauty of the whole apparent.

This 'concert picture' offers some wisdom I think when we consider our communities. Within our communities there are many different groups, providing opportunities for learning and leisure, relaxation and refreshment. The varied activities mean there is choice, something for everyone! Sometimes advice and help may be needed; sometimes experience and skills are found locally. But it is when we look at 'the big picture' rather than the particular, we discover what richness our communities offer.

Our Jubilee celebrations were a wonderful opportunity for people to come together to share company and hospitality in all sorts of ways. I venture to suggest that the sense of community that was evident then should be nurtured and cherished, for everyone has a part to play, thus contributing to the richness of the whole.

Norma Payne

July Church Diary

Sunday 1st July: Fourth Sunday after Trinity 9.30am at St Margaret's, Corsley Eucharist



Saturday 7th July Bargains in the Barn

and 50/50 Club Draw

10.30am at High House Farm, Corsley
If your spring cleaning involves sorting out the loft or a few cupboards, turn
unwanted items into cash and also help church funds by hiring a table for £10 at
'Bargains in the Barn'. This will be the third year that Judith and John Helliar have
hosted the event which gets larger each year!



Sunday 8th July: Fifth Sunday after Trinity 9.30am at St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade Family Eucharist

11am at St Mary's, Temple Special service for Sea Sunday

9.30am at St Philip & St James, Chapmanslade Eucharist



Wednesday 18th July
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Sunday 22nd July: Seventh Sunday after Trinity 9.00am at St Mary's, Temple Holy Communion 1662



10.30am at St Margaret's, Corsley Family Worship

Our service today will include the baptism of two of our choir members, Sarah and Eve. Come and welcome them into our church family. As this is also the Patronal Festival for St Margaret of Antioch this will be a very special service.

Sunday 29th July: Eighth Sunday after Trinity 10.30am at St Peter & St Paul, Longbridge Deverill Benefice Service

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St Margaret's to the Rescue

On Saturday 17th June St Margaret's opened its doors to the Rain and Shine Company who were putting on their production 'As You Like It' for the Manor Farm Elizabethan Evening. As the weather forecast was so dire we were asked if they could move the event into St Margaret's from Manor Farm. It was a magnificent evening and enjoyed by all. A great opportunity to put the church to an unexpected use and it worked well. Please remember us if you think we can help you. We will always help if we can!

Books Wanted

We will be running our usual Book Stall at the Corsley Show on August Bank Holiday Monday. So why not donate your unwanted books, whether read or not, to a good cause? Telephone Colin Cary on 01373 832157, or email him on colin.cary@btinternet.com, and he will collect them from you. Alternatively you can deliver them to his porch at Cley Hill House, 24 Whitbourne Springs. Many thanks in advance.

Copy for 3 Open Doors should be sent to Keith Muston at themustons@btinternet.com subject 3ODs or phone 01373 832755.

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Countryside Matters

The rain just seems to have continued, albeit with some gaps in late May and early June. However, as I write this in mid-June the forecast is still unsettled. This is causing difficulties for farming and wildlife alike; so Judith as has asked me to write a specifically wildlife edition of Countryside Matters for July.

For Somerset as a whole, there has been some very exciting news: the Great White Egrets that have been visiting on the Levels for the last few years have nested successfully. The nest is, sensibly, on Natural England land within a block of land owned by several wildlife charities (Somerset Wildlife Trust included). Three young have fledged successfully! This is not the first heron species to choose the Somerset Levels as their first nesting site in the UK; we must be getting something right out there.

We're all very interested in our owl species, especially Tawny and Barn Owls. The former have had a very poor breeding year, with many young perishing in the wet and cold: they are just a ball of down at first and very vulnerable to such conditions. Many use nest boxes and it appears that the 'chimney' design thought to be suitable for them could exacerbate this problem, with rain getting into the base of the box. It may be that the more enclosed apexbox (normally used for Barn Owls) would increase their survival: and it appears that they will use them perfectly happily when this type is available.

