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October 2018



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#### 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

#### October

#### Tuesday 2nd

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

#### Thursday 4th

Harvest Celebration (26th year!) - short service, optional ploughman's, auction of gifts (gifts invited). All proceeds to Children's Hospice South West – 7pm, Standerwick Centre, Frome Market

Chapmanslade Parish Council meeting

#### Monday 8th and Thursday 11th

Biology Week 2018 – Q&A sessions on biology or other science, hosted by Emeritus Professor Nigel Brown – 7 pm, Three Horseshoes, Chapmanslade

#### Thursday 11th

Corsley WI - 'An Evening of Craftwork' - 7.30pm, Corsley Reading Room

#### Sunday 14th

Chapmanslade Chicken Chasers - walk of about 3 miles – meet at the later time of 3 pm, The Three Horseshoes

#### Thursday 18th

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

Cinema Corsley - 'The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society' - 7 for 7.30 pm, Corsley Reading Room. Also showing is the Oscar Winning short film 'The Silent Child'

#### Saturday 20th

'How Good is your Nose?' Wine Tasting Evening – 7 pm, Corsley Reading Room

#### Wednesday 24th

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

#### Saturday 27th

Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches Harvest Supper – 7 for 7.30 pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

#### Sunday 28th

Pub Quiz (teams of up to six) – 6 pm, Cross Keys Inn, Corsley

#### Wednesday 31st

Hallowe'en – join us for fancy dress, pumpkin soup, Hallowe'en cheesecake and much more... - Cross Keys Inn, Corsley

# Diary Dates

#### November

#### Tuesday 6th

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#### Thursday 8th

Corsley WI - 'Making a Christmas Wreath', with help from Debbie Fraser – 7.30pm, Corsley Reading Room

WW1 Centenary Armistice Concert - 7 pm, St Margaret's Church, Corsley CANCELLED

#### Sunday 11th

Remembrance Day:

10.30 am at the War Memorial followed by tree planting at the Memorial Playing Field followed by a 'Bring and Share' lunch at the Village Hall at 11.30am

Church Services – 10.50 am, St Margaret's Church, Corsley and St Philip and St James' Church, Chapmanslade

#### Thursday 15th

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

Cinema Corsley - compilation of British Pathé WW1 archives to commemorate the 100th year of the end of World War 1 – 7 for 7.30 pm, Corsley Reading Room

#### Tuesday 27th

Christmas Shopping Trip to West Quay, Southampton (see page 4)

#### Wednesday 28th

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

#### December

#### Saturday 1st

Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches. Christmas Coffee Morning 10.30 – 12 noon Stable Cottage Chapmanslade

#### Monday 3rd

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

#### Tuesday 4th

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

#### Wednesday 12th

Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches 12.30 pm – 2.00 pm Lite Bites Christmas Lunch Corsley Reading Room



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- 3 How old are you if you are a quadragenarian?
- 4 Which plant is also called woodbine?
- 5 What name is given to a score of 111 in cricket?
- 6 What is 'driven' by a mahout?
- 7 Which English King was last to die in battle?
- 8. The word 'ketchup' comes from which language?
- 9 What is a taipan?
- 10 Born Marie McDonald McLaughlin Lawrie in November 1948, how is this singer known?
- 11 One of the actors in the sitcom 'Dad's Army' had a clause put in his contract which stated he would neither lose his trousers nor have a bomb put down them in any episode. Which actor?
- 12 What is the most times a day of the week can occur in two months?

Answers on page 44

# 10th Wylye Valley Art Trail Saturday 18th to Monday 27th May 2019

The Wylye Valley Art Trail is set in southwest Wiltshire, covering Warminster, Westbury, Wylye, Maiden Bradley, Mere, Hindon, Tisbury and villages between. Visit open studios and workplaces, galleries, exhibitions by art groups, student groups and other exciting events including 'hands on' activities, demonstrations, workshops and talks. A unique opportunity to see the high standard of visual arts and crafts currently being carried out in the area, across a wide range of skills, from painting to print- making, furniture making to photography and sculpture to ceramics. It offers the chance to meet the artists and, in many cases, see where and how they work. Last year there were 73 venues, scattered across some of the most beautiful countryside this county has to offer. A wide and eclectic patchwork of art and craft from over 300 participants, ranging from award-winning artists with international reputations to others only just starting out on their creative paths.

2019 will see us celebrating the 10th Wylye Valley Art Trail so we're inviting artists, craftspeople and groups to take part. Maybe those who are new to the area, just out of art college or have been considering participating for a while. The art trail is open to any artist who lives, works or has a strong interest or connection with this area.

