

The Bridge

monthly village magazine

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From the Editor

News of the move to create a new website has ruffled a few feathers in Chapmanslade. It seems that there's some concern regarding the proposal that the website will combine Corsley and The Bridge. For obvious reasons, we can't include the name Chapmanslade i.e. CorsleyandChapmansladeandTheBridge.co.uk as it would be a mad name for a website!! Not only that, but Chapmanslade already have their own website – and we don't want to tread on their toes! So, for the time being (until someone comes up with a sensible solution) the new website will be a combination of a website for Corsley with a website for The Bridge. We're not trying to exclude Chapmanslade, far from it! It's been done for pragmatic reasons – we don't expect the villagers to visit umpteen websites trying to work out what's going on in and around the villages.

I would stress though, that The Bridge magazine will **always** be the main form of communication to all the villagers – to include those who don't have a computer (or don't care to have one!). It survives by being supported by the good folks from both villages who contribute articles and events, by our advertisers and the backroom team who produce, manage (thanks David) and deliver (thanks to all the deliverers) a copy to every household in the villages **free, gratis and for nothing**. I, for one, hope that continues for many, many years to come.

ps if you run a club, society, activity in Corsley, Chapmanslade or the surrounding areas, please do email some information and contact so we can add it to the website.

Viv Thomas
Editor

Please submit your articles either by email to me at viv.thomas146@btinternet.com or take them to either

Barbers Plant Centre, Chapmanslade, or
Acres Supply Garden Centre, Corsley by
4pm on the 19th July.

If you are advertising, please don't forget to include the advertiser's fee. Small ads are 80p PER ITEM, local organisations (churches, playgroups, clubs, etc) who are advertising events are £2.00. News, reports, updates, thank you's, etc, from individuals or local organisations are free - the more the merrier - keep 'em coming! Space allotted for events adverts is always dependent on availability at the time.

July



Wednesday 3rd

Little Cuckoo's Sports Day

Corsley WI annual summer outing – Weymouth

Thursday 4th

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

Saturday 6th

Corsley litter pick – 11.00, meet opposite the Royal Oak

Sunday 7th

Chapmanslade Fête and Barbeque – Chapmanslade Village Hall

Thursday 11th

Warminster mobile library (see page 15 for times)

Corsley WI – 7.30pm, Corsley Reading Room

Chapmanslade Parish Council – 7.30pm, Chapmanslade School

Saturday 13th

Little Cuckoo's End of Term BBQ

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

Big family fun day and sleep-over – Corsley Memorial Playing Field

Quiz Night – 7pm, Corsley Reading Room (Tanzania 2014)

Sunday 14th

Big family fun day – Corsley Memorial Playing Field

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

Thursday 18th

Church and Community Coffee Mornings – 10.00am - 12 noon, Three Horseshoes

Friday 19th

Little Cuckoo's Graduation Ceremony – St Margaret's Church

Saturday 20th

Busy Bees Open Day – 10am - 2pm, Chapmanslade School

Big re-launch of Horningsham Youth Club – 12 noon - 5pm, Horningsham Village Hall

Sunday 21st

Morris Register (West Region) 100-village road run through Chapmanslade and Corsley

Corsley Tennis Club - Mixed Doubles Club Tournament

Diary Dates

Thursday 23rd

PCC meeting – 7.30pm, Chapmanslade School

Thursday 25th

Warminster mobile library (see page 15 for times)

Monday 29th

Community First oil buying scheme – ordering deadline

Wednesday 31st

Family Holiday Club – 10am until 12.30pm, Chapmanslade School

August

Saturday 3rd

Corsley litter pick – 11.00, meet opposite the Royal Oak

Thursday 8th

Warminster mobile library (see page 15 for times)

Corsley WI – 7.30pm, Corsley Reading Room

Saturday 10th

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

Sunday 11th

Croquet and Boules – Chapmanslade Village Hall

Wednesday 14th

Cley Hill Summer Family Picnic – 12.00 noon

Wednesday 21st

Visit to Salisbury Cathedral – 10.00am

Thursday 22nd

Warminster mobile library (see page 15 for times)

Church and Community Coffee Morning– 10.00am - noon, The Three Horseshoes, Chapmanslade

Bank Holiday Monday 26th

Corsley Show

Wednesday 28th

Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches visit to Salisbury Cathedral



At the crease | Corsley Cricket Club News

The club entertained Mells on a sunny afternoon at the Memorial Playing Field. Batting first, Corsley started steadily against decent bowling. Robin Ledbury notched an elegant 96, but the tempo was raised by Olly Hares: he smote six sixes in a rapid 53 to put the home side in a strong position. Isaac Wood and Glyn Newton also made useful runs as Corsley amassed an impressive 203.

After a delicious tea, Mells replied shakily with Mervyn Parrish grabbing three wickets. However, Rodgers and Martindale steadied the ship before running riot. No bowler could contain them and the ball visited some remote corners of the field, despite keen fielding from Adam Ledbury. Rodgers hit 111 and Martindale 64 as Mells galloped to victory in 31 overs.

Cake Monster

Litter pickers

Chapmanslade litter pickers

We will be meeting opposite the Three Horseshoes at noon on Saturday 13th July. We provide all the necessary equipment and spend about an hour or so collecting litter from the High Street and surrounding area.

Phil Jefferson, 01373 832845

Corsley litter pickers

We meet opposite the Royal Oak at 11am on the first Saturday of each month. Our next 'pick' is on Saturday 6th July – do come along and help keep our village beautiful.

Cath Aylesbury and Sue Taylor

Geocaching

What is geocaching?

