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September 2019

monthly magazine for the villages
of Corsley and Chapmanslade



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

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

File types

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

Advertising

Small ads are £1 for each item whether 'For Sale' or 'Wanted'.

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Full page ads cost £7.50, are subject to space availability and cannot be guaranteed,

If you are advertising, don't forget to take the fee – cash or cheque in a sealed envelope please, to either of the drop-off points (Barbers Plant Centre or Acres Supply).

Please note: no cash, no advert!

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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

Sunday 1st

Corsley Wildflower Meadow - work party – from 9.30 am at the Old School Playing Field (morning only)

Monday 2nd

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

Tuesday 3rd

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

Thursday 5th

Licensing of Gay Maynard as Associate Priest – 7 pm, St Margaret's Church, Corsley

Saturday 7th

Corsley Wildflower Meadow - work party – from 9.30 am at the Old School Playing Field (morning only)

Chapmanslade Chicken Chasers – 10am, the Three Horseshoes car park, Chapmanslade

Sunday 8th

Corsley Wildflower Meadow - work party – from 9.30 am at the Old School Playing Field (morning only)

The Tempest – 2.30pm, Manor Farm, Corsley

Monday 9th

Corsley Festival Choir Open Evening – 7 - 9.30pm, St Margaret's Church, Corsley. Come and meet the new Choral Director and Chorus Master – wine and nibbles

Monday 12th

Corsley WI – 7.30 pm, Corsley Reading Room

Thursday 19th

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

Cinema Corsley - 'Fisherman's Friend' – 7 for 7.30pm, Corsley Reading Room

Saturday 21st

'Beekeepers and Bees' - 10.30 am to 12.30pm and 2.30 to 4.30 pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

Wednesday 25th

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

Friday 27th

Macmillan Coffee Morning - venue to be confirmed

Sunday 29th

Pub Quiz – 6.30 pm, Cross Keys, Corsley



Diary Dates

October

Tuesday 1st

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

Saturday 5th

Harvest Supper – 7 pm for 7.30 pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

Sunday 8th

‘The Tempest’ – 3pm, The Elizabethan Playhouse (Manor Farm, Corsley)

Tuesday 9th

Biology Week – grill Nigel Brown at the Three Horseshoes, Chapmanslade from 10 am and later in the day at 7 pm

Craft, Cake & Chat afternoon – 2 to 4pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

Wednesday 10th

Biology Week – grill Nigel Brown at the Three Horseshoes, Chapmanslade from 2 pm

Saturday 12th

Barn Dance – 7 for 7.30 pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

Harvest Supper – 7 for 7.30 pm, Corsley Reading Room

Thursday 17th

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

Cinema Corsley - ‘Stan and Ollie’ – 7 for 7.30pm, Corsley Reading Room

Saturday 18th

Book launch – The History of Chapmanslade – The Three Horseshoes, Chapmanslade

Tuesday 22nd

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

November

Tuesday 5th

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

Wednesday 14th

Craft, Cake & Chat afternoon – 2 to 4pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

Thursday 21st

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

Tuesday 26th

Christmas shopping trip to West Quay Shopping Mall, Southampton



Corsley Show

The Corsley Show would like to express their grateful thanks to everyone who helped put on a wonderful Show!

We would like to thank all those who donated sponsorship, helped out on the day or worked tirelessly behind the scenes. Most of all we would like to thank the visitors who turned up in droves to enjoy a fabulous day out – it makes all the hard work very worthwhile!

If you'd like to be involved in next year's Show, please do get in contact with any of the committee members (please see Contact Us page on the website www.corsleyshow.org.uk).

For up-to-date information such as occasional parish council meetings, church services, previous editions of The Bridge, local clubs and activities, business listings, and other useful information, please visit

www.corsleyandthebridge.co.uk

Want something added? Just email the Editor with your request!

A history of Chapmanslade

After six years of research and discussion, and weekly meetings of the forty history group members (and four dogs), the book is now nearly ready to be launched.

All being well, the launch will be at The Three Horseshoes on Saturday 18th October.

