

The Bridge

monthly village magazine

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From the Editor

What a shame the weather conspired against the Corsley Show – I really feel for all the volunteers who put in so much work throughout the year – they must be so disappointed. Gill Redman sent me this pic of Ricky valiantly holding down their gazebo against the howling gale!

Viv Thomas, Editor



Deadline

**Deadline for articles
or adverts for the next
issue of The Bridge is
4pm 19th October.**

**Please note that no
items will be accepted
after this date**

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

Barters Plant Centre, Chapmanslade, or
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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.

What's on

October

Tuesday 2nd

Coffee Morning – 10.00 - 12 noon, Corsley Reading Room (in aid of SSAFA)

Saturday 6th

Corsley litter pick – 11.00, meet opposite the Royal Oak

Thursday 11th

Corsley WI Meeting – 2.30pm, Corsley Reading Room

Chapmanslade Parish Council Meeting – 7.30pm, Chapmanslade School

Saturday 13th

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

Wine Tasting – 7.30pm, Corsley Reading Room

Monday 15th

Bag2School Textile Collection – 1pm, Little Cuckoo's, Lyes Green, Corsley

Wednesday 17th

Light Bites - Soup and Ploughman's Lunch – 12.30 - 1.30pm, Corsley Reading Rooms

Thursday 19th

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

Saturday 20th

Chapmanslade Village Hall Quiz Night

November

Saturday 3rd

Corsley litter pick – 11.00, meet opposite the Royal Oak

Tuesday 6th

Coffee Morning – 10.00 - 12 noon, Corsley Reading Room

Wednesday 7th

PCC Meeting – 7.30pm, Chapmanslade School

Thursday 8th

Corsley WI Meeting – 2.30pm, Corsley Reading Room

Chapmanslade Parish Council Meeting – 7.30pm, Chapmanslade School

Warminster Area Board – 6.30pm for 7.00, Warminster Civic Centre

Saturday 10th

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

Thursday 15th

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

Corsley Reading Room AGM – 7.30pm, Corsley Reading Room

Wednesday 21st

Corsley Show AGM – 7.30pm, Corsley Reading Room

Thursday 22nd

Public meeting re Chapcap – 7.30pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

Saturday 24th

Christmas Market – 10am - 1pm, Corsley Reading Room

December

Saturday 1st

Coffee Morning and 50/50 Draw – from 10.30am, Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches

Coffee Morning, High Field, Roddenbury View, Corsley

Community Carol Evening – 7.30pm, Corsley Reading Room

Tuesday 4th

Coffee Morning – 10.00 - 12 noon, Corsley Reading Room

Saturday 8th

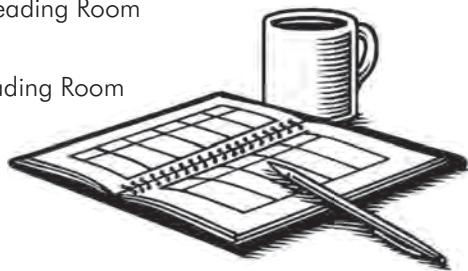
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Thursday 13th

Corsley WI Christmas Dinner

Thursday 20th

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Chapmanslade Village Hall News

Hello all. An update on the improvements at the hall – the ladies and gents toilets have now been refurbished, including built in cupboards. They are now looking so much cleaner and brighter. The next intended major project will be the hall floor – unfortunately more money needs to be raised before that can happen. In the meantime various minor works will continue.

The boules and croquet afternoon took place on a sunny Sunday – games being played between relaxing and partaking of various refreshments – and was enjoyed by all attending.

More recently, HowdenJones played to a select audience. They sang a mix of their own songs and music, interspersed with anecdotes of their travels around the country.

Our next social event is on **Saturday 20th October** when we will be holding our **Autumn Quiz** – please see advert elsewhere in the Bridge. As usual we request that if possible tickets are purchased in advance to help with catering arrangements.

At the crease

The Club held it's Single Wicket competition in pleasant conditions on Bank Holiday Sunday. On a day of surprises, Lydia Henderson became the first lady to lift the trophy – moreover, her success was richly deserved.



In the final, she defeated Adam Ledbury who scored a creditable 13. Lydia needed one run from her final delivery and managed to scamper a single.

Adam reached the final by overcoming Ollie Allard and Roy Pearce, while Lydia beat Chris Seviour and Jacob Seviour. All the contestants played well, though special mention should go to the fielding of Glyn Newton and Isaac Wood.

Adam Ledbury received swift compensation for his narrow defeat by winning the Double Wicket event with his father Robin.

The day was rounded off with a fine cup of Gordon Ledbury's tea; thanks also go to Roy Pearce for organising a very enjoyable afternoon's cricket.