Barn Owls have done rather well this year: there must be a lot of voles, mice and rats out there! My own box has been occupied for the last three years and we got our timing right this year. When Chris Sperring, who has the relevant licence, came round to check the box we were delighted to see five healthy chicks. By the time you read this they will have flown and, with any luck, the adults will be trying again.

Spotted Flycatchers, along with Swallows, are amongst our summer migrants most likely to be seen around rural houses and farms. They seem to be doing reasonably well this year; although their timing is rather spread out. Those in my garden have just fledged, but I know of others that have only just started to sit on eggs. We're seeing a similar picture with Swallows and with Blue and Great Tits – they've all been early or late. At least the Swallows will probably have several broods, unlike the tits and flycatchers.

Please remember that if you do find any baby birds, or other young animals, not to touch them, unless they are in danger (e.g. in the middle of a road). Usually the parents are nearby and will take care of them. Vets and rescue centres are inundated every year with a whole range of young animals, which probably didn't need rescuing at all.

The hedgerows are looking wonderful at the moment, although they look more mid-May than mid-June. The elder bushes are flowering well and I hope you have all been busy making elderflower fizz as a refreshing summer drink – for when those hot summer days arrive!

Enjoy your summer and the wildlife it brings to our farms and gardens.

Eve Tigwell Friggle Street, East Woodlands

Corsley WI

The Vice-President, Jean White, welcomed members to the June meeting of Corsley WI. The business part of the meeting included a report of the National Federation AGM held in the Royal Albert Hall when delegates voted on the resolution about the employment of more midwives, which resulted in a majority vote for the resolution of over 96%.

The Reading Rooms Jubilee Coffee Morning and Display of 1950's memorabilia raised over £200 for Diabetes UK. Thanks go to all the helpers and those who contributed items for the display.

Carol Seward and Jean White attended the Wiltshire Federation Jubilee Garden Party at Rowde which was sadly spoilt by the extremely wet and windy conditions.

The Skittles team was unfortunate to lose in the semi-finals by only one point. The Scrabble team is due to play in the finals this week.

Our Speaker for the evening was David Curtis who is a Land Steward for the Duchy of Cornwall, which was founded in 1337 by King Edward III for the Black Prince to provide an income for the Dukes. HRH The Prince of Wales became the 24th Duke on the 6 February 1952 and his views, wishes and philosophies are reflected in the running of



the estate. The Duchy consists in total of about 130,000 acres of agricultural property, woodland, the Highgrove Estate and the Duchy Home Farm at Tetbury, plus residential and commercial properties including the Poundbury Estate at Dorchester, the Scilly Isles and Dartmoor Prison. David looks after the area from Dorset to Nottinghamshire and from Carmarthen to Norwich and he showed us slides of some of the properties. There are also nurseries and workshops and various holiday cottages, which together with other assets help to provide an ongoing income sufficient to meet the requirements of the heir to the throne. The vote of thanks was given by Di Dowling.

The Competition for an item of Royal Memorabilia was won by Jean White, with Caroline Higham second and Charlotte Beswick third.

The next meeting is at **7.30pm on Thursday 12 July**, when David Giles will give a talk on the work of the Red Cross.

The competition is for a single or multiheaded flower from your garden, in a vase.

Carol Seward

Events open to non-members

Coffee Morning 10.00am to 12 noon on the 3rd July at the Corsley Reading Room

Gardening Club 18th July to Cranborne Manor gardens

Bridge Club meet on the second and fourth Mondays each month,

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Corsley Neighbourhood Watch

Our PCSO Caroline Wright has sent me information about two scams that are currently doing the rounds which you should be made aware of.

We have become aware recently of several scams which, unfortunately for some, have been successful.

Firstly, cold-callers are suggesting that they can reclaim mis-sold PPI insurance payments. The fraudsters call back after a few days and claim that they have found several thousand pounds which is owed to you, but to claim it you have to make an admin payment via Ukash vouchers which can be purchased in many corner shops, The fraudsters will phone and get the voucher numbers, from these they can access the money you have paid, and the fraudsters are untraceable. One victim has lost in excess of £5000 in this scam and worryingly he is now being targeted by probably the same people who now claim they can recover the stolen money.