Geocaching is a real-world, outdoor treasure hunt using GPS-enabled devices (incl most mobile phones). Participants navigate to a specific set of GPS coordinates and then attempt to find the geocache (container) hidden at that location. Take a look at the website to get more info...

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- Enter the coordinates of the geocache into your GPS Device.
- Use your GPS device to assist you in finding the hidden geocache.
- Sign the logbook and return the geocache to its original location.
- Share your geocaching stories and photos online.

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So the cat is now out of the bag...

450th birthday celebration

Come along and help celebrate this historic milestone in the life of one of the oldest buildings in Corsley

Sunday 8th September – a community luncheon.

Manor Farm, Corsley is the red brick edifice that celebrates its 450th Birthday this year and so what better opportunity to combine this rather significant birthday with a community get-together?

A fine hog roast luncheon is promised, a variety of home spun and other entertainments are on the cards and a complimentary drink for everyone, and all this will be FREE! A pay bar will also be available for further refreshments.

For those unfortunate (or is that fortunate?) enough, to miss this year's Shakespeare foreplay "Through Thick & Thynne – 450 years of Manor Farm" there will be an extended Directors cut, featuring a cast of many, special effects galore and a level of acting seldom seen outside Bedlam.

The event is limited to 450 ticket holders, on a first come first served basis. Applicants can be from anyone living within the civil parishes of Corsley or Chapmanslade and you can reserve up to 4 tickets per household. So get in contact sooner rather than later.

Entry will be by TICKET ONLY – so get in contact with Claire da Costa on 01373

832113 or claire@manorfarmcorsley.com with your details

No need to bring a present – but you might want to bring a candle for the cake! Should you wish to dress up you have four and a half centuries of costume to choose from. Me, I never miss the opportunity to slip on the tights, dust off the codpiece and find some timbers that need a good old shivering.

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The event is being generously supported by the Elizabethan Evening and the newlyweds down the road.

Corsley Show

**Monday 26th August 2013
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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

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Bob's bafflers

- 1 Which word links a pastime, a small horse and a small falcon?
- 2 Who wrote Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Factory?
- 3 Who was singer Lorna Luft's famous mother?
- 4 Which palace is the official residence of the French president?
- 5 What is a water moccasin?
- 6 Which creature's name can go in front of crab, plant, wasp and monkey?
- 7 In a calendar year, what is the second Quarter Day in England?
- 8 Which high street chain was founded in 1961 by Selim Zilkha and Sir James Goldsmith?
- 9 Who offered Demi Moore a million dollars in the film "Indecent Proposal"?
- 10 Which club invited Mr Winkle and Mr Tupman as members?
- 11 Which castle is the largest in Britain?
- 12 What was the dog called in the "Famous Five" books?

Answers on page 47

Corsley Gardening Club

In July we shall be having a private visit to Snape Cottage, Bourton on **Wednesday 17th** – we will assemble there at 2.30pm. Cost is £3.50 for the garden visit and £3.50 for the cream tea. Please let Pauline Scott know if you would like to have the tea.

On **Wednesday August 21st** there is no arranged outing but we hope to meet for lunch at the cafe and garden centre at Heale House (Middle Woodford), at approximately 12.30pm. Those that wish to can then visit the garden.

On **Wednesday 18th September** we have an all-day visit to Avebury. If anyone would like transport for this outing, please contact Pauline Scott on **01985 215760**.

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Chapmanslade High Street

Over-weight lorries

The Chapmanslade Speedwatch Team highlight this increasing problem

Do you ever wonder why over-weight lorries continue to use our High Street as a rat-run? When we carry out our regular speedwatch checks we always follow up any that we notice.

Here are a few recent responses from their operators which might help to explain why.

From a company based in Frome

"The driver had just joined our company. He lives in Andover and he doesn't know the local area. He was making a delivery to Mole Valley at Frome market but missed the turn".

From a company based in Calne

"We were making a delivery in Chapmanslade. The load was on a pallet and we could only deliver it by using one of our larger trucks".

From a company based near Wincanton

"We have spoken to the driver of the vehicle; on this occasion it was not the usual driver but a driver we had in to cover. Unfortunately he was following his HGV satnav as he was unfamiliar with the area and the satnav routed him along the A3098.

I am sure as you say the weight restriction is clearly marked, however the temporary driver was of foreign background and I fear rather reliant on the sat nav, it is very unusual for HGV satnavs to route HGV's along restricted area as they are

programmed with all the restrictions and speed enforcements in order to take the driver on the safest route.

The driver was unaware that he had disobeyed any instructions and has apologised, we have advised all drivers to be more vigilant and to ensure that if they use an HGV satnav they update it frequently".

If you spot an over-weight lorry in our High Street (usually they have 3 axles so are easy to identify) don't hesitate to contact me and I'll contact the company as well as the police. Alternatively you can contact the police direct at warminsterruralnpt@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

At some time in the future the current weight limit for the High Street will reduce from 18 tonnes (one of the complications we have to contend with is that the signs say 17 tonnes!) to 7.5 tonnes, which should improve the quality of life for people living in the High Street. This is part of a package of measures that Wiltshire Council wishes to implement, but it cannot happen until the Highways Agency makes some improvements to the A303 in the Zeals area. Watch this space!

Phil Jefferson
phil.jefferson@virgin.net

Help for girls...

A dream coming true

Richard and Rosalyn report on the brand new girls' boarding house at Juba

South Sudan is bottom of the worldwide 'league table' for secondary education. This is partly because of a lack of schools and partly because many children, especially girls, are withdrawn totally from education at the age of 10 and 11. In 2010, out of a population in that country of 10 million, only 1,200 boys and 400 girls took School Certificate. (*UNESCO Report June 2011*) .

