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#### Articles

Please submit articles either by email to viv.thomas146@btinternet.com or by hand (legible handwriting please!) and take them to the drop-off locations at Barters Plant Centre, Chapmanslade, or Acres Supply Garden Centre, Corsley by the deadline.

News, reports, updates, thank you's, etc, from individuals or local organisations are free – the more the merrier – keep 'em coming!

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Please note: no cash, no advert!

Trade advertising

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## **Deadline**

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

#### July

#### Tuesday 2nd

Village Coffee Morning 10 am - 12 noon, Corsley Reading Room

#### Thursday 4th

Chapmanslade Parish Council – 7.30 pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

#### Sunday 7th

Chapmanslade Barbecue – 12 noon, Chapmanslade Village Hall

#### Sunday 14th

Corsley Wildflower Meadow - summer jobs – 10 am into the afternoon, at the Old School Playing Field

#### **Tuesday 16th**

Public Meeting - 7 pm, St Mary's Church, Corsley to discuss the future of the church building

#### Thursday 18th

Community Coffee Morning – 10 am - 12 noon, Three Horseshoes Chapmanslade

#### Saturday 20th

Toy Pig Race Night - 7 for 7.30 pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

#### Tuesday 30th July to Thursday 1st August

Children's 3-Day Tennis Camp- 10 am to 3 pm

#### Wednesday 31st

Chapmanslade Chicken Chasers – 7 pm, meet at the Three Horseshoes

#### **August**

#### Thursday 1st

Fun in the Sun – free activity programme for 5 to 11-year-olds, 3 to 4.30 pm, Corsley Memorial Playing Field

#### Saturday 3rd

Chapmanslade Zero Waste – 3 to 5 pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

The Elizabethan Evening presents 'Pride and Prejudice' performed by the Chapterhouse Theatre Company – gardens open 5.30 pm, pre-booked supper 6-7 pm, performance 7.30 pm

#### Sunday 4th

Chapmanslade Cream Teas

#### **Tuesday 6th**

Village Coffee Morning 10 am - 12 noon, Corsley Reading Room

# **Diary** Dates

#### Thursday 8th

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#### Thursday 15th

Community Coffee Morning – 10 am - 12 noon, Three Horseshoes Chapmanslade Fun in the Sun – free activity programme for 5 to 11-year-olds, 3 to 4.30 pm, Corsley Memorial Playing Field

#### Sunday 18th

Corsley Wildflower Meadow - summer jobs – 10 am to 12 noon, at the Old School Playing Field

#### Thursday 22nd

Fun in the Sun – free activity programme for 5 to 11-year-olds, 3 to 4.30 pm, Corsley Memorial Playing Field

#### Bank Holiday Monday 26th **Corsley Show**

#### Thursday 29th

Chapmanslade Parish Council – 7.30 pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall (to be confirmed)

#### September

#### Monday 2nd

Corsley Parish Council Quarterly Meeting -7.30 pm, Corsley Reading Room

#### Tuesday 3rd

Village Coffee Morning 10 am - 12 noon, Corsley Reading Room

#### Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th

Corsley Wildflower Meadow - at the Old School Playing Field (more info next month)

#### Thursday 19th

Community Coffee Morning – 10 am - 12 noon, Three Horseshoes Chapmanslade

#### Wednesday 25th

Light Bites Soup Lunch – 12.30 pm - 2 pm, Corsley Reading Room

# **Coffee Mornings**

A warm welcome to come along to our community coffee mornings held each third Thursday of the month. We meet at The Three Horseshoes in Chapmanslade from 10 until noon.

So do come along if you have an hour to spare. Meet lots of friends, old and new, for a chat over a cup of Ben's freshly brewed coffee. And if you're new to the village, this is the place to come to be warmly welcomed and to say hello. Pauline, our rector, and Debbie or Candy, our PCSOs, are often able to join us. We look forward to seeing you.

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Thank you to the Bee Group for growing plants to sell and to Frances Russell for sharing the Chapmanslade Fossil with us!

Without the team and all the amazing volunteers there would be no event; so from the bottom of my heart I thank every single one of you! The best part of the whole event is the community coming together!

A huge thank you to all those who donated raffle prizes and to our event sponsors - Silky Longfellow Psychotherapist, Tea & Sympathy, George Botanicals, H2O Plumbing & Heating.

