

Chilbolton and Wherwell Community Magazine

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‘The show must go on!’, they say. To produce this magazine, I write from a village in Oxfordshire which has power, unlike ours. Storm Eunice is a reminder of the critical role of electricity in our daily lives. Hopefully by the time you read this it will be a distant memory. But grid resilience needs to be improved for everyone, (not just rural areas unserved by gas, like ours) as we transition from fossil fuels to renewable electricity. With spring on the horizon, we can look forward to Mothering Sunday services, Lent talks and a bluebell walk. We also have music for a variety of tastes, a selection of movies and the opportunity to make your mark as a local history photographer.

Andrew Keevil

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Dear Friends,

‘For God so loved the world that He gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but have eternal life.’ (John 3: 16)

As a child of the 1960’s who progressed through the Roman Catholic education system, my understanding of God was that He was very scary, wrathful and all-punishing. A God, who was just waiting for me to transgress in order to strike me down with a heavenly thunderbolt. The Holy Spirit, the nuns informed us with a note of terrifying glee in their condemning voices, was God’s eyes in the world, seeking out our sinfulness and, presumably, reporting back to HQ with each disobedient thought or misbehaviour on my part. Terrifying stuff!

I didn’t learn much about Jesus as a schoolgirl either. It was mainly all about God and the Blessed Virgin Mary, who could do no wrong; promulgated as the perfect role model for young women such as us. It was a suffocating environment in which to develop a personal sense of spirituality, and did nothing to help me develop a relationship with Christ.

As an adult, and as I have experienced the knocks and losses of real life amidst the joys and delights, I have discovered God, in the Holy Trinity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, has been anything but vengeful. I have discovered a Father who sent His beloved Son to die for me. The Christ who has walked beside me when my heart is heavy and the blessing of the Holy Spirit, who has carried my weary soul in Jesus’ name on more occasions than I can remember.

During Lent, I pray you will take time in your spiritual meditations to remember that God loves us all very much. If we focus on God being angry with us, then we fail to see the significance of God’s gift in sending Jesus to us. It is indeed true that God doesn’t want us to sin – because of the damaging consequences such frail actions and behaviours have on others around us and on the world He created for us to enjoy. During Lent, try to take special notice of God’s loving actions all around you, for God is merciful, kind, forgiving, faithful and just and through His Son, Jesus Christ, will be with us until the end of time.

If we are prepared to open our hearts to this truth, we will receive God’s love for us in a new way. A love which works in and through our imperfections, refining us to become the people He created us to be. God does love us. He has never stopped loving us. And in Jesus’ great Easter gift to the world, we will one day meet that love face to face and bask in it for eternity.

Yours, empowered by the love of Christ,

Jax

Revd Jax Machin, Rector of The Downs Benefice

Prayer

We thank You, Father, that You have always loved us,
And that You always will.

May the truth of Your love guide us this Lent;
Encouraging us to give everything into Your care;
Guiding us in every decision and action we make.

Give us the courage to enjoy our lives,
Knowing You are there for us,
And that Your love will never end.

Amen

The Queen's Green Canopy Initiative

Our plans for The Queen's Green Canopy initiative, as part of the Platinum Jubilee celebrations, continue at a pace and we are pleased to announce that we intend to hold a tree planting ceremony for the village on Sunday March 27th at 11.45am, or on the rising of the Church Service (whichever is the latest), on Stocks Green.

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*David Griffiths
Acting Chair*

Services March 2022	<i>St Mary the Less, Chilbolton</i>	<i>St Mary's, Crawley</i>	<i>St Catherine's Littleton</i>	<i>St Stephen's Sparsholt</i>	<i>St Peter & Holy Cross, Wherwell</i>
<i>This information is correct at the time of going to press but please check on the website (www.downsbenefice.org) for up-to-date information.</i>					
Wednesday 2nd March – ASH WEDNESDAY					
Holy Communion with Ashes	12 noon		10am		With Ch
Friday 4th March					
Women's World Day of Prayer	2pm				
Sunday 6th March – The First Sunday of Lent					
Holy Communion		10am			
Morning Prayer	10am				
Café Church in Church Room			4pm		
Sunday 13th March – The Second Sunday of Lent					
Holy Communion			10am		
Morning Prayer					10am
Evening Prayer for Lent	4pm				
Sunday 20th March – The Third Sunday of Lent					
Holy Communion (BCP)				8am	
Holy Communion	10am				
Morning Prayer		10am			
Peace & Wholeness			6pm		
Wednesday 23rd March					
Mid-Week Holy Communion			10am		
Sunday 27th March – Mothering Sunday					
Family Service	10am	10am	10am	10am	10am



The Downs Benefice will be holding special Mothering Sunday Services in all the Churches at-

10.00 am on Sunday, 27th March.

