

# Chilbolton and Wherwell Community Magazine

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## July 2018

So it's July, the summer Solstice has passed, could it be downhill from now on? Of course not! We have Brass Showtime, Ladies BBQ and big name choirs and speakers coming to the Winchester Festival. In a year which remembers 100 years since the 1918 Armistice, there will be an increasing number of events with a military theme. This month, we have the Harmonium Singers and a talk on the African Soldier. Aside from events, we have interesting articles on joining a Brass Band, foxes on Chilbolton Common and a recipe from New Zealand.

*Andrew Flanagan*

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## From the Church Records – APRIL 2018

<b>Chilbolton</b>		
Funeral and Burial	26 <sup>th</sup> April	Dinah Ball
Interment of Ashes	28 <sup>th</sup> April	Diane Logan
<b>Wherwell</b>		
Wedding	14 <sup>th</sup> April	Robert Webb and Thea-Rose Maxted-Pettman

<b>July 2018</b>	<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 &amp; Holy Cross, Wherwell</i>
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July – Fifth Sunday after Trinity</b>					
Holy Communion (BCP)				8am	
Thanksgiving Service for the Fete – in Marquee	10am				
Family Communion		10am			
Holy Communion					10am
Café Church in Church Room			4pm		
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July</b>					
Holy Communion			9.30am		
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July – Sixth Sunday after Trinity</b>					
Morning Prayer	10am				
Morning Worship		10am			
Family Communion			10am		
Welcome Worship				10am	
Benefice Evensong					6pm
<b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July</b>					
House Agape at Meadowcroft, Fyfield Way, Littleton, SO22 6PB			10am		
Messy Church at Littleton			4-6 pm		
<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July – Seventh Sunday after Trinity</b>					
Holy Communion (BCP)		8am			
Family Communion (CW)	10am				
Morning Worship			10am		
Matins				10am	
Family Service					10am
Peace & Wholeness			6pm		
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July</b>					
Flowerdown HC			2.15pm		
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July</b>					
Holy Communion			9.30am		
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July</b>					
Sparsholt School Leavers Service				9.15am	
<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Eighth Sunday after Trinity</b>					
Holy Communion (BCP)					8am
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Worship with Sunday School		10am			
Family Communion			10am	10am	
Benefice Evensong	6pm				
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July</b>					
Westholme HC			2.30pm		
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July</b>					
Meditation			7pm		
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> July</b>					
Deanery Half Night of Prayer		6pm-Midnight			
<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> July – Ninth Sunday after Trinity</b>					
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Benefice Family Communion at Wherwell					10am

## Church Flowers in July

<b>Wherwell</b>	7th and 14th 21st and 28th	Nina Carey-Hodges Judy Conte
<b>Chilbolton</b>	July	Davina Bruce Pat Lloyd

## Benefice Newsletter

Dear Friends,

*'Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm;  
for love is strong as death, passion fierce as the grave.  
Its flashes are flashes of fire, a raging flame.'* (Song of Songs 8: 6)

One of the profound privileges of my position as Rector of five parishes is the blessing of walking alongside people through the highs and lows of their lives. Again, this summer, we have grieved over the deaths of our loved ones and given thanks for the blessing of their lives in ours as a gathered community; we have celebrated some joyful weddings and rejoiced in the baptism of many babies and young people as the love of their parents comes to fruition in the blessing of their young lives.

So too, we have, as a Benefice, brought forward four candidates for Confirmation. It was an emotional group who stood at the altar in Winchester Cathedral on Easter Eve professing a personal and vibrant faith in Jesus, our Lord and Saviour. The whole circle of life caught up in the gossamer thread of Christ's eternal love!

This past week, my privilege was to join a benefice retreat at Rydal Hall in the Cumbrian hills at Ambleside through the remarkable organisation of Clive and Eryl Thompsett of Littleton. Amidst the breath-taking views of soaring peaks, glistening tarns and vast glacial lakes, our doughty group comprising all ages and abilities, joined together for Holy Communion each morning before setting off to explore their surroundings.