Following a plea in 2005 from Archbishop Marona to Richard Dean for help from Salisbury Diocese in establishing a Church Secondary School, building took place and Juba Diocesan Secondary School, (JDSS), opened its doors to students in 2007. This was achieved through a partnership between Juba Diocese and a Support Group based here in Wiltshire. There are now 520 pupils at the School in 10 classes. Many of these are orphans and 100 bursaries of £150

have been generously provided, many by people in Corsley and Chapmanslade, to pay the school fees. School Certificate results have been outstanding; in 2012 JDSS had the top student in the whole of South Sudan, Alphonse Lado Modi, who is going on to study Chemical Engineering at University.

As a day school 50% of the students are girls, which is an excellent start, but more help for girls is necessary. Parents, School Governors, the Government, and the girls themselves have all made a strong plea for the provision of boarding facilities for the girls. Girls are vulnerable as they walk to and from school, often 4 miles each way. A young girl in South Sudan is three times more likely to die in pregnancy or childbirth than reach education year 8 (*UNESCO Report June 2011*). Girls are also at a





I wish to thank all those in the parish who have contributed to this project in one way or another. A dream is coming true!

Richard and Rosalyn Dean

(If you would like to help in this project in any way please contact Richard and Rosalyn Dean, 93 Lyes Green, Corsley, BA12 7PA 01373 832594)

disadvantage at home where African culture requires them to do all the chores, and their homework suffers.

A decision to go ahead in faith and build a Boarding House to accommodate 50 girls was made in November 2011. The building was designed, with security an important component, by two architects, one British and one South Sudanese. It is costing £200,000, of which £145,000 has been raised so far. A Matron, called Dorcas, has been appointed. Some ladies in Trowbidge, Wareham and Iwerne Minster have kindly produced draw-string bags for each of the girls to hang on their bunks and use for personal belongings.

It is hoped that the Boarding House will have some girls from the rural areas outside of Juba, in particular from the Nuba Mountains, where Grace School, started by a young couple from Dorset, has had to close because of the fighting.

The finishing touches are now being made and the Girls' Boarding House at JDSS will open its doors for boarders in September. It will be officially opened by Baroness Caroline Cox on 19th October 2013.

The Buzz from The Hive



Busy Bees have been working very hard in the garden and are already enjoying radishes at snack time and using herbs in their cooking. The children are also looking forward to peas, strawberries and carrots, which they check daily, not to mention the potatoes, beetroots, tomatoes and cucumbers. Busy bees children have also enjoyed having the toads visit and stay in the garden over the last few weeks.

We have been lucky enough to have football coaching from Craig Ellam and look forward to more surprise visitors before the end of term.

The children at Busy Bees are looking forward to their Big Toddle around Warminster Park Lake, followed by a paddle, play and picnic to make a fun family day out. The Big Toddle will take place on **Wednesday 3rd July at 10am.**

The staff at Busy Bees are also enjoying the visits from all the new starters for September and look forward to showing even more new children round Busy Bees at our open day on **Saturday 20th July.**

Chapmanslade Parish Council

June briefing

Phil Jefferson writes his round-up of business discussed at the last meeting held on 13th June

The main part of our business was to give residents the opportunity to tell us their views on the recent Sunrise Festival. About 25 members of the public attended, some from neighbouring parishes, together with Alex Leppingwell, the Festival Director, Steve Clover from Wiltshire Council's Public Protection Department and Fleur de Rhé Philipe, our Wiltshire Councillor.

The general view seems to be that the Festival did not have the negative impact that we originally feared it might have. There were no traffic jams, no road traffic accidents, hardly any inconsiderate parking, and in the main part of the village the noise levels were not felt to be excessive. There was one act of vandalism, with a building near to the festival site being broken into and sprayed with graffiti although it is unclear whether this was caused by festival-goers. Many village residents attended the festival, especially on the Sunday and enjoyed the experience. It was felt that, with some lapses, the festival had been well organised and there had been a pleasant friendly atmosphere throughout the four days. The school PTA had sold cakes on one day, raising £300, and the Cley Hill Stompers had played a gig, donating their fee towards a new floor for our village hall.

However, there was considerable sympathy for those residents who live in the immediate vicinity of Thoulstone Golf Club, who

experienced considerable disruption to their lives for the days before and after the festival, including the four days of the festival itself. At the time of writing Wiltshire Council is still compiling a report on the impact of the festival and this will no doubt have a big influence on whether the festival will be allowed to return in following years.

The parish council was delighted to receive applications from eight residents who had expressed an interest in joining the council. It was a tough job to decide who should fill the two places that were vacant; after much deliberation we chose Keith Muston and John Lewis. We are now up to full strength and we look forward to them joining us at our meeting next month.

Speedwatch

The Warminster Neighbourhood Police Team have taken over responsibility for sending out letters to motorists who speed through the village, which means that there will now be a much quicker turnaround of correspondence. We clocked one motorist driving at 55 mph one morning last month!

Telephone Box

What are your views on our telephone box? One resident has persuaded BT to repair a broken window and has been told that the box is to be repainted in the near future. Other residents complain that it is located

in a dangerous position in that it restricts visibility for drivers turning onto the High Street from Huntenhull Lane. One parish councillor speaks warmly of it; his father telephoned from there to call the midwife when he was about to come into the world!