If you believe you have a claim for mis-sold PPI, you should contact the bank or organisation who sold it to you. They will send you a claim form; any monies due will be refunded to you at no cost.

Secondly, cold callers are phoning victims purporting to be from their own bank, they claim there is a problem with your bank card and this needs to be replaced or you will not be able to access funds in your account. There are several variations on this one but usually they obtain details of the card (but they may already have some of the information) most importantly 3 digit security number on the rear. Once the fraudsters have the security number from

the back they do not need the physical card to obtain cash, goods or services against it. They then have arranged to collect the card or state they will issue a replacement. Again one victim has been defrauded out of several thousand pounds by this means. Unfortunately in this instance the bank will not usually refund any money fraudulently obtained.

Please do not give out any information to anyone who coldcalls you. There are many ways criminals can obtain details about you - when they call they will appear to know information that your bank would have. Terminate the call. ensure your have the dialling tone before you call your bank to check it the call is legitimate.

Many of these calls tend to target the elderly, so please try to make your elderly relatives and neighbours aware of these scams. The Telephone Preference Service (www. tpsonline.org.uk) is a free register that allows you to opt out of receiving unsolicited calls. It does help but unfortunately does not stop calls from overseas where many of these calls originate.

Please contact one of the team if you would like any further information or advice

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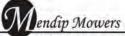
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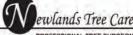
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For more information please contact me.

Marion Moldon

Corsley Show Membership Co-ordinator – 01373 832672

Corsley Memorial Playing Field CORSLEY MEMORIAL **Jubilee Celebrations**



A very big 'Thank you' to all that helped at or attended the Bia Lunch, cricket or barbecue at the playing field over the Jubilee weekend. What a great time we all had! The newly refurbished pavilion looked great, as did the planters made up by Andy Joynt. The decorations on the tables were provided by Little Cuckoos and the bunting by the WI. Gazebos and furniture were kindly loaned by villagers.

We are very pleased to announce that the proceeds from the raffle and the bar will be sufficient to buy a commemorative Jubilee bench and that all the winners were delighted with their prizes. Also that Corsley won the inaugural Corsley vs

Chapmanslade Bridge Cup cricket match. Look out for the next match, probably on the spring bank holiday next year!

Any surplus monies raised will be put to replacing some of the older equipment at the playing field.

Our next event is the Children's Sports Day at the playing field on the day after the Corslev Show, 28 August followed by another fashion show at M&Co on 19th October. Details of both of these events to follow.

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'As you like it' 2012 what you might have missed!

Saturday 16th June

April may have her Golden Showers, May may have darlings buds, but June, oh you sultry June, what magic and mystery did you weave in your velvety folds of darkness that Saturday night?

We certainly surprised many for our 10th anniversary Elizabethan Evening, not least the organising committee themselves. For at almost the last minute it was decided to hold the entire event indoors, the very first time this has happened in all those 10 years. Many thanks to the good offices of all at St Marys we piled in mid-afternoon to erect stages and rehearse. Twas not the rain that prompted the retreat indoors but the wind, fearing for the modesty of the actors and our guests in long frocks and scenery flying by ones ears, it was a sensible choice for all concerned.

Jean Blanc our chef, possibly the long lost brother of the (slightly) more famous Raymond, once again showed what could be done with two milk churns, a hundred kilos of meat and nearly as much veg. A meal par excellence was served up, feeding nearly two hundred expectant mouths. Behind the scenes, the coven of chefs de legumier, peeled and boiled and slurped, and slurped some more. Innumerable ovens and cauldrons across Corsley were pressed into service to ensure that all was just right on the night.