For the mountain goats among us, it was meeting the challenge of vertical climbs across the Fells. For others of us, it was a leisurely lake-side walk or visits to fascinating local museums, galleries and National Trust properties, sampling some excellent cream teas and the odd pint (or G&T) along the way! As we traversed the week, I witnessed a wonderful thing. Love happened. Slow, sure, grace-filled and true. Some of us came battling illness,

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others of us came in loss and grief, others still brought the gentle grace of marriage and deep friendships ... and the two gorgeous dogs who joined us, gave freely of their unconditional companionship and boundless energy! Strangers met, hearts opened, stories were shared, worries and fears confessed, hopes aired, hands held and hugs offered as we grew together in the fellowship and peace of the Holy Spirit.

As individuals opened themselves up to the slow light of the Eucharist, Rydal modelled the best of a loving Christian community at work for all: fierce as fire and strong as death.

At the Jewish Pentecost, the people honoured the giving by God of the Law to Moses at that powerful meeting amid the fires on Mount Sinai (Exodus 19: 18). At the first Christian Pentecost, described to us in Acts 2:3, the Creator Spirit, who indwells all Creation and is the Breath of life, comes to the Apostles 'like a fire.' But this is no giving of a law-code. This fire brings warmth, encouragement and passion because it is the fire of God's love. This love, in all its fullness, melts coldness and fear, destroys barriers of language and culture, heals the divisions which wound our humanity, and continues to help us grow towards wholeness and freedom and eternal healing.

This is what the extract from Song of Song, above, prophesies. Drawing us into the rich seam of God's love, encouraging us to live every moment in joy, every breath in desire for God and allowing that ecstasy of faith to pour out as balm towards everyone we meet, whatever their need.

Yours in the flame of Christ's love,  
Jax

**Revd Jax Machin**  
**Rector of the Downs Benefice**

### **Prayer**

Most powerful Holy Spirit  
come down upon us and subdue us, from heaven;  
where the ordinary is made glorious,  
and glory seems but ordinary.  
Bathe us with the brilliance of your light, like dew,  
and guide us into the peace and wholeness of your love.  
Amen

## Wherwell Church Family Service



**We hold a service for the whole family on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month with special presentations and hymns for little ones. There is also a play area for the children.**

**The next one is on:  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 10.00am**

**Why not come and join us?**

## **Wherwell Church Fete Dining Raffle**

*John & Judy Conte wish to thank the 'Friends of our Fete'  
for their generous donations to our Dining Out Raffle,  
and ask our readers to kindly support them*

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## **Chilbolton Parish Council**

The Council held its monthly meeting at 7.00 pm on Monday 4th June 2018 at Chilbolton Village Hall. Only one member of the public was present and no district or county councillors.

The Common and Open Spaces Committee (COSC) are in discussions with Wherwell Football Club for the forthcoming season and we all hope that the football pitch will once again be in use. For quite a while now the councillors have been concerned about people using the War Memorial Playing Field as an area to exercise their dogs off the lead. This can lead to dogs fouling the whole area. This area is used by young children and families, as well as a football team (we hope). Because of this we shall be carrying out inspections to see just how much fouling occurs.

It is proposed to erect a temporary mock up frame of the bus shelter for two to three days. Before this occurs a leaflet will be distributed to nearby residents informing them of this temporary structure. The idea being to make sure we have the right design.

The fencing around Coronation Green is to be repaired, with the existing wire to be reused, to keep costs down.

Once again there will be a Ragwort pull on West Down, on 7th and 8th July. This is a labour intensive task and all volunteers will be warmly welcomed. Pulling of ragwort is the only way to stop this plant proliferating. As was found on the Common a couple of good years' work can soon stop it in its tracks.

I am glad to see that the concrete road up to the sewage works and the West Down car park has had the kerb stones replaced at the road junction. We are still waiting for the verge to be repaired opposite this. Meanwhile Virgin Media still have a few more weeks' worth of work to do on digging the trenches in along Village Street and also up Drove Road. They hope to finish by the end of June. Further work will also be carried out by the recycling centre. Some of the plants will be removed and then replaced once that work has been completed.

The Chilbolton Neighbourhood Development Plan presentation is ready for airing to the public at the meeting on Friday 29th June at Chilbolton Village Hall, showing the results of the village survey along with the draft policies derived from the survey results. A second meeting will be held on 14th July at 10.00 am for those unable to make the 29th June meeting. The content will be the same.

Hampshire County Council has informed us that the review of the 20 mph speed limit is being considered and should be available shortly. Please be extra careful especially as we have roadworks ongoing through the village.

