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September 2018

monthly magazine for the villages
of Corsley and Chapmanslade



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

File types

Save your files as .doc – please don't send .docx files – I can't always open them successfully.

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Deadline

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

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

September

Monday 3rd

Corsley Festival Choir rehearsals start – 7.15 pm,
St Margaret's Church, Corsley – come and meet fellow choristers for wine and nibbles too
Corsley Parish Council Quarterly Meeting – 7.30 pm, Corsley Reading Room

Tuesday 4th

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

Thursday 13th

Corsley WI - 7.30pm, Corsley Reading Room, 'From Womb to Tomb', Fiona Carruthers on the importance of meat in the diet

Saturday 15th

Apple Pressing Day – 11 am to 4 pm, Corsley Memorial Playing Field

Sunday 16th

Chapmanslade Chicken Chasers walk – meet at 10.30am at the Three Horseshoes
'The Merchant of Venice' performed by Illyria – 2.30 pm, at The Elizabethan Playhouse, Manor Farm, Corsley

Thursday 20th

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

Cinema Corsley - 'The Post' – 7 for 7.30 pm, Corsley Reading Room

Wednesday 26th

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

Chapmanslade Players - auditions from 6.30 pm, St Phillip & St James' Church

Thursday 27th

Chapmanslade Parish Council – 7.30 pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

Friday 28th

Macmillan Coffee Morning – 10 am - 4 pm, Barters Plant Centre, Chapmanslade

October

Tuesday 2nd

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

Monday 8th and Thursday 11th



Diary Dates

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

Thursday 18th

Church and Community Coffee Morning – 10 am - 12 noon, Three Horseshoes
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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
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Saturday 27th

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The next walk will be on **Sunday 16th September at 10.30am** meeting at the Three Horseshoes. Younger Chicken Chasers and four-legged friends are welcome.

For further information call **Jaimie** on **07740 473725**

Date for your diary

World War I Centenary Armistice Concert

7pm, Thursday 8th November

The Appolo Productions are putting on an Armistice Concert in St Margaret's Church called The Accrington Pals. The evening will start at 7pm with First World War songs, poems, readings, a history of the war, etc., followed at 8pm by the play.

Tickets will cost £8 with a pay bar at the back of the Church (all profits to British Legions charities).

The history book compiled by Fiona Carruthers and Philip Jefferson of the Corsley and Chapmanslade fallen will be available on the night.

More information will appear in the October edition of The Bridge.

Panto News!

After the success of Old Mother Hubbard, the next panto for the Chapmanslade Players will be... Cinderella!



Performance dates will be Thursday 7th to Saturday 9th February.

Auditions are to be held **Wednesday 26th September** from **6.30pm** at St Phillip & St James' Church, Chapmanslade. All details will be posted on the Chapmanslade village website www.chapmansladevillage.org.uk

If you would like to get involved, even if you don't want to appear on stage, we would love to hear from you. There are many jobs to undertake and, as they say, many hands make light work.

Contact Lou Knight on 07806 486295 or email: louknight@rocketmail.com

Bob's bafflers

- 1 The warmth rating of what is measured in togs?
- 2 How many faces does a tetrahedron have?
- 3 What is the capital of Croatia?
- 4 Which element has the atomic number 1?
- 5 Which word can go before 'beer', 'bread' and 'nut'?
- 6 In which country is the Spanish Riding School?
- 7 Who wrote the novel Rob Roy?
- 8 What is the heating process called which destroys enzymes in milk?
- 9 In measuring the height of horses, how many inches make up a hand?
- 10 Which organ of the body produces bile?
- 11 Which creatures live in a formicary?
- 12 What is the only English anagram of the word 'crouton'?

Answers on page 48

Xmas Holiday Let Wanted

Our son, Shane and his family (16, 14 and 12) from Adelaide, Australia, are visiting us for Christmas. We have left our large house in Chapmanslade and are now down to two bedrooms and a shower room! We are looking for a holiday let, Airbnb, cottage, mobile home, etc., (preferably within five miles of Frome) from December 20th to January 14th. Any suggestions would gratefully appreciated.

