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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

Diary Dates

September

Saturday 4th Corsley Village Social – 2 to 5 pm, Corsley Playing Field

Sunday 5th Much Ado About Nothing – 3 pm, Heywood House

Tuesday 7th FREE Coffee Morning – 10 am, Corsley Reading Room

Wednesday 8th Wiltshire Mobile Library – 1.45 pm to 2.30 pm, Chapmanslade School

Thursday 9th

Chapmanslade Parish Council meeting - 7.30 pm,

'Taster' Evening at Westbury Folk Dance Club - 7.30 pm, Community Hall, Westbury Leigh

Sunday 12th

Secret Gardens of the Close & Green Fair - 1 pm to 5 pm, Salisbury Cathedral Close

Monday 13th Corsley Parish Council Annual Parish Meeting – 7.30 pm, Corsley Reading Room

Thursday 16th

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

Saturday 18th Macmillan Coffee Morning – 10 am to 3 pm, Chapmanslade Village Hall

Wednesday 22nd Wiltshire Mobile Library – 1.45 pm to 2.30 pm, Chapmanslade School

October

Saturday 2nd Harvest Flower Festival – 10.30 am to 4.30 pm, St Margaret's Church, Corsley

Sunday 3rd Harvest Flower Festival – 11 am to 4.30 pm, St Margaret's Church, Corsley

Tuesday 5th to Saturday 9th

The Woodlanders - Variety Music Hall – East Woodlands Village Hall

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Corsley War Memorial Playing Field



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Saturday 4th September 2.00 - 5.00pm

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All of the photographs have been taken in the local area, ranging from landscapes, to documentary, to abstracts. Each photographer created a short series that together tell a larger story; whether poignant, beautiful, or thought-provoking. Corsley Reading Room, Corsley Heath, BA12 7PR

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Bob's bafflers

- 1 A Screwdriver cocktail is squeezed orange juice, ice cubes and which spirit?
- 2 Gouda is a popular cheese originating from which country?
- 3 Which element is denoted by the chemical symbol Sn in the Periodic Table?
- 4 Which tennis Grand Slam is played on a clay surface?
- 5 If you have completed the National Three Peaks challenge, which three UK mountains would you have climbed?
- 6 Where is the smallest bone in the human body located?
- 7 Which former Soviet republic, bordering the Caspian Sea, has the capital Baku?
- 8 Which character in Sheridan's 'The Rivals' constantly misuses words?
- 9 Which US-born artist was a close friend of Oscar Wilde and his most-famous painting is possibly of his mother?
- 10 What 4-letter word can precede out, hold and draw?
- 11 In which English port did Dracula land in Bram Stoker's novel?
- 12 This is an unusual paragraph. I'm curious as to just how quickly you can find out what is so unusual about it. It looks so ordinary and plain that you would think nothing was wrong with it. In fact, nothing is wrong with it! It is highly unusual though. Study it and think about it, but you still may not find anything odd. But if you work at it a bit, you might find out. Try to do so without any coaching!

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Corsley Village Social

After months of separation and isolation when so many of us have been unable to meet with friends and neighbours it seems like a good time to bring the village back together again.

The Corsley Cricket and Tennis Clubs are joining with the War Memorial Playing Field Committee to present that opportunity. On Saturday September 4th from 2 - 5 pm there will be a social afternoon on the playing field where all villagers can come together to take part in family games and activities or just sit and chat over a cup of tea.

Try out boules, croquet, skittles, family games or relax and enjoy a traditional cream tea with friends old and new. There is no admission charge just turn up and have fun.

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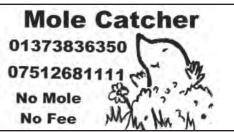


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The Woodlanders are so happy to be back!

In 1977, the choir mistress at St Katherine's Church in East Woodlands had the idea of staging a show in East Woodlands Village Hall to raise money to fund the much-needed restoration of the hall. The Woodlanders have produced a variety show each autumn since then and following completion of the refurbishment the proceeds have been used to support local charities. Over the 44 years well over \pounds 150,000 has been raised and distributed to deserving causes around Frome and the local villages.

The Woodlanders are determined to make a big comeback in October 2021 following the 2020 hiatus, so are rehearsing for the show which will be on stage from Tuesday 5th to Friday 9th October. "We are so happy to be back and intend to put on a show designed to be a much-needed tonic and bring some fun back into our lives after the rigours of the last eighteen months or so", said Chairman, Sandra Gaisford. "We are really pleased to have a new young member on stage this year and, as always, have some great singers and comedy entertainers. Our purpose is not just to entertain but to raise as much money for local charities as we can."

Recently cheques were presented from the proceeds of the 2019 show to Fair Frome, Mendip Community Transport, CRY (Cardiac Risk in the Young) and East Woodlands Village Hall who are currently endeavouring to buy the hall for the community to ensure there is a thriving hub for future generations to enjoy.

This year, due to public demand, there will be a matinee performance on Saturday, 9th October so people who would rather not be out on darker nights can still come to enjoy the show. Ticket prices have been frozen at $\pounds 10$ and the new box office phone number is 01373 839008, e mail: reneecole14@ymail.com

Dancing again at last!