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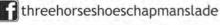
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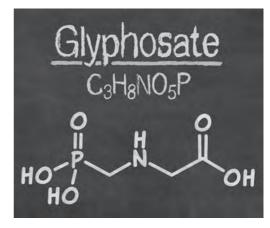
# Is glyphosate dangerous?

Glyphosate is a broad-spectrum herbicide, sold in DIY stores and garden centres and is widely used in farming

In August this year a groundskeeper in California was awarded US\$289 million (£226 million) after a jury decided that glyphosate had caused the non-Hodgkin's lymphoma from which he was dying. The findings were against Monsanto, which produces RoundUp (and RangerPro in the US) – a fast-acting herbicide containing glyphosate.

As well as being a herbicide, glyphosate is a desiccant and is sometimes used to dry cereals before harvest. There have been reports of trace amounts of glyphosate being detected in breakfast cereals

Should we be worried that this commonlyused chemical may cause cancer? This concern originated in a finding of the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), a panel operating under the auspices of the World Health Organisation. In 2015 they released a report stating that glyphosate "probably causes cancer". This conclusion was based on feeding high doses of alyphosate to experimental animals and was strongly disputed by the wider scientific community and other agencies. The European Food Standards Agency, the US Environmental Protection Agency, the **UN Food and Agriculture Organisation** and other parts of the World Health Organisation have stated that the scientific evidence is that glyphosate does not cause cancer.



The news agency Reuters published reports stating that important papers containing opposing evidence had been ignored by the IARC panel and that one member was employed by lawyers taking Monsanto to court. The IARC denied these allegations. I wrote briefly about the IARC in my February 2016 Bridge article "Is there anything that doesn't cause cancer?"

Detractors state that there has been a huge increase in herbicide use, because of the cultivation of so-called "RoundUp-ready" crops, which are resistant to alyphosate. While alyphosate use has indeed increased significantly, the total use of herbicides has decreased by 37% (figures published in 2014). Typically, glyphosate is applied once or twice during the growth of crops, whereas other herbicides may be applied multiple times. One US sugar beet farmer moved

from spraying 100 oz of mixed herbicides per acre six times a vear to spraying 30 oz RoundUp per acre once a year when he moved to growing RoundUp-ready beet.

So, what about the contamination of breakfast cereals? Yes, if glyphosate is used for drying cereals, there may be trace contamination. But the maximum ever detected by an anti-GMO organisation, the Environmental Working Group, was 1300 parts per billion in oatmeal, meaning a that an average-weight person would have to eat about 3,600 servings in a single day to reach the safety limit set by the US Environmental Protection Agency.

Interestingly, the Australian National Farmers Federation and the UK National Farmers Union have both stated that the jury verdict in California flies in the face of extensive scientific evidence that glyphosate is safe.

In fact, caffeine is 10 times more toxic and alcohol is a proven carcinogen. A number of countries have tried to ban alvphosate and some organisations, including Frome Council, have stopped using it. It is reported that some UK DIY chains are considering whether or not to sell it.

My view, based on the scientific evidence, is that alyphosate is safe at the concentrations used. This jury's verdict does not alter the scientific evidence. I will certainly continue to use it in my garden for as long as I am still able to buy it.

> Nigel Brown is happy to receive comments, questions and, especially, ideas for future articles at nigelbrown48@gmail.com

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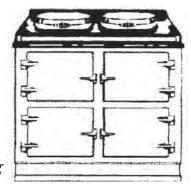
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#### **Corsley Parish Council**

# **Parish Council Briefing**

Chairman, Neil Britten, rounds up the PC's activity in September

The Parish Council (PC) met on 3rd September for its scheduled quarterly meeting. The agenda consisted of: the consideration of a planning application received, updates on streetscene, the Old School Playing Field and the wild flower meadow project, Neighbourhood Watch and everybody's favourite, General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR).

#### **New planning applications**

18/07456/FULSingle storey rear/side extension at Watersmeet, 54A Dertford, Corsley, BA12 7NP

The PC had no objection to the application

#### Streetscene

#### Parish Steward update

Visits were suspended in April and May, but the backlog of drain and grip and ditch clearance is largely up-to-date. The clearance of mud from Sturford Lane and the diagina out of key drainage ditches in Temple has also been completed.

A meeting is being coordinated between the Council and Longleat to improve the drainage of the bridle path which meets the lane just to the east of Longhedge. Currently it can deposit large amounts of silt and stone onto the road after heavy downpours.

#### CATG

Whitbourne Springs: Improvements to the iunction with the A362.