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Friends of Warminster Hospital Appeal

The Friends have launched an appeal to raise money for the purchase of an OCT (Optical Coherence Tomography) Eye Scanner which can help in the discovery and treatment of such eye problems as Glaucoma and Macular Degeneration.

The Friends have taken this step as there are a large number of people who have to travel to Salisbury or RUH Bath. Last year there were 597 people referred to Salisbury and a similar number to Bath. This involves a lot of time and travel, as there has to be monthly follow-up appointments.

Having this equipment in Warminster will not only help with travel, which can sometimes be difficult for those who are partially sighted, but will ease the load at the two hospitals.

The Friends will fund most of the cost (£36,000), but as this is such a large amount and will benefit the towns of Westbury and Trowbridge, the Chairman, Charles Lane, thought it only right that the appeal be widened to include them. Therefore he has written to appropriate organisations asking for support.

The Friends have already purchased a Visual Field Analyser for the Ophthalmology Department in Warminster, and with the OCT scanner, the hospital would be well equipped to deal with weekly clinics.

Residents from the villages near to Warminster have always strongly supported the hospital in the past and any help that can be given to provide this equipment will be greatly appreciated.

Donations can be sent or handed in at:
Warminster Journal Office (Coates and Parker)
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The Avenue Surgery
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They can also be sent to The Hon Treasurer, Friends of Warminster Hospital, 8 Imber Road, Warminster, BA12 9DB.

For further information please contact Isobel Padfield (01373 832255) or Pauline Scott (01985 215760).

Litter pickers

Chapmanslade litter pickers

We will be meeting opposite the Three Horseshoes at noon on Saturday 13th October. 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 October – do come along and help keep our village beautiful.

Cath Aylesbury and Sue Taylor

Bob's bafflers

- 1 What is the name given to a baby kangaroo?
- 2 Where in London is the Lutine Bell to be found?
- 3 Which American actor/singer died playing golf in La Moraleja, Madrid in October 1977 aged 74?
- 4 What does the French word 'grenouille' mean in English?
- 5 Who had a 1950s No 1 hit with "I See the Moon"?
- 6 What word can go before 'pet', 'ton' and 'mine' to form new words?
- 7 If you have myopia, what eye condition are you suffering from?
- 8 Parker and Barrow were the surnames of which infamous couple?
- 9 Which London Street is famous for men's tailoring?
- 10 What connects the Moon, the Sun, Saturn and the Anglo Saxon gods Thor, Tiw, Woden and his wife Frig?
- 11 What is the capital of Malta?
- 12 If you were to spell out numbers, how far would you have to go until you would find the letter A?

Answers on page 35

CORSLEY SHOW

Sorry – no donations this year!

Pretty well everything (apart from the weather) was fine at the Corsley Show on August Bank Holiday Monday: no reports of sunburn and no wasp sting victims. Thank you to all the valiant visitors, stall holders, competitors, organisers and main arena acts who came along on the day, put on a smile and a brave face. The summer of 2012 has clearly taught us to embrace the wet-hair look and just get on with it.

Children's Sports were a highlight with many cheery competitors making the most of the dry spell in the morning.

Asked by the meeja whether we have a 'wet weather policy', one committee member succinctly summed it up as "get wet!" We did not cover our costs this year. The number of people through the gate was less than

half that of 2011. Over the past couple of years we have built up our reserves so the future of the Show is not in jeopardy, but unfortunately we cannot give away money to village organisations this year.

Well done to village groups who ran stalls and hopefully made a few bob for themselves on the day. After all ... It Could Have Been A Lot Worse.

Our Annual General Meeting is on **Wednesday 21st November, 7.30pm** at Corsley Reading Room so do please come along – we always welcome suggestions for improvement.

How lovely it would be if we had more recruits. One job that needs filling is Schedule Organiser – busy between March and June; ticking over for a month either side.

Jenny Ratty – Show Secretary
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Corsley Reading Room Committee will be rolling out the bunting and putting their considerable baking and other skills to the test at the monthly coffee morning incorporating the



Big Brew Up

10 am to 12 noon Tuesday 2nd October
Corsley Reading Room

Our monthly gatherings are a great way of catching up and if we can raise money at the same time for the amazing work that SSAFA Forces Help does, that's even better! It's really a great feeling to know that we will be joining thousands of people across the world from Afghanistan to Cyprus and Germany to Britain, in raising a mug or cup to our service men and women; they do such an amazing job and we're thrilled that we can show them our support through the **Big Brew Up**.

Spread the word among friends and neighbours and join us in the **Big Brew Up**!