*George Marits - Vice Chairman - Chilbolton Parish Council*

## Wherwell Church Fete – 9<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Thank you so much to everyone involved in this year's fete which was held in balmy summer weather and provided a very pleasant afternoon out for the large crowd of people who enjoyed a delicious barbeque, Pimms, strawberries, teas, stalls and games. We managed to raise a net figure of around £7,000 for church funds, one of the largest figures ever raised. So many people were involved, running the attractions, providing goods and prizes, preparing, clearing up – you are all amazing! A special thank you goes to Clare and James Hogg at the Priory who lend us the parking field and access - every year they make sure that things are in tip-top condition.



Susanne Hasselmann was instrumental in the organization once again this year – making sure that all the stalls were manned and that there were people to undertake all the tasks that needed doing. We would also like to thank all our sponsors and donors:

Abbots Mitre, Chilbolton  
Andrew Gurd, Thatcher  
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*Anna Lipa*

## **Blow Those Blues Away (One Year On)**

Brass bands are full of families. Often, it's parents who play (and maybe met through music), who then take their children along ... and so down through the generations.

Our family is slightly different. None of us had played an instrument before other than a school recorder (in my case, nearly 40 years ago). Never enough money for instruments or lessons when I grew up. For husband Dave, the musical talent mostly went to his brother (skilled percussionist, pianist and the church's regular organist from age 11). We instead gravitated towards sports and academic effort, which is how we met.

A year ago, hovering around mid-life (still active and fit, but beginning to creak!), with two girls aged 7 and 9, we took it into our heads to join Andover Town Band (ATB), our local brass band.

We'd always liked brass music. Slow and soft harmonies are challenging technically, but I prefer it fast and loud. Throw in some percussion, especially cymbals, and my arms get goose-bumps. A gong may make me spontaneously combust (messy, but luckily brass bands don't use them). I well remember the mortifying experience of Dave marching us to a draughty supermarket foyer one Christmas shortly after student days so we could stand for an hour and hear the local brass band for free. Sometime later, we paid for an actual performance (with real seats!). Their new, young conductor was performing publicly for the first time, shaking with nerves. Perhaps unrelated, but we did notice an interval change of trousers!

A big attraction is that, no matter how skilled (and ATB competes in the UK 1st section), brass bands seem completely down-to-earth. When performing, the conductor always introduces each piece with a little spiel, so you know what's next and when to clap ... unlike a classical symphony orchestra where there's a certain status to 'knowing everything' already. (Although I'm now suspicious the brass spiel is just to give the players a short breather.)

Anyway, on a Thursday evening in Spring 2017 ... we made our way to west Andover to try out some instruments. You get to try several, to see which seems most natural and suited, then take it away on loan the same day, free of charge. Really, I wanted a drum or cymbal to bash about on. But, if I had to blow something, then it would be big and loud. (I'm strong, with good lungs.) So I ended up with the smallest instrument, a cornet. My daughters got bigger instruments than me (the smaller the child, the bigger the instrument). I predicted an inverse relationship and that Dave would get a tin whistle. He got a euphonium. (One of the biggest instruments, but not as big as a tuba, ha!)

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Of course, body size turns out not to be the main factor in deciding the best instrument to learn on. Rather, it is your embouchure (the way you apply your mouth). Since it is mostly youngsters who get the cornet, I take this to mean I have a petite mouth and firm, youthful lips.

My earliest playing attempts weren't at all caterwauling. No. Initially, I barely produced a sound. It was just red face, breathlessness and near-collapse. When I finally aspired to caterwauling, my parents encouragingly commented, "That bit was O.K., that short bit, just then." Thanks, guys, that bit was two bars' rest.

The four of us developed at our own pace during the year. I was a painful starter, but, with regular practice and commitment, things finally clicked and I caught up with the other three (and like to think I play better than them sometimes), though we all have good and bad days. My personal mile-markers were finding out it's a 'raspberry' not a 'blow', finally working out what to do with my tongue to control the air flow, and envisioning eating a hot chip to get a steady high note. Sometime soon, I'll even start glancing at that chap up front waving the little stick instead of being fixated on my music sheet.

In the summer, three of us moved up into the Community Band, with the youngest joining us in January. The beginners' and Community bands play in the same building at the same time (and the main band straight after), so that really helps family logistics as you can be in different bands and transitioning is simple.