Have you thought of what display you might make for 2020 - maybe a space theme?

If anyone would like to get involved in some way for next year's event, let me know and I'll get in contact with you later in the year.

Many thanks!

Charlene Ridler

# St Mary's Church, Temple

## **Public Meeting**

In the April edition of The Bridge, the Trustees of the Mary Barton Will Trust explained that they were taking legal advice and seeking the views of the Charity Commission on the future of St Mary's Church. The Commission has now responded and, as a result, the Trustees have provisionally decided that the best feasible option is to transfer St Mary's to a conservation charity called 'The Friends of Friendless Churches' (FoFC) which is willing to take over and maintain the Church. The FoFC conserves historic churches as buildings, not functioning churches, but will care for St Mary's and keep it open to the public. In its hands, the church will continue to be a public memorial to Mary Barton's husband and son, complying in part with the charitable trusts under her will. The FoFC confirms that occasional services may be held in St Mary's provided the Bishop and the Rector approve. (For more about the FoFC, see www.friendsoffriendlesschurches.org.uk).

The Trustees will be holding a public meeting to discuss the proposal in St Mary's Church on **Tuesday 16th July**, starting at 7pm. A representative from the FoFC will also be present to help answer any queries. The Trustees hope that as many people as possible will attend. In the meantime they have prepared a short briefing paper explaining the proposal and the reasons for it. Copies are available from either David Carruthers on 01373 832511 (danda@corsley.plus.com) or Andrew Campbell on 07771 957418 (andrew@blackdogwoods.com)

They will also be happy to receive any comments or answer any questions.

# Bob's bafflers

- According to the old proverb all roads lead to which capital city?
- 2019 is the Chinese Year of which animal?
- In Greek mythology, which beautiful youth fell in love with his own reflection?
- How many stones did David take for his fight with Goliath? 1, 5 or 15?
- In the Wild West, how was Henry McCarty better known?
- Which South American capital city has a name that means 'our lady of peace'?
- In which city were the 1940 Olympic Games scheduled to take place before being cancelled due to war?
- 8 What item of confectionery was advertised with the slogan, just enough to give your kids a treat'?
- According to the old saying, what do 'April showers bring'?
- 10 In the game of draughts, how many "men" does a player start with?
- 11 What is the profession of a leprechaun?
- 12 In Hong Kong a wife may lawfully kill her adulterous husband but only by what method?

Answers on page 40

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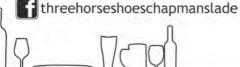
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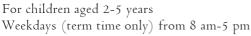
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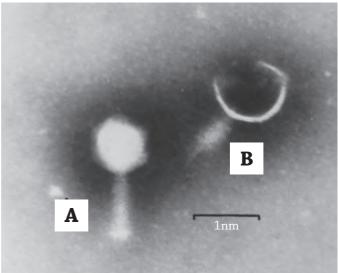
# Can viruses replace antibiotics?

In May 2019 it was announced that a girl with an antibiotic-resistant infection was cured by treatment with a bacterial virus

The 15-year-old girl was a cystic fibrosis patient who had received a double lung transplant. This meant that her immune system was suppressed to help avoid rejection of the transplant. A bacterium, Mycobacterium abcessus, had infected her previously and had now infected the surgical wound and was spreading across her body. Standard antibiotic treatments did not work, and her respiratory paediatrician took a gamble on a technique known as "phage therapy" which uses viruses to kill the infectious bacteria.

A bacterial virus is also known as a bacteriophage (meaning "something that eats bacteria") or commonly referred to by biologists as a phage. These usually kill the bacteria by injecting DNA and producing more phage inside the bacterium. The figure shows particles before (A) and after (B) its DNA has been injected into a bacterium. The bar is 1 nanometre. It is a blurry and low-quality image taken with an electron microscope, but the best that could be achieved when I took it as a student (some time ago!).

For nearly a century it has been proposed



that treating a bacterial infection with phage may cure the infection, but this approach has not been very successful in large trials in the former Soviet Union. However, most trials of phage therapy have used naturally-occurring phages.