Everyone is most welcome to come.

Please look at the Benefice website for current Coronavirus advice.

Lent Talks - 2022

This year we are hoping to host a series of Lent talks on the life and work of remarkable Christian activists.

Wilson Carlile (1847-1942) – Founder of The Church Army – (*Chilbolton – Monday 7th March*)

John Wesley (1703-1791) - Leader of a revival movement within the Church of England which gave birth to the Methodist Church. (*Sparsholt – Wednesday 16th March*)

Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945) - German pastor who wrote ‘The Cost of Discipleship’ and was interned by the Nazis for his resistance to Adolf Hitler. (*Littleton – Tuesday 22nd March*)

Gladys Aylward (1902-1970) - Missionary to China depicted in the film ‘The Inn of the Sixth Happiness’ starring Ingrid Bergman. (*Wherwell – Thursday 31st March*)

Dr Cicely Saunders (1918-2005) – Founder of the Hospice Movement. (*Crawley – Friday 8th April*)

These talks will be held, subject to Coronavirus restrictions, in the Churches and start at 7pm

<i>Date</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
LENT begins - 2 nd March			<i>Ash Wednesday</i>		
7 th March	Chilbolton				
16 th March			Sparsholt		
22 nd March		Littleton			
31 st March				Wherwell	
8 th April					Crawley
Holy Week				<i>Maundy Thursday</i>	<i>Good Friday</i>

Public Meeting with Wessex Rivers Trust

Proposed Improvements to the Riverside on the Common.

A public meeting will be held at Chilbolton Village Hall on:

Saturday 26 March 2022 at 10:00

Representatives of the Wessex Rivers Trust, Parish Councillors and COSC will be available to answer your questions.

The leader river at the Purleygig on the Common has several accelerating problems, one is the erosion to the banks which has got so much worse above the Purleygig bridge. The



other is the increased widening and shallowing of the downstream section of the leader. The lack of marginal plants there (one reason the SSSI was awarded in the 1980's) is also a worry. Chilbolton PC has done a little towards this with the bank restoration which Sparsholt are carrying out for us this March.

The Wessex Rivers Trust are well known in river circles for their excellent work on rivers and they have put forward a proposal.

Above the Purleygig the boarding will be removed and a gentle gravel slope made to the river reinstating the natural bank.

Below the bridge the river can be “re-wiggled”. The curves will be emphasised with natural materials so that plants can re-establish. This will create a narrower channel of varying depth which is very good for river life.

This proposed river restoration has attracted full funding from the “FReSH” scheme subsidised by Southern Water as part of their drought resilience programme. The Parish Council pays nothing for this expertise or for the works. Final approval has to be given by Natural England and the Environment Agency.

Moya Grove
COSC

Feed the Andover Food Bank - Update

For nearly two years many residents of Wherwell and Chilbolton have very generously supported the Andover Food Bank but now, more than ever, with unemployment figures and household expenses increasing alarmingly, your support is needed even more.

WE ARE TRIALLING A NEW INITIATIVE AND ASKING IF YOU HAVE NEVER DONATED IN THE PAST:

PLEASE WILL YOU CONSIDER DONATING A CARTON OF LONG-LIFE MILK OR ORANGE JUICE?

SUGGESTED OTHER ITEMS TO DONATE

Tea, coffee

Cereals, jam, honey, peanut butter

Fruit squash, biscuits, crisps

Tinned vegetables, meat and fish

Pasta sauces

Tinned fruit, custard, rice pudding, jelly, instant whip

Bathroom, kitchen and toilet cleaning products

Washing-up liquid dish cloths, scourers, bin bags

Detergent, fabric conditioner

Hand sanitiser, soap, shower gel, deodorant, baby wipes, toilet rolls

Tooth brushes, tooth paste, shampoo, conditioner

Cat and dog food, poop bags

Donations can be dropped off at Chilbolton Stores or at either of the monthly village coffee mornings. Please do contact me if you need any food donations picked up or if you would like to make a cash donation.

Information regarding setting up a Standing Order to benefit the Food Bank or to Gift Aid a donation can be found on their web site at: Helping Local People in Crisis (andover.foodbank.org.uk)

*Jane Andrews: Tel: 01264 860635 or 07730 412393
email: flyjohnndrews@aol.com*

The Wondering Fiddlers Return

St Andrew's Church, Hurstbourne Priors

Saturday 5th March at 7.30 pm



An international trio returns to Hampshire to create a joyful evening of accessible Early Music including works by Bach and Boccherini. This event is a re-run of last year's COVID-cancelled concert.