M'Iord CDaC our MC and impresario, at last mastered his foreplay with his band of troublesome troubadours, not forgetting Nina, the dog sheep. And in a departure to tradition they actually rehearsed this year, although I fear the audience were none the wiser for all that. As always our foreplay did nothing to diminish the professionalism of the real actors of the Rain or Shine Theatre Company. If anything it emphasized the vast gulf of talent m'Iord CdaC has yet to bridge. And yet in this year of even more uncertain financial times, we humbly thank our sponsors for their very generous support for





the event and thus allowing us to raise just over £2500 for local good causes this year.

Intrigued by these rumbustious* goings on in the heart of rural Wiltshire? Well, if you want to be in the know and be part of it all – look out for details of next year's truly spectacular event, where overflowing corsets, straining codpieces and saggy hose will be just some of the interesting sights to be seen.

Yours, Miss Destitute Yorick, Yorkshire She's known as a lass, poor Yorick. *trousers can go up as well as down previous performance is no guarantee of future satisfaction. No sheep were harmed (except for those in the stew) in this year's performance.



News from the Nest

Welcome to this month's feature of 'News from the Nest' from Little Cuckoo's Pre-School in Lyes Green, Corsley.

We hope you all enjoyed the Jubilee celebrations as much as we did; even the showers didn't dampen our spirits!

We have had a busy time at Little Cuckoo's with tractor visits from some of our local farmers - a big "thank you" goes to Graham White and Des Aylesbury.

The children have had a walk to the farm to see the lambs and sheep. We have also had a visit from Dylan the sheepdog to show us all his obedience and agility tricks! So a big "thanks" to Dylan's Mum for bringing him along.

The children are now practicing and preparing for their very own Little Cuckoo's sports Olympics - watch out Usain Bolt!

We will soon have our end of year performance and party as we say good-bye to our school leavers, we wish them all the best in their new schools in September.

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July preachers:

1st Mr John Coxhead, retired teacher

8th Mr Roger Hopwood – see the

Preacher Feature below

15th Mr R Short, Frome businessman

22nd Reverend Keith Sobey, retired

Baptist Minister

29th Mr Andrew Coxhead, landscape

gardener

Public Baptisms

Visitors will be very welcome at the baptisms of two young people in our open-air pool on Saturday 14th July at 3.00pm. It is a big step for both of them. Ricky-Lee is 21, works at Tipadel in Frome and assisted preacher Richard Wilson during a Service last month, while Rosie is 14 and a great-granddaughter of our oldest preacher, Ron Stone. Last Christmas, Rosie was one of the young people who led the evening Service. Come along on the 14th and see them being baptised into the Family of God.

Preacher Feature

Roger Hopwood is 75. He read English at Bristol University and started work as an Education Officer in Nyasaland just at the time of its becoming an independent nation – Malawi. After that he worked for a time with a Christian literature organisation in the south of France and then, for several years, as national youth secretary for the Africa Evangelical Fellowship. This involved organising camps and house parties and speaking to youth groups all over the UK. He also taught in schools in Bath, and Durrington before settling down to a long stint at Warminster School.

He is married to Beth and they have two

children. Paul is currently doing research at Exeter University and Margaret is working with severely physically disabled children in Poole. Roger and his wife started a Crusader Bible Group for young people in Warminster in 1975 which is still running. Beth is the organist at Whitbourne Chapel. He says that his favourite Bible chapter is the Gospel of Luke chapter 15, which includes the parables of the lost sheep, the woman's lost piece of silver and the prodigal son.

Roger assists me in the writing of our 'news' each month, though it's true to say his knowledge far outshines mine. He's also very good at correcting my spelling errors!

Why not come along on the 8th and hear him preach – if we're fortunate, his Service will include a quiz – it sometimes does!

ABC of God's promises

A is for "As many as received Him to them He gave power to become children of God." John 1.12

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Counselling: What it is and what it isn't

Caroline Le Vine, counsellor at The Corsley Centre

More thoughts from the therapy room. This month: Myth #4 – Keep calm and carry on!

You've failed if you need therapy.