Would you like to help or need information? Please contact Dick Collins on 01373 832789

The Corsley Show Society Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 21st November
7.30pm Corsley Reading Room

For more information ring Jenny Rutty
01373 832418

Corsley Tennis Club



The club was pleased to be involved in another successful children's sports day held on the Corsley Memorial Playing Field on Tuesday 28th August, and offered the use of all 3 courts for children's tennis after the club session ended at noon. The Tennis Club booked their coach, loaned the club balls and junior racquets. Junior coaching will resume after the refurbishment of the courts has taken place and the courts are ready to play on again. Junior members will be notified accordingly.



Corsley Tennis Club

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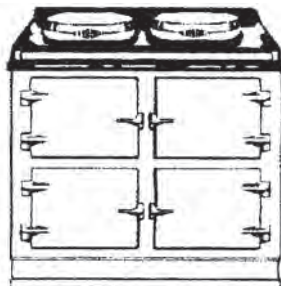


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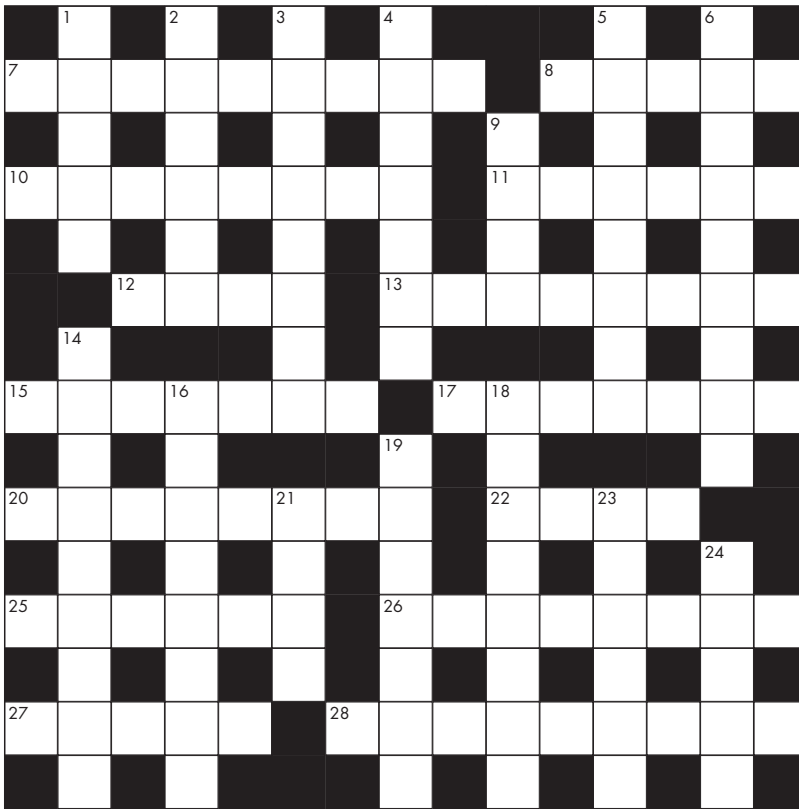
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Clues across

- 3 Mesmerised at the gateway to Disneyland, at first (9)
 8 Gordon's first relative looks emaciated (5)
 10 & 11 Nag who can't reach the wheel? (4,4,6)
 12, 19dn & 22ac Rare satellite hue (4,2,1,4,4)
 13 Exciting new cleric, and in Paris! (8)
 15 Slim point trapped in Carlisle derailment (7)
 17 See 2dn
 20 Inquire about the search for a charged particle (8)
 22 See 12ac
 25 Screen short commercial in the show (6)
 26 Crib is absent, oddly enough! (8)
 27 & 24dn Lead music? (5,5)
 28 Arithmetic I'm unclear about (9)

Clues down

- 1 Gratitude in Munich expressed for massage
 2 & 17ac Disappointed and waiting for a transplant? (6,7)
 3 Go before to be re-enacted properly without Redgrave at first (8)
 4 Hide, but find direction in foam (7)
 5 Loose the bolt by chopping a bristle? (8)
 6 Therein I'd settled and received my legacy (9)
 9 Implicitly found in honed German steel blades (4)
 14 'S not despair, just outright massacre! (9)
 16 Jump head first into void, seen confusedly (8)
 18 I object to her subject in the end – that's tangled! (8)
 19 See 12 ac.
 21 State in the scenario Wales provides (4)
 23 Gold I spirit to the source (6)
 24 See 27 ac



Little Cuckoo's Pre-School Textile Collection Monday 15th October, 1pm

We are pleased to announce that the school has organised a textile collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for Little Cuckoo's Pre-School.

Bag2School are the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 2001 they have now paid out over £8 million.

As well as raising vitally needed funds for our school, it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill. A recent DEFRA report has shown that textile collection schemes are helping to reduce the volume of textiles discarded as municipal solid waste. However it is a fact that as a nation we still send 1,081,000 tonnes of textiles to landfill every year.