Alberto Sanna and Marino Capulli on violin and Elizabeth Elliott on Cello are talented young musicians. Their string ensemble removes the barrier between the players and the listeners and engages in a dialogue on the meaning of the music they present.

They formed with the goal of searching for an authentic way to perform early music, not just through historically informed interpretations but also through the choice of venue and interaction with the audience. Their aim is to take you back to the intimacy of 17th and 18th century with performances for the chamber, playing with replicas of historical bows.

They are all tutors with the charity Early Music as Education (EMEA) based in Merseyside.

TICKETS £15 (with interval refreshments) - children under 16 are free
Proceeds are shared between the Group and their charities (EMAE and St. Andrew's Church). Apply to:

Barbara: barbara.carrodus@btinternet.com 01256 893473

Mandy: a.briantevans@gmail.com 01264 738489

ANDOVER CHAMBER CHOIR

Andover Chamber Choir makes first appearance

Having celebrated its 50th anniversary with a live-streamed Christmas concert (still available to view on YouTube) The Harmonium Singers started the new year with a new identity – Andover Chamber Choir.

Rehearsals are underway for the first concert of 2022 - ***From Dawn to Dusk*** – a sequence put together by musical director Andrew Wyndham: “This is a lovely programme of mainly sacred music spanning over five hundred years and charting a course through a single day, from the darkness before dawn to sunset. Composers range from Thomas Tallis to John Rutter.”

The concert will take place at the church of St Michael & All Angels, West Andover (Colebrook Way) at 7.30 pm on Saturday 2nd April, a welcome return since the choir last appeared there as The Harmonium Singers in 2017. Proceeds will be donated to the ***I Can Therapy Centre***, the local charity which provides exercise to those with limited mobility using specially adapted power-assisted equipment to move and mobilise muscles and joints.

Tickets cost £10 (under-14s admitted free) from The Lights, Newbury Building Society or choir members. Further information:

Veronica Bacon
01264 771285
www.andoverchamberchoir.org.uk



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- HOT DRINKS
- GRAZING BOARDS
& MORE

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We are excited to announce the opening of our new Tasting Room at Black Chalk!
Come and join us for award-winning English wine, hot drinks and local produce.

We would like to invite local residents to an exclusive opening day on

FRIDAY 1st APRIL 10am - 6pm

where you can get a sneak peek as well as 20% off everything!

Chilbolton Parish Council – February 2022

At the PC Meeting on 7 February a number of matters were discussed. In this, the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Year, the Parish Council wants to involve the village in **The Queen's Green Canopy** and plans continue at pace and I'm pleased to announce that we intend to hold a **tree planting ceremony** for the village on **Sunday 27th March at 11.45am**, or at the end of the Church service (whichever is latest), on Stocks Green.

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Over the Jubilee weekend we encourage you all to hold your own street events with your neighbours. Should you wish to close your road Test Valley have waived the fee for the road closure application. If the road is to be closed permission is needed.

The proposed plans for the future use of the gravel area on Cow Common was again discussed. Unfortunately, last month's Parish Magazine was delivered rather late so the deadline of 11 February for receipt of comments will not be used. All comments received will be considered. We have had communications from Natural England regarding both the signage on Cow Common and the use of the gravel area to permit some parking, but they have informed us that they will be sending a more detailed note on both. Therefore, at present the PC is not able to progress either until we see their advice. Hampshire County Council Access Team are also to advise.

On 14 February the work to complete the new footpath and realign the kerbstones at the Coronation Green crossing and at the bottom of the concrete road up to West Down should start. We have been waiting for some time. It is hoped that this will take about 2 weeks to complete. The kerbstones are to be reshaped so that they protrude less, and it is hoped that will reduce the risk of further damage. At the end of that Highways should resite the white lines to the crossing itself and also blank out the edge lines along Coley Lane leaving the inner white lines as a virtual footpath.

Finally, I would like to add that this will be my last Monthly Update as Chair as due to family circumstances I have resigned as a member of the PC. My thanks go to all the remaining Cllrs for their help and support since last May and in particular to our clerk Mandy.

Fiona Barrie



SAVE THE DATE
BLUEBELL WALK at WHERWELL
Sunday, 24th April 2022
Starts 10am Wherwell Village Hall

The Management Committee of the Colonel Jenkins Memorial Hall invites you to join the **Annual Bluebell Walk**.