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Church and Community

Coffee Mornings

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Biology: changing the world

What's the fuss about gasification?

As a nation we produce too much waste. What can we do about it?

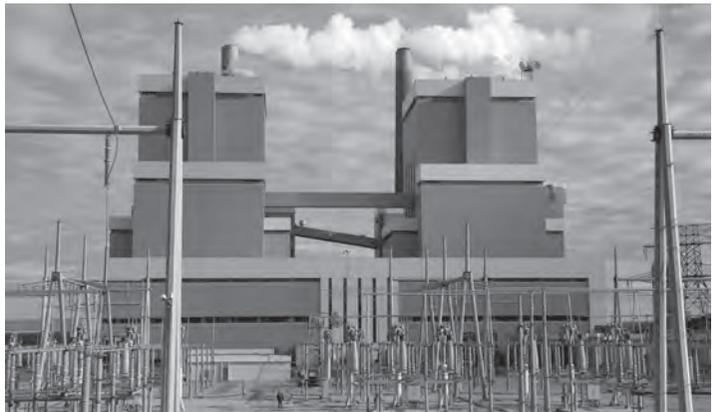
One solution is not to generate waste, and the recent publicity about avoiding the use of plastics is an example of this. If we cannot prevent waste being generated, then recycling is the next best option. However, some waste products cannot easily be recycled for reuse. The traditional way of dealing with such waste was to put it into landfill or to incinerate it.

Waste in landfill generates nothing useful and may, as it decomposes, produce large amounts of methane, a potent greenhouse gas contributing to global warming. Incineration, however, can produce something useful – heat. Incineration plants can use the heat to generate steam to drive turbines and produce electricity.

Unlike incineration, which gives total combustion of waste leaving only non-combustible residue, gasification uses partial combustion to produce carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and hydrogen. These three gases are known as 'syngas', which can be used to make a variety of chemicals. If burnt, syngas is highly efficient in generating steam to produce electricity

Gasification is not a new technique. Those of us old enough to remember the days before North Sea gas may have used the product of gasification of coal – town gas. This left a useful solid product – coke. Gasification of municipal waste will also leave some solid products that need to be disposed of, but these are small in comparison with the total amount of waste treated, and normally go to construction or to landfill once valuable items such as metals have been removed.

There are plans to build a gasification plant on the Northacre Industrial Park in Westbury. This 'Advanced Thermal Treatment Facility' can get rid of municipal waste, create useful compounds for the chemical industry and generate electricity



from the heat. So, why have strong protests arisen?

The Westbury Gasification Action Group is concerned that the processes being implemented to remove particles from the flue gases may not be sufficient to prevent ultrafine particles being released, which may cause health issues downwind of the site. A 2017 review of the scientific literature on the health effects of incinerators stated that, although health problems had been identified in several studies, no causal link with incineration had been established. In other words, there is no proven linkage between incineration and adverse health effects on residents.

However, there is also huge concern from Westbury residents and our MP that transport of waste to the site would generate too much lorry traffic on the A350, as the economic model for the plant apparently required waste to come from many miles

away. Wiltshire Council has recently recommended that the plans are refused when they go to the Secretary of State for a final decision.

In my view the ideal form of waste management is not to generate it in the first place. If that is not possible, then recycle! Incineration and landfill are less desirable than gasification, which does at least offer the chance to reuse some of the municipal waste as feedstock for chemical industries or as a high-value fuel. However, the protestors have a point - building a gasification plant very close to a town with limited access routes is not a good idea.

Nigel Brown is happy to receive comments, questions and, especially, ideas for future articles at nigelbrown48@gmail.com. As always, this is a personal view. The topic of this article was suggested by a reader.

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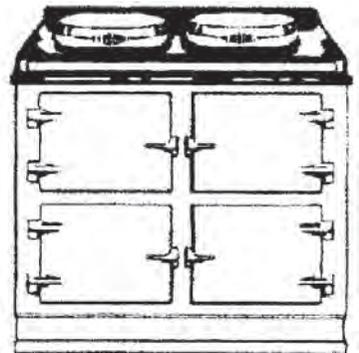


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Cinema Corsley

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The Post is set in 1971 during Nixon's tenure as US President. It tells the story, from within the Washington Post, of the battle, started by the New York Times, to print the truth about the Vietnam war. At a pivotal time in American history, the White House administration threatens to prosecute the press to prevent publication of political papers on the grounds it would damage national security.