Awaiting outline plan from Wiltshire Council. The project will then be in a competitive process to access a county-wide fund because of the potential cost involved. The intention is to ask Longleat to contribute when rough costings are established.

#### Longhedge

The signing and two-way markings on the lane approaching the eastern end of Longhedge is now complete.

Corsley Heath Safety Improvements.

Category 1 CATG project awaiting costed plan from Wiltshire Council.

#### Other matters

#### Sturford Lane Tree Safety

There is an understandable concern from residents over the safety of trees along Sturford Lane. The PC has involved the Council to try and establish a way forward and has had useful input and discussion from one of the landowners. This is an ongoing issue.

#### www.corsleyandthebridge.co.uk

#### Speedwatch/lorrywatch

The PC wrote to the local authority in May seeking approval to mount a speedwatch. This has been followed up but no response has been received. The PC is considering whether to write direct to the Police and Crime Commissioner.

#### Old School Playing Field (OSPF)

It was reported that the discussions between the team running with the Wild Flower Meadow Project and the PC have now been concluded and the team can proceed with their plans to scarify, etc.

The Old School Playing Field site is also to include a fruit orchard Gill Parkinson has agreed to be the PC liaison with the orchard planting group. She reported that whilst there may be a few trees planted in the near future, the bulk will probably be planted in about 18 months time

#### Neighbourhood Watch

The Chair reported on discussions he'd had with the Chapmanslade PC representative on the way the issue is managed by them. Essentially the system relies upon a network of volunteers within the village who receive, disseminate and upload information on related matters using social media, various

websites and agreed distribution lists. The Chair volunteered to design, plan and coordinate a similar system to be used in Corslev.

#### **GDPR**

The policies and procedures necessary to enable the PC to comply with the current GDPR regime were approved. Please note that when contacting the PC Clerk, the PC Chair or the Parish Councillor with responsibility for streetscene, the following email addresses should be used:

Chair (Neil Britten) pc.corsleynb@gmail.com

Clerk (John Willcox) corsleypc jdw@aol.com

Streetscene (Simon Jasper) corsleypcroads@mail.com

#### **Dates of next meetings**

Quarterly Meeting Monday 3 December

All meetings start at 7.30 pm and are in the Lower Reading Room.

> pp Neil BRITTEN Chairman pc.corsleynb@gmail.com 01373 832515/07810 764714

# Chapmanslade Chicken Chasers

The Chapmanslade Chicken Chasers had an enjoyable stroll around the footpaths and lanes of Chapmanslade in September, with a slightly cloudy start clearing away to a lovely sunny finish. The group enjoyed glorious views on the way down to Heath House Farm and got to use the newly-installed kissing gate.

The next walk is on Sunday 14th October at the later time of 3 pm, meeting at the Three Horseshoes. Younger Chicken Chasers and four-legged friends are welcome for a walk of around three miles.

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## **Seven Open Doors**

#### Dear Friends,

I write on the most glorious autumn day of bright sunshine; the leaves are just turning and there was a real nip in the air this morning. The children are practicing their harvest songs and the hedges are resplendent with autumn berries. I must say the blackberries this year have been especially prolific and particularly sweet and juicy. I think I have become a bit obsessed by them and I keep an eye out for them when I'm driving around the lanes or walking the dogs who have become used to stopping and waiting patiently whilst I eat a few. I do share them and inevitably Alf the Labrador gobbles them up but Betty the Labradoodle sniffs hers suspiciously and then spits them out. We are so blessed are we not by the beauty of our surroundings made more so by the loveliness of the fading autumnal light. So often we forget how privileged we are to live in this place where we can enjoy the glories of the natural world on a daily basis.

Recently we had a lovely Songs of Praise service at Brixton Deverill church, which was an opportunity not only to sing our favourite hymns but to express praise and gratitude to God for the good things in our lives. We live in difficult times, in uncertain times when it is all too easy to submit to doom and gloom because it is disconcerting to feel that our grip on what was once a given is being eroded. The notion of 'the unknown' is not an idea we are overly fond of. Part of us would love to know how the future plays out, what to prepare for, what to let go because it won't be successful anyway. C.S. Lewis alludes to this desire in Prince Caspian, in this conversation between Lucy and Aslan. "Please Aslan!' said Lucy, "am I not to know?' "To know what would have happened, child?" said Aslan. "No, nobody is ever told that." "Oh dear," said Lucy. Not knowing what the future holds brings a certain uneasiness to our lives. And yet, in a strange way, there is comfort in the fact as well. Whatever happens to us and our loved ones is out of our hands; we simply don't know anything about it. I don't believe in a God who inflicts pain and suffering on her children to 'teach them a lesson' or 'to make them a better person.' But I do believe in a God who holds us in the palm of her hand wherever we find ourselves and from whose love we can never be separated whatever life throws at us.