On Sunday, 24th April. Tickets on sale from 10am, the guided tour leaves from the Village Hall shortly thereafter taking in the beautiful bluebell woods of Harewood Forest.

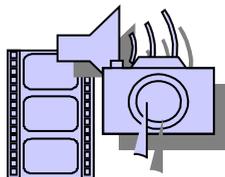
Cost £3 per adult and £2 per child, includes a bowl of hearty soup and bread, or children's lunch back at the Village Hall after the walk. Small children and dogs on lead are welcome.

Fingers crossed for Spring sunshine

We look forward to seeing you there

John Conte

Come to the Movies!



CHILBOLTON VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Proudly Present

‘Last Letter from Your Lover’ (12A)

Starring Felicity Jones, Shailene Woodley, Joe Alwyn,
Jacob Fortune-Lloyd and Callum Turner

A pair of interwoven stories follow an ambitious journalist determined to solve the mystery of a forbidden love affair at the centre of a cache of secret love letters from 1965.

On

Friday, 4th March, 2022

Doors open 6.45pm

Tickets £5.00 in Advance

Or £6.00 - On the door (subject to availability)

Wine, beer, orange juice and choc ices
will be on sale

To book your ticket, please ring Beryl Lawrence
on 01264 860618

or e-mail dlaw@davidlawrenceassociates.co.uk

Stockbridge Cinema – March 2022

Please note that the start times differ for each screening



Saturday 19 March

7.30pm

Mothering Sunday (15)

On a warm spring day in 1924, house maid and foundling Jane Fairchild (Odessa Young) finds herself alone on Mother's Day. Her employers, Mr. and Mrs. Niven (Colin Firth and Olivia Colman), are out and she has the rare chance to spend quality time with her secret lover. Paul (Josh O'Connor) is the boy from the manor house nearby, Jane's long-term love despite the fact that he's engaged to be married to another woman, a childhood friend and daughter of his parents' friends. But events that neither can foresee will change the course of Jane's

Wednesday 23 March

5.00pm and 7.30pm

The Secret Spitfires (PG)

The Secret Spitfires is the remarkable story of how WWII Spitfire fighter aircraft were built in secret right in the heart of Southern England. It tells of how hundreds of girls, boys, women, elderly men and a handful of engineers built the iconic fighter plane the Spitfire, in secret, hidden in sheds, depots, garages, barns and even a hotel. So hidden, Hitler's spies couldn't find them and have them bombed. A *Q&A session follows each screening with engineer and historian Norman Parker, the central character in the documentary.*

Information common to all films:

Showing at Stockbridge Town Hall SO20 6HE. Tickets can be purchased online (£6.00 incl £0.50p booking fee per ticket) via www.stockbridgcinema.org.uk or by telephone from TicketSource 0333 666 3366 (£1.80 charge per telephone booking in addition to the online ticket price). Visit our website for more details. Drinks and Ices will be on sale with payment by debit or credit card. *Face coverings must be worn at all times (unless exempt or when eating or drinking).*

*Paul Kidd
Stockbridge Community Cinema
01264 811179 07732 580721*

DIARY DATES

Weekly Bingo WHG Club	Every Monday & Saturday	7.30pm
Monday Movers	Every Monday	1.45pm
Short Mat Bowls CVH	Every Tuesday	2.00-4.00pm
West Down working party	Every Tuesday	2.00-4.00pm

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3 U3A Talk	CVH	2.00pm
4 World Day of Prayer	St. Mary the Less	2.00pm
4 Chilbolton Movies <i>See ad:</i>	CVH	7.30pm
5 String Concert	Hurstbourne Priors church	7.30pm

6 Ad Hoc adverts deadline for April

7 Lent Talk	St. Mary the Less	7.00pm
7 Chilbolton Planning and CPC	CVH	6.00 & 6.30pm
8 Wherwell Parish Council	WVH	7.00pm

10 Copy Deadline for April

12 Jumble Sale	CVH	2.00pm
12 Six Nations England-Ireland	WHG	4.15pm
12 Andover Band - Spectrum	Salvation Army hall	7.00pm
15 Chilbolton Horticultural	CVH	7.30pm
18 Wherwell History Group	WVH	8.00pm
19 Six Nations France-England	WHG	8.00pm
19 Stockbridge Cinema <i>See Ad:</i>	STH	7.30pm
23 Stockbridge Cinema <i>See ad:</i>	STH	5.00 & 7.30pm
27 Simon's Sunday Quiz	WHG Club	7.30 for 8.00pm
27 Mothering Sunday service	Both Churches	10.00am
27 The Queens tree planting	Stocks Green	11.45am
31 Lent Talk	St. Peter & Holy Cross	7.00pm