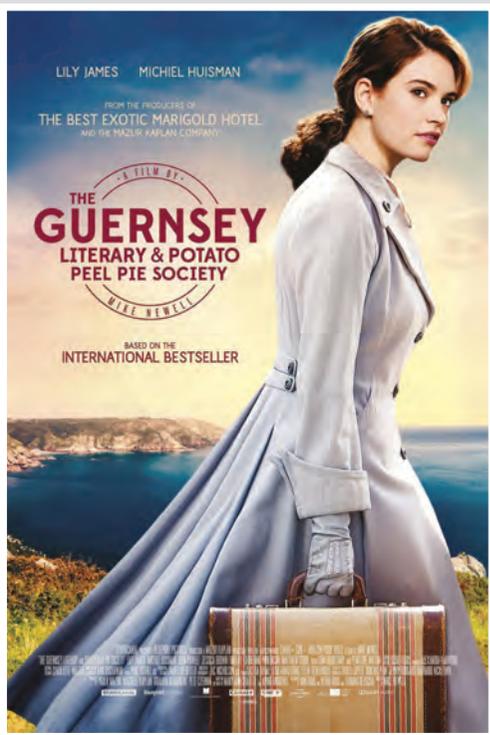
Although historical, there are clear parallels with today's antagonistic relationship between the US press

and administration. Through subtle promotion, it provides a timely reminder of the sanctity of a free press.

In their first film together, Steven Spielberg directs Meryl Streep in a subtle and shrewd performance as Post publisher Kay Graham, together with a dignified Tom Hanks as her executive editor.

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.





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

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 what is a book club was coined to save a group of Guernsey 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. The lead role belongs

to Lily James of *Downton Abbey* and *Darkest Hour*, joined by Michiel Huisman, Penelope Wilton, Tom Courtenay and Matthew Goode.

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.



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Dear Friends,

My youngest child is now 31, but September will always be associated in my thoughts with new beginnings; with new, pristine school uniforms, with the nervous anticipation of getting to know a new teacher. But the thing that I associate with September more than anything else, and which still gives me a slight lurch of panic when I think about it, is the purchase of new shoes. Having to buy four children a new pair of shoes was a huge expense not to mention the actual awfulness of trying to find shoes that both fitted and did not offend the sensibilities of the aforementioned children, who had I may say, precise and exacting standards. Being a good mummy I did what was advised and bought my children good shoes, namely leather Startrite ones and had them properly fitted at a proper shoe shop. Of course this was all well and good when they were little and still thought I was the fount of all knowledge. Sadly, by the time they reached their mid teens these children with beautiful unmarked feet refused to kowtow to the dictates of their mother and chose their own footwear; need I say more. A couple of years ago I happened to notice my youngest daughter's feet which sadly, bore the marks of many an ill fitting shoe and I could have cried when I remembered the trouble I went to in caring for those feet.

We are all born with beautiful feet and there is something infinitely moving is there not about a newborn baby's, so tiny and perfect, so unmarked by the necessities of life and its demands. As brand spanking new human beings we arrive to inhabit lives that will mould us and mark us. Sometimes we will make good and healthy choices; sometimes choices that scar us, that twist us, to go back to the image of new shoes: that give us blisters or bunions. Sometimes through no fault of our own life itself bends us in ways that cause us to cry out at the unfairness of it all. But that beautiful, unique, divinely formed person is still there. I like to think that when God looks at us her precious children - and yes she may weep at the terrible choices we make sometimes and the damage we inflict on ourselves and our fellow human beings - she sees us, really sees us with all the mess and mucked-upness of our lives, and in her eyes we are perfect and beautiful still. It is actually really hard for us to see ourselves the way God sees us, it is much easier to beat ourselves up as terrible failures than believe that we are precious, beautiful and loved.