Joining ATB has been one of our best decisions. Such a warm welcome, feeling of inclusivity and personal challenge: what a way to dispel those mid-life blues! Joining with our children made it even more special – mutual support and gentle competitiveness at home, and so much easier to nag the kids to practice (and hear those off-notes) when going through the same process yourself.

You can do it too! (<https://andovertownband.com/>) Or come and enjoy ATB's summer concert, 7pm on Saturday 21st July at Chilbolton Village Hall.

*ATB offers FREE instrument loan, FREE one-to-one lessons, and a clear progression path up the 'family' of bands from Prospects (beginners) to the Community Band (intermediate) right up to the main Andover Town Band (highly successful contest band in UK 1<sup>st</sup> section). Children and adults, new and returning players – all are welcome. Come and join us!*

*Amanda Spice*

## The Fox

This continues the occasional series about wildlife on the Common. So we live in the countryside and are surrounded by foxes but few of us ever see them. When we lived in central London we saw foxes all the time but moving to Chilbolton we rarely spotted them. The signs of them were all around as foxes leave distinctive trails in the long grass, they weave when they walk and even though they will aim for a particular point in the distance they get there with a series of zigs and zags pausing only to leave deposits on the side of the track or spraying the ground with urine. The urine tells other foxes all they need to know, but it smells as does the poo in which, if you get close enough, you can see remains of what they have been eating. Around here it is always black reflecting the mice and voles they eat but in the autumn it will be full of wild berries, plums and apples for foxes are truly omnivorous.

From my office I have been seeing a young fox that comes past my window around dusk, it always looks happy and hops and jumps to get a better view of hiding mice. In the spring, when I assume it is feeding kits, its young, I see it catch mice and then take them back to its den then reappear 15 minutes later and continue on the same track looking for more of the same. It is said that foxes are good hunters with excellent vision and their sight reacts mainly to movement. Their auditory perception is acute and they are said to be able to hear mice at 100 metres and their sense of smell is less than most dogs but then how would I know if that is true. Recently some mornings I have seen a mature fox running back from the car park on the Common in front of the Old Cottage; it runs very quickly with its bushy tail puffed up with air as it runs fast through the long grass on the Common. It is clearly in a hurry to get back to its den - I know where it is - before the dogs and people arrive.

For a long time it was believed that foxes lived a solitary life, meeting only during the mating season, but now we know that this is untrue. The dominant male and female fox form a pair that may last for life, foxes are generally monogamous. The pair travel, hunt and feed independently but occasionally meet, either briefly or for longer periods during which they play or groom each other.

In some areas, such as in urban areas, it is common for some other adult foxes to be present in addition to the breeding pair. These additional animals are subordinate to the dominant pair and generally are offspring of the pair, which remained with their parents past the normal age of dispersal when the family should break up. So, in certain conditions, foxes live in social groups rather than solitarily.

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Foxes are territorial animals - they defend the area where they live against other foxes. That said, the use of scent marking to delimit their own space is a very effective way of communication and neighbours normally avoid meeting each other. If they should meet, these encounters are generally benign, avoiding direct fights. Foxes are more aggressive towards strangers rather than other neighbouring foxes. Foxes do not appear to be aggressive creatures towards domestic dogs and cats. Our small Persian cat has been seen to chase a fox. Foxes look big due to their large tail and long head but most are little bigger than a domestic cat and their limb bones, weigh 30% less per unit area of bone than expected for similarly sized dogs, another interesting fact which I bet you did not know.

On the Common you can hear the foxes and they can be very vocal. The most commonly heard contact call is a 3-5 syllable barking "wow wow wow" sound, which is often made by two foxes approaching one another. This call is most frequently heard from December to February. Another call which we hear a lot is a long, drawn out, monosyllabic "waaaaah" sound. As it is commonly heard during the breeding season, it is thought to be emitted by vixens summoning males. When danger is detected, foxes emit a monosyllabic bark which sounds at first like a dog barking and it can set our dogs off.

After mating, the kits when they are born develop quickly and by 16 weeks are almost independent and by 10 months are able to breed. Sadly for the foxes, most have short lives and live on average less than two years, although in captivity they can live about 14 years, the same as a dog.

The fox I see on the Common, I have just seen it at 8.30 pm as I write this piece, has an abundance of food but I have heard them and then seen them try to kill the Canada geese living in the central part of the Common. It would be easier to stick with voles and mice which is probably what they end up doing.