Phages are found everywhere as their host bacteria are also found everywhere and different phages have different host bacteria which they infect. An American scientist, Graham Hatfull, has created a vast library of different phages isolated by teams of volunteers including school students. Three

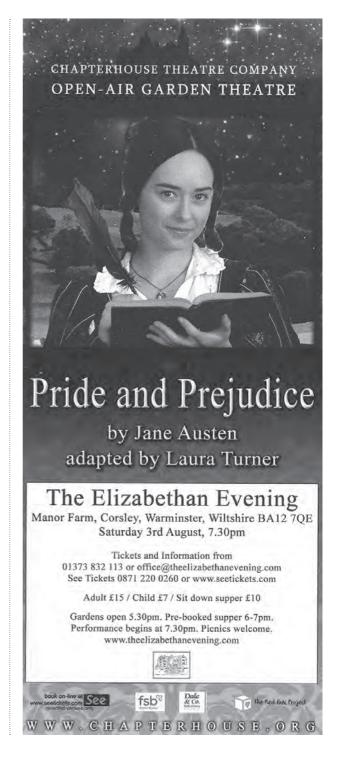
viruses were used in this treatment. One was isolated from a rotting aubergine in Durban, South Africa and killed M. abcessus efficiently. The other two were isolated elsewhere and were then genetically modified to increase their ability to kill the bacterium.

The three phages were used as a cocktail to treat the surgical wound topically and were also injected intravenously over several weeks. There were very few side effects, apart from a slight discomfort, and eventually the infection cleared up. This was the first therapeutic use of genetically-modified phages.

Such treatments may help in preventing the anticipated increase in untreatable infections due to the rise of antibiotic resistance. about which I have written before. However, it is complex. Three phages were administered because the bacterium may quickly develop resistance to any one of these. In addition, this treatment is specific to the patient and to the infectious bacterium. So, unlike antibiotics, there is no general treatment and each must be custom-designed.

Nevertheless, it is early in the development of this modified phage therapy and it holds hope for the future!

Nigel Brown is happy to receive comments, questions and, particularly, suggestions for future articles at nigelbrown48@gmail. com. He is a microbiologist, but is not medically qualified, and this article is written from a personal viewpoint



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We have missed ringing very much since February and thank Matthew Higby and his team for doing such a wonderful job. Now they are just like a new peal and we are gradually getting used to the new feel and weight of them; but don't they sound great?

To mark the completion of this refurbishment and re-installation, a service of rededication will be arranged in the near future and we would be delighted if you joined us in this celebration.

The band and I thank all those who have helped to make this possible and all the support we have had from the Church and the village as a whole during this once in a lifetime operation.

> Marion Moldon Tower Captain 01373 832672

# **Corsley Tennis Club News**

Corsley Tennis Club held their Ladies' Doubles Tournament on a damp Sunday afternoon at the Memorial Playing Field. A small, but select, band of contestants played out a round-robin format, after which Jenny Bishop and Sue Newell emerged as worthy winners, scoring 14 points out of a possible 21 - some way ahead of runners-up Diana Hale and Wendy Bartlett.

All the competitors showed great perseverance and deserve credit for performing so well in the adverse conditions. Cake Monster

#### Will Wimbledon inspire you to have a go?

If you are motivated by Wimbledon, why not consider joining your local tennis club? We have three superb courts and you would be able to join in club sessions on Sunday and Tuesday mornings from 10am and Thursday evenings from 5.30pm. You can 'buy' a key to the courts so that you can play as a family

at a time to suit you, or fix up games with other club members. Visitors can play for a fee of £2 per session; just turn up at the club sessions (see above), or give me a call to set up a trial session if you haven't played for a while. I can also arrange a singles or doubles game at a time to suit you.

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## Seven Open Doors

Dear Friends,

Many thanks to Robert for holding the fort whist I was away in the US; I had an absolutely wonderful time. As you may imagine life in Brooklyn is markedly different to life in Longbridge Deverill. For starters I awoke each morning not to the gentle sound of cows being called for milking but to the roar of traffic and the frenetic and constant day to goings on of a city with a population of 2.7 million; that's Brooklyn itself, goodness only knows what the population of the whole of New York is!

Whenever I go to see my daughter I am not interested in the tourist attractions, rather I love just watching people and listening to their conversations, hence I spent a lot of time tramping around the streets admiring the brownstones and sitting in coffee shops reading and musing on the richness and diversity of human life I was encountering. Reflecting on the experience one aspect of Brooklyn life continues to fascinate me.