All this makes me think of George Herbert's wonderful, wonderful poem, 'Love (111)' which starts 'Love bade me welcome' I haven't got room to write it out here but do go and read it, it is exquisite.

So enjoy September! And good luck with shoe buying and the start of a new term.

With love and prayers

Pauline

September Church Diary

Sunday 2nd September: Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

8am at St Mary the Virgin, Kingston Deverill: 1662 Holy Communion

9.30am at St Margaret's, Corsley: Eucharist

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



Saturday 8th September

2pm at St Margaret of Antioch, Corsley

Wedding of Martin Holmyard and Cynthia Casey



Sunday 9th September: Education Sunday

9.30am at St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade: Family Holy Communion

10.30am at St Peter & St Paul's, Longbridge Deverill: Family Service to welcome
Mrs Nic Ilic, headteacher of Crockerton School

11am at St Margaret of Antioch, Corsley: 1662 BCP Matins



Monday 10th September

10.30am at 5 Brimhill Rise, Chapmanslade

Time to Think



Tuesday 11th September

7.30pm at The Anchorage, Corsley

After Alpha Home Group

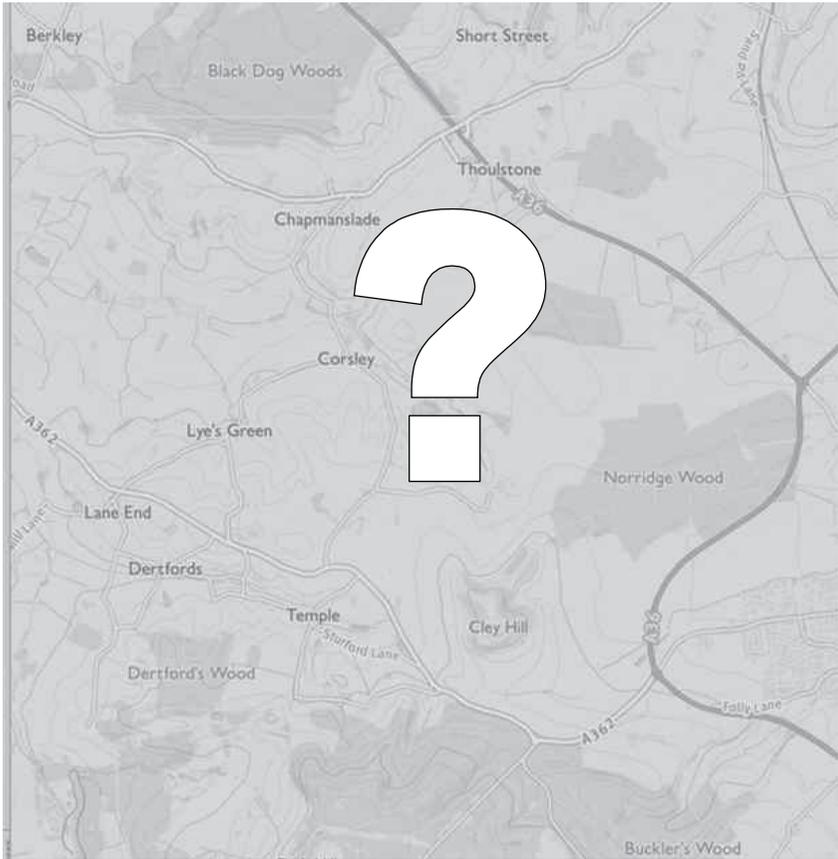


Sunday 16th September: Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.30am at St Margaret of Antioch, Corsley: Family Worship

12.30pm at St Philip & St James', Chapmanslade: Baptism

4pm at St Michael the Archangel, Brixton Deverill: Songs of Praise
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Important questions you can help to answer.

-Do you want the churches to continue to exist in 10/20 years?

-How do you think the church should change to do more for the community?

-How can the church buildings provide wider community uses?

-How can we continue to fund the Parish of Corsley and Chapmanslade?