*Alan Crisp*

## **Wherwell Fete - Tombola Bottle Stall**

Ken, Pam and Bill would like to thank all of those who gave so generously to our Tombola Bottle Stall. A total of 278 items made over £600 for the church funds.

Our special thanks also go to our helpers: Alice, Lynn, Sue, Gill, Ali and Eva. Well done everybody.

*Ken Wilson*

## Choir marks WW1 centenary



The Harmonium Singers are well known for their thoughtful programmes of smaller-scale choral music often combined with powerful words. ‘**Beyond War, Music of Peace**’ will be no exception and promises to be a moving experience.

The main work in the programme will be John Rutter’s *Requiem*, accompanied by a small, high-quality instrumental ensemble. Other music will feature music by composers directly affected by the war, either as active participants, or influencers of that generation and those influenced by them. Hence there will be music by Stanford, Parry (who died in 1918), Edgar Bainton, Patrick Hadley, and inevitably some unfamiliar names whose careers were cut short.

The choir’s musical director Bruce Randall explains: ‘In 2014 we marked the centenary of the start of the Great War with the Fauré Requiem, and other music interspersed with words from the trenches. Four years on we have a rather different angle, looking at the lives of affected composers, and a different Requiem. It should be a very thought-provoking and memorable event for the town. And we believe it will be a fitting commemoration in this military area, while directly benefiting military personnel in need.’ The proceeds from the concert will go to the military charity Combat Stress.

**St Mary’s Church, Andover on  
Saturday 14th July at 7.30pm**

Tickets are £10 in advance from Newbury Building Society, The Lights and choir members, or £12 at the door.

[www.harmoniumsingers.org.uk](http://www.harmoniumsingers.org.uk)  
Veronica Bacon 01264 771285

## Building Safer Neighbourhoods

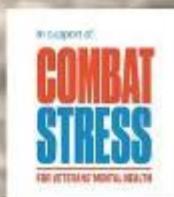
Traditional crimes such as burglary and car theft are now much less prevalent than they once were. But new types of criminal activity have sprung up to replace them, and these new crimes require new solutions. The excellent Neighbourhood Watch website <https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/crimes/> has new information, statistics and practical toolkits which will help citizens tackle five problem areas.

- Domestic Abuse – which we know affects *all* communities
- Serious Violence – particularly knife crime
- Vulnerability and loneliness – affecting more & more people
- Fraud and scams – electronic and traditional
- High harm crimes – Modern Slavery, Child Sexual Exploitation etc.

Prevention is key. Strong communities, where people know and look out for their neighbours, is an excellent route to crime prevention.

*Andrew Flanagan*

# 1918



BEYOND  
WAR

MUSIC  
OF PEACE

## JOHN RUTTER REQUIEM

AND OTHER REFLECTIONS ON WORLD WAR ONE

The Harmonium Singers & Ensemble  
Marcus Reeves (organ)  
Bruce Randall (conductor)

St Mary's Church, Andover  
Saturday, 14 July 2018 at 7.30pm  
In support of Combat Stress  
Tickets (incl. glass of wine) £12 at door, or £10 from  
Newbury Building Society, The Lights and choir members

[www.harmoniumsingers.org.uk](http://www.harmoniumsingers.org.uk)



## A tribute to African soldiers

Brigadier David Williams, as president of the King's African Rifles and East African Forces Association, is giving a talk in Stockbridge Town Hall starting at 6.30 pm on **Wednesday 25th July**.



The talk, supported by comprehensive slides, will cover the vital contribution of soldiers and manpower from British territories in Africa to the defence of British interests in over eighty years of colonial rule.

In the First World War, the first and last shots exchanged against the Germans were fired by African soldiers. Considerably more African enlisted men died than the number of Australian, Canadian or Indian troops who gave their lives in the Great War – and whose sacrifice is much more widely recognised.

In the Second World War, African soldiers helped defeat the Italians in the strategically important Horn of Africa; and fought against the Japanese in Burma where they exceeded the number from the British Army.

Post-War and until the mid-1960s, African soldiers loyally fought for the British Crown in countering the Communist insurgency in Malaya; and in the transition to Independence.

The talk will be structured to appeal to a wide audience, avoiding detailed accounts of battles. Lasting no more than forty minutes, there will be ample time for questions afterwards. No tickets are