The Westbury Folk Dance Club , which has been running for over 40 years, will be starting up again on Thursday 9th September after a very long break due to COVID-19.

So, if anyone is looking for a new interest and wants to keep fit as well, come along to try out folk dancing as a new fun pastime. No experience is needed and a partner is not necessary. Every week there is a different caller who will be glad to help newcomers.

The type of dancing is mainly English Country Dancing but there is regular Playford Dancing (this is the type of dancing you may have seen in Jane Austen dramas on TV)

Dancing takes place in old Westbury Leigh at the Community Hall in the church (BA13 3SQ) where there is also a car park.

Club nights are every Thursday night at 7.30pm. The first 'tester' evening is free and we hope as many people as possible will come and join us in dancing to some great music. If you have any queries please contact **Ann** on **07947 048681**.

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The Friends of Salisbury Cathedral's 'Secret Gardens of the Close' event returns in September and this year there's a new attraction

The event, which enables the public to visit gardens in Salisbury Cathedral Close that are normally hidden from view, will include a 'Green Fair' comprising a dozen stalls with an ecofriendly theme.

'Secret Gardens of the Close & Green Fair' takes place on Sunday 12th September from 1 pm to 5 pm.





Flashback to 2019 and a visitor enjoys a stroll in one of the 'secret gardens of the Close'

Time for tea. Tea and cakes will be available at South Canonry, the home of the Bishop of Salisbury

As well as touring some of the larger gardens in the Close and De Vaux Place, visitors can enjoy tea and cake on the lawn of South Canonry, the home of the Bishop of Salisbury.

The 'Green Fair' stalls include Harnham Water Meadows Trust, Plantlife and Wiltshire Wildlife Trust, whose representatives will be explaining what they do and how the public can get involved.

Salisbury Florilegium Society will be hosting an exhibition of members' botanical paintings in the Medieval Hall and musical entertainment will be provided by recorder group Close Consort, whose members will be playing in a number of the gardens.

Friends' chairman Duncan Glass said: "The Friends are very much looking forward to holding our 'Secret Gardens of the Close' afternoon following the disappointment of having to cancel last year due to the COVID-19 restrictions. The Green Fair will enhance this popular event and we look forward to welcoming everyone to our flagship event."

Tickets for 'Secret Gardens of the Close & Green Fair' are f_{10} (under-16s free), and are available at the event.

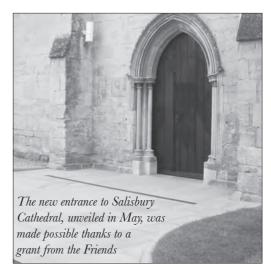
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The Friends of Salisbury Cathedral is a charity that has been giving grants to Salisbury Cathedral since 1930.

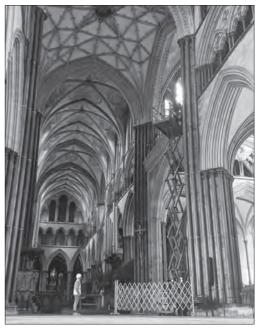
Recent projects have included the new level access to the cathedral and the installation of live streaming equipment, the latter enabling services to be broadcast live onto the cathedral's YouTube channel for those unable to attend worship in person and during the national lockdowns of 2020 and 2021 when the cathedral was closed. These grants have been made possible thanks to members'

have been made possible thanks to members' subscriptions, donations and legacies. Annual subscriptions are £25 for a single membership and £40 for joint membership. Members receive a Friends' membership card, entitling them to visit the cathedral free of charge (excluding ticketed events, concerts or parking). They are sent newsletters and the annual report, and they receive invitations to events: musical evenings, talks, theatre performances, holidays and the annual Friends' Day. This year's Friends' Day is on Saturday 25th September in the cathedral. The AGM is followed by a lecture given by journalist and author Christopher Somerville, who will talk about his book 'Ships of Heaven – The Private Life of Britain's Cathedrals'.



Following the lecture, members can enjoy afternoon tea in the cloisters, a short organ recital and evensong.

For further details, contact the Friends' office on 01722 555190 or email friends@salcath.co.uk.



Live streaming equipment was installed in the cathedral in September, enabling services to be viewed as they happen by people worshipping at home

Corsley Parish Council

Parish Council Briefing

Parish Clerk, John Willcox, rounds up the PC's activity in August

The Parish Council met on 27th July in the Reading Room and the Chair welcomed the two co-opted members, Mrs Ruth Massey and Mrs Lavinia Mitchell.

The meeting was triggered by the need to discuss two planning applications that had been received. However the opportunity was taken to consider a number of other issues and this meant that the meeting turned out to be one of the longer ones in recent history – let us hope that the two new members are not put off!

Streetscene

David Ball, the PC rep for Streetscene reported on the response from Wiltshire Council regarding the village 'gates' idea. Any gates should be placed at the village boundaries, just beyond the Picket Post roundabout to the east and just before the White Hart junction to the west. In addition, the siting must be approved by Wiltshire Council, a contractor must be used who has appropriate insurance cover and the construction such that the gates would collapse in the event of collision from vehicles. And... all the costs would fall on the Parish Council.