Now that's harsh. Nothing will stop us getting help like the thought of failure. But hang on a moment: can you fix your own car and teeth and boiler? Unlikely, I'd say, that you can do all three (and please give me your number if you can!). Seeking help for those things doesn't make us feel like we've failed, does it? So why is it that seeking help for our emotional difficulties creates this terrible feeling of being somehow less than other people?

Being unhappy and feeling that we aren't coping is a bit of a taboo – we think everyone else is just fine and therefore much stronger/better/more able than we are. If we can't sort it out ourselves, we must be weak and weakness is something to hide. So we dare not seek help... The thing is that most people have periods in their lives when it's hard to cope. We're taught to hide it or we distract ourselves from our difficult feelings (caring for others, alcohol, humour and shopping are common distractions). But they don't simply go away – without resolution, difficult feelings come back to haunt us in some form because they need proper acknowledgement and processing. Just like a physical illness, they're real and need attention.

Without attention, a mild illness can become a major one. Natural feelings of grief and anger at the loss of a loved one, for example, if they aren't acknowledged, can turn into permanent bitterness, perhaps, or suspicion of the world in general. Therapy can support you when you need it and free you to continue in your life when you're ready. Far from being a failure, seeking help means that you're taking a responsible course of action and doing a bit of maintenance – just like having your car, teeth and boiler looked at periodically.

If you need an emotional check up, get in touch or find me at www.carolinelevine. co.uk. A first half hour meeting with me is free of charge. What have you got to lose? 07817 192008; le vine@sky.com

My woodless woes and timberless travails

I (still) need your oak!

With so much wind unsettling our toupees last month, surely one or two oak trees must have lost limbs or toppled over altogether and are in need of tidying up with a chainsaw?.

If so, give me call – I'm looking for anything; trunks, branches etc., that are 7 inches (175mm) or more in diameter and a reasonable length (anything over 1.5m long considered) it doesn't have to be straight.

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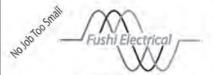
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Elderflower fizz

Making elderflower champagne or cordial is really easy!

Pick half a dozen full elderflower heads ideally on a sunny day when they are most fragrant.

Half fill a clean bucket with 2 gallons (10 litres) of cold water

Dissolve 2lbs (1kg) of white sugar into the water

Shake any debris and insects clear from the elderflower heads and immerse in the water

Cut two lemons in half squeeze juice into water and throw in the squeezed halves

Add about 4 tablespoons of white wine vinegar

Stir gently and cover with a clean tea towel

Leave for 24 hours, stirring occasionally

After 24 hours, sterilise 10 x 1 litre **plastic carbonated drinks bottles*** (lemonade/pop bottles are ideal) – and strain jugfulls of the liquor through a sieve or muslin cloth into the bottles and screw the plastic tops on firmly.

Leave for a week and the naturally occurring yeast on the elderflower heads begins to ferment with the sugar creating a very weak alcohol content but lots of carbon dioxide.

*Using plastic screw top bottles is highly recommended as using glass bottles is somewhat hazardous! Corks can pop out, glass bottles can explode from the pressure build-up — both leading to an outpouring of lots of sticky liquid! If you use plastic bottles, at least you can see the pressure building — you can either release the gas or just drink it!! Store in a cool place, and unless you've drunk it all by then, it will last until the flowers appear next year!

Elderflower cordial

1.5 litres of boiling water

1 kilo of white granulated sugar

20 large elderflower heads

4 lemons

55g of citric acid

In a glass bowl (or deep saucepan) pour the boiling water onto the sugar and stir. Leave to cool, stirring every now and then to dissolve the sugar.

When cool add the citric acid, the lemons (zested and sliced) and the elderflower heads.

Leave to steep for 48 hours.

Strain twice through sterilised muslin.

Using a jug and funnel carefully pour into hot sterilised bottles.