So enjoy and give thanks for this wonderful world and yes, I know there is much pain and suffering, but there is beauty too.

With love and prayers

**Pauline** 

#### October Church Diary

#### Saturday 6th October

4.30pm at St Peter & St Paul's, Longbridge Deverill Wedding of Ian Meadows and Elizabeth Scott



Sunday 7th October: Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity
8am at St Michael the Archangel, Brixton Deverill: 1662 Holy Communion
9.30am at St Margaret's, Corsley: Harvest Eucharist
Launch of Operation Christmas Child – Distribution of shoeboxes
10.30am at St Peter & St Paul's, Longbridge Deverill: Harvest Festival
5pm at St John the Baptist, Horningsham: Harvest

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Monday 8th October

10.30am at 5 Brimhill Rise, Chapmanslade: Time to Think

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Tuesday 9th October

7.30pm at 129d Forest Walk, Chapmanslade: After Alpha Home Group

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Saturday 13th October

2pm to 3.30pm at Chapmanslade School: Harvest Messy Church

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Sunday 14th October: Twentieth Sunday after Trinity
9.30am at St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade: Family Harvest Communion
10.30am at St Mary the Virgin, Kingston Deverill: Eucharist
11am at St Margaret of Antioch, Corsley: 1662 BCP Harvest Matins



Thursday 18th October

10am - Noon at Three Horseshoes: Church & Community Coffee Morning 7.30pm at St Boniface Hall, Warminster: West Wiltshire Theology Group

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Sunday 21st October: Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity 10.30am at St Michael the Archangel, Brixton Deverill: Eucharist 10.30am at St Margaret of Antioch, Corsley: Family Worship

#### Monday 22nd October

10.30am at 9 Cleyhill Gardens, Chapmanslade: Time to Think

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#### Wednesday 24th October

12.30pm at Corsley Reading Rooms: Lite Bite Soup Lunch

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#### Saturday 27th October

7pm at Chapmanslade Village Hall: Harvest Supper

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9.30am at St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade: Eucharist 10.30am at St Peter & St Paul, Longbridge: Eucharist 4.30pm at St John the Baptist, Horningsham: All Souls

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#### Tuesday 30th October

7.30pm at Honeysuckle Cottage, Corsley: After Alpha Home Group

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#### Sunday 4th November: All Saints

8am at St Mary the Virgin, Kingston Deverill: 1662 Holy Communion 9am at St Peter & St Paul's, Longbridge Deverill: Morning Worship followed by breakfast

9.30am at St Margaret's, Corsley: Eucharist Collection of shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child

#### **Operation Christmas Child**

We shall be distributing shoeboxes for the annual appeal for Operation Christmas Child from the first Sunday in October. There will be supplies of shoeboxes at Corsley and Chapmanslade churches. The full boxes will be returned at the service at Corsley on 4th November and Chapmanslade on 11th November prior to the Remembrance commemoration.

#### Harvest Celebrations

The first Harvest Service will be at St Margaret's on October 7th. This will be followed the next Sunday, the 14th, with a Harvest Service at St Philip & St James'. On the same Sunday there will be a special Book of Common Prayer Harvest Matins at St Margaret's.

Our very popular Harvest Supper will take place on Saturday 27th at the Chapmanslade Village Hall. Please see full details in the advert elsewhere in the Bridge.

#### WW1 & Remembrance Centenary Commemoration

At 10.30am on Sunday 11th November we shall assemble around the War Memorial in Chapmanslade which will have a Garden of Remembrance. This will be followed by the planting of a tree for each of the fallen, and a dedication to the fallen at the Memorial Field. This will be followed by a "bring and share" lunch.

A service of Remembrance will be held at St Margaret's at 10.50am

The new book by Fiona Carruthers and Phil Jefferson will be on sale over this weekend with the net proceeds going to the Royal British Legion. The book gives an overview of life in Corsley and Chapmanslade during the period of the First World War as well as listing all the known details of the men from our two villages who lost their lives during the conflict. This excellent book will be on sale at the concert and the lunch.