We are planning to meet with organisations in the villages for discussions. If you would like to comment or ask questions, please contact:

for Corsley:

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or for Chapmanslade:

Ian Buick 01373 832318

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Thursday 20th September

10am to 12noon at the Three Horseshoes, Chapmanslade
Church & Community Coffee Morning



Sunday 23rd September: Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

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

10.30am at St Peter & St Paul, Longbridge: Eucharist

12.30pm at St Mary the Virgin, Kingston Deverill: Baptism



Monday 24th September

10.30am at Wheelwright's, Chapmanslade

Time to Think



Tuesday 25th September

7.30pm at 93 Lyes Green, Corsley

After Alpha Home Group



Wednesday 26th September

12.30pm at Corsley Reading Rooms

Lite Bite Soup Lunch



Sunday 30th September: Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.30am at St John the Baptist, Horningsham: Benefice Eucharist



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 Festival Family Communion

10.30am at St Peter & St Paul's, Longbridge Deverill: Harvest Festival

5pm at St John the Baptist, Horningsham: Harvest Festival

WW1 & Remembrance Centenary Commemoration

Are you a knitter – Chapmanslade needs you! If you can help us by knitting poppies for this year's Remembrance Day please contact Janet Buick as soon as possible. Janet can provide you with the pattern and will also help provide guidance if you need it. It is hoped to have a cascade of poppies flowing off the church entrance in Chapmanslade. The current plan is that at 11am we shall assemble around the War Memorial which will have a Garden of Remembrance. This will be followed at mid-day by the planting of 21 trees and a dedication to the fallen at the Memorial Field and then the village will host a 'bring and share' lunch. It is anticipated that the new booklet giving details about the service personnel from Corsley and Chapmanslade who lost their lives by Fiona Carruthers and Phil Jefferson will be on sale at the lunch with the net proceeds going to the Royal British Legion.

Late news: There will be an Armistice Concert at St Margaret's on Thursday 8th November at 7pm.

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 Chapmanslade Village Hall. Please see full details in the advert elsewhere in the Bridge.

Fundraising

Our now traditional Christmas Coffee Morning will be held on Saturday 1st December at The Stable Cottage, Chapmanslade at 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.

It is currently planned that the ever popular Auction of Promises will take place in February hosted as usual by the mercurial MC Dennis Barnard.

Social events

A reminder that in September we will restart the Lite Bites Soup Lunches at the Reading Rooms in Corsley, on the fourth Wednesday in the month. As well as sampling some wonderful homemade soups it is an opportunity to have a good natter over lunch. We welcome donations which are for various charities and last year we donated c£1500 to these charities.

Congratulations & Farewell

We congratulate Richard Clark and Hayley Prince & Paul Holton and Jessyca Boorer who were married in August.

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Corsley WI

August news

Carol Seward rounds up the August meeting and announces some forthcoming events



In a change to our usual format, the August meeting of Corsley WI was the President's Supper Evening, held at the home of the President, Carol Seward. Members were welcomed with a glass of Jean White's special fruit punch drink before taking their places ready for the two-course buffet supper and a very sociable evening was had by all. A big thank you to everyone who helped on the night, especially with the washing up!

It is somewhat ironic that the evening originally planned to be just a social event, turned out to be a leaving party for Carol, who is getting married soon and will be moving to France! Carol was presented with a lovely arrangement of artificial flowers and a card and gift voucher. Carol thanked everyone for the gifts and also for the help and support given to her by the committee and members over her years as President. The Vice-President Judith Helliar will take over from Carol until March, when the annual elections take place for the new President and members of the Committee.

The competition for six savoury biscuits was judged by Cath Fricker and the winner was Annie Campbell, with Caroline Higham second and Anne Carruthers third.

Future Federation events include the Annual Council Meeting at Salisbury and a Christmas crafts workshop. Full details are available at the meetings and members are reminded that if they wish to attend any of the events, then their names should be put on the relevant lists.

The September meeting on 13th at 7.30pm will be held in Corsley Reading Room as usual and Fiona Carruthers will give a talk entitled "From Womb to Tomb", which is actually about the importance of meat in the diet! The competition is for a photo of a farm animal.

Are you new to the area? Don't know anyone? Come and make friends at our WI meetings, held in the Reading Room at Corsley on the second Thursday each month at 7.30pm. New members are always very welcome and we are pleased to have recently had several ladies join us.