David also reported on communication with Wiltshire Council on the cutting of grass verges. Readers will probably have noticed that there are some lanes in the village where the growth from the hedges and verges is reducing the carriageway width by a considerable extent and a number of complaints have been received by the Parish Council. David explained that it was now Wiltshire Council's policy as part of the climate emergency and to improve biodiversity to do a verge cut in September. However, if there are visibility/safety issues they will review. After much discussion, it was agreed that Councillors should advise David of lanes where there are visibility/safety issues and thereafter see what the response from the county is. If, following this, there are still concerns and accepting that Wiltshire Council have indicated that they are not keen on Parish Councils providing their own solutions, it was agreed that the PC should consider funding additional cuts from parish funds.

Planning

It should be noted for all those wishing to apply for planning permission that there is currently a 8-12 week delay in applications being put onto the system. There is also a potential delay in decisions being issued once on the system of four weeks or more.

The council considered two applications:

PL/2021/05441 – Proposed extension at 1 Heathway, Corsley, BA12 7PJ

After considerable discussion the PC agreed that it does not object to the two storey extension to 1 Heathway providing that:

- Planning officers ensure that the 45° rule is applied to the proposals to ensure that the outlook, light and privacy of number 2 Heathway are not adversely affected.
- That the Highways officer ensures that the access and car parking proposed is appropriate and safe.

• That a boundary is retained to denote the curtilage of the property from land in the ownership of the Highway authority at the front of the property.

The PC noted that there were a number of non-planning-specific issues that had been raised by one of the other consultees on the application.

PL/2021/06150 – Convert and extend two barns to create a dwelling house with ancillary accommodation and creation of new access following the demolition of two barns and associated works at Water farm, Corsley

The PC spent a considerable amount of time considering this application. Ultimately, the PC agreed that there were no objections to the conversion of agricultural buildings at Water Farm into one dwelling and ancillary accommodation providing that:

• Planning officers work with the applicant to enhance the appearance of north barn (main dwelling house) to reflect, where appropriate, the materials and finish of East Barn (ancillary accommodation) in order to ensure that the overall development is in keeping with its rural setting and agricultural history.

• That all permitted development rights are removed from the site.

Annual Parish Meeting (APM)

It was confirmed that the APM should be held on Monday 13th September in the Reading Room and that the PC should invite our County Councillor, Bill Parks, the Chairman of the Trustees of the Reading Room, Hugh Deed, and the Project Manager of the Baytree Close Development, Christine Brown, to speak at the meeting.

Dates of next meetings

Annual Parish Meeting 13th September followed by the Quarterly Meeting Quarterly Meeting 6th December Meetings to be held in the Lower Room at Corsley Reading Room and will begin at 7.30pm)

John Willcox, Parish Clerk

Dr Murrison visits Chapmanslade



During the last week of July, I set off on a tour of thirty-two of South West Wiltshire's smaller parishes and villages on what I call my 'Rural Rides' (with apologies to William Cobbett, the nineteenth century pamphleteer).

From Tollard Royal in the south to Bulkington in the north, I set up in village halls - I have so many of these great buildings in my constituency I thought I'd write a book about them when I have time dedicated perhaps to Cobbett – but also pubs, churches, shops and leisure centres.

My first stop on Tuesday 27th was Chapmanslade. I'd like to say thank you to Ben, our host at the Three Horseshoes Pub whose hospitality included delicious coffees and croissants – I can see why the pub is a popular spot to drop in for a morning coffee, as well as perhaps something a little stronger later on. I'd also like to thank local residents for coming to see me.



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Six Open Doors

Dear Friends,

September is a bumper month of birthdays for my family – including my own, as a child I used to feel a bit envious of my friends who had their birthdays during school term time while mine being very early in the month was in holiday time. At least I was never 'bumped' in the playground! Following my birthday would be the return to school and a new academic year. I wonder how many 'new years' we can have in a year? In western society we think of 'new year' as the progression from 31st December to Ist January while other cultures and calendars, particularly eastern ones, have theirs at other times. September is the beginning of the ecclesiastical year in the Eastern Orthodox Church while ours begins with Advent, four Sundays before Christmas Day. In the Jewish faith, new year begins in the month of Tishri, (the seventh month) which covers part of September and October, with a festival called New Year Trumpets or Rosh Hashanah which can be translated as 'first' or 'head of the year'' and marks the start of the Jewish High Holy Days leading up to Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement). It's all about making fresh starts.

September was originally the seventh month, the name coming from Latin septem - "seven" with March being the first month of the year until about 451BC when January and February were added to the Julian Calendar, making September the ninth month but retaining its name. So many things begin again in September, in tandem with the new school year, when all of a sudden pupils and students take another step up on the ladder of education. Perhaps this September more than any other, though, all of us are feeling ready to embark on a new beginning. Learning to live freely again as restrictions have been lifted, but not as easy as we might have first imagined. I wonder what you will be leaving behind – never to return to; and what you will be looking forward to taking up again? What does a fresh start mean for you?

COVID-19 hasn't gone away, but we can still live responsibly and get going again. Looking around our garden it is obvious that while we might have been restricted in our comings and goings, the fruit trees and bees have carried on as usual and there is much fruit to be picked over the coming weeks as it ripens.