Watch out for further details in next month's edition of The Bridge.

The Chapmanslade History Group

LOST

On the morning of Tuesday 6th August between 6 am and 9.30 am (on the lane between no 46 and no 50 Whitbourne Moore) a dark green canvas pouch/case was lost.

If anyone has seen it/found it, would you please contact Anne Russell 01373 839049 or mob 07543 088136. or email boboranne@hotmail.com

There is a £50 reward for the return of this item

Community Coffee Mornings

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

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



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Bob's Bafflers

In a change to the usual format, Bob challenges you to decide if these pairs of people could have been alive at the same time?

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|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Sir Francis Chichester | Sir Ben Ainslie |
| 2 Marilyn Monroe | Meg Ryan |
| 3 Adolf Hitler | Donald Trump |
| 4 Stanley Matthews | Dele Alli |
| 5 Sir Winston Churchill | David Cameron |
| 6 Albert Einstein | Stephen Hawking |
| 7 Charlie Chaplin | Benedict Cumberbatch |
| 8 Beatrix Potter | Lynda La Plante |
| 9. Pablo Picasso | Tracy Emin |
| 10 Rocky Marciano | Frank Bruno |
| 11 Buffalo Bill | John Wayne |
| 12 Humphrey Bogart | Michelle Pfeiffer |
| 13 Cole Porter | Andrew Lloyd Webber |
| 14 David Livingstone | Robert Falconer Scott |
| 15 Jimi Hendrix | Michael Buble |

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Corsley Wildflower Meadow

~ Activity programme ~

**Saturday 31st August and
Sunday 1st September
from 9.30am (morning only)**

**Saturday 7th September and
Sunday 8th September
from 9.30am (morning only)**

By the time you read this, most of the flowering plants in the meadow will have died off and dropped their seed and our meadow will have been mown. Now the big task is to remove all the mowings from the area: if they are left lying on the ground, the nutrients will build up, allowing the stronger grasses to thrive and out-compete the flowers.

We urgently need extra volunteers to help rake and remove mowings. It is a lot of work, but if we have a number of volunteers, nobody will need to do more than an hour or two. We will be raking over two weekends: 31st August – 1st September and 7th-8th September, mornings only, starting from 9.30 am. If you can spare an hour or two on either of those weekends, do please come along.

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Biology: changing the world

Do words mean the same to scientists?

Although science has its own vocabulary, there are some common words that have different meanings in day-to-day communication and in scientific writing. One of these is ‘theory’.

To most people a theory is an idea, sometimes without any foundation in fact; for example, “I have a theory that eating chocolate helps me to slim”. To a scientist, however, a theory is an explanation of an occurrence that has been developed on the basis of evidence. Some examples are Quantum Theory, which explains the physics of matter and energy, and Game Theory, which examines the interactions between competitors and is used in the study of economics.

The difference in use between scientific and normal language can cause misunderstanding. The most high-profile example is the Theory of Evolution. There is sufficient evidence from the fossil record and studies of divergence of different species, notably Darwin’s studies in the Galápagos, to state that evolution is a fact. However, some creationist groups argue that evolution “is only a theory”, and therefore dismiss it.

This is also relevant for those individuals who would deny climate change. They often debunk climate change as “just a theory”, but to scientists this means that there is good

evidence that climate change is happening.

Another word that differs in use is ‘hypothesis’. To scientists this means a proposed explanation for something that can

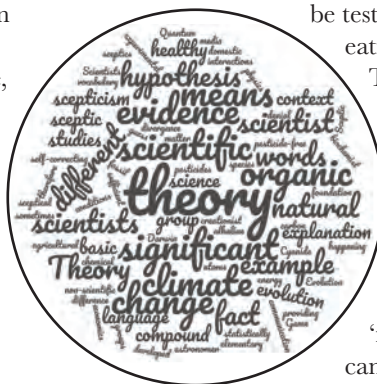
be tested. “My hypothesis is that eating chocolate makes you fat”.

This can be tested, providing you have an experimental group eating chocolate and a control group doing without! In lay parlance a hypothesis is just an educated guess.