The WI skittles and scrabble teams are always looking for new players, so if you would like to have a go, please come to one of our meetings and talk to a committee member. For information about the Bridge and Lunch Clubs, which are both open to non-WI members, please ring Pauline Scott on 01985 215760.

Corsley Memorial Playing Field

Apple Pressing

Juice or cider, cider or juice..?



This year we are bringing the apple pressing at the field forward by a month, to September.

It has been a very strange year for apples. The very cold spring meant that where we would normally have about a month of blossom as each variety comes into flower and is pollinated, they all came into bloom together. This meant the bees had to work very hard but they did a great job!

The number of apples this year seems to be high, but with the June drop (as apples that have defects are shed by the tree) stretching through to August, the crop may be no bigger. The very hot weather and lack of water also seems to have led to the apples being smaller than usual. Apples, along with lots of other fruit, seem to have ripened early with villagers asking about the pressing already.

The apple pressing day at the Playing Field will be on Saturday 15th September, 11am to 4pm

We will follow up, for those that cannot make it, with a pressing at the Cross keys.

In the UK, a staggering 4.4 million whole apples are being thrown away untouched every day. That's just the ones bought from supermarkets and not those grown at home.

Making apples into juice or cider is a great way of using those unwanted apples from the garden and great fun for adults and kids. The juice can be frozen.

There is nothing better than drinking apple juice straight from the press, except maybe waiting three months and drinking cider from the bottle!

As always, we will be helping those who want to make cider with tips on the best way to do it along with being able to supply yeast and equipment to those who have never done it before.

Finally, It is amazing how much juice you get out of apples. When bringing along containers to put your juice in remember that however many containers you think you need, you will actually require at least twice as many – this will save you having to go home to rummage for empty milk bottles out of recycling, etc. As a guide, a bucket of apples will make up to 5 litres of juice.

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Chapmanslade Parish Council

Parish Council Briefing

Notes from the Parish Council meeting held on 26th July

The Chairman opened the meeting by giving a brief history of the proposed development at Barters Farm. The expected fresh planning application from Lochailort had been received and this was the single item for decision.

The meeting was opened to the public to make their comments on the planning application. It was noted that Lochailort had made much effort to meet our previous objections and in particular the mix of housing included smaller houses and bungalows. Although the increase to 43 houses was not desirable if the land was to be approved for development it was noted that central government guidance would apply and 43 houses would be compliant with the guidance. At the end of the

discussion it was quite clear that the issue of traffic was the major concern.

The meeting went into closed session and the Council after much discussion concluded by accepting the development, subject to the land being zoned for such a development by the Secretary of State, but would object on the grounds of the increased traffic and the need for mitigation with particular reference to the A3098 junction with Cleyhill Gardens.

Next meeting

The next scheduled Parish Council meeting is on Thursday 27th September.

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One Team

Community Policing

Crime exceptions data

These figures are based on an evaluation of data, over a two year rolling period. Using this data we can predict what figure is the average that should be reported in a specific month, and what are the higher and lower parameters that we may expect. Figures outside of these parameters are classed as Crime Exceptions.

Domestic Abuse figures will also be included in the values as it is on our Control Strategy but no details will be shared on these cases.

Warminster Town and Villages combined (Area Board)

Warminster Area board includes two beat areas, one for the Town, (ER11) and one for Rural and Villages (ER12). The data is as follows:

July 2018 showed a total of 120 crimes for the whole Warminster Area Board region against the average of 112.6 for this same month over the previous two years. This is within the parameters we would reasonably expect. There are no exceptions within the data.

ER12 Warminster Rural and Villages Beat

July 2018 showed a total of 35 crimes for the ER12 area against the average of 36.8 for this same month over the previous two years. There are no exceptions within the data. The five largest crime groups

accounted for 91% of this recorded crime, as follows;

- Violence Against the person showed 12 crimes compared to the average of 9
- Burglary showed 8 crimes compared to the average of 5
- Theft showed 5 crimes compared to the average of 8.7
- Vehicle Crime showed 5 crimes compared to the average of 5.9
- Criminal damage showed 2 crimes compared to the average of 4.6

Crimes

Crime - Theft Lane End, Corsley

Sometime in June (exact date not known) a male suspect stole power tools from the back of an unsecured van whilst it was parked on a drive. The tools have since been recovered in the Frome area.