By getting involved in our Bag2School collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, bags, soft toys, curtains

and bedding (not duvets or pillows). We will receive £500 per tonne or £0.50/kg which will be a great boost for our fundraising. In addition it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

If you find you've filled the donation bag and still have more, you can use any other bag to donate your items: don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

Bag2School will be collecting from our Pre-school on Monday 15th October 2011. Please bring your bag (or bags!) to Little Cuckoo's Pre-School, Lyes Green, Corsley before 1pm and help us have a really good collection.

Many thanks indeed for helping us with this unique fundraising opportunity.

*Rebecca Clements
(Little Cuckoo's Fundraiser)*

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Chapcap revisited

News from Chapmanslade Parish Council

Ten years ago nearly everyone in Chapmanslade helped to shape the future of the village by taking part in a community planning exercise, which quickly became known as Chapcap (Chapmanslade Community Action Plan).

Some of the many achievements that came out of Chapcap are still with us today, such as kerbside recycling, litter picking and the children's play area. Some have fallen by the wayside, the youth club for example, and some of the things we wanted to happen never did, such as the village shop. And we are still working hard to resolve some of the concerns we all voiced ten years ago, the speed of traffic through the village and over-weight lorries perhaps being the most pressing matters.

In this Jubilee year, which proved that the community spirit is still alive and well in Chapmanslade, the Parish Council has decided that it is time to revisit Chapcap; to have another look at what's good about our village, what's bad, what's missing and what we could do without.

Once again we want everybody to be involved in this exercise. So please do come along, as we start the planning process again, to a special meeting in the **Village Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 22nd November**, and please encourage others to do so too. Come and tell us your concerns and aspirations about our village. We will welcome your ideas, suggestions... and criticism! With your support we can achieve things.

2012 Poppy Appeal

This year's house-to-house collections will start in Corsley on **Saturday 27th October**, ready for Poppy Day on Saturday 10th November and Remembrance Day on Sunday 11th November.

Last year Corsley raised £1478.07 from house-to-house collections, pubs and PCC donations. Having had an opportunity to be taken around Tedworth House Personal Assessment and Recovery Centre in Tidworth, supporting current casualties, I know how important every penny raised is for the British Legion and this is just one of their many areas of work.

I would like to personally thank **Shirley Chapman** for her many years service as the Hon Area Poppy Appeal Organiser and for her very thorough hand-over to me. Since 1986 Shirley has helped to raise well over **£15,000** for the British Legion from house-to-house collections alone, which is something to live up to.

If you are a regular collector, please would you contact me to confirm your availability to collect again this year. We are also looking for new volunteers to take on the house-to-house collections.

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Three Open Doors

The Rector writes

September marked the beginning of the new school year. I enjoy seeing the new arrivals in our primary schools. As rising fives, some are in fact only just four years old if they are summer born. They seem so little; yet, even at four, most of them have a confidence about life which is surprising. Many of them are used to electronic gadgetry and can use a computer mouse or touch screen, and, they are definite about what they like and dislike. When asked what she enjoyed about the first week at school, my grand-daughter replied 'going to assembly'. So much for the classroom activities, teaching and learning!

As well as new children, our schools welcome new staff to their respective teams. We have new Head Teachers at Heytesbury and Chapmanslade and we look forward to getting to know them, and new members of staff, as the school year unfolds. A Steiner school has opened in Corsley where it will have a temporary home until its permanent building in Frome is ready in eighteen months time.

One of the ways that communities can support and be involved in promoting and nurturing rural education is by becoming a school governor. There are various categories of governor depending on the type of school. It is the responsibility of the PCC to appoint 'Foundation Governors' to the governing bodies of church schools. All governors share in the same work, but Foundation Governors have the particular responsibility of ensuring that the Christian ethos of the school is upheld. The work is interesting, varied and sometimes challenging. If any of you reading this would like to know more about becoming a school governor, please contact me or one of the Head Teachers for further information.

In the meantime, please remember in your prayers all the pupils, staff, parents and governors of the schools in our Benefice. Thank you.