Our monthly meetings are public meetings and we welcome attendance from village residents. Our next meeting is on **11th July**. We meet at the school at 7.30 pm. The agenda is published on the notice board next to the school and on the village website, www.chapmanslade.org.uk

Phil Jefferson

**The mobile library service
visits next on:**

Thursday 11th July

10:10 - 10:30

Corsley, by the Royal Oak pub

10:45 - 11:00

Chapmanslade, outside 132 High St

11:05 - 12:00

Chapmanslade, by the school

Future dates for this round are:

25th July, 8th and 22nd August

Sea Sunday

11.00am, 14th July

St Mary's, Temple

Our Matins service will celebrate Sea Sunday and our speaker this year is Julie James who works as a volunteer Ship Visitor in Southampton and Poole for the Mission to Seafarers. All are welcome and if you have, or had, a connection with the sea, you will be especially welcome.

David Carruthers

Money saving opportunity

**Join in and save on
your heating oil bills!**

Community First has joined together with other Rural Community Councils to form part of an oil buying syndicate across the whole of England.

There is no time like high summer to give you information about a central heating oil scheme! Anyone who is interested in joining a local group of the Community First oil buying scheme can contact me. There is an annual membership fee of £20 but significant savings on central heating oil bills.

Once a month members are contacted by the village organiser The **ordering deadline** for August deliveries is **29th July 2013**. Community First negotiators then obtain the best possible price.

Deliveries will be around **16th August 2013**. Members pay the oil supplier directly after receiving an invoice.

Further information can be obtained from CF Oil's Administrator Jess Emery on 01380 732809 or email oil@communityfirst.org.uk or look at the website on www.communityfirst.org.uk and click on 'community oil buying scheme'.

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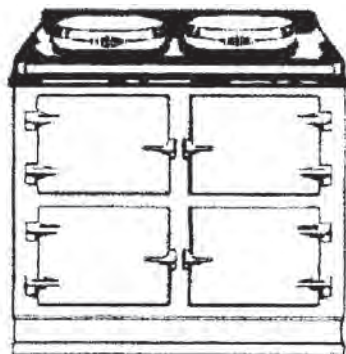


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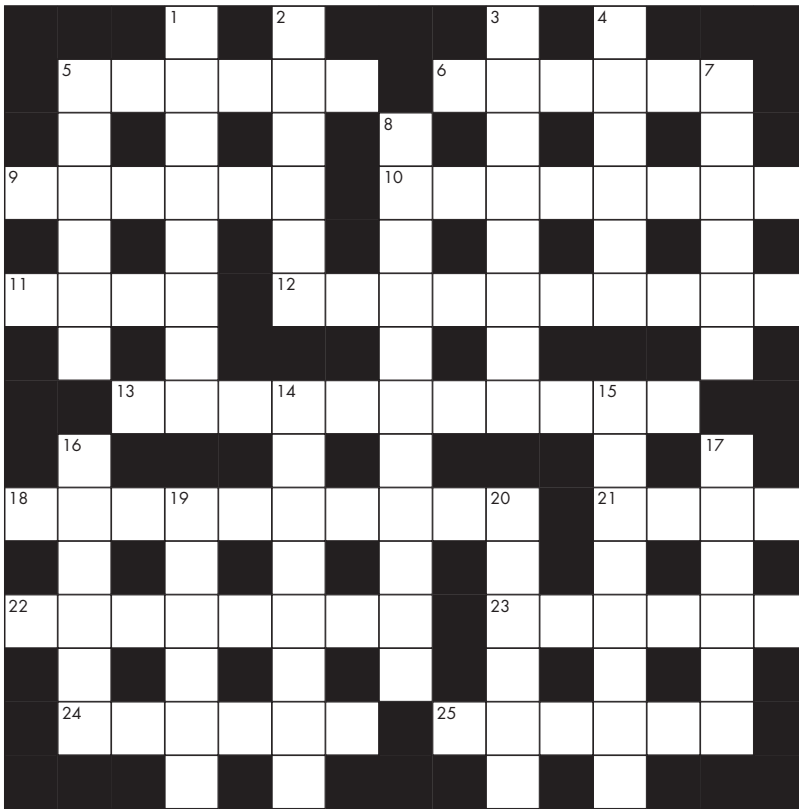
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Clues across

- 5 Variety of albatross from the North Pacific (6)
- 6 Rim of a wooden wheel to which the spokes are attached (6)
- 9 Dry measure equal to 8 gallons (9)
- 10 Scientist awarded the Nobel Prize for discovering the law of the photoelectric effect (8)
- 11 Natural fibre extracted from coconut husks (4)
- 12 Alpine mountain whose summit was first reached by Edward Whymper and Michel Croz in 1865 (10)
- 13 Financial recording system characterised by using entries recorded twice (6-5)
- 18 Geologic period following the Jurassic (10)
- 21 Unit of currency in Samoa (4)
- 22 Greek mythological creature imprisoned in a maze on Crete (8)
- 23 First Hindu calendar month (6)
- 24 Reflected sonic repetitions (6)
- 25 Pattern composed of tesserae (6)

Clues down

- 1 Seducer encountered by the hero in Don Quixote, Part One (8)
- 2 Popular name for London's Bethlem Royal Hospital (6)
- 3 Science fiction writer who won a Hugo award in 1960 for Starship Troopers
- 4 Any of the feathered vanes of an arrow (6)
- 5 French composer of Faust and Roméo et Juliette (6)
- 7 One forced to leave his country, often for political reasons (6)
- 8 Retractable keel fitted to small boats to prevent sideways motion (11)
- 14 Rich white sauce flavoured with herbs and onions (8)
- 15 Playwright known for The Winslow Boy and Separate Tables (8)
- 16 Defensive barrier of pointed inclined stakes (6)
- 17 Visigoth king who sacked Rome in 410 AD (6)
- 19 Small medicinal lozenge (6)
- 20 A plane figure bounded by two radii and an arc (6)



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Corsley Tennis Club News

The Courts eventually received their many-times-rescheduled coats of paint in mid-June and very fine they are looking too. Regarding the surface, it is an open texture tarmac suitable for tennis only. During the first year particularly the tarmac may soften during very hot weather and play should stop if this happens. It is very important that members wear tennis shoes and not trainers. Sensible precautions will ensure that we get a good extended life from the new courts.