‘Sceptic’, ‘significant’, ‘basic’, ‘organic’ and ‘natural’ are also words that can have different meanings or

interpretations between scientific writing and common use. In the media someone who doesn’t believe in something may be described as a sceptic – “a climate sceptic”, for example. This is not scepticism; it is denial. True sceptics are open to new evidence, willing to accept it, and prepared to change their mind. Scientists certainly should be sceptical. Carl Sagan, a popular American broadcaster and astronomer, described scepticism as “the self-correcting machinery of science”.

If I describe something as significant in my home, I mean that it is important. It may refer to a significant event. However, if I describe something as significant in a scientific paper, I mean that I can demonstrate statistically that it is unlikely to have happened by chance.



As a biochemist I often used the term 'basic' to refer to a solution or compound that was alkaline, rather than something that was elementary, and I used 'organic' to mean that a chemical compound contained carbon atoms. In a domestic context 'organic' means that food or other agricultural produce is grown under certain conditions specified by the Soil Association. This is often interpreted as meaning pesticide-free. Even this common usage is incorrect, as pesticides are used in organic agriculture.

Something described as 'natural' by a scientist merely means that it occurs in nature; however, in a broader context it is often thought to mean healthy or good. Cyanide is a natural product and is certainly not healthy or good for you!

The differences between scientific and everyday language are often a source of confusion and as a scientist interested in public engagement, I have to choose my words appropriately. If I get it wrong, call me out!

Nigel Brown is happy to receive comments, questions and, in particular, suggestions for future articles at nigelbrown48@gmail.com.

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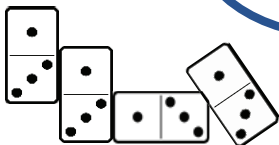
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The event was organised by Jenny Bishop and the afternoon concluded with a floral presentation to Sonia Glenn to mark her many years of dedicated service to the Tennis Club Committee.

Report brought to you by the Cake Monster

Club Sessions

Sunday morning Club Sessions from 10am are continuing. The free tennis coaching on the second Sunday of September will be the last of the free coaching sessions.

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Building upon enthusiasm shown at our 'DIY Bee House' stall at the recent Swap & Repair event, the village's Bee Friendly Group (BFG) will be holding another family-friendly bee-related event in September. Make a note in your diaries for **Saturday 21st September**, at the **village hall**; two sessions **10.30-12.30** and **2.30-4.30**, "**Beekeepers and Bees**".

Our own local beekeepers Ian and Sue Ridley will be giving an illustrated talk about bees and beekeeping, and some of their delicious honey will be available to buy. In this very hands-on event there'll be bee kit on display, including frames and honeycombs, and honey-extracting centrifuges to spin, plus a chance to try on beekeepers' protective clothing and hats - something that has proved very popular with children! A variety of honeys - from local to international, amateur to commercial - will be on hand for taste-testing, and our BFG bakers will bring honey cakes and honey biscuits to sample. And for those of you who've not yet tried it, we're offering another opportunity to build your own bee house, this time using... tin cans! So make a note in your diaries, and we'll look forward to seeing you in September.



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Dear Friends - Old and new!

‘Everything that goes around comes around’, so the saying goes, well - history certainly has a way of repeating itself! The writer of Ecclesiastes often repeats ‘there is nothing new under the sun’ and we are inclined to agree at times, when we hear the daily news and look around us at a world that seems to be constantly in a mess. Yet we walk by faith and not by sight (2 Corinthians 5:7), with God, through and in Christ, who by the Holy Spirit is constantly creating and making all things new.

Those of you who know me (Gay Maynard) will also know that seven and half years ago I began a new chapter in my faith journey, having felt for some time that God was nudging me to do a bit of ‘door knocking, to discern perhaps a new way to serve Jesus and his Church - to see where the path would lead. It meant laying down the place I had in the Church family here and joining the family at St. Denys ‘The Minster’ and St.Mary’s Upton Scudamore. Doors began to swing open and that journey took me through preparation for selection at a Bishops’ Advisory Panel, three years of theological study with Sarum College, ordination to the diaconate in 2016 and priesthood in 2017 and finally being signed off from three years as Assistant Curate in the River Were Benefice. In case you are wondering, this Benefice was newly created in 2017 to include Bishopstrow, St. Aldhelm’s and Boreham, St.John’s with St. Denys and St. Mary.