It's always interesting don't you think, to have a look at the price of housing in a country/area you are unfamiliar with. I noticed to my amazement that in several establishments selling 'real estate' as it is called in the US, there were notices advertising 'quiet space'. Essentially what this meant is that you can 'purchase' a space in room with nothing in it apart from chairs and desks, in which to work. Some of the rooms had nothing in them at all; in which case I would imagine you just go and lay on the floor or something! We are not talking a few dollars for this privilege; selling 'quiet' is obviously a lucrative enterprise.

This has set me thinking: what does it say about a society in which individuals are prepared to pay a substantial sum of money to sit in a quiet room? To me it says that there is too much activity going on and too much noise and that it is detrimental to our health and wellbeing. Obviously we don't live in Brooklyn, but most of live with constant noise of one sort or another, both in terms of the environment in which we live, and perhaps more importantly, in our heads. Wouldn't it be lovely if we could jut switch it all off for a while, all those thoughts and worries that demand our attention and leave us feeling harried and exhausted?

I know I've written about this before, but it seems to me that stopping the noise, just for a while, is vital in the world we find ourselves in today, in which there are so many choices to be made and in which the future seems so uncertain. So often we blindly move through the world forever focused on 'getting things done' spectacularly failing to experience the wonder of the now. Hildgard of Bingen said 'There is the music of heaven in all things' How beautiful is that! How important it is to make time to hear that music, maybe through a poem, a painting, a piece of beautiful music or, and we are so lucky in this respect, through the wonder of the natural world.

So in these confusing, often lonely times, take time to pay attention, and listen for that still small voice that whispers to you of love so deep, so enduring, that nothing in this world can touch it.

Love and prayers, **Pauline** 

#### July Church Diary

#### Sunday 7th July: Trinity 3

8.00 am at St Mary The Virgin, Kingston Deverill: 1662 Holy Communion 9.30am at St Margaret's: Eucharist

10.30 at St Peter & St Paul's, Longbridge Deverill: Family Worship

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#### Sunday 14th July: Trinity 4

9.30 am at St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade: Family Communion 10.30 am at St Mary the Virgin, Kingston Deverill: Eucharist 11.00 am at St Margaret of Antioch, Corsley: 1662 BCP Matins

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#### Tuesday 16th July

7.00 pm at St Mary's, Temple: Public meeting to discuss the future of St Mary's

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#### Sunday 21st July: Trinity 5

10.30 am at St Margaret of Antioch, Corsley: Pet Service 10.30 am at St Michael the Archangel, Brixton Deverill: Eucharist 11.15 am at St John the Baptist, Horningsham: Village Reunion Service

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#### Thursday 18th July

10.00 am at The Three Horseshoes: Community Coffee Morning

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#### Sunday 28th July: Trinity 6

9.30 am at St Philip and St James': Eucharist 10.30 am at St Peter and St Paul's, Longbridge Deverill: Eucharist

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#### Sunday 4th August: Trinity 7

8.00 am at St Mary The Virgin, Kingston Deverill: Holy Communion (BCP) 9.30am at St Margaret's: Eucharist

10.30 am at St Peter and St Paul's, Longbridge Deverill: Eucharist

#### St Mary's Church

A public meeting to discuss the future of St Mary's Church will be held at St Mary's on Tuesday 16th July at 7 pm. The church's trustees invite everyone to attend this important meeting. If possible, please make arrangements to share transport, as parking spaces are limited.

#### **July Coffee Morning**

At our Community Coffee Morning on 18th July we will be joined by guests from the charity 'Active And In Touch Frome'. Volunteers from this charity visit, help and befriend people who have become isolated or out of touch with the community around them.. They can offer ongoing befriending support to anyone who feels isolated or lonely in Frome and the surrounding villages.

The charity's work seems closely allied to the initiatives we are developing in the parish, the 'Spring Lunch With Friends' that we organised during Lent and a 'Crafternoon' that we are on the point of organising, for example. So, if you are free on the morning of the 18th, do come along to The Three Horseshoes to lend your support – and Ben's fine coffee is available at only f, 1.25 per cup!

#### **Fundraising**

Frome Rotary Club very kindly allowed us the use of their shop in Frome on 8th June. Our thanks go to Dennis Barnard and John Helliar, who manned the shop throughout the day and raised a useful £140 for church funds. We expect to have the shop for a whole week during July, so if you can spare a couple of hours to help please have a word with John on 832803 as soon as possible. Also, if you have any bric-a-brac or books that you would like to donate, please take them to the shop in the Westway Centre or let us know and we will do this for you.