April 2022

1 Wine Tasting	Black Chalk	10:00am-18:00pm
2 Bexley Choir	St. Mary the Less	7.00pm

SAVE THE DATE

Auction of Promises	April 22 nd	CVH	7.00pm
Bluebell Walk	April 24 th	WVH	10.00am

WHAT'S ON IN THE AREA – March

4 th Fri	Alan Carr Regional Trinket - Kings Theatre, 24 Albert Rd, Southsea, Portsmouth. 8 – 11.55 (023 9282 8282)
9 th Wed	Jasper Carrott's Stand Up and Rock - The Anvil Arts Basingstoke 19:30–22:30 Tickets 01256 844244
11 th Fri	Barry Steele (Roy Orbison) and a fabulous cast of musicians and singers will take you on the continuing musical journey in the 85th Anniversary Tour from <i>The Black and White Night</i> right through to The Traveling Wilburys. They promise they'll have you dancing in the aisles, in an evening packed with Rock and Soul. Andover Lights - 01264 368368
12 th Sat	The Six Nations Rugby, is being shown at the Wherwell Home Guard Club. The England/Ireland match. Doors open 4:15
12 th Sat	Jumble Sale – Chilbolton Village Hall - Go through your drawers, cupboards and garages. Win / win!
14 th Mon	Visit a Garden in Crawley (SO21 2PU) “Little Court” 2pm – 5pm. Tickets at the gate on the day/in advance www.ngs.org.uk
15 th – 19 th Tue - Sat	Based on the hilarious 1968 film, Mel Brooks's musical <i>The Producers</i> is a laugh-out-loud, outrageous, crowd-pleasing farce that has been a smash hit since its 2001 debut. Showing at the Plaza Theatre, Romsey 01794 523054
18 th Fri	Shappi Khorsandi - female stand-up comic as seen on Live at The Apollo is performing at Theatre Royal (01962 840440)
19 th Sat	The Six Nations Rugby, is being shown at the Wherwell Home Guard Club. The England/France match. Start time 8pm
19 th Sat	Owls by Moonlight at the Hawk Conservancy Trust - Step into the wonderful world of owls. Watch these mystical birds twist and turn through the night sky and make sure you duck as they skim silently over the top of your head. The evening will start with a delicious hot supper served on covered seating outside Feathers Restaurant. SP11 8DY - 01264 773850
23 rd Wed	Craig Revel Horwood – All Balls and Glitter Tour – The Point Theatre, Eastleigh 7:30pm (02380 652 333)
Farmers' Markets	
Romsey - First Sunday of every month 10am - 3pm	
Winchester - Second and last Sunday of every month 9am -2pm	
Andover - Third Sunday of every month (March to December)	
Plus... Andover Market for All Seasons – every Friday 8:30am - 1pm	

Local History Photographer of the Year 2022



"Linacre Bridge is on the Droitwich Canal which links the Birmingham and Worcester canal with the River Severn. It fell into disuse and has been restored over a number of years. The bridge is one of very few James Brindley originals dating from 1780's."

John Tilsley, BALH Judging Panel

What does local history mean to you? From dilapidated bus stops and local swimming pools to soaring church spires and bumps of ridge and furrow, we all have stories to tell about the places and spaces around us.

The British Association for Local History (BALH) is inviting submissions from anyone interested in local history, from across Britain. Local history societies, schools, universities, voluntary organisations, youth groups, etc., so please share the competition details with your groups. Non-members of BALH are welcome to take part. You may submit up to three recent photographs to the competition. Each will be treated as an individual entry. BALH is defining "recent" as photographs taken since the start of 2020, which will cover the transformative period of the pandemic. Closing date for submitting entries is 31st March 2022.

Could you be the BALH Local History Photographer of the Year?

There are two categories to the competition, for both under and over 18s. The winning entries will be showcased as part of [Local History Day](#) on Saturday 11th June 2022. The winners will be invited to take part to receive their prizes and be named Local History Photographer of the Year 2022.

As part of your submission, we'll be asking for a few words about "why" the subject means something to you. It can simply be that it's somewhere which fascinates you, a place that's special from your family history, or there's an interesting story to tell. For example, see the photo of Linacre Bridge above. For more details, visit <https://www.balh.org.uk/photo>

Andrew Flanagan

**St Mary-the-Less, Chilbolton
and
St Peter and Holy Cross, Wherwell**
invite everyone of all ages to the
MOTHERING SUNDAY
Family Services
to be held in both churches



Sunday 27th March at 10am
All Welcome

CHILBOLTON VILLAGE HALL
Management Committee

Are holding a
JUMBLE SALE
SATURDAY, 12th March, 2022

Doors open 2 p.m.