We came here - myself with husband Bob and two daughters, Michele and Colette, in August 1987, and have lived on the border between Corsley and Chapmanslade for 32 years. I was very much part of church and village life and whilst it was the right thing for me to go away from the parish to train I have felt strangely disconnected during that time. But now another new journey is about to begin as I am licensed to the Cley Hill Benefice as Associate Priest on 5th September at 7pm in St. Margaret’s Church Corsley, working with the Rector Pauline. So I do feel that I have rather gone around in a circle, that I am completing a cycle but also beginning a new one, I am looking forward to reconnecting, to renewing relationships and making new ones over the years to come. In the grand scheme of things seven and a half years isn’t all that long and in God’s economy it is but a twinkling of the eye, but much can change in that time and so I have some catching to do. I look forward to meeting old friends and making new and hope that many of you will be able to come to St.Margaret’s on 5th September to share the beginning of this new ministry together, with me. I look forward to seeing you there.

With love and blessings

September Church Diary

Sunday 1st September: Trinity 11

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

9.30 am at St Margaret of Antioch, Corsley: Eucharist

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



Tuesday 3rd September

7.30 pm at High Field, Corsley

PCC meeting



Sunday 8th September: Trinity 12

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

10.30 am at St Mary the Virgin, Kingston Deverill: Eucharist

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



Monday 9th September

10.30 am at 5 Brimhill Rise

Time to Think



Tuesday 10th September

7.30 pm at The Anchorage

After Alpha group



Sunday 15th September: Trinity 13

10.30 am at St Margaret of Antioch, Corsley: Blessing of the Bells

10.30 am at St Michael the Archangel, Brixton Deverill: Eucharist



Monday 16th September

10.30 am at 4 Southcroft Drive

Time to Think



Thursday 19th September

10 am at The Three Horseshoes

Community Coffee Morning

Saturday 21st September
3 pm at St Margaret's, Corsley
Wedding of Christopher Millard and Lucinda Allcock



Sunday 22nd September: Trinity 14
9.30 am at St Philip and St James' Chapmanslade: Eucharist
10.30 am at St Peter and St Paul's, Longbridge Deverill: Eucharist



Monday 23rd September
9 am at St Philip and St James', Chapmanslade and Chapmanslade School:
Education Service followed by tea and coffee at the school and
an opportunity to see around the school



Tuesday 24th September
7.30 pm at 129d Forest Walk
After Alpha group



Wednesday 25th September
12.30 pm at Corsley Reading Room: Lite Bites Soup Lunch



Sunday 29th September: Trinity 15
10.30 am at St John the Baptist's, Horningsham: Benefice Eucharist



Monday 30th September
10.30 am at Wheelwrights
Time to Think



Sunday 6th October: Trinity 16
8 am at St Michael the Archangel, Brixton Deverill: 1662 Holy Communion
9.30 am at St Margaret of Antioch, Corsley: Harvest Eucharist
10.30 am at St Peter and St Paul's Longbridge Deverill: Harvest Festival
5 pm at St John the Baptist's, Horningsham: Harvest Festival

Gay's licensing

On Thursday 5th September we will be welcoming Gay Maynard back to the parish when she is licensed as Associate Priest in the Cley Hill Villages benefice at a special service. The service will be at St Margaret's, commencing at 7 pm. The licensing will be conducted by the Bishop of Ramsbury, the Right Reverend Dr Andrew Rumsey. Do come along to support Gay at this important time in her ministry and to meet Bishop Andrew

Blessing the Bells

We will be holding a special service at St Margaret's at 10.30 am on 15th September when Pauline will bless our newly restored bells.

Harvest Suppers

See the advert elsewhere in The Bridge for our Harvest Suppers on 5th and 12th October.