#### **Fundraising**

Our now traditional Christmas Coffee Morning will be held on Saturday 1st December at The Stable Cottage, Chapmanslade from 10.30am until 12 noon. There will be various stalls and produce as well as coffee and mince pies. The Christmas 50/50 Draw will also take place at this event

#### Welcome, Congratulations & Farewell

We welcome the following who have been baptised into our church family: Sonny Crone at Brixton Deverill on 2nd September; Ottilie Katharine Ellen Hares at Corsley on 9th September; Arthur Ronald Bailey at Corsley on 16th September; Matilda Crocker at Chapmanslade on 16th September and Lara Cooksey at Kingston Deverill on September 23rd.

We congratulate Martin Holmyard and Cynthia Casey on their marriage at Corsley on 8th September.

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#### **Corsley WI**

# September news



From womb to tomb was the title of the speakers presentation at the meeting on 13th September in the Reading Rooms. With slight apprehension, not quite knowing what to expect, we gathered to hear Fiona Carruthers present a very professional, thought provoking, yet considerate (to those who don't eat meat) talk on the importance of meat as part of a healthy balanced diet.

Some of the main points of interest included:

- the fact that in discovering the sculls of very early man and woman the teeth and iaw structure demonstrated that humans have been eating meat for 7 million years.
- that meat is important in a healthy balanced diet from conception and pregnancy, through childhood, adulthood and in the later years of life (hence the title of the presentation).
- whilst a lot of essential vitamins, minerals, proteins, fats etc are readily available in sensible portions of meat, to achieve the same intake from alternative food sources. would often require you to eat a huge quantity. Certainly the myth of Popeye and the can of spinach was quashed... it maybe should have been Popeye and the rare steak or 3 buckets full of spinach!?
- Fiona also quashed some of the myths about eating meat, such as red meat giving you cancer, and explained the reality behind the sensationalised facts and figures presented in the media.
- the conclusion was that we should be eating roughly 3-4 portions of red meat a week.

 but we did recognise that eating meat is not for all and that we should respect personal choice and opinions on differing diets

The talk was well attended by both members, potential members and visitors, and we even had 3 men there (woooh!).

The competition was for a photo of a farm animal. This was won by Caroline with a lovely photo of cattle, second was Di with a wonderful cockerel and third was myself with one of my husbands cute but definately non thorough bred calves.

The next meeting is at 7.30pm on 11th October in the Reading Rooms when we will be making poppy themed craft items for the WW1 Remembrance Centenary Commemoration in the village. Please feel free to come along and join us if you are interested, or even better, if you have any artistic inspiration on this theme please bring it with you along with the materials to create it! It would be great to see you there and it's a really good way of making friends in the village.

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. Alice Helliar

#### One Team

# **Community Policing**

Warminster Town and Villages combined (Area Board)

Warminster Area board includes two Beat Areas, 1 for the Town, (ER11) and one for Rural and Villages (ER12).

#### August 2018 Data

August 2018 showed a total of 126 crimes for the whole Warminster Area Board region against the average of 113.1 for this same month over the last 2 years. This is within the parameters we would reasonably expect. There are no exceptions within the data.

#### **ER12 Warminster Rural and Villages**

August 2018 showed a total of 44 crimes for the ER12 area against the average of 37.3 for this same month over the last two years. There are no exceptions within the data. The six largest crime groups accounted for 100% of this recorded crime as follows:

- Theft showed 15 crimes compared to the average of 9.1
- Burglary showed 9 crimes compared to the average of 5.2
- Vehicle Crime showed 7 crimes compared to the average of 6
- Violence Against the person showed 6 crimes compared to the average of 8.9
- Criminal damage showed 4 crimes compared to the average of 4.5
- Public Order offences showed 3 crimes compared to the average of 1.6.



#### **Locally reported crimes**

#### Corslev Heath

Between 7pm on the 14th August and 10am on the 15th August, suspect(s) gained access to stables and a storage room and stole a two-wheeled horse carriage, two horse bridles and a four-wheeled carriage.

#### Other information

The Wiltshire Police website has had a bit of an upgrade and there has been a drive to improve the information about policing in the local Community Policing Team (CPT) area. If you now go the web page...

#### www.wiltshire.police.uk

...scroll down to the 'News' tab, there is a box you can click entitled 'Your area'. If you click on this, you will be taken to a map. Click on 'Wiltshire West' and this is the page for your CPT Team. On this page you will see a range of useful features including a summary of the latest news as well as further links to your local team. Here you will see the general email address for the team if you wish to make contact.

There is also a new section on the priorities for West Wiltshire CPT. These are just a brief list with a summary of up to three priorities set at our regular Tasking Meeting.