Village Hall
Eastman's Field, Chilbolton

All donations of jumble to the Hall between 10 a.m. and 12 noon on the day,
please.

Sorry, we cannot accept bedding, VHS tapes or cassettes or electrical items
unless the plug has been removed.

If you would like to help sort or sell on the day, please call Beryl Lawrence
on 01264 860618

Registered Charity No. 301781

Test Villages u3a

Our next monthly meeting is at 2pm on Thursday 3rd March at Chilbolton Village Hall when our speaker will be Jo Livingston on

“Odd Corners of London”

Tea, coffee and biscuits provided

This meeting will also be available to members on Zoom.

New members will be assured of a warm welcome at this and any of our meetings. Our aim is to provide light-hearted learning and social gatherings (subject to Covid guidelines).

Check out our new website: <https://u3asites.org.uk/test-villages/home>

Chris Backwell
tvu3achair@gmail.com

CHILBOLTON & WHERWELL GARDENING CLUB

SPRING MINI SHOW

Tuesday 15th March 7.30 -9.30pm

CHILBOLTON VILLAGE HALL

COME AND ENJOY DISPLAYS OF SPRING
FLOWERS
(AND ENTER SOME FROM YOUR OWN
GARDEN)



- Container grown bulbs
- Container grown flowers (not bulbs)
- 3 tall cut daffodils/narcissi (same variety)
- 3 small cut daffodils/narcissi (same variety)
- Bunch of Spring Flowers in a jam jar
- Arrangement of Spring flowers in a teacup.

Together we will watch a YouTube video provided by

Tender Shoots Garden Club Network

Entry free to members, non-members £3

Tea or coffee and biscuits. Raffle.

Sheila Evans

Simon's Sunday Quiz

27th March 2022

7.30 for 8.00pm === Admission £2.50



Cash Prizes

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Teams of up to 6

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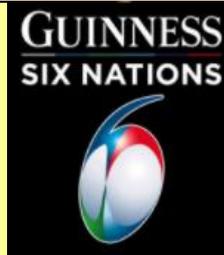
**Light Buffet
included**

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Tables **MUST** be reserved **IN ADVANCE**
-- phone Andrew (01264 860 560)

Janet's Bingo – everyone welcome
every Monday and Saturday 12th March

8pm start – doors open from 7.30pm



England v Ireland
Twickenham (London)

Saturday 12th March,
4.45pm

Club opens at 4.15pm

France v England
Stade de France (Paris)

Saturday 19th March,
8pm

Club opens at 7.30pm

Club facilities include: Snooker Table & Bar Billiards (Mon, Wed, Sat.)
Table Football & Pool Table (except Bingo Evenings)

at **Wherwell Home Guard Club**

The Old Hill, Wherwell, SP11 7JB, 01264 860 314

Newly decorated Meeting Room available for hire. Seats 60.
Licensed Bar optional. Enquires to Sue on 07557 051 041.



Bexley Phoenix Choir Concert

**Saturday 2nd April 7pm
St Mary the Less Church, Village St,
Chilbolton S020 6BQ**

*Directed by John MacKenzie
Accompanied by Christine Diggins
Back by popular request*

Programme will include:

Siyahamba

Cavatina

You Are the New Day

Since You Went Away

California Dreamin'

With you on My Mind

All The Things you are

Beach Boys Selection

Nella Fantasia

Rhythm of Life

I Wish I Knew How

Come and hear this vibrant young choir from south-east London who are on their concert tour singing in a variety of musical styles from classical and romantic era to folk, gospel and popular contemporary songs.
Something for Everyone.

www.bexleyphoenixchoir.org.uk

**Tickets £10.00. Students £5.00. Schoolchildren Free.
Tickets from Chilbolton village shop or
Lesley 01264 860584 or on the door.**

Wherwell History Group – Spring Talks



March 18th at 8pm

Paul Manning

(Lord Montagu's Falconer)

The History of Falconry

in

Wherwell Village Hall

Paul has practised the ancient art of Falconry for over 30 years. He runs "Amews Falconry" a fully accredited falconry training centre in Beaulieu. He is Chairman of the Wessex Falconry and Hampshire Hawking Club and a member of the National governing body of The Hawk Board, which represents the interests of falconry at a national and international level.

One Thousand Years of Falconry in South Hampshire and the New Forest.

The presentation covers the rich history of Falconry, from its origins in the mists of time through the golden age of falconry to its demise and recent resurgence; plus, the unique contribution that the sport has made to history in the New Forest and the demanding and uncompromising nature of the birds.