So we look to a time of harvest and giving thanks for the abundant generosity of God's love in creation, for the increase of community spirit during lockdown and we pray that it won't be lost as we begin again. To the community of the church in Galatia, the apostle Paul wrote that the fruits of the Spirit are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. We have learned that people matter more than possessions, when Jesus, the Son of God lived among us He exemplified a loving and generous way of living, it is a way of life that bears fruit – fruit that will last and fruit that is to be shared.

With love and prayer for the fruit of the Holy Spirit to be and remain among us, always. Amen

Gay

September Church Diary

We are continuing to take sensible steps to ensure the safety of our clergy and congregations. These measures may vary from church to church, so please do follow any local advice when you arrive at an event or service.

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Sunday 5th September 14th Sunday after Trinity 8 am Holy Communion at Kingston Deverill 9.30 am Eucharist at St Margaret's Corsley 10.30 am Morning Worship at Longbridge Deverill

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Sunday 12th September 15th Sunday after Trinity 9.30 am Family Communion at St Philip and St James Chapmanslade 10.30 am Eucharist at Kingston Deverill

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Thursday 16th September 10 am until 12 noon Church and Community Coffee Morning at the Three Horseshoes Chapmanslade

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Sunday 19th September 16th Sunday after Trinity 10.30 am Eucharist at Brixton Deverill 11.00 am BCP Matins service at St Margaret's Corsley

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Sunday 26thth September 17th Sunday after Trinity 9.30 am Eucharist at St Philip and St James Chapmanslade 10.30 am Eucharist at Longbridge Deverill

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Saturday/Sunday 2nd and 3rd October Harvest Flower Festival at St Margaret's Church Corsley Saturday 2nd, 10.30 am until 4.30 pm and Sunday 3rd, 11 am until 4.30 pm

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Sunday 3rd October

6 pm Harvest Festival Songs of Praise at St Margaret's Church Corsley

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Saturday 9th October 7 pm for 7.30 pm Harvest Supper at Chapmanslade Village Hall

Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd October Harvest Flower Festival

There will be a Harvest Flower Festival at St Margaret's Church Corsley on Saturday 2nd – 10.30 am until 4.30 pm and Sunday 3rd – 11 am until 4.30 pm. Entry will be \pounds 5 for adults with children free of charge. Refreshments will be available.

Sunday 3rd October Harvest Festival Songs of Praise

There will be a Harvest Festival Songs of Praise at St Margaret's Church Corsley at 6 pm. This will be a chance to celebrate harvest at the end of our Flower Festival weekend. Everyone will have a chance to sing favourite hymns with a harvest theme. Tinned or packet food donations will be welcome, and will be passed to the Warminster and District Food Bank.

Saturday 9th October – Harvest Supper

We celebrate our Harvest Supper on Saturday 9th October, for the first time in two years. It will be in Chapmanslade Village Hall at 7 pm for 7.30 pm. Numbers will be limited to ensure we can provide space and fresh air for everyone. Further details on how to buy tickets are on the separate advert.

Saturday 30th and Sunday 31st October Remembering everyone we have lost

At the end of October each year we celebrate All Hallows Eve (Halloween) followed by All Saints Day and All Souls Day giving us a chance to remember all who have gone before us. This year more than any other, the effects of the pandemic have given us a special reason for thinking about those we have lost. There will be a Benefice All Souls Service of Remembrance on Sunday 31st at St Philip and St James Church in Chapmanslade. See the October edition of The Bridge for the time.

In addition, there will be an opportunity for everyone to have a special remembrance posy made and displayed in the church, which will be open for viewing over the weekend of 30th and 31st. For a small charge of $\pounds 5$, identical posies in small vases will be placed around the church with a card printed with your own message. There will be more information in the September newsletter and the October edition of The Bridge.

Can you help?

We still have vacancies for a Churchwarden at St Margaret's Corsley and a Lay Pastoral Assistant in the parish. Rev Gay Maynard is currently the person to contact for anything related to St Margaret's.

Every Month

Church and Community Coffee Mornings are continuing, and will take place every third Thursday in the month at the Three Horseshoes Chapmanslade from 10 am until 12 noon. Everyone is welcome, so please come and use this chance to meet old and new friends.

Join the 50/50 Club!

For only f_{24}^{24} a year or f_{2}^{2} per month, you can join the Corsley and Chapmanslade Churches 50/50 Club. Half of the payment is returned as prizes, with the other half supporting church funds. There is a f_{100} prize to be won each month! It is possible to pay by cash, cheque or standing order. If you would like to take part you can sign up with Neil Britten on 01373 832515.

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Get your affairs in order

Calling all Trustees!

Do you have a trust in your family or are you a trustee looking after money or property for someone, such as a child?

If the answer is 'yes', then from March 2022 it is likely that you will need to register the trust with HMRC.

Currently, certain trusts need to be registered with HMRC if they are liable for Income Tax, Inheritance Tax, Stamp Duty or Capital Gains Tax. From March 2022 it will be necessary to register nearly all 'express' trusts, even if there is no tax to pay.

What is an 'express' trust?

An 'express trust' is a trust that was created deliberately, such as a trust created by someone's Will or a trust that a person makes by a deed during their lifetime. This means that after a person has died, if they have a trust in their Will which continues two years after the death, it will need to be registered.