Reverend Norma Payne

October Church Diary

Tuesday 2nd October

7.30pm After Alpha Tuesday Night Group

Details from Richard Dean 832590



Sunday 7th October: 18th Sunday after Trinity

9.30am at St Margaret's, Corsley

Eucharist



Tuesday 9th October

10.30am Time to Think

Details from Phil Jefferson 832845



Sunday 14th October: 19th Sunday after Trinity

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

11am at St Mary's, Temple

Harvest Matins



Tuesday 16th October

7.30pm After Alpha Tuesday Night Group

Details from Richard Dean 832590



Wednesday 17th October

12pm to 1pm at Corsley Reading Rooms

Church Mouse – Soup and Bread Lunch



Thursday 18th October

10.30am at the Three Horseshoes, Chapmanslade

Church and Community Coffee Morning

Sunday 21st October: 20th Sunday after Trinity
9.30am at St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade
Eucharist



Tuesday 23rd October
10.30am Time to Think
Details from Phil Jefferson 832845



Sunday 28th October: Last Sunday after Trinity
9.00am at St Mary's, Temple
Holy Communion 1662

10.30am at St Margaret's, Corsley
Parish Family Worship

Tuesday 30th October
10.30am Time to Think
Details from Phil Jefferson 832845



Sunday 4th November: First Sunday of Advent
9.30am at St Margaret's, Corsley
Eucharist



Sunday 11th November: Remembrance Sunday
9.30am at St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade
Eucharist

10.50am at St Margaret's, Corsley
Service for Remembrance

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Church events for your diary

Thursday 15th November

10.30am at the Three Horseshoes, Chapmanslade
Church and Community Coffee Morning

Saturday 1st December

Coffee Morning and 50/50 Christmas Draw

We welcome everyone to all our churches and services. You may want to come along and sing. You may just want some quiet contemplation. You may need to remember someone or celebrate a special time. Please come along and join in one of our services in any of our three wonderful churches. We especially welcome families and children.

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Countryside Matters

The cereal harvest is just finished, and no sooner have those golden crops been harvested than the earth is ready to be ploughed and re-seeded.

In between these two processes the hedge trimmers will go into the fields to reduce the level of this year's growth: this will encourage growth in the bottom of the hedge to give wildlife some ground cover. The hedge becomes denser, making it more stock-proof. If a hedge gets too tall, it will reduce the daylight reaching the crop in the field, leading to poorer germination of the seed and slower overall growth.

Some fields will be left with stubble through the winter, allowing the birds and other wildlife to feed. Stubble also stops rain and wind from eroding the soil.

During the next month or two clouds of Starlings will gather, especially towards dusk. Although this is not always welcomed by farmers because of the damage the birds can cause, the flocks are still a magnificent sight. The biggest flocks are seen out on the Somerset Levels – well worth a visit.

Other birds such as Fieldfares and Redwings will be coming here to spend their winter with us. Numbers of Blackbirds, Song Thrushes and many other resident species increase as they are joined by flocks from Scandinavia as winter spreads from the North.

The maize and potato crops will be harvested this month: weather permitting. The maize has been the poorest for many years, with most crops growing to only $\frac{1}{2}$ or $\frac{1}{3}$ of its usual height. The next few weeks will show whether the cobs will have formed and ripened to make that essential winter feed for the cattle. If not, then feed will have to be bought in for the herds.

The warm ground temperatures, combined with the damp weather encourage the growth of all fungi. Field mushrooms make a tasty meal, but care must be taken when foraging for mushrooms as some are poisonous.



Here in the countryside we celebrate our harvest time with Harvest Suppers and church services of thanksgiving. This is all part of keeping alive our traditional celebrations of living in the countryside. I hope you enjoy your local celebrations.

*Judith Helliar
High Field
Roddenbury View
Corsley*

A note for your diary **Coffee Morning**

Saturday 1st December 2012

High Field, Roddenbury View, Corsley

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Corsley WI



Members of Corsley WI were welcomed by the President, Judith Helliard, at their September meeting. After hearing members' news, Judith reflected on events of the past month and then gave details of future WI activities. Anne Carruthers reported that due to a variety of factors, not least the weather, the profit from the WI stall at Corsley Show was down on previous years. However, our grateful thanks must go to Fiona Johnston, Hilary Vallis, all the helpers and those who contributed goods to sell, for their grand efforts.

Pauline Scott made an appeal on behalf of the Friends of Warminster Hospital for donations towards the purchase of an Eye Scanner, to enable patients to be treated locally instead of at Bath or Salisbury.

Judith then introduced Lyn Whitmore, a Member of the Sugarcraft Guild, who came to give us a demonstration of sugarcraft and cake icing. Lyn began by showing us how to marzipan and ice a Christmas cake. She used the cake upside down as the base is flat and has a sharper edge and brushed the base and sides with apricot jam to ensure that the marzipan would stick to the cake. The rolled out marzipan was placed over the cake and carefully smoothed down to remove any air bubbles. The icing was rolled out and done in the same way. For

the decoration, Lyn crimped the edges at the base and used a piping bag to make scrolls round the top edge. After putting ribbon round the cake, coloured royal icing and a fine nozzle was used for writing words and making decorative swags. A poinsettia flower Lyn had made earlier was the finishing touch. She also showed us how easy it was to make a snowman and a Christmas tree, in just a few minutes. Lyn brought with her a delicious selection of her small celebration cakes, as examples of different styles of decorations, which members could purchase after the meeting. Cath Fricker gave a warm vote of thanks.