Fundraising

The winner of the 50/50 Club Draw in August was Sue Lake. The September draw will be made at the Lite Bites Lunch on 25th September.

Community 'Craft Cake and Chat' afternoon

See the advert elsewhere in the Bridge for our Craft Cake and Chat afternoons on Wednesday 9th October and Thursday 14th November

Welcome, Congratulations and Farewell

We welcome into the church family Anabel East, who was baptised at St Margaret's on 3rd August. We congratulate Benjamin Good and Chloe McIvor who were married on 31st August at Horningsham. We offer our prayers and condolences to the families of Michael Flint, whose funeral service was held at Kingston Deverill on 6th August and Pat Grearson, whose funeral service was held in Chapmanslade on 27th August.

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Corsley WI

August news

Alice Helliard rounds up the August meeting and announces some forthcoming events

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‘What do points make? Prizes!’ As the old saying goes. The WI bi annual flower and produce show took place in the Reading Rooms in August and there were a lot of competitive ladies in the village frantically perfecting their cakes and scones, picking their finest flowers fruit and veg, knitting, and getting their photos printed to enter.

There was a great turn out and tables were filled to the brim with chocolate cakes, cheese scones, flower arrangements, wreaths, perfectly paired onions, pictures, photos of local scenery and people.

Then, the time for displaying exhibits was reached, the doors shut and the independent judges let loose to taste cakes (now that has to be a good job to do!), admire handicrafts, prod veg, view photos etc. Once judging had finished the doors were once again opened for our evening meeting and we gingerly stepped back into the room to see how we had done!

Now some did better than others, with the lovely Mandy winning nearly all of the categories and the overall show prize, the downside being she’s now got a lot of silverware to polish!! However, the Helliard ladies made sure that Mandy didn’t walk away with all of the trophies, stealing the Hilda Guy cup (Judith) and the Photo trophy (me... with the help of the cute pictures of my daughter!!).

After the meeting we had a fantastic President’s auction of exhibits that people didn’t want to take home. This involved a



huge number of courgettes flying around the room to various members who fancied a nice ratatouille, jams and preserves being bid for.... with the main attraction being Mandy’s lemon drizzle cake, which I was out-bid for by Sheila... she was very determined to get her hands on that cake!!

Lots of people worked very hard to make the show happen including exhibitors, judges and helpers and you all know who you are to accept a very big thank you.

All in all, a great show and a warm up for the Corsley Show!!

The next WI meeting is in the Reading Rooms at 7.30pm on Thursday 12th September. We have a spooky talk on ghosts and the competition is for an item of lace! Non- members are very welcome!

Alice Helliard



Corsley and Chapmanslade
Churches



Harvest Supper

Saturday 5th October

7 for 7.30 pm

Chapmanslade Village Hall

Saturday 12th October

7 for 7.30 pm

Corsley Reading Rooms

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Thursday 19th September **Fisherman's Friend**

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singing in local pubs, raising money for charity during the 1990s, to hitting the big time with a £1 million recording contract. They are discovered by a disparaging London music executive, in Cornwall for a stag weekend, and goaded by his boss to sign up the group. His experience of finding himself in a very different community from his own forces him to re-evaluate what he deems important in life. Although somewhat formulaic in nature, it enjoys solid performances from its central characters played by Daniel Mays, James Purefoy and Tuppence Middleton. Set in the Cornish village of Port Isaac, we've chosen this uplifting comedy for September to help continue the happiness of summer as it draws to a close.

During the evening we're also giving you the chance to help us choose our future films. Keen to ensure we show what you'd like to see, come along and be part of the 'selection panel'.

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

Thursday 17th October **Stan & Ollie**

Certificate PG (1 hr 38 mins)

In October we'll be showing *Stan & Ollie*. Also based on a true story, this film follows one of the most famous comedy duos, Laurel and Hardy, on their farewell tour of post-war Britain. Described as 'heart-warming and touching', the outstanding performances of Steve Coogan and John C. Reilly secure the film's success in what is more of a drama than the comedy you might expect.