Crime - Burglary (Business and Community) Corsley

On the 21st July suspect(s) jammed open the patio door of a chalet and were able to gain entry. Nothing was stolen or damaged from inside the property.

Crime - Burglary (Business and Community) Huntenhull Lane, Chapmanslade

Overnight on the 20th July, suspects entered insecure tack room and stole a horse rug. They also placed various items in buckets

which were then left in the yard. These were not stolen.

Crime - Theft

High Street, Chapmanslade

Between 5.30pm on the 14th July and 10am on the 15th July, a suspect gained entry to a garage by smashing the padlock on the door and stole a petrol cutter to the value of £250.

Crime – Vehicle offences

Heaven’s Gate, Horningsham

Between 5.45pm and 8pm on the 3rd July a suspect smashed the rear window of a vehicle. The suspect conducted a messy search inside the vehicle and removed items from within.

Other information

Abandoned Vehicles

Vehicles are not classed as abandoned if they are just badly parked, are causing an obstruction or are broken down.

You can check if the vehicle is taxed by going to www.vehicleenquiry.service.gov.uk to check (untaxed vehicles may not be abandoned and cannot be removed).

Are there any signs that the vehicle has not moved for some time i.e. weeds under the vehicle, mould or rubbish inside the vehicle, missing or flat tyres, broken windows?

Is it on a public highway or is it on private land? If a vehicle is on your land, check ownership before reporting. Abandoned vehicles can be reported to Wiltshire Council on their website, where they have a dedicated form that can be filled in. Alternatively you can call 0300 456 0100 on their general enquiry number to report this.

Weekly Tasking meeting

Inspector Fee chairs a weekly internal tasking meeting where emerging community issues and concerns are raised and discussed for the whole West Wiltshire CPT area. From this meeting, priorities and actions are set and a tasking document produced. This involves developing strategies and the targeting of resources (including partner agencies) into tackling the issue or concern.

The Warminster Area currently has two specific matters:

Theft from cars in beauty spot and rural locations as previously reported is still continuing. However, it has been evident that offenders are also targeting more rural or remote locations possibly in-transit to beauty spots so please be vigilant.

- Be vigilant when parking up of suspicious vehicles or people in and around these areas who may be watching you.
- Try to park somewhere open and well-lit.
- Lock your vehicle – including the boot
- Remember to close the windows and sunroof
- Don't leave anything on show in your car when you park – not even a coat or empty carrier bag.
- If you have a removable satnav, remove it and take it with you if possible. Remove the mounting, polish any marks off the windscreen and hide the cable and mounting.
- Store car ownership information at home, not in your car.
- Number plates are often stolen for criminal use. Use plates secured with anti-theft screws, available from car accessory stores.
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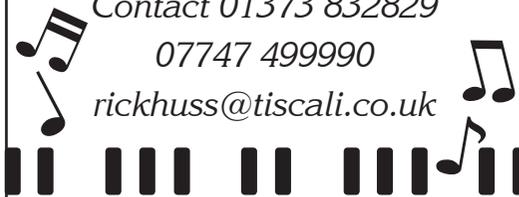
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What shall I do that I may inherit eternal life? Mark 10:17

A new start

After the summer holidays September is often time for a new start – starting a new school year, a new college, a fresh start in our jobs. As a retiree, the cycle of starting work again is not quite the same but often activities restart.

Jesus once offered a man a new start. He had everything going for him – he was rich, had an important position in society and, by human standards, he lived a good life in trying to obey God’s commandments. But this Rich Young Ruler, as he is known, felt there was something missing – he said to Jesus Good Teacher, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?

The French philosopher Blaise Pascal said something that may be paraphrased in this way: “there is a hole in each of us that only God can fill”. This ruler had tried to fill that hole with a God-substitute – wealth and possessions. Jesus put His finger on it when He said: One thing you lack: go your way, sell whatever you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, take up the cross, and follow me.