The Chapmanslade Explorer Trail, held on the same day, was a great success and was enjoyed by many families. This year's theme was 'Under the Sea' and lots of villagers used their creativity to stage displays which were located at various points around the village. Volunteers from the church assisted at the village hall and the church, where they provided cream teas. We were proud to be at the heart of this community event. Proceeds from the day are to be shared between the Voice of the Village initiative, the school's PTFA, Busy Bees pre-school and the church. We expect to receive about  $\cancel{f}$ ,650.

At this year's Corsley Show we will be working with Corsley WI to man the Tea Tent. We will also have a tombola stall in the tent. We are looking for volunteers to help us on the day, and also to bake cakes and traybakes, so please get in touch with Judith Helliar on 832803 or Phil Jefferson on 832845 if you can offer any assistance.

#### Pet Service

Our service at St Margaret's on 21st July will be a Pet Service. We invite you to bring along your family pet or pets on this special occasion, when we will offer them God's blessing and celebrate the role they have in our lives.

#### Welcome, Congratulations and Farewell

The funeral of Stanley Lamb took place on Wednesday May 29th in St Philip and James' church. He was 94 and had lived in Chapmanslade with his wife Georgina for 74 years. As a Royal marine in WW11 the last post was played at the graveside by a RM Bandsman. We offer our prayers and sympathy to his family. We welcome into the church family Amelia Helliar who was baptised at St Margaret's on June 15th.

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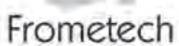
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#### **Corsley WI**

# June news

Alice Helliar rounds up the June meeting and announces some forthcoming events

#### Did you know...

- That the St John's Ambulance began its existence in the 11th century when the First Knights of St John set up a hospital to care for sick pilgrims in Jerusalem.
- The First Knights had the eight pointed cross as their emblem. They moved their headquarters from Jerusalem, to Rhodes, to Malta and it was in Malta that the use of the cross was so prolific that it became known as the Maltese Cross.
- That the St John's Ambulance was set up as a voluntary organisation in 1887 and Queen Victoria's Jubilee was the first time that the brigade was seen in action at a public event.
- There are approximately 28,000 volunteers in the organisation and we have our own teams in Frome and Warminster.
- Each year the St John's Ambulance train approximately 400,000 people to save

...just some of the facts and figures that the knowledgeable team from the St John's Ambulance base in Frome gave us in an interesting history of the organisation.

In addition to the history, we had a practical demonstration of how to use a defibrillator. This was new to some, and a good reminder to others. There is a huge amount of information on the website www. sja.org.uk including videos on adult, child and baby CPR which are definitely worth looking at.

#### Reminders on how to use the defibrillator

- · Remember to call for an ambulance using the 999 service
- Send a 'pal' to get the defibrillator, ideally within 4 minutes (There is one at The Royal Oak pub). The 'pal' must take a phone and be able to use it as you need to call 999 to get the access code to get to the machine!
- Administer CPR and don't stop, even when the ambulance team arrive, until they say so.

The Corsley WI monthly competition was for a medicinal herb. We then retired for tea and homemade cake!

Before the next meeting we have two trips, one to the Hill Brush Company in Mere at 11.30 am on Wednesday 26th June and the other to Fussels Fine Foods at 6.30pm on Tuesday 9th July. If anyone is interested there are a few spaces left. Please call Alice on 07989 339632.

The next meeting is the President's Summer BBQ at 6pm on Thursday 11th July.

The Corsley WI and church have also volunteered to jointly run the tea tent at the Corsley Show. So if anyone fancies helping by baking cakes prior to the day or serving in the tent on the day please let us know.

The Corsley WI also have skittles, scrabble, bridge and lunch clubs which are also open to non-members. There are also a large number of county and national trips, workshops and other activities that members can join in with.

For more information please do not hesitate to contact Judith Helliar on 01373 832803.

# **Corsley** Wildflower Meadow

~ Activity programme ~

Sunday 14th July from 10 am into the afternoon

Sunday 18th August from 10 am (morning only)

Weekend 7th to 8th September



Activities may include:

- Strimming/mowing
- · Raking off mowings
- Removing undesirable plants
- · Collecting Yellow Rattle seeds
- · Sowing fresh seed
- Planting on the banks

Even if you don't feel up to helping with the above tasks, why not come along to see what we are doing? Why not bring a picnic?