The Mixed Doubles Club Tournament will be held, weather permitting, on **Sunday 21st July**.

The Tennis Club will be running a bric-a-brac stall at the Corsley Show this year – all contributions will be gratefully received.

Sonia Glenn

The Club held an American Tournament on a pleasant Sunday afternoon at the Memorial Playing Field. Some excellent sets were contested, at the end of which Brian Young and Trudi Hopkinson emerged as winners of the Blue and Red groups respectively. The runners-up were Michael Clarke and Rebecca Bennett.

Brian played with his usual cultured style, while Michael was on form with his devilish trickery. Equally, Trudi displayed commendable consistency and Rebecca exhibited a high degree of skill.

The event was organised most competently by Sonia Glen and the afternoon was rounded off with a fine tea.

Cake Monster

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Two new budding thespian nymphets took to the boards to deliver the goods in another, much anticipated West End debut piece fresh from the pens of Quill and Marlowe.

Wench, wastrels, washers and all, front of house or rear, all supported the event with amazing grace and enthusiasm.

The result: nearly £4,000 raised for local good causes – making the total raised and distributed over the last 11 years a rather spankingly good £35,000!

The one sad point was the absence of the comely wench without portfolio, Lou, whose humours were under the care of the barber surgeons of Bath.

So a huge 'thank you' to all our patrons, sponsors, and Chris & Claire.

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Three Open Doors

The Rector writes:

In the middle of June, we welcomed the Bishop of Ramsbury, Edward Condry on a formal 'visitation' to our Deanery. This gave the opportunity for him to see what was going on and to hear about some of the issues faced in both urban and rural settings. His tour began in Westbury, at Cross-point, (a centre run by Christians) in the Market Place where information and help is dispensed in a wide variety of situations. From there, he visited the MS Centre in Warminster and then the Food Bank. He heard about Street Pastors and the Link Scheme and then had the opportunity to converse with people engaged in farming and related industries. The day ended with a meeting of the Deanery Synod at which the Bishop was the key-note speaker.

He spoke about patterns of ministry and the importance of 'parish churches' in local communities. He defined ministry as participation in the work of God. He was positive about the contribution of the church as the biggest provider of volunteers in the country. He assured the meeting that he and his fellow bishops had no interest in closing churches. He encouraged us to be positive and not negative; to recognise the potential that exists, to celebrate all that is good especially links with church schools.

It is really good to have one of our bishops living locally. There often seems to be a divide between the Diocese and senior staff on the one hand and local parishes on the other. The visitation was a welcome opportunity to bridge that gap, to share the wealth of experience and good practice which happens in this area and also to celebrate the place that the church has in the lives of many. Praying and studying individually and together will be a source of continuing inspiration and growth.

The day produced much food for thought!

With every blessing,

Norma Payne

July Church Diary

Sunday 7th July: Sixth Sunday after Trinity

9.30am at St Margaret's, Corsley

Eucharist

The bells will be rung from 9am



Sunday 14th July: Seventh Sunday after Trinity

9.30am at St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade Eucharist

11am at St Mary's, Temple

Sea Sunday Service



Thursday 18th July

From 10am at the Three Horseshoes, Chapmanslade
Church and Community Coffee Morning



Sunday 21st July: Eighth Sunday after Trinity

9.30am at St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade

Eucharist



Tuesday 23rd July

7.30pm at Chapmanslade School

Parochial Church Council

Sunday 28th July: Ninth Sunday after Trinity

9am at St Mary's, Temple

Holy Communion 1662

10.30am at St Margaret's, Corsley

Parish Family Worship

The bells will be rung from 10am



Wednesday 31st July

10am to 12.30pm at Chapmanslade School

Holiday Club - details Di Britten on 832515



Sunday 4th August: Tenth Sunday after Trinity

9.30am at St Margaret's, Chapmanslade

Eucharist

The bells will be rung from 9am

Off to South Sudan

Richard Dean is travelling to South Sudan on 17th July to take a leading role in a Science Teachers' Course at Juba School. He will return on 9th August. Please remember Richard and the team in your prayers.

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Church Events for your diary

Summer Family Picnic – Wednesday 14th August

We shall be holding a picnic for all the family on Cley Hill from 12pm. Everyone is welcome. Meet at the Cley Hill car park and we finish after enjoying our picnic.

Visit to Cathedral – Wednesday 21st August

Departing from St Margaret's at 10am we shall have a day out in Salisbury with a visit to the cathedral for those who wish. The fare for the coach is £5. Please contact either Di Britten on 832515 or Pat Ryan 832650 for tickets.

Corsley Show - Monday 26th August

This year the theme is the Farmhouse Kitchen and we will be selling all manner of things associated the farmhouse kitchen and garden. If you can help with any kitchen items, or produce or plants please contact Stella Bayman on 832230.

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Corsley WI

June news

Carol Seward gives a round-up of the last meeting that included a very interesting speaker



The meeting of Corsley WI in June was well attended by members and visitors for the talk by Nora McMin about Women Working in Bletchley Park.