The competition for a photograph of the Jubilee celebrations was won by Carol Seward with Jean White second.

The next meeting on **11 October** is the first of our afternoon meetings this winter and begins at **2.30pm, at Corsley Reading Room**, when Gina Fry will give a demonstration entitled 'Discover Zumba'. The competition is for a silk scarf.

If you would like to know more about Corsley WI, or would like to join us, please contact Carol on 01373 832446.

Activities open to everyone

Coffee Morning

2nd October, 10 - 12 noon – Corsley Reading Room in aid of SSAFA

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From the potting shed

Jobs for this month

- Clear up fallen autumn leaves regularly
- Cut back perennials that have died down
- Divide herbaceous perennials and rhubarb crowns
- Move tender plants, including aquatic ones, into the greenhouse
- Plant out Spring cabbages
- Harvest apples, pears, grapes and nuts
- Prune climbing roses
- Last chance to mow lawns and trim hedges in mild areas
- Renovate old lawns or create new grass areas by laying turf

In detail...

Leaves will begin to fall and should be collected to make compost.

Clean down and disinfect your greenhouse, standing the plants outside. Clean the outside of the roof in particular with a long, soft brush, to maximise the winter light levels inside.

Dry off baskets and pots of tuberous begonias under cover until the stalks fall away. Store the tubers as they are, or dry and cleaned of soil.

Loganberries and raspberries should be planted and established plants should have the wood that has borne fruit removed to ground level.

You may still get a crop of radishes and lettuces if you sow now before the weather breaks.

Once blackened by frost, dahlias can be lifted, dried off and stored in a cool, dark, airy, frost-free place. Storing them in dry sand stops them shrivelling. Tough varieties can be left in the ground and mulched.

As light levels fall on window sills, keep houseplants rather drier, to slow down growth during the winter.

Some perennials poke through very early in the Spring, and if you need to divide them, now is not a bad time.

Anemone beds should be got ready and the tubers planted.

Any root vegetables, such as carrots and beetroot, should be lifted when their tops fade – only store those in good condition.

Onions and turnip beds should be thinned.

Seed gatherers should collect aster, hollyhock and dahlia seeds.

It's a good time to plant all evergreens, but make sure that you keep them watered for a couple of months, especially in windy weather, until they can put out new roots.

Remember to close down the greenhouse at night, but open it wide in the morning to prevent soaring temperatures and disease.

Gladioli corms should be lifted and stored for next year.

What is so flamboyant at this time of year as a clump of nerine bulbs, like small, lipstick-pink agapanthus? Divide them now after flowering, putting them in hot, sunny, dry soil, with the snout of the bulb just under the surface.

Herbaceous plants may be increased by division and then replanted and the new plants moved to new positions.

Making new borders next year on clay soil? Dig them over roughly now, adding old compost as you go.

Sweet peas seeds should be sown.

Plants under glass need protection at night as the frosts begin to bite. Make sure that the plants you put in the greenhouse are free from disease.

While the weather is kind, finish clipping evergreen hedges and topiary. Using secateurs, shorten back to their base any shoots that are starting to run up the hedge.

Now is the time to pot up hardy and half hardy plants for displays.

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Chris Page has decided to 'log off'!

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Thank you.

Punny, ha ha!

How does Moses make his tea? Hebrews it.
A cartoonist was found dead in his home.
Details are sketchy.

I used to be a banker, but then I lost interest.
Haunted French pancakes give me the crêpes.

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

I tried to catch some fog, but I mist.

Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.

I know a guy who's addicted to brake fluid, but he says he can stop any time.

I stayed up all night to see where the sun went, and then it dawned on me.

This girl said she recognized me from the vegetarian club, but I'd never met herbivore.

When chemists die, they barium.

I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I just can't put it down.

I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.

When you get a bladder infection urine trouble.

Broken pencils are pointless.

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

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

Velcro – what a rip off!

The Editor takes no responsibility whatsoever for this!

News from Chapmanslade Parish Council

Blitz on Footpath Parking

Once again we need to remind residents that we are concerned about the amount of car parking on our village pavements and to stress that it is a punishable offence to drive a vehicle onto the pavement. The Police are working with us to monitor the situation and to take action where this persists.

We continue to ask for your co-operation to help us get rid of one of our village hazards and to keep Chapmanslade as safe as possible. Please also, particularly when parking in the High Street, try not to block residents' drives.

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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.

It has been wonderful to see the children again after the long summer break. We have also enjoyed meeting many new children and their families - we hope they will all enjoy their time at Little Cuckoo's. We will be busy getting to know each other more, making new friends and exploring exciting activities during our theme 'This Is Me' this term.