Could you bring along some refreshments for the workers?

We would also like to hear from anyone who could loan us tools or equipment for the working days. Your support would be very much appreciated! Thank you!

> **Contact Chris Johnson** chrismajo@btinternet.com

# **Corsley Show Charitable Trust**

Grants/Awards

Following receipt of a number of applications the Trustees have made some further grants/awards. The total amount awarded this time is £800.

No more awards will be made until after the results of the 2019 show are known. The total value of grants made following the 2018 show was £3,390.

Awards were made to:

- Horningsham Primary School (gardening project)
- Chapmanslade Guides (programme materials)
- St Margaret's Bells (Headstock)
- Project to repair/amend some of the footpath stiles in and around Corsley.

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#### **Chapmanslade Parish Council**

# **Parish Council Briefing**

Notes from the Parish Council meeting held on 6th June, chaired by John Lewis in the absence of the Chairman

The meeting opened to the public for discussions on any matter of concern and the following issues were raised:

#### BT telephone box

Concerns were raised over road safety at the Huntenhull Lane junction and the line of sight partly obscured by the phone box. Generally, the box was agreed to be a village icon and was also required in emergencies and should be retained; but how to do that whilst improving road safety on a busy junction? This has been the topic of conversation before, in the context of the phone box's low call usage. Overgrown verges also restrict vision at the same junction.

#### **Barters Farm and road safety**

Questions were asked about traffic volumes/ road safety in the context of improvements anticipated to flow from the Barters Farm development. The planners' decision is expected shortly.

#### **Closed session**

The meeting went into closed session and approved the minutes of the previous meeting held on 9th May. The Parish Council then discussed the following issues:

#### Parish Plan

The Parish Plan was progressing well, and a number of strands were being taken forward. Villagers were encouraged to participate. The Plan will be presented to the Area Board on

20th June and their support for our initiatives would be appreciated.

#### **Highways**

Salt had been requested for the salt bins, ready for next winter. The Speed Indicator Device (SID) will shortly be able to be moved within the village making it more flexible and new Neighbourhood Watch signs had been erected. Potholes have been filled and full resurfacing is planned for 2021, following the temporary chippings and tar dressing completed recently. The agreed road white lining and 'H' bars should be completed during the summer. It was agreed that we would refresh our arguments regarding the 7.5t weight limits, working in conjunction with neighbouring parishes.

#### **Environment**

Fly tipping has again occurred recently and the Chairman encouraged people to report instances to the Police (via 101 - fly-tipping is a crime – and to the council via 'My Wiltshire' - if they are not reported, they will be unrecorded and officially 'didn't occur!'. Parking on pavements has been causing issues, again, please report them to the Police on 101.

#### Next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on 4th July.

> John Lewis, Vice Chairman 01373 832875



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#### Deliverance!

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Great as that deliverance for Europe was, and meticulous as the preparations were with many stories of heroism and sacrifice - some no doubt unreported, such as the engineers landing a few days before under cover of darkness to help clear away mines on the beaches – a far greater deliverance has been effected for humankind through God's provision of a Saviour in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Before time began God was preparing to send His Son to die on the cross for our sins. It is through His sacrifice that we can be forgiven and begin to live as God intended.

Let us thank God for the sacrifice of those who gave their lives for our freedom and for His overruling of events in wartime deliverances. But above all let us thank Him for sending His Son to be our Saviour and Deliverer. Let us put our trust in Him who said: "Him that cometh unto me I will in no wise cast out" (John 6 verse 37b).

> John Hobson (visiting preacher at Whitbourne Chapel)

#### Divine deliverance!

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And his were gleaming in purple and
And the sheen of their was like on the sea, When the wave rolls nightly on deep
 Lord Byron

The Assyrian came down like the ...... on

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A view from over the hedge...

# **Countryside Matters**

Well, there was no sign of flaming June! What a change from 2018, when gardens and fields were already parched

Looking at the long-term weather forecast it will be low pressure at least until the early part of July, so there'll be no hosepipe bans for a while!

The colder, wetter weather has been more spring-like, with some torrential rain making the grazing paddocks more like paddy fields - some of the cows choosing to stay in the covered yards some nights.