Nora began by explaining how the work was so secret at Bletchley that even husbands and wives would not talk to each other about their jobs. In fact Bletchley Park, originally a large country house with 18 bedrooms, a library, a ballroom, outbuildings, stables, a lake and parkland, was used by the government to decipher the coded messages sent by the Germans and Japanese and others during World War II. The Enigma code was thought to be unbreakable, but Alan Turing developed a machine called the Bombe to help the code-breaking process. The machines were very noisy, very fiddly and very large and the cylinders used were very heavy. About 10,000 staff worked round the clock and against all odds the codes were eventually broken, the words deciphered, then translated from German into English. Nora said that such was the secrecy that they were called the Golden Geese, who laid the golden eggs, but never cackled! Judith Helliard gave the vote of thanks.

Carol Seward gave her report of the NFWI AGM which she attended on 1st June, in Cardiff, as delegate on behalf of four local WIs. After much discussion, over 87% of members voted in favour of the resolution on the decline of our high streets and town centres.

Several members had enjoyed a WI Antiques Roadshow day recently. Future events include 70s/80s Bollywood, Vets and Medi-Vets and the Palace of Westminster.

The Wiltshire Federation of WIs recently held a competition entitled Tomorrow's Heirlooms and the splendid tablecloth made by Fiona Johnston for our WI meetings was awarded second prize. Congratulations Fiona!

The competition for a World War II memento was won by Edna Ferrier, with Cath Fricker second and Di Dowling third.

The next meeting on **Thursday 11th July** is at **7.30pm** and Sue Bell from Get Ahead Hats will bring some of her fabulous creations to show us. The competition for members is for a hat! We would be pleased to welcome any new members at this meeting in Corsley Reading Room.

Activities open to non-members

Coffee Morning	First Tuesday each month, 10-12 noon, Corsley Reading Room
Gardening Club	Third Wednesday each month, venues as per programme
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Summer bounty

Rob lists some core tasks of the summer season to help prioritise the workload.

Dead-heading

Throughout the summer dead-head flowers that have finished blooming (this increases bloom time and strengthens the plant). Pay special attention to flowers that self-seed so you can keep control over where they spread. If you want to propagate certain plants, you can save the flower heads for planting at a later date.

Staking and Support

Put stakes and supports in place for tall, herbaceous plants to prevent them from falling over or looking messy as they grow and become heavy with blooms. Likewise, as climbers show new growth, be sure to position them on a support system in order to maintain control over where they grow and prevent an untidy appearance.

Harvesting

Gardeners who have planned ahead can gather parsnips, leeks, spring onions, sprouting broccoli and kale which are all at their best. If you fancy something sweet, forced rhubarb is delicious right about now. Sow parsnips now and plant rhubarb for next year.

Feeding

Apply a nitrogen feed to plums, cherries, cooking apples and pears as they are hungry feeders. This will help fruit swell this year and encourage flower buds for next year.

Mulching soft fruit

Give raspberries, blackberries, loganberries

and blackcurrants a treat and mulch with well-rotted farmyard manure or mushroom compost

Planting more vegetables

Plant onions, shallots and garlic sets as well as Jerusalem artichoke tubers. Red onion sets are tricky and are best planted at the end of the month.

Potatoes

Make sure you have a steady supply of potatoes by laying out both early and second early varieties in a light cool place, like an attic or conservatory, and waiting for them to sprout. Main crop potatoes are also best sprouted, but the tubers are gathered in early autumn for storage over winter.

Slugs

Slugs absolutely love the wet weather we've been having and will be poised and ready to munch their way through any new seedlings you may plant out. Pick the method of control that works best for you and get it in place now or you'll be feeding the slugs, not your family!

Weeding

Weeds, if not tackled, will quickly take over your garden. Little and often is the key to effective weed control – so begin now, winking out dandelions and docks, and hoe off weed seedlings throughout the summer.

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Tales from the passenger seat



Having been a driving instructor for almost 30 years I thought readers might enjoy reading some of the things I have experienced.

We have all experienced aggression on the road from other drivers and, annoyingly, it is invariably the driver in the wrong who is the most aggressive and self-righteous. Interestingly, I find such aggression manifests itself in some pupils – mostly when the driver is not fully in control. But, there are exceptions...

I remember 'Lorraine'. Lorraine was superb at car control skills. Her gear changes were silky smooth, you hardly felt her brake and her steering was of the highest order. Unfortunately, Lorraine had a problem with anything on the road that was alive.

Her lessons were always punctuated with a stream of oaths, curses, swear words and shouting. She would, at times literally foam at the mouth with pent up fury at the impudence that someone else should dare to make her alter her original intention by being on the same road as her. Some examples :

We were approaching a zebra crossing. Little old lady halfway across with a zimmer frame. Good visibility, plenty of time to see her and slow down/stop. Not Lorraine. Foot down and accelerate. Me, hard down on the dual brake and we come to a halt in time in a cloud of dust. Little old lady finishes crossing totally oblivious to the cursing devil of death behind the wheel.

'Lorraine, did you see her ? "YES" (Her replies were always shouted). "Did you think

there was time for her to cross ?" "NO!" "Hmmm, why did you accelerate at her ?" "BECAUSE SHE SHOULD HAVE SEEN ME AND RAN". (True, but not quite the answer I was looking for).

We were approaching a narrow situation with a lorry coming towards us with not even enough room for a bicycle to get through.. Plenty of time to see the situation and stop. Not Lorraine: foot down. Me, dual again. "Lorraine, did you see the lorry ?" "YES". "Did you think it would be through before we got there ?" "NO" 'Did you think there would be room to get through ?" "NO" "So why...?" "BECAUSE IT WAS ON MY SIDE OF THE ROAD".

Her mother rang me worried that I might give up on her, but I reassured her that whilst there was nothing wrong with Lorraine's car control skills, her attitude was the issue I was struggling with. Lorraine did pass, but only after I had spent some lessons talking about happy jolly things – sunshine, and bees and flowers – anything to calm her down.