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Did you know that all our front-line services are delivered by volunteers? These are people of all ages and backgrounds who provide essential and invaluable support to the older people in our communities. Their skills are as wide and varied as the volunteer roles we have to offer

Are you a 'people person' and enjoy faceto-face contact or like helping behind the scenes? Have you recently retired or are working part time? Perhaps you are between jobs or looking for experience in the charity sector. No matter how much, or how little time you have available, we will do our best to match your skills and experience with a role that you will find worthwhile.

Our current volunteering roles in your local area are:

Office-based Advice Volunteers – at our Salisbury office helping our clients with more complex queries and requests for information which can range from looking for a local tradesperson or enquiring about benefits. Travel expenses are reimbursed.

Community-based Advice Volunteers – you would be visiting our clients at home to undertake benefits checks or help them with filling in forms.

Home from Hospital Volunteers – SP1, SP2 and SP5 postcodes only, visiting people recently returned home from a spell in hospital to help with routine tasks on a short-term basis.

#### Community Support Volunteer Visitors

- visiting socially isolated older people at home with the aim of helping them reconnect with their community and develop new friendships.

We're also looking for **knitters and** crocheters who can help us knit or crochet little woolly hats for The Big Knit 2018 campaian.

More information about all our roles can be found on our website www.ageukwiltshire.org.uk or by calling our office on 01380 727767 or emailing us at volunteering@ageukwiltshire.org.uk

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#### 27th October to 11th November

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As it is 100 years since the end of the First World War, there are many commemoration events being organised around the country. Here in Corsley and Chapmanslade there are several special events as well as church services on Remembrance Sunday. More information about these can be found elsewhere in this edition of The Bridge.

The British Legion was formed at the end of the First World War to help injured soldiers. Today, their work continues giving practical help, advice and support to serving members of the Armed Forces and veterans of all ages, as well as their families.

You can support the work of the British Legion by wearing a poppy. Wearing a poppy is a personal choice and reflects individual and personal memories. There is no compulsion, but wearing the poppy is greatly appreciated by those your donation helps.

#### The poppy is

- A symbol of Remembrance and hope
- Worn by millions of people



 Red because of the natural colour of a field of poppies

The poppy is most definitely NOT

- A symbol of death or a sign of support for war
- A reflection of politics or religion
- Red to reflect the colour of blood

Over the years, the villages of Corsley and Chapmanslade have raised thousands of pounds to support the appeal. Last year you helped raise £2,388.33. Once we have had our gift aid added, we expect the total raised to be over £2,600.

This year house-to-house collections will start on Saturday 27th October ready for Armistice Day and Remembrance Sunday on 11th November. There is a wonderful team of dedicated volunteer collectors, some of whom have been collecting for over 30 years (the oldest is 90 years old and still volunteering). However, we always welcome and are very grateful for new collectors. If you are interested either in collecting or feel that your venue would be suitable to host a collection box, please do contact me (details below). It needn't take up too much of your time and you can collect at any time convenient to you during the two weeks.

If you are a regular collector in Corsley or Chapmanslade please would you contact me as soon as possible to confirm your availability to collect again this year.

So please look out for our house-tohouse collectors and support them by donating towards poppies (they also have badges and bracelets). You can also get them from the pubs in Corsley and Chapmanslade, Chapmanslade School, Little Cuckoos or Acres Supply.

Many thanks

Jackie Jasper Area Poppy Appeal Organiser 01373 832301

#### community news

#### **Chapmanslade Parish Council**

# Parish Council **Briefing**

Notes from the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 30th August

At the start of the meeting there was a query from a member of the public about post going astray. From the response it did not appear to be anything other than a localised issue but a note was made of the problem.

In correspondence received we are being asked to take part in the consultation about the new local authority boundaries. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to discuss at the October meeting when hopefully we will have more information.

There were two planning applications before the council:

**Fairview Farm** – new canopy to outbuildings. 49 High Street - extension.

There were no objections to either application.

The Chair provided information on the plans for the Remembrance Day commemorations on Sunday November 11th.

#### **Next meeting**

The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday 4th October.

> Keith Muston, Chair 01373 832755 themustons@btinternet.com

# Cinema Corsley

The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society (Certificate 12A) **Thursday 18th October** 



Doors open 7pm for a 7.30pm start at Corsley Reading Room. Tickets £6 from Acres Supply (cash only please) or on the door Refreshments and a licensed bar

Continuing our war-themed season as we move towards the centenary of Armistice Day, the Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Society is set in the aftermath of WW2. The cumbersome name of this book club was coined to save a group of Guernsev islanders during Nazi occupation.

A letter sent by one book club member to a young London writer results in her visiting the island to unwrap their wartime experiences, along with secrets as yet unburied.