The sheep shearing has been about a month later than normal – their wool needs to be dry before they're shorn and the ewes would soon catch a chill.

The arable crops are looking good and, although they're suffering a little from the lack of sunshine, I've no doubt the first of the barley will be harvested by the end of July. The maize crops are also looking good, but they too need sunshine to really see them grow!

Although our visiting birds were somewhat late arriving, there appears to be a lot of activity with the building of new nests and finding plenty of grubs, worms and insects around to feed their young.

My two partridges don't appear to have any young yet, but I was more than pleased to see they survived the mower and silage-making.

Thanks must go to our local council workers who this year managed to leave the verges until the wild flowers and our daffodils were past their best and now the lanes are looking tidier and safer.

Although the Parochial Church Council is responsible for the upkeep of our churchyard with a big bill of over £1800 for mowing each year, we now have it regularly by Wiltshire Council, for which we are most grateful. The sheep looked lovely when grazing but they were rather choosy what they ate; brambles elder and nettles were rather taking over the churchvard.

We are hoping to get an up-to-date record of birds and small mammals using the churchyards, but hopefully the badgers will go elsewhere as the disturbance to graves is most upsetting to families visiting graves.

On a brighter note, the young of our villages will be enjoying their school holidays - do encourage them to enjoy the countryside around them and, maybe while walking and playing, to return home with any plastic bags tins and bottles from their picnic or snack, and even pick up any other rubbish they see which not only spoils the look of our countryside but harms the environment.

Enjoy the summer – when it comes!

Judith Helliar



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Chairman, Hugh Deed, reports on the latest happenings at the hall

Our next Coffee Morning is Tuesday 2nd July – very early in the month! It's a great way to meet other villagers and catch up on the gossip! All welcome – coffee/tea is only f, 1.

By the time you read this we expect to know if we will be invited to bid formally for funds from the National Lottery to do major works to the Reading Room. Our initial approach was discussed by them in June. The National Lottery has had a reorganisation and it has taken longer than we hoped to get to this stage but, we are making progress. Please check our website for any update if you cannot wait until the August edition of The Bridge to find out the result!

#### Teaser for October event!

Saturday 5th October will see a professionallyrun Murder Mystery Evening at the Reading Room. Numbers will be limited, and a full meal is part of the evening. You might want

to pencil in the date now. More details will be in future editions of The Bridge and when bookings open; though much of the event will, of course, remain a mystery!

#### Committee

We would gladly welcome additional members to our committee, so please let any of us know if you are interested.

#### Hiring the hall

Full details about the hall and its facilities including how to hire are on the website or call Gill Parkinson (01373 832322) to discuss.

See website www.corsleyreadingroom.org.uk

Hugh Deed Chairman of Management Committee Chairman@corsleyreadingroom.org.uk 01373 832897

#### Events run by the Corsley Reading **Room Management Committee**

Coffee Morning: First Tuesday of the month

10 am - 12 noon

IT Classes/Club: see our website Cinema Corsley: resumes in September

#### Regular events run by other organisations

Lite Bites Lunches: 4th Wednesday of the month Yoga: Tuesday and Wednesday evenings Pilates: Tuesday afternoons WI: second Thursday of the month (evening)

#### Committee members include:

Vanessa Hyde, Jackie Jasper, Jenny Rutty, Gill Parkinson, David Carruthers and Clare Firman-Ford

## Small ads

£1 for EACH item for sale or wanted (cash only please) - at one of the two drop-off locations) Please note: no cash, no advert!

#### Answers to Bob's Bafflers

- The Chinese year, which started on February 5th, is the Year of the Pig
- Narcissus
- Billy the Kid
- La Paz Originally it was to be at the site of the Native American settlement, Laja, with the full name of the city being Nuestra Señora de La Paz (meaning Our Lady of Peace) in Bolivia
- 8 A finger of fudge9 May flowers

- 12 Using her bare hands steer clear of Hong Kong, boys!

#### Local organisation adverts

f,2 per month for a small boxed advert or f,7.50 for a full page. Full page adverts are allocated depending on space available and cannot be guaranteed. All monies must be at one of the two drop-off locations (Barters Plant Centre or Acres Supply Garden Centre) by 4pm on the 19th of the month. Please note: no cash, no advert!

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