Our stall at Corsley show, although a wet blustery day, was well supported - thanks to all who came to see us there. The previous day, we held Little Cuckoo's car boot sale at the show site which was also well attended, on a much sunnier day.

The Elizabethan Evening Society in Corsley have very generously donated £200 to Little Cuckoo's, so many thanks to them. The money will be used to buy an indoor sand and water table - the children are very much looking forward to it's arrival.

Don't forget **Bag2School** at Little Cuckoo's on **Monday 15th October**. Bags can be collected from Little Cuckoo's in Corsley, any unwanted clothes, shoes, curtains, etc, can be left at the school for collection. For more info call 01373 832206.

We hope you are all enjoying the new school year and have all settled in well.

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Pumpkin Pie

Ingredients

300g shortcrust pastry (plus a little plain flour for rolling out)
250g pumpkin purée
1tsp ground cinnamon
½tsp ground ginger
½tsp ground nutmeg
100g light brown soft sugar
2tbsp maple syrup
2 large eggs
150ml pot single cream
Roasted pumpkin seeds (optional decoration)

Method

Preheat the oven to 180°C (fan oven 160°C) or gas mark 4. Roll out the pastry on a lightly floured surface and line a 20cm tin.

Prick the base, line with greaseproof paper and weigh it down with baking beans or rice. Bake for 10 minutes.

Remove paper and beans, return the pastry base to the oven for 5 minutes, then remove and set aside.

Mix the pumpkin purée with the cinnamon, ginger, nutmeg, sugar and maple syrup.

Whisk the eggs and cream together in a large bowl until evenly mixed. Whisk in the pumpkin purée mixture and pour into the pastry case.

Bake the pumpkin pie for 30 minutes or until just set in the centre. Cool and decorate with pumpkin seeds.

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October preachers:

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14th	Mr A Coxhead, landscape gardener
21st	Mr R Wilson, Chapel member; delivers 'Good News' locally
28th	Reverend K Sobey, retired Baptist minister

Preacher feature

Our preacher on the 14th October is Andrew Coxhead, who lives in Warminster with his wife Sue and their four children. A period of redundancy years ago gave him the opportunity to work at his hobby, which is gardening.

Andrew has Christian parents (his father, John, also preaches at Whitbourne) and he attended Services three times each Sunday from his earliest days, but says he became a Christian on Sunday 7th September 1975, in a field near Chippenham! He'd gone there, with many others, to hear the evangelist Dick Saunders speak. It was the last night of the crusade and Dick Saunders told everyone they needed to accept Jesus as their Saviour.

The meeting finished with a hymn, sung by a choir, and that night, Andrew realised he couldn't sing the words any more without meaning them. He asked Jesus into his life, to forgive all he'd done wrong and to change him, to be more like Him. The hymn was by Charlotte Elliot:

*Just as I am, without one plea,
But that thy blood was shed for me
And that thou bid'st me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.*

As a teenager, Andrew was teaching younger children in the Sunday School and ran a youth club at the church. A lay preacher called Mr Driver gave Andrew ideas on studying God's Word, on preparing sermons and tips on preaching. Mr Driver always began his sermons by saying, "Let me tell you about my Jesus," and this is what Andrew tries to do.

Come along at 10.45 on the 14th, join us for tea and coffee, plus biscuits, and listen to Andrew speaking about his Saviour.

Corsley Show

Did you visit our gazebo? Were you one of the many who collected our different displays when the gazebo tried to leave the field, in the wind? If so, thank you very much! Fortunately for the Chapel, Ricky was with us for the day: the centre boss of the gazebo was fastened with nylon cord which was then tied round Ricky's waist - and there he sat until 3pm, until a new storm forced us to retreat from the field.