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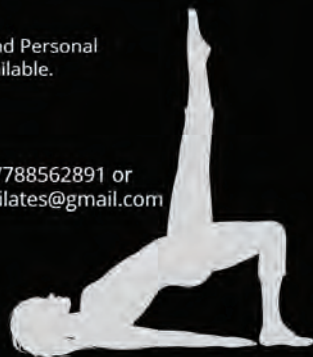
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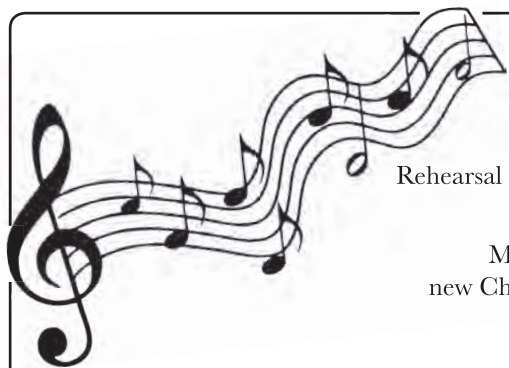
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- 3 **No** Adolf Hitler D: 30/4/45..... Donald Trump B: 14/6/46
- 4 **Yes** Stanley Matthews D: 23/2/00 Dele Alli B: 11/4/96
- 5 **No** Sir Winston Churchill D: 24/1/65..... David Cameron B: 9/10/66
- 6 **Yes** Albert Einstein D: 18/4/55..... Stephen Hawking B: 8/1/42
- 7 **Yes** Charlie Chaplin D: 25/12/77..... Benedict Cumberbatch B: 19/7/76
- 8 **Yes** Beatrix Potter D: 22/12/43..... Lynda La Plante B: 15/3/43
- 9 **Yes** Pablo Picasso D: 8/4/73 Tracy Emin B: 3/7/1963
- 10 **Yes** Rocky Marciano D: 31/8/69 Frank Bruno B: 16/11/61
- 11 **Yes** Buffalo Bill D: 10/1/17 John Wayne B: 26/5/07
- 12 **No** Humphrey Bogart D: 14/1/57 Michelle Pfeiffer B: 29/4/58
- 13 **Yes** Cole Porter: D: 15/10/64 Andrew Lloyd Webber B: 22/3/48
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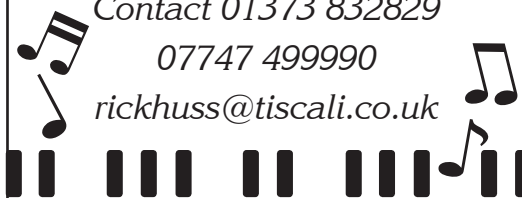
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- 22nd John Hobson from Clink Evangelist Church, Frome
- 29th Trevor Brain, from Operation Mobilisation - you may have seen Trevor at the Chapel's gazebo at Corsley Show.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving...

The summer holidays are almost over (unless you're fortunate, like me, to still have a holiday to look forward to!). Traditionally, September is the month of returnings and new beginnings. Our children start back to school after the long holiday. Others will be leaving home and going off to University soon. More will be getting back into midweek clubs and similar meetings that have taken a break over the summer.

In one of the churches I help, we've been looking recently in the Bible at the Old Testament book of Nehemiah. Nehemiah faithfully records how, as God's people return from exile in Babylon to Jerusalem, they find much of the city - particularly the Gates and the Walls - broken down and they set to work re-building. It's hard work and there's much

opposition, until the job's completed and the people and their city are protected once again.

This reminds us that Jesus spoke about two kinds of gates. Here's what He said: "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it" (Matthew 7 v13 & 14). It reminds us that we all need to return to God. To begin again with God, to enter His Kingdom and to follow Him daily. We will then be able to say with the Psalmist, "Enter His gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; For the Lord is good and his love endures forever." (Psalm 100 v4 & 5).

Chris Andrews

Occasional Speaker at the Chapel.

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Countryside Matters

On the 18th of August I picked my first blackberries of 2019, a sign that autumn is imminent

This might be a portent that we should be prepared not to rely on imported fruit and vegetables, but make the most of what is produced here in Great Britain – some of which, like our blackberries, are free for the picking.