Jesus was offering this man a new start in life – if only he had believed Jesus’ words and followed Him, he would have had a far richer and fuller life now and he would have treasure in heaven. Tragically, the last we

hear of him in the Bible is that he went away sad.

I hope you will give serious consideration to Jesus’ invitation to offer you a new start.

(Based on Mark, chapter 10 verses 17–22)

John Hobson

Visiting preacher to Whitbourne Chapel

Harvest Service

Our Harvest Thanksgiving service will be at 11am on September 16th. The speaker will be Mr Colin Chapman, a keen gardener from Melksham. Do come!

As I (Gill) am in Rome the week before, I’ll try to bring back Italian goodies with me (amaretto biscuits and packs of pasta, for example!) for the Chapel display, as well as calendars for 2019...

Harvest quiz

We all know the parable of the Sower and the seed which fell in different places.

- 1 How many places?
- 2 What were the seeds?
- 3 In what order are they mentioned?
- 4 What do they represent?
- 5 Which Gospels give the parable?

Gill Redman

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Regular times

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

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We look forward to seeing you soon.

We're delighted to welcome our new managers, Adelle and Stephen, to the Cross Keys. They joined us in early August and have got off to a flying start with great comments from customer on their warm welcome and the amazing food.

Adelle and Stephen are both from Yorkshire and have made their way to Wiltshire to take over the helm of our community pub. Stephen is an experienced and talented chef who is bringing a twist of fun to the Cross Keys menu.

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A view from over the hedge...

Countryside Matters

The good, the bad and the ugly!

Since Judith wrote her last article, in which she quoted 'the driest and hottest weather since 1976', we had yet more hot and dry weather. The BBC quoted that the summer of 2018 was in fact the 'driest start to a summer since modern records began in 1961'. However, as I write this article, it has now rained and we have already had 40mm of rain in August. We are beginning to see the grass greening up, but we still really need 70-80mm of rain to put the lost moisture back into the soil, for the grass to grow properly.

The good...

Apart from us all enjoying lovely sunny holidays in the UK there have been some positives in the countryside too. Our lovely new-born calves are falling on mainly drier ground than usual which is much more pleasant for all. The blackberries are out and I got to my secret spot before whoever beat me to it last year got there! Many of the arable crops and straw have been harvested 2-3 weeks early in ideal conditions which has negated the need for drying the crop. We should be able to harvest our maize at the end of September which will be far easier with slightly lighter nights, and drier fields, which again will make the whole operation more pleasant for all, including you readers as there will be less mud on the roads!

The bad...

None of the crops have yielded particularly well due to the weather, for example wheat

yields are probably half a tonne per acre less than normal. Crops such as straw are in high demand as livestock farmers are in search of feed and bedding to compensate for poor grass silage yields and having to use winter feed (as there has been no grass) to feed the animals through the summer. The fly population has been thriving and seem to have developed new skills to avoid my fly swat!!

The ugly...

The poor strawberry market has been hit hard as the fine weather bought both a glut in fruit production as well as all of the fruit ripening at once which has led to strawberries being given away free to feed anaerobic digester plants as opposed to gracing our dining tables with their beauty. Whilst all other crops have suffered from poor yields and there is high demand, of course prices rise which means the cost of producing food increases pretty much across the board. We are yet to establish whether this will have an impact on the price the consumer pays for food or whether the farmer or the producer will take the hit! The NFU met with Michael Gove (Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs) recently to discuss all of these issues and more: He is quoted to have said "We will make sure farmers have what they need in order to provide us with high-quality food and ensure their businesses survive". We have heard nothing since but, we will leave the issue in his capable hands!!

Alice Helliar

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- 1 Duvets
- 2 A tetrahedron is a polyhedron composed of four triangular faces, six straight edges, and four vertex corners
- 3 Zagreb
- 4 Hydrogen
- 5 Ginger
- 6 Austria (traditional riding school for Lipizzan horses in Vienna)
- 7 Walter Scott (1817)
- 8 Pasteurisation
- 9 Four
- 10 Liver
- 11 Ants
- 12 Contour

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