Examples of the kind of trusts that will need to be registered include:

- A trust holding money for a child who has not reached 18 (or 21/25 depending on the wording in the Will)
- A discretionary trust (where the money is to be held for several beneficiaries, but the trustees can decide how to use the funds)
- A life interest trust, where someone dies and leaves some or all their estate in a trust for another person for their lifetime and then to other beneficiaries when that person dies.

There are a few trusts which will be exempt from registration, they include:

- Certain charitable trusts
- Trusts that are set up to be used at a later date with less than $\pounds 100$ in them
- Some trusts for land, pensions, and insurance policies
- Trusts imposed by law or by a court If you are not sure, it is worth checking.

Who is responsible for Registering the Trust?

The trustees will be responsible for registering the trust. If you are an executor of a Will, you may also be a trustee. It is best to check the Will or the trust paperwork to identify the trustees.

You cannot register these Trusts yet. The online portal for registering such trusts is expected to be ready later in 2021. If you think this could affect you it would be sensible to begin making enquiries to see if you need to do anything.

I have just made a Will with a trust in it, do I need to register it now?

No, a trust in your Will only starts after you die. Your trustees may need to register it if the trust continues beyond two years after your death.

Article kindly supplied by Forrester Sylvester Mackett

Please note that the Editor's email address has changed to paradisefound86@icloud.com

news from the ladies

Corsley WI

August news

Corsley WI President, Judith Helliar, rounds up the August meeting and announces some forthcoming events



The August meeting was a first for Corsley WI. We enjoyed a lovely summer's evening picnic on the Memorial Field, making use of the pavilion for outside seating and the kitchen for hot drinks to complete our picnic. How lovely to have these facilities

right in the centre of our village; some of our members were able just to walk to the event. The opportunity to be outside reassured our members of the safety of being together, whilst out in the fresh air.

We are now looking forward to our Centenary Celebration (members only), a meal at the Reading Rooms with Sandy Parrish and her staff preparing a special meal for us. Although we will be a smaller gathering than we had hoped (due to COVID-19), all our present members will be attending. Our speaker



of Ceremonies, who we know will make the evening special.

The October meeting is an Antiques Valuation, to be held in the Reading Rooms

> (open at 7pm) on Thursday 14th October for valuation. It will be open to friends with a small charge of $\pounds 5$ to bring along an item for Gareth Wasp of Cooper and Tanner to value; some items will then be discussed while we enjoy a glass of wine or coffee.

Come and enjoy a social evening with your local WI.

Judith Helliar Corsley WI President



for the evening will be a professional Master



Corsley Tennis Club News

It's been great to see children having fun on the courts and playing field as part of Tennis Fun 4 You during August with committee volunteers and parents joining in. Thanks to Corsley Parish Council for providing funding for this activity and Jon and Di for planning and delivering it.

Jon also ran tournaments for four age groups: tots, U8s, U10s and teens. Well done all who took part and particular the winners!

There's still one more tournament for adults – mixed doubles in September and then a whole year to get in practice for the 2022 competitions if you lost out this time.

The double court will be out of action for repainting for a couple of days in September. The exact dates will depend on the weather, so you will need to keep an eye on emails and re-book sessions if yours are affected.

It was windy on court for one of the club sessions this week so I thought I'd check out some tips for those conditions. The experts say, work out where the wind is coming from; if it's behind you go for slice and topspin: in your face, ditch the spin and go for flat shots. If it's blowing sideways, work out the direction and use it to your advantage. So that's all pretty straightforward then! I'll hold my finger in the wind and then pick up the racket! There's still a way to go I think until I've cracked the technique.

See you on court - windy or not.

Liz Garrett Club Secretary





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Chapmanslade Parish Council

Parish Council Briefing

Councillor Tim Humphreys reports on the PC's latest activities

The Parish Council met at the village hall on 19th August; the meeting purpose was primarily to consider the multitude of planning applications for piecemeal developments on the Thoulstone Farm site.

Matters arising from the previous meeting of 8th July.

- There has been no response as yet to the call-in request against the planning approval by Wiltshire Council for the Westbury Energy from Waste incinerator
- With the Barter's Farm housing development having now commenced, CIL funding to the Parish Council has been confirmed by Wiltshire Council and payable in three tranches (October and December 2021, and July 2022)
- At the recent CATG meeting, the PC submitted case for street lighting improvement between Cleyhill Gardens and Wood Lane has been given a "priority one" status. An assessment survey is to be arranged to take this forward.

Planning Applications:

There were eight current applications under consideration by Wiltshire Council concerning the ongoing development at Thoulstone Farm (there have since been two further applications submitted).