Simpler than its title suggests, the film is saved from being purely a love story through its 'whodunnit' twist and clever direction of a well-picked cast.

By popular request, we are also showing the 2018 Live Action Short Film Oscar winner 'The Silent Child' (20 minutes).

Set in rural England, the story follows Libby, a profoundly deaf child. Her family of two elder siblings, a constantly overwhelmed mother and a workaholic husband, seek out a quick fix to make their 'broken' child more equipped to handle the real world. But it soon becomes apparent Libby is not the one who needs fixing.





At the October film night, we will also be showing the 2018 Live Action Short Film Oscar winner 'The Silent Child' (20 minutes). This film has been

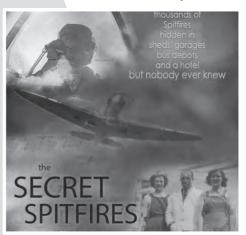
requested by a few of our regular audience and we so are delighted that we have been able to get hold of it to show at Cinema Corsley.

Set in rural England, the story follows Libby, a profoundly deaf child. Her middle-class family; consisting of two elder siblings, a constantly overwhelmed mother and a workaholic husband, seek out a quick fix to make their 'broken' child more equipped to handle the real world. But when they employ the help of a deaf-specialised social worker it becomes apparent that Libby is not the one who needs to be fixed

### Looking ahead... **Thursday 15th November**

Our special commemoration evening, just a few days after the Armistice Day Centenary, features a compilation of British Pathé WW1 archives. This definitive collection of short films gives us detailed insight into life during the conflict.

In the second part of the evening we fastforward to WW2. The Secret Spitfires



(Certificate PG, 65 minutes) charts the story of the many women and girls, and the handful of men, who built Spitfires in secret - in Wiltshire, Having seen the Spitfire factories in Southampton destroyed, the British had to establish an alternative supply. As a result, thousands of spitfires were built in secret, hidden in sheds, garages, bus depots and even a hotel. This incredible story, told by those involved, describes their undercover lives, the extent of which they themselves didn't fully understand.

#### Futures date for the autumn/winter film season:

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Did you visit the 100th Corsley Show on August Bank Holiday Monday? If so, I hope you were one of the many people that day who called at the Chapel gazebo. There's never a door to our stall – nothing to keep people out. We welcome all-comers, to sit and chat, to rest, to share our water, enjoy our biscuit supplies and to browse the materials on offer for free.

Our preacher for the Sunday after the show was local businessman Russell Short, whose text was 'Behold, I stand at the door and knock ... ' from Revelation 3:20 These words are quoted by Apostle John in the New Testament's final book, Revelation, and Russell asked: "Why doesn't Jesus just smash the door down?" It's an amusing auestion on the face of it – but bursting into our lives, whether we want Him there or not, isn't what Jesus wants, is it? That approach removes the element of free will God's given us; the decision to let Jesus in has to be ours, not His.

I've recently returned from my latest holiday to Rome, where 'open entry' isn't much of an option, these days. Security was tight last year, but has been increased since, not just at the airport, but in the Eternal City itself. Getting into some sites, like the Vatican and the Colosseum, plus some of the main churches, involved queueing and pocket-emptying, scanning and even

questions. What a pain, in a week when the temperatures were over thirty degrees every day; indeed, I actually decided not to visit one site that's been on my wish list for several years. It also felt wrong to be hindered from entering the churches in particular; how can people come to God if there's no open entry into the places of worship?

Rome's churches are rarely open from noon till three in the afternoon, anyway, as that's the designated lunch period; I accept that. I also accept that the modern world presents risks to certain buildings and institutions that can't be ignored. However, security that prevents open access seems to fly in the face of Jesus' command, that all should have access to Him. He doesn't smash His way into our lives, but for some, security guards and barriers may lessen their chances of easily finding their way into His.

#### **Harvest Service**

Our Harvest Service took place on Sunday 16th September, led by Colin Chapman, who's based at Ebenezer Chapel in Melksham. The Chapel decorations included a few Italian foodstuffs, brought back from Italy by me and supplemented with a local supermarket's version of focaccia bread.

> Gill Redman 01985 215062 paradiselost@btinternet.com

### **Regular times**

Services every Sunday morning at 11.00 for about an hour (coffee served at 10.45) Chapel Prayer meeting every Sunday morning from 10.20 - 10.40 Communion on the first Sunday of each month at 12 noon for 15 minutes Bible study sessions as announced



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### **Cross Keys News**

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September saw the first Cross Kilo Burger Challenge – one kilo of prime steak topped with back bacon and cheese, served with giant Spanish onion rings, double dipped chips and slaw. Finish it in half hour and the chef foots the bill!! Pre-booked challengers only.