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- 3 1957 The children's cartoon hero Captain Pugwash makes his television debut
- 4 1911 Britain's first escalator opens at London's Earls Court
- 5 1930 The British airship R101 crashes near Beauvais, France killing 48 people.
- 6 1892 Death of the English Poet Laureate Alfred, Lord Tennyson, who immortalised 'The Six Hundred' in his poem, 'The Charge of the Light Brigade'
- 8 1967 Clement (Richard) Atlee dies. British Labour politician. As Prime Minister 1945-51 introduced radical reform of the social welfare system and introduced the NHS.
- 9 1967 Revolutionary leader Ernesto 'Che' Guevara is captured and shot dead in Bolivia
- 10 1913 Woodrow Wilson, US President opens the Panama Canal
- 12 1984 An IRA terrorist bomb kills 4 people at the Grand Hotel, Brighton, England
- 14 1066 Harold II, England's last Anglo-Saxon King was killed at the Battle of Hastings in Sussex - possibly by an arrow in the eye as shown in the Bayeux Tapestry.
- 16 1902 England's first prison for Young Offenders is opened at Borstal in Kent
- 17 1860 The first professional Golf Tournament is played at Prestwick, Scotland. Mr Willie Park heads the leader board
- 20 1632 Birth of English architect Christopher Wren (at East Knoyle). Responsible for the rebuilding of St. Paul's Cathedral following the Great Fire of London
- 21 1805 Admiral Nelson is mortally wounded at the Battle of Trafalgar, near Gibraltar.
- 22 1962 J F Kennedy, US President announces a blockade of Cuba in protest at Soviet missiles being located there..
- 23 1642 The first major battle of the English Civil War takes place at Edgehill in south Warwickshire. Charles I and Prince Rupert lead the Royalists and the Earl of Essex leads the Parliamentarians.
- 24 1537 Henry VIII's third wife, Jane Seymour dies following the birth of the future king Edward VI
- 26 1863 Formation of the English Football Association who documents the first rules of soccer
- 29 1618 English courtier, writer and explorer Sir Walter Raleigh is beheaded on the orders of King James I.
- 30 1925 The first television transmission of a moving image is made by Scottish inventor John Logie Baird.

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- 1 A Joey
- 2 Lloyds of London (now at 1 Lime Street)
- 3 Bing Crosby
- 4 Frog
- 5 The Stargazers (through the branch of the old oak tree!)
- 6 Car
- 7 Short sightedness
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Counselling: What it is and what it isn't

Caroline Le Vine, counsellor in Corsley

**Myth #6 –
counselling is
joyless; laughter
is not allowed.**

Not in my therapy room! Naturally, there's a right time for genuine laughter and times when it might actually be covering up another, less comfortable feeling which it's important to acknowledge and explore (as with the phrase, "If you don't laugh, you cry"). The best we can do together in therapy is to be deeply honest about how we feel and sometimes that means acknowledging joy and having a laugh. For me, it's important to celebrate when, for example, someone I work with has a

breakthrough, does something different and notices a change for the better – why wouldn't you celebrate that? It's amazing and I feel the joy of it. Laughter has other uses, as well, like releasing the tension after a particularly hard working session and that's fine, too as long as we both know what's going on. If it's part of your life, it's welcome in the counselling room and, if you want to, laugh!

If you've got something you'd like to explore, get in touch or find me at www.carolinelevine.co.uk. I practice at St Margaret's Church, Deep Lane. A first half hour meeting with me is free of charge. 07817 192008; le_vine@sky.com

Speeding traffic - a personal plea

May I ask drivers using the lane between Corsley Heath and Divers Bridge to remember that pedestrians are also using the same narrow lanes! Over recent weeks I've lost count of the number of problems I've had with vehicles whilst walking my granddaughter to Little Cuckoo's Pre-School.


The local police are monitoring the situation but I have been informed that the national speed limit (60mph) applies on that stretch of road. Are there any drivers from Corsley who go that speed there? I do hope not! If you use the lane, please do consider the possibility of encountering not just walkers, but also lorries, tractors and other cars coming in the opposite direction. If you have encountered problems on this stretch of road, please do contact me.

Jackie Prince
01373 832619

Church and Community Coffee Morning

On 20th September, between twenty and thirty people gathered in the Three Horse Shoes Chapmanslade, for the first Church & Community coffee morning. About thirty residents from Chapmanslade came together to enjoy good coffee and conversation, meeting newcomers and catching up with old friends.

This was the first, of what we hope will be a regular monthly event, which can be enjoyed by the whole community. The next one is on **October 18th 10 – 12pm** again by kind permission of the Three Horseshoes. Do come along and bring a friend.



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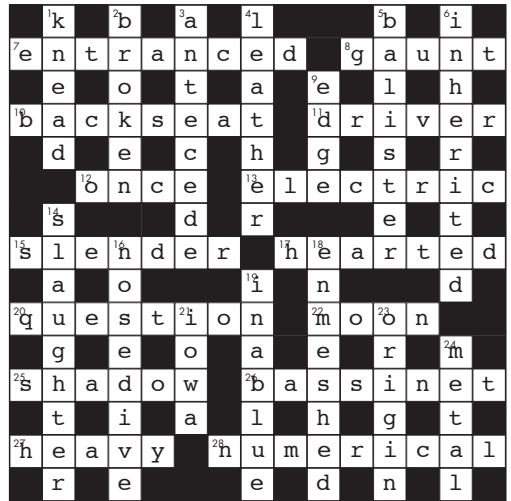
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For trade advertising enquiries, please contact David James (Trade advert coordinator/Treasurer) at either thebridge832@gmail.com or 01373 832443.