Applications considered:

• **PL/2021/05743** - Full planning permission Erection of ancillary games room and plant room (revised plans)

- **PL/2021/06585** Parent Application Prior approval Part 3 Class Q: Agricultural buildings to dwelling houses. Prior Notification under Class Q for a Proposed Conversion of Existing Agricultural Building (Metal Circular Grain Silo) into One Dwelling house (Use Class C3).
- **PL/2021/06568** Prior approval Part 3 Class Q: Agricultural buildings to dwelling houses (Use Class C3) and for Building Operations reasonably necessary for the Conversion.
- **PL/2021/06379** Full planning permission (Additional to original Application 19/10721/FUL) Conversion of Existing Farm Outbuilding to Create Single Residential Dwelling. This is an Additional Permission to **19/10721/FUL** which permits the Conversion of Three Residential Dwellings (work having started on site)
- **PL/2021/06381** Full planning permission Proposed relocation and Conversion of Existing Metal Grain Silo and Extension to include Additional Similar Silos to Create Residential Dwelling.
- **PL/2021/06497** Full planning permission (Parent Application) Proposed demolition of existing agricultural building and erection of three residential dwellings
- **PL/2021/06380** Full planning permission Conversion of existing farm outbuilding to create single residential dwelling
- **PL/2021/06496** Full planning permission Proposed demolition of existing agricultural

building and erection of new indoor swimming pool.

The PC unanimously agreed to object to each of these applications on a number of grounds, being common to those raised at the July meeting when another application relating to the same development was tabled. Points of concern (inter-alia) included:

- Suitability of the existing agricultural buildings for conversion in the manner summarily described within the application documents.
- The extent to which curtilage of the Grade 2 Listed farmhouse extends into the wider farm complex.
- Demonstrable compliance with given planning criteria allowing for permitted development rights under Part 3 Class Q (change of use of an agricultural building to residential)
- Lack of clarity in respect of building operations necessary for the conversion of existing buildings.

The PC has written separately to Wiltshire Council expressing concern that this plethora of recent submissions would suggest a considerable expansion for the site far beyond that originally envisaged by the developer's original proposal two years ago. It is proving difficult to take a holistic perspective on the wider development of this site and its ultimate purpose, though an upmarket holiday let complex could be interpreted from the scale and nature of the work proposed. The PC requested that Wiltshire Council Planning Department takes a comprehensive look at the site to determine the justification and viability for the considerable change suggested to that originally advised.

Other matters

- The PC expressed their congratulations to Chapmanslade resident Kate French for her gold medal in the modern pentathlon at the Tokyo Olympics.
- Our local MP, the Rt Honourable Dr MP Andrew Murrison, visited the village on 27th July as part of his 'Rural Rides' road tour of the constituency, visiting as many smaller communities as possible. Members of the PC met with him at the Three Horseshoes, taking the opportunity to re-emphasise key local issues including the Westbury Incinerator, traffic problems as experienced within a rural village, and housing development beyond that envisioned by the Wiltshire (housing) Core Strategy.

The next PC meeting is scheduled for 7.30pm on Thursday 9th September.

Minutes of the meeting can be found on the Parish Council website www.chapmansladepc.org.uk

> Tim Humphreys Parish Councillor



Memories of Corsley School

Danywenallt

David Ball recalls his tenure as Headteacher at Corsley School...

During my teaching career I frequently organised educational visits and residential trips for the older primary children. For several years I took parties of 40 children plus parents to the England v Scotland Schoolboys football match at Wembley Stadium, with crowds of 40-50,000 – something far removed from art galleries, museums and theatre trips.

I also took classes of children to residential centres in places like Danywenallt – a delightful former farmhouse by a huge reservoir in the Brecon Beacons and about four miles from Brecon itself.

Several year groups of Corsley children enjoyed a train or coach

trip to visit the Danywenallt Study Centre for a week's activities, where John and Ron, the resident teachers, provided a varied programme of exciting educational activities that kept the children happy, interested, physically active and often exhausted – temporarily! Activities during the week might include a days walk over the Brecon Beacons led by these experienced teachers, who explained the geographic features of the area, or a long walk to a spectacular curtain waterfall where the children had the opportunity to cross the river by walking along a ledge behind the waterfall itself. Nearby the river went underground and the children could experience potholing, clambering through a narrow passage to see the river below the surface. Another walk might take them to a long, bending railway tunnel, no

> longer in use and perfect to take the children along with their torches to experience total darkness something others might experience at 'Big Pit' when the guide, a former miner, would take them down to the coal face and tell them to switch off their helmet lights and

experience total darkness for perhaps the first time, then recount his experiences of digging for coal, complete with pit ponies!

Probably the favourite activity however was saved for the last night at the centre. Ron would show the children a small mammal trap and explain that they were going to do some maths! They were going to take part in an ongoing survey to find out how many, and what kind of small mammals lived in the nearby woodland. In groups of two or three



they placed hay into the trap (to give the mammal a warm bed) and a piece of apple (to provide food and water) and then carefully carried the traps to various points in the woods as the sun sank behind the surrounding mountains. The next morning, packing for home was completed at rapid speed, and then Ron would take them all back into the woods to collect the traps. Some were disappointed as they immediately saw their traps had not been sprung, but ,usually 7 or 8 of the 10 were 'occupied' and, back at the centre, excitement would mount as Ron carefully opened each trap inside a plastic aquarium and the occupant was revealed, identified, weighed and their place of capture carefully recorded. Proud children would photograph their mammals and then take another trip to the woods to release them. On their return to the centre it was straight onto the coach for home!

The next few weeks of the summer term back in the classroom, the children would make their own hand-sewn books and record the events of their weeks visit – an activity which involved English, maths, art and craft, geography, history, and very best handwriting! They'd all had more than enough PE in the Welsh mountains!