From the Test to the Merrimack - Protestant migrations from Wherwell

April 15th at 8pm

Kathleen Osgood

(a Zoom talk from Vermont, USA)

History Group talks are free to members. Membership subscriptions are paid per calendar year - £15, starting in January. Guests are welcome (£4 per talk). To make a booking, enquire about membership or download the programme for 2022, please visit our new website at www.wherwellhistory.com

PLEASE NOTE: the talk venue is Wherwell Village Hall (NOT Zoom)

Wherwell Church Fete – looking back 42 years

With Church Fetes becoming a scarce commodity (!) readers may like to read about a fete in 1980



Marjorie, Countess of Brecknock, presents Eveline Alice Moore (4) with here dolly.

The newspaper cutting overleaf is a report, in 1980, about Wherwell Church Fete. The amount raised, adjusted for inflation, is approx. £5830.

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“A record £1,350 - nearly £400 up on last year - was raised at the Wherwell Parish Church fete in the grounds of Wherwell Priory on Saturday. The weather kept fine, music by Test Valley Brass enhanced the beautiful setting of the priory lawns, and the seal of perfection was set by a remarkable demonstration of the skills of working gundogs by Ron Sills, from Midhurst.”

“Much of the success and smooth running of the fete was due to the enthusiasm and involvement of three generations of the Brecknock family in whose grounds the event was held. Marjorie, Countess of Brecknock, was Chairman of the fete committee, and excellent backing came from her son, David, and his wife “Ginny” (the Earl and Countess of Brecknock) and their 15-year-old daughter Samantha.”

“The crowds turned up to buy from the variety of stalls and take part in the many games and competitions arranged. Others simply enjoyed afternoon tea in a summery setting.”

“One of the main attractions was a well-supported Clay pigeon shoot. At the end of the day the winners were:

Open: 1<sup>st</sup> A. J. Bundy & 2<sup>nd</sup> F. Rebbeck

Novice: 1<sup>st</sup> T. Whaite & 2<sup>nd</sup> W. Wells.

A lamb was won by Sir Anthony Abel and the “Test trout” prize went to Comdr. Peter Allingham.”

“The local gundog field test competition went to Mr. Alan Summerfield with his dog Teal. Also taking part were Mrs. Scott (Red Rice) with Crockett; Mr. Plank with Sammy; and Mr. Passingham from Andover with Kim.”

“The decorated hat competition (5 to 9) winners were:

1<sup>st</sup> Jamie Collins

2<sup>nd</sup> Samantha Eastman;

The (10 to 16) winners were 1<sup>st</sup> Angela Rowles & 2<sup>nd</sup> Mike Webb.

Other prizes were won by Eveline Alice Moore, Joanne Barnett, John Morgan, June Daubney, Mr. M. Horne, Lady Brecknock, Charlie Green, R. Johnson and Melville Daubney.”

*PS: If anyone knows Eveline Moore, please contact Wherwell History Group ([wherwellhistory@gmail.com](mailto:wherwellhistory@gmail.com)) with offers of additional information or to request a copy of the photo above.*

## Armenian Soup

A recipe used by Margaret Bugg and described as a 'quick' soup:-  
"throw in & simmer, no need to soak the red lentils."

**Serves 4-6**

### Ingredients:

- 2 ozs (50 g) red lentils, washed.
- 2 ozs (50 g) dried apricots, washed.
- 1 large potato.
- 2 pts (1.2 ltr) vegetable stock, juice of 1/2 lemon.
- 1 tsp (5 ml) ground cumin.
- 3 tbsp (45 ml) chopped parsley.
- Salt & pepper to taste.

### Method:

1. Place lentils & apricots in a large saucepan.
2. Roughly chop the potato.
3. Add remaining ingredients to the pan.
4. Bring to the boil, cover & simmer for 30 minutes.
5. Allow to cool, then liquidised until smooth.
6. Reheat to serving temperature, adjust seasoning to taste.

Margaret Bugg adds "Evidently, this recipe, from a Marshall Street restaurant, was introduced by a member of its staff. So perhaps it is a genuine Armenian soup!"

This recipe was published in "**Winter Soups – a Diary of Chilbolton WI Soup Lunches during Winter 1993/94**"

*"This winter, members with friends and relations meet together for five soup lunches. Some were large occasions, some small but all were friendly. The lunches provide an intimate and friendly atmosphere to get to know each other and other folk in the village."*

St. Mary-the-Less, Chilbolton

**World Day of Prayer  
Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> March  
at 2pm**

2022 marks a very special year for the World Day of Prayer as this year the ecumenical service has been prepared by women of England, Wales and Northern Ireland. The theme is Hope which is relevant as our world is coming to terms with the ongoing risks of a pandemic and the looming climate crisis.