A while later, her mother was happy to report that she was very comfortable being a passenger in Lorraine's car. It turned out that Lorraine had always had low self-esteem at being unable to drive, and had taken this aggression out on other drivers, but now she had a full licence, she felt as good as all her friends, and had settled into being a very competent driver.

Steve Dayman-Johns

Safe and sound

Summer holiday

By following these simple tips you can help make sure your home is more secure whilst you are away.

Almost half of all burglaries occur when property is empty. So before you go...

- Make sure your home looks occupied. Ideally, ask a trusted neighbour or a friend to look after it (collecting mail, watering plants, feeding your pets, etc). Let them have the spare keys but don't put your name or address on the keys.
- Don't leave your curtains closed in the daytime as this shows the house is empty.
- Use automatic timers to turn your lights on when it gets dark.
- Cancel any regular deliveries such as newspapers or milk.
- Avoid discussing holiday plans where strangers may overhear details of your absence from home.
- Cut the lawn before you go and trim back any plants that burglars could hide behind.
- Uncollected mail is a sign that you are away. The Royal Mail's 'Keepsafe' service will keep your mail for up to two months while you are away.
- Consider leaving important documents and valuable items with other family members, at your bank, or lock them in a safe.
- Don't put your home address on your luggage when you are travelling to your holiday destination.



- If you normally leave valuable bicycles or similar items in your shed, consider putting them in the house.
- Finally, don't forget to lock all external doors and windows. If you have a burglar alarm, make sure it is set.

Thefts from cars

Finally, for those who visit beauty spots for walking, a reminder that you should not leave your valuables anywhere in your car – either take them with you, leave them at home or lose them. A bit dramatic? It won't happen to me? Well there have been 10 reported car thefts to the Police since March from our beauty spots. It is not just the loss of your valuables, there's the damage to your car where the thieves gained access, then there's cost of repair and whether it is worth an insurance claim and all the hassle that involves. It is easier and more far more sensible to leave your valuables at home – leave your car empty when you go walking.

Mike Bird
Corsley Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator

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Whitbourne Chapel



Chapel Debut

Our regular organist is Mrs Beth Hopwood, but in early June she and her husband were away for the weekend so one of our young people took over the role. Rosie Carr is fifteen and studying for her GCSEs. She's also learning to play the piano and has had lessons for just over a year. For her debut, Rosie brought her own electronic piano to Chapel, rather than using the full organ.

Our preacher that morning was Rosie's grandfather, Ray Mead, and we began the Service with 'Amazing Grace', those wonderful words written by John Newton. Our second hymn was a modern one, 'In Christ Alone' (by Stuart Townend and Keith Getty), which Rosie obviously practises often, as she played it without reading the music!

July preachers:

7th	A member of the Gideons
14th	Mr C Andrews, Civil Servant
21st	Mr P Stinchcombe, Frome solicitor
28th	Mr R Short, Frome businessman

Later in the Service, Rosie played a chorus, 'I'm Special' while her Granddad read the words to us. It was lovely to be part of Rosie's first Service as musician.

Chapel Quiz – people in the Bible

A is for who was the friend of God
B is for in evil paths he trod
C is for a good report he brings
D is for the best of Israel's kings
E is for the prophet of the Lord
F is for who trembled at the Word
G is for who Midian's host did slay
H is for o'er Judea he held sway
I is for who was on an altar laid
J is for who by Judas was betrayed
K is for who was Abram's second wife
L is for whom Jesus raised to life
M is for by whom the Law was given
N is for who sought the way to heaven

(Answers on page 47)

Part of a prayer of the Apostle Paul

"That you may have power to comprehend... what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge."

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Regular times

Every Sunday morning at 11.00 for about an hour (coffee served at 10.45)

Communion on the first Sunday of each month at 12 noon for 15 minutes.

Favourite hymns + tea party every third Sunday in the month at 5 to 6.30

House-group Bible study every Tuesday at 7.30

Corsley Parish Council

June briefing

Roundup of news from the June meeting from the new Chairman

June 10th saw the routine quarterly meeting, the main items being the welcome to two new Councillors, Simon Jasper (Highways & Streetscene) and Mike Bird (Neighbourhood Watch), approval of the annual Parish Accounts and an update on changes in the way in which Wiltshire Council manages the activities previously handled by the Parish Steward.

Annual accounts

Our accounts are, as are pretty much all of PC documents, public documents. Their availability was publicised, as required by law, on the Parish noticeboards, one on the back of the bus shelter on Corsley Heath and the other on the wall of the Cross Keys. There were no applications to view them, but anyone who missed the notice and now wishes to view them, please contact John Willcox, our PC Clerk.

Maintenance contract

There is now a new contract in place between Wiltshire Council and Balfour Beatty to provide the maintenance and other 'streetscene' services. This took effect from 1st June and replaces the previous Parish Steward scheme, after a trial in north Wiltshire. It is unashamedly designed to save money through more flexible and efficient use of resources, but claims to offer a better service.

The focus of the scheme for Warminster is the Community Co-ordinator, Tracy MYERS, who is the link between the PC and area multi-disciplinary teams of 'community' stewards whose effort can be veered and hauled between parts of the Warminster area as priorities demand. These teams, contractors to the Council, will cover all that the Parish Steward did, plus, we are told, more, though the exact details have yet to be published. The general public are encouraged to carry on using Clarence, which will be linked by IT systems to the enhanced databases to be used by the new scheme. Contact with Tracy will through a single point of contact on our side, who will be Simon Jasper. We will meet with Tracy in July to discuss Corsley issues and priorities and I would welcome any and all input from Corsley residents to aid this process.