Famous July birthdays

- 1 July 1961 Diana, Princess of Wales.
- **2 July 1489** Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop of Canterbury under Henry VIII, burnt at the stake following Mary's accession to the throne for refusing to return to the old faith.
- **3 July 1728** Robert Adam, Edinburgh University educated, architect and interior designer, who together with his brothers, toured Britain redesigning country houses.
- **5 July 1853** Cecil Rhodes , Hertfordshire born colonialist, financier and statesman of Southern Africa, so influential that they named a country after him ...Rhodesia, before it was changed to Zimbabwe.
- **7 July 1940** Ringo Starr, drummer with the legendary Liverpool pop group The Beatles, and more significantly, the voice of Thomas the Tank Engine.
- **9 July 1901** Barbara Cartland, Birmingham-born romantic writer responsible for over 600 best-selling books.
- 11 July 1274 Robert I, King of Scotland, also known as Robert the Bruce, who seized the throne in 1306 and forced England to recognise Scottish independence in 1328.
- **12 July 1730** Josiah Wedgwood, Staffordshire potter and industrialist who, from his Etruria factory transformed pottery design and manufacture.
- 14 July 1858 Emmeline Pankhurst, Manchester born suffragette who was imprisoned in her efforts to gain the vote for British women.
- 15 July 1573 Inigo Jones, London architect whose best known buildings are the Queen's House in Greenwich and the Banqueting Hall at Whitehall.
- **16 July 1723** Sir Joshua Reynolds, English portrait painter and first president of the Royal Academy.

- 17 July 1827 Sir Frederick Augustus Abel, London born chemist and explosive specialist, co-inventor of cordite, as approved by the British Army.
- **20 July 1889** John Reith, Scottish engineer and first director general of the BBC, architect of public service broadcasting as we know it ...'Auntie'.
- **21 July 1934** Jonathan Miller, London born multi-talented TV, film and theatre director, author, editor, presenter, Research Fellow, curator, etc...
- **22 July 1926** Bryan Forbes, actor, director and producer, founded Beaver Films with Sir Richard Attenborough in 1959.
- **25 July 1848** Arthur James Balfour, statesman and Conservative Prime Minister, as Foreign Secretary 1916-18 his Balfour Declaration promised support for a Jewish homeland in Palestine.
- **26 July 1856** George Bernard Shaw, Irish dramatist who 'conquered England by his wit'. Nobel prize winner in 1925.
- **27 July 1870** Hilaire Belloc, MP, poet and author, born in France he became a British subject in 1902, best remembered for his nonsensical verse for children.
- **28 July 1866** Beatrix Potter, author and illustrator, the characters that she created remain classics of children's literature.
- **29 July 1913** Baron Jo Grimond, St. Andrews born leader of the Liberal Party, thought by some to be 'The best Prime Minister Britain never had'.
- **30 July 1818** Emily Bronté, novelist, one of the three Bronte sisters, her only novel Wuthering Heights tells a tale of love and revenge set in the remote wilds of her native Yorkshire.

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position and aspect you wish to grow them in: it's a myth that all herbs can tolerate full sun.

Commonly used herbs such as sage, thyme and rosemary love full sun however herbs like rocket, parsley and sorrel prefer a partially shaded site. If you're unsure a good way to tell is by a general rule with herbs: If the foliage has a silvery/grey sheen to it then it would prefer a drier, more free draining position.

All herbs are easy enough to grow from seed but if you require a more instant display, ready for use, then all good garden centres stock a range of herbs from which you can choose.

Before buying do some research as each herb has its own use, plants like basil/

oregano are perfect for pastas and tomato based dishes, whereas rosemary is perfect for Sunday roast.

If you don't have the room in the garden for a herb patch, they grow perfectly well in a range of containers; from hanging baskets and window boxes to troughs and tubs. Just remember to water them well in the

> hot weather to prevent them drying out and to place them near the door for when you have a stroke of culinary genius...

> > So rocket off to the garden centre and pick up some parsley!

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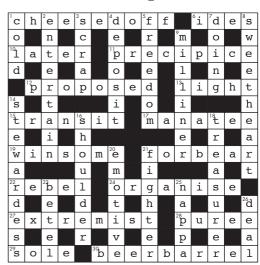
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