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March a wave of prayer will be created across the globe as people from different countries meet together to pray, beginning in Samoa and moving on through New Zealand and Australia, across Asia, Africa and Europe and finally the United States and South America before finishing in American Samoa.

Everyone is welcome to come and join the wave of prayer and we look forward to welcoming you to this service.

We hope we will be able to serve refreshments following the service.

**Chilbolton Short Mat Bowls Club**

We meet each Tuesday afternoon at the Chilbolton Village Hall from 2.00 to 4.00pm. We have two brand new playing carpets, known as ‘mats’, four sets of ‘woods’ – balls to you and me! – and all the rest of the equipment needed; there is no need to invest in your own. We do not get changed into ‘whites’ and so long as you have a pair of plain soled, preferably non-slip shoes, you would be most welcomed to join our convivial group for some afternoon entertainment.

To cover the cost of hiring the hall and a cuppa plus biscuit, we charge a modest £2.00 pp each session.

As a group we are mostly into our seventies now, though in the past some teenagers joined us and who enjoyed learning this ‘sport’. Each wood has a ‘bias’, so that as it rolls, it changes direction. Skills are developed over time so that a practiced player can place his woods as close as possible to the target ‘jack’.

Why not come along next Tuesday afternoon and have a go?

*Richard Richardson*

## **Time to get walking again!**

At this time of year, we start to think about the mud drying up and getting out to walk in the beautiful English Countryside again, but where to find new and interesting walks for Walking in Hampshire?

<https://www.walkinginengland.co.uk/hants> has hundreds of walks to download and print, free, it also has books of walks, details of all the walking groups in the county and much more. Whether you want to walk on your own or with a group all the information is there in one place.

John Harris (the custodian of the website) said ‘There is so much walking information on the web but it is difficult to find. Walking in Hampshire (part of the Walking in England website) has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from home, or away on holiday, you will be able to find a walk suitable for you’.

With walks from half a mile to twelve miles plus long, and a note of suitability for pushchairs and wheelchairs, everyone can find a walk to enjoy. So home or away, check out the websites and get walking!

*John Harris*

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## **Chilbolton Auction of Promises**

A year late but just as fun... don't miss out!  
to raise funds for the fabric of the church  
*Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 7:00 pm for a 7:30 pm start*  
*Chilbolton Village Hall*  
Auctioneer: David Smith

Bring a picnic supper and share with your friends  
Free nibbles. Licensed Bar  
*Catalogues available in advance at the Village Shop & Pub*

Details from (& promises to!): Lesley Kent, 01264 860584  
or Neil Bowen, 07740 200691

*If you can't be there, please make your advance bids  
through Lesley or Neil*



# ANDOVER TOWN BAND

PRESENTS

# SPECTRUM

Join us for an evening of colourful Brass Band music!

Saturday 12th March @ 7pm  
Salvation Army Hall,  
21 Winchester Street, Andover, SP10 2EA

Tickets: Adult £10 Child £2.50

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Jeweller David Mellor in the Chantry Centre  
or contact 01264 394098



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<https://andovertownband.com> Charity no. 1141183



**Recipe of the Month**  
**Smoked Trout Souffle**  
**(Serves 4 as starter / 2 as main)**



Inspired by a visit to Chilbolton Stores where we found some beautiful chalk stream smoked trout, some fresh yellow-yolked eggs and a couple of leeks.

*100 gr Smoked trout (or smoked salmon), chopped*

*25 gr finely grated parmesan, plus extra for sprinkling*

*50 gr butter*

*50 gr flour*

*300ml whole milk*

*1 small onion or leek, very finely chopped*

*3 eggs*

*A Couple of spring onions (optional / to taste)*

Butter a deep souffle dish well, and sprinkle with grated parmesan.

Pre heat the oven to 200c / gas mark 6

Sauté the onion/leek in the butter and when softened, stir in the flour to make a roux; gradually adding the milk to make a thick white sauce

Separate the eggs; lightly beat the yolks and stir into your sauce along with the parmesan, chopped trout and spring onions if using.

Allow to cool and in the meantime whisk up the egg whites. Fold them gently into the sauce and spoon the mix into your prepared dish. Smooth the top and sprinkle with 1 tbsp of parmesan, then bake for 20-25 minutes until brown, but should still wobble a little in the middle.

*Deirdre Freegarde*

**Note from editor:**

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