Frome Art Society's 'In Company' art exhibition

We are pleased to announce the Frome Art Society's 'Round Tower Exhibition' is back, courtesy of the Black Swan Arts. Waiting more than two years because of COVID-19 restrictions, it's at last happening. The exhibition opens on Friday 13 August and runs to Monday 30 August, at 2 Black Swan Arts, Bridge Street, Frome BA11 1BB. Come and see a diverse selection of affordable artwork from our inclusive, friendly society. All work is for sale including cards and less expensive unframed work.

The exhibition title 'In Company' is a celebration of the opportunity to show collectively our artwork in an actual exhibition rather than 'virtually' on Zoom. Frome Art Society members staffing the exhibition will maintain safe distancing and all visitors will be asked to wear masks, unless exempt, when visiting.

Other than mounting two exhibitions a year, members of Frome Art Society enjoy access to

workshops, talks, demonstrations, the popular programme of summer outdoor painting days in beautiful locations, and the opportunity to upload images of work onto the Frome Art Society website. For more information, visit the Frome Art Society website at

> www.fromeartsociety.co.uk or www.blackswanarts.org.uk



Walking through lockdown

A water meadows walk



This attractive village lies off a turning from Cotley Hill roundabout, on the A36 from Warminster to Salisbury. Park up near the church, built in the 11th century on Saxon foundations. It became a Collegiate Church at the time of Bishop Jocelyn of Salisbury and had a Dean and Canons; it was restored by William Butterfield in the 1860s.

Enter the churchyard near the village shop and Post Office, emerge on the Tytherington road and cross into Mill Street. Walk on until it veers left, but go right into Mantles Lane, a dead end. Eventually you walk alongside the Wylye River, until the lane becomes a muddy track between a cottage on the left and the river on the right. You may see swans or even a kingfisher here. Enter the field ahead and walk a muddier track, with cricket bat willows on your left and the field hedge at your right.

At the field end, there's a mill pond on the right. Go along the river bank until you reach another road to Tytherington, turn right, cross the bridge and stay on the road, passing the former mill itself, three storeys and impressive. Pass that and veer left, cross another bridge and turn left again.

The road you're on bends right and there's a footpath sign on your left, with a track leading to a wooden bridge. Cross it and go through the metal kissing gate at your right, into a field. Follow the track along the field edge, with a hedge on your right. It's a big



open space, but at last there's fencing and a gateway into another field. This field can be very muddy and sometimes has cows in it. Go left, stepping gingerly round and through mud pools until you reach hard ground and can follow the trail diagonally across the field.

At its end is another kissing gate on the left – and more mud! Go through the gate, turn right and walk alongside the Wylye, with a pretty cottage on its far bank. The path leads to another kissing gate.

If you want to explore further, go right here and wander through the fields. If have a map or GPS on a mobile, follow tracks across fields and between hedges; you may even reach Corton village and find a different return route.

If you're staying with the walk, go

through the kissing gate before the open fields and turn left across the footbridge. This is the hamlet of Knook, with the former vicarage gardens on your right. Pass the house entrance and a small iron gate leads into the churchyard, though the church isn't kept open.

You'll reach a crossroads next, and a noticeboard at your left; take the track beside it. Stay on that and there'll be a barn with galvanised iron sheeting on your right and, to the left, another galvanised iron building and a wooden bridge. The walk doesn't cross the bridge BUT step on it and look into the shack. I think this building houses redundant equipment for regulating sluice gates, once part of the river scene here. Across the wooden bridge you're



on, there's a seat and, beside the 'private' field at the right, the stone remains of a sluice gate system there.

Return from the wooden bridge and go left, where the track rises and the river falls away left. The trail narrows and you'll pass a house on your right; beyond it, there's a field of scrap metal 'statues'. Now there's a house on your left, with a huge field next and fenced-off woodland on your right. The path you're on runs between two fences and you'll step down onto the old Warminster to Salisbury road. Walk left and keep going till you reach Park Road, ahead of you.

Go that way, passing an impressive house entrance and village playing fields. Across the next junction, the Hospital of St. John is on your right. These almshouses were built in 1472 for Lord Walter Hungerford, Knight of the Garter in 1421 and executor of Henry V's



Will. The original building burned down in 1765 and it was rebuilt in this Georgian style. Your vehicle's along this road, but the Angel Inn's on your left first; see if they're open, or ring before leaving home and be sure of a well-deserved break!



Whitbourne Chapel

While the Earth remains... Genesis 8, verse 22

Services for September - all at 11 am

- 5th Richard Wilson the Chapel's own preacher
- 12th Craig Jennings from Coleford
- 19th Russell Short for our Harvest Service
- 26th Andrew Coxhead from Clink Evangelical Church

The Harvest Display

[God] did not leave himself without witness, for he did good by giving you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, satisfying your hearts with food and gladness (Acts 14 verse 17)

I can remember harvest displays set out at the front of the church that included a lump of coal, salt, a glass of water and a loaf of bread, in the shape of a sheaf of corn, made by the local baker. This was a visual reminder of God's goodness to us in providing for our needs and for regulating the seasons, in accordance with His promise: 'While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease' (Genesis 8 v. 22). Every time we see a rainbow in the clouds we are reminded of that promise.