Road issues

On the more major project front, we have now been informed by email that the A362 repairs are in the programme for this year – probably in October. There will be a meeting of the Community Area Transport Group (CATG) on **18th June** at which PC Councillors will seek to influence the detailed scope of the repair and to press upon them the need to consider the safety of the bends at Whitbourne at the same time. Through the CATG, we have received

notification that Longleat are prepared to have a meeting with local PCs to discuss the concerns we hold over Longleat access traffic. This should take place in mid/late July and I would encourage input from local residents to myself and Simon to help with our case.

Neil Britten
Chairman, Corsley Parish Council
neil.britten@btinternet.com

Chapmanslade Loose Women

For our July meeting we are visiting the garden of Sheila Batterbury in Bathampton on the **4th July at 7pm**. Sheila, a retired magazine cookery editor, and very keen gardener moved to Bath from Greenwich in 1994 and was featured in the national press when she moved her garden with her.

The cost is £5 – for more information, contact Gwen Jarvis on 01373 832670.



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.

Wow, it's nearly the end of the school year! We at Little Cuckoo's can't believe it will soon be the summer holidays. We have a busy month to end the term which was kicked off with our Open Day in June which went very well. A parents evening for our school leavers was held for parents to catch up with their child's key worker to see how they have progressed. We also had a fabulous day out at Upper Row Farm in Laverton for our annual school trip. The day was a great success and thoroughly enjoyed by children, parents and staff!

Our school sports day is planned for July 3rd (weather permitting!) and is always lots of fun for the children with fun and games for all. We are hoping for an end of term BBQ on the 13th July so again we'll be keeping fingers crossed for good weather.

And finally we will be having an end of term Graduation Ceremony for our school leavers in the church on the 19th of July which will be our last day of term.

Phew! We will look forward to a good summer break after all the excitement!

Lucy Harnell

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Dreams

Caroline Le Vine, counsellor in Corsley

Are your dreams important to you? Do you remember them? What do you make of them? Personally and professionally, I subscribe to the theory that dreams are information being offered to us by the unconscious. I don't think they're just collections of random images: too many of them make too much sense in my view, although it's true that the 'message' is often craftily encoded and can be hard to 'read'. But I don't believe, either, that it's simply case of 'this image means that' so dream dictionaries are out of the window, too – that would be someone else telling you what's going on in your psyche which is a bit presumptuous, surely?!

No, I think that the best interpreter of your dreams is you and, if you've read some of my previous articles, this will come as no surprise. Only you can say what a dream means for you or how events and images within it leave you feeling. And all of that will depend on your experience of life. Sometimes dreams are so hard to 'read' that we don't get the message the first time around so the subconscious has another go – hence the recurring dream or recurring themes in different dreams. It's the meanings and feelings you draw from dreams that for me are the real treasure they offer – if you dream of something which leaves you feeling shaken, what does that something represent in your life? You

might not be aware during waking times that this 'something' is causing the deep down 'shaken' response – time to explore, perhaps.

I like to work with dreams in my counselling practice and I encourage the person I'm working with to find their own meanings but I may also offer my thoughts and observations (as well as asking questions) if it seems right to do so. Sometimes, the perspective of a well-meaning observer with no agenda can bring extra depth to your understanding of your dreamworld and therefore ultimately of your conscious one.

If you don't already, try seeing your dreams as a guide; the mouthpiece of the innermost part of you that really knows what's best for you. To help remember elusive dreams, some people find it useful to keep pen and paper by the bed and to write down everything they remember about a dream or fragment immediately on waking. Then you can examine the detail at your leisure or with another willing witness.

To find out more about your hidden world, come and see me: I practice at St Margaret's Church, Deep Lane, Corsley. A first half hour meeting with me is free of charge.

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Countryside Matters

We have already had our longest summer's day on 21st June, but sadly we have yet to see summer!

Travelling around the south west of England it appears that most crops are at least one month later than normal.

We did eventually make our first cut of silage and the maize crop was sown. This year, we have some maize under plastic sheets: these help to warm the soil (as all gardeners will know), so that germination of the maize seed is quicker. The young plants push up through small holes in the plastic, which is biodegradable so it breaks down as the maize grows. Hopefully the crop will be harvested two to three weeks earlier than that grown without the plastic.

Shearing of sheep has been quite a headache too this year, as they can only be shorn if their wool is dry. This allows the wool to 'rise' so that the cutting bars of the shearing machine can cut the wool cleanly, without cutting the sheep beneath! Wool is removed to make the sheep more comfortable during the warmer weather. It will soon re-grow to keep the sheep warm in the cold winter months.

The cows are gradually being prepared for a resting period before giving birth to their calves in late summer. They will be individually checked for any health problems and withdrawn from the herd and the milking regime. They are left to graze and

rest for four to six weeks before coming into the Home Paddock for extra feed and attention before calving.

This year has sadly seen fewer of our summer birds returning to England: it's not a great year for the likes of Swallows and Swifts that have to feed on insects. Those of our resident birds, such as Blackbirds Song Thrushes and Robins which feed mainly on worms, slugs and snails, have already produced their first broods and fledglings can be seen harassing their parents for food in many hedgerows and gardens. However other resident species which feed on caterpillars – Blue and Great Tits, have not done so well in the wet and cold weather. Spring Watch on the BBC have informed us all about how the animal world works, which can be seen as 'cruel' in human terms. Hopefully our late summer will be kind to us all.

Enjoy the later Elderflower and make cordial or champagne for those balmy, long summer evenings.

Judith Helliard



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