Our trees are laden with fruits and nuts and the hedges loaded with all types of berries (who hasn't enjoyed a glass off damson wine or sloe gin?) so there will still be plenty left for the birds and animals.

Do we really need strawberries on Christmas Day? If we look back and remember how our parents and grandparents made good use of seasonal fruit and vegetables and kept a store cupboard with necessities and consumed meat and fish marketed locally, we might find ourselves more healthy, better off financially and have a better environment in which to live.

A special day in the country calendar, is September 29th – Michaelmas Day. A holiday,

or holy day, to celebrate the harvest and the beginning of autumn with its “season of mists and mellow fruitfulness”. Michaelmas Day was ‘hiring day’ for servants and agricultural workers and pay-day for debts and rent, still maintained by farm landlords for half-yearly payment of rent by tenants.

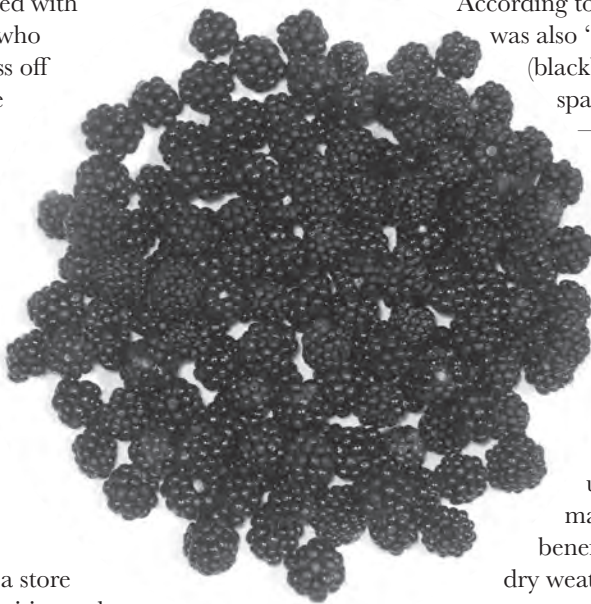
According to old folklore, it was also ‘devil’s spit day’, (blackberries had been spat on by the devil) – the last day to pick blackberries.

Although we may not believe in this tale, by the end of September blackberries really are normally past their best!

September will hopefully see us harvesting the maize crop which has benefitted from the hot, dry weather early in the summer months but has suffered from the heavy downpours of rain during August.

Do join us for the celebrations in our villages of Harvest Festivals and Harvest Suppers where everyone is welcome.

Judith Helliar



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Coffee Morning

The September Coffee Morning is on 3rd September and is a great way to meet other villagers and catch up on the "gossip"! All welcome. and coffee/tea is only £1.

Cinema Corsley

The first film of the 2019/20 season is 'Fisherman's Friend' on 19th September. See advert elsewhere in this edition of The Bridge for more details.

Murder Mystery Evening

We regret that it has been decided not to hold this event.

Card payments

We are now able to take credit/charge card payments for some of the committee-run events, for example at the bar and for tickets bought on the door, via a chip and pin/contactless machine. We will also be able to invoice for hire charges if paid for by credit/charge card online.

Committee Membership

New members/trustees are always welcome and we would be specially pleased if someone had experience of and/or wanted to get involved in working on grant applications.

Bookings

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

See website www.corsleyreadingroom.org.uk

Hugh Deed

Chairman of Management Committee

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Run by the Corsley Reading Room Management Committee

Coffee Morning: *First Tuesday of the month
10 am - 12 noon*

Cinema Corsley: *'Fisherman's Friend'
Thursday 19th September, 7 pm for 7.30 pm start*

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Other regular events NOT organised by the Management Committee

Lite Bites Lunches: *4th Wednesday of the month*

Yoga: *Tuesday and Wednesday evenings*

Pilates: *Tuesday afternoons*

WI: *second Thursday of the month (evening)*

Small ads

£1 for EACH item for sale or wanted (cash only please) - at one of the two drop-off locations)

Please note: no cash, no advert!

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 (Bartons 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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