#### **Future Events**

### Sunday 28th October

Pub Quiz – teams of up to six; book by Saturday 27th October if you'd like chips and nibbles

### Wednesday 31st October

Hallowe'en - join us for fancy dress, pumpkin soup, Hallowe'en cheesecake and much more

### Sunday 4th November

Bonfire Night menu.

Our Christmas Menu is available on the

website. We have a round table set up in a private part of the pub which seats 10 – ideal for work do's or family gatherings. The Oak Apple Room has been given revamp with help from our community volunteers and is looking fabulous – perfect for hosting your private function or celebration. Contact the pub to view and discuss catering options.

Please check the website www.crosskeyscorsley.co.uk or our Facebook page Cross Keys Inn Corsley for details of events, our new menu or contact the pub on 01373 832406.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

### New opening hours

### Monday

5.30 pm to 10 pm (no food served on Monday)

### Tuesday

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### Wednesday

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### Thursday

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### A view from over the hedge...

## **Countryside Matters**

We thank thee then, O Father, for all things bright and good, the seed-time and the harvest, our life, our health, our food...

Harvest has come early due to the long dry summer months. Crops have been lighter than usual, but drying grain has not been a problem as it just wasn't necessary – at least there was a saving on drying costs.

Maize harvesting is now in full swing, but early morning dew and light showers during the day bring problems with heavy equipment bringing soil onto the roads.

Sadly some of the winter root crops did not germinate so there will be a shortage of winter feed for out-wintered cattle. Quite a lot of grass silage has already been fed to the cows because the pasture dried up during the hot summer weather.

Thankfully, due to the excellent care by all the farm staff, we are now extremely busy with our autumn calving herd entailing 24hour vigilance; making sure calves are born into safe and healthy surroundings with their mothers in good condition to feed the

essential colostrum milk (first milk) within minutes of the calves' birth

It is a real headache planning winter feeding as so much will need to be bought in to supplement poor or nonexistent crops due to early wet and cold months back in the spring and then extremely hot and dry weather throughout the long summer.

Once again we have been hit with heavy losses of calves and cattle who reacted when tested for TB and, due to the low price of cattle going through the stock markets (many sheep and cattle are having to be sold as there is little affordable feedstuffs available to keep them through the winter) our compensation for the loss of stock is very small.

How lucky we are to look out and see such lovely scenery, our woodlands are at their most beautiful with wonderful colours and the fields have turned green after many months of bare earth - how fortunate we are in comparison to so many countries

> who have suffered devastation with hurricanes, floods and more extreme hot weather than we suffered

Do join us at our Harvest Thanksgiving celebrations in our churches and Harvest Supper at Chapmanslade Village Hall.

Judith Helliar

### **Corsley Reading Room**

## Your 'village hall'

The old telephone phone box now has the 'information' signs installed.

Don't forget the next Coffee Morning is Tuesday 2nd October, 10am to 12 noon; the next Cinema Corsley evening is Thursday 18th October. Details on the upcoming films are on our website and elsewhere in this publication.

A lock is now fitted to the dishwasher power supply and will only be made available to trained/authorised users

We are pleased to report that the wine tasting event 'How Good is Your Nose?) in October is now sold out!

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@corsleyreadingroom.org.uk or 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

### 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)

# **Church and Community Coffee Mornings**

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

If you're new to the village, this is the place to come to be warmly welcomed and to say hello. Pauline, our vicar, and Debbie or Candy, our PCSOs, are often able to join us. We look forward to seeing you.

### **Small ads**

 $\mathfrak E1$  for EACH item for sale or wanted (cash only please) - at one of the two drop-off locations)

Please note: no cash, no advert!

# Light Bites is back!

Come and join us for scrumptious soup and convivial conversation.

Light Bite lunches are held every fourth Wednesday of the month at 12.30pm in the Reading Room.

Everyone welcome – we look forward to seeing many old faces and lots of new ones too.

### **Mole Catcher**

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#### **Answers to Bob's Bafflers**

- 1 West Side Story
- 2 Solomon
- 3 Between 40 49
- 4 Honeysuckle, but the term can also relate to creepers
- 5 A Nelson
- 6 An elephant
- 7 Richard III at Bosworth Field in August 1485
- 8 Chinese
- 9 A snake
- 10 Lulu
- 11 Arthur Lowe who else could it have been!!
- 12 Nine

### **Local organisation adverts**

£2 per month for a small boxed advert or £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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