Thinking of harvest displays, let me tell you

the story of a young boy who was given some food for a display, but it never reached the display. For some reason he was too embarrassed to give the item and, on the way home, hid it behind a telephone box hoping that no one would find out about it. This may seem insignificant but it has been said that 'No sin is to be regarded as small, because the God who forbids all sin is so great.' The book of James in the New Testament says in chapter 2 verse 10: 'For whoever keeps the whole law

but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.'

There is a sequel to that story because some years later, when the boy was about 12, he was in a children's meeting and his conscience was reactivated about that deceit. The result was that he

invited the Lord Jesus Christ into his heart and life. I know this is true because this writer was that boy.

Let me leave you with a question. How are you going to respond to God's goodness? He gives us fruitful seasons and satisfies our hearts with food and gladness, but most of all He gave us His Son to be our Saviour (John 3 verse 16).

> John Hobson Visiting preacher at Whitbourne Chapel

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A view from over the hedge...

Countryside Matters

All good gifts around us...

As I write, it's now 10.30 pm on 18 August and the lights on the combine harvester have gone out after a very miserable day of trying to harvest what's left of the barley crop.

The arable crops have suffered greatly, especially during the last month when heavy downpours of rain have been a regular daily event. High winds and damp grey days have flattened the ripening crop, dropping the seed to the ground making it an easy feed for ravenous rooks and pigeons coming in flocks. Badgers and deer who have hidden in the standing crop for weeks have also devoured a great deal of the seeds.

The tractors and trailers are still busy hauling the grain back from the fields to be stored in a large airy barn, hoping that it doesn't have to be machine-dried, which will incur extra costs.

The hedgerow fruits of rose hips, sloes and blackberries look good, but like the cereal crops, they also need sun to ripen. There are plenty of hazelnuts on the trees but I expect the squirrels will soon find and devour them!

September is the month for damsons, elderberries and sloes, so do go out and get

your share for preserving before our bird population gets them all.

We used to wait for frosts before the sloes were picked, but now, if you prick them and freeze them for a while, then preserve them in gin and some sugar, you'll have a good homemade drink ready in time for Christmas.

In days gone by, Michaelmas Day (29th September), was the time for fairs when farm workers would look for new jobs, tenant farmers would pay their half yearly rent and tenancies were reviewed. It was also the time when most of the harvesting had been completed so the celebrations could begin. Churches were decorated with fruits vegetables, honey, bread, cheeses and any other crops from the local farms and gardens, in readiness for the harvest festival services.

Our local church, St Margaret's, Corsley, will have its doors open to everyone the weekend of 2nd and 3rd October to show that, whatever the weather has thrown at us, we can still show how fortunate we are to be able to enjoy a wonderful harvest.

Judith Helliar



Corsley Reading Room

Your 'village hall'

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



We were delighted at the number of people who turned up to the FREE August Coffee Morning, so we have decided to make the September one FREE as well!

Coming up in October and November Photographic Exhibition – Closing Down and Opening Up, by Frome Wessex Camera Club, October 22nd to 25th. Free entry, see advert for full details.

Christmas Fair – Saturday 20th November. Reserve the date to buy Xmas presents and more. Further details next month

CRR Meeting Secretary wanted – could it be you??

After many years on the Management Committee of the Reading Room, Jenny Rutty will shortly be leaving the village and has decided to step down as a trustee of the RR later this year. In recent years, Jenny has also been our Meeting Secretary. We would very much like to have someone new to the team take on this role. It can be your choice as to whether you also become a trustee and participate more fully in the meetings, decisions and RR activities. If you would like to know more, please contact me or Jenny (secretary@corsleyreadingroom.org.uk). Meetings typically occur five or six times a year and are about two hours long.

See website www.corsleyreadingroom.org.uk for more details on all the above and more. To hire see the website or call Gill Parkinson (01373 832322) to discuss.

FREE Coffee Morning

Tuesday 7th September at 10 am with FREE coffee/tea and biscuits for all! Come and meet forgotten village members! If you came for the first time in August, do come again this month.

Please check the website for any late changes!

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

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Small ads

 \pounds 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!**

Please note that the Editor's email address has changed to paradisefound86@icloud.com

Answers to Bob's Bafflers

- 1 Vodka with of course an orange slice to garnish
- 2 The Netherlands (Cornish Gouda is now available)
- 3 Tin
- 4 The French Open (Roland Garros) which is the second of the Grand Slam tournaments
- 5 Ben Nevis, Snowdon and Scafell Pike
- 6 In the ear (stapes or stirrup is 3.33mm long)
- 7 Azerbaijan
- 8 Mrs Malaprop
- 9 James Abbott McNeil Whistler
- 10 With
- 11 Whitby
- 12 The letter 'e', which is the most common letter used in the English language, does not appear even once in the paragraph.

Local organisation adverts

 $\pounds 2$ per month for a small boxed advert or $\pounds 7.50$ 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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1 space	(69mm wide x 33mm high)	£22.00
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6 spaces	(half page - 138mm wide x 100mm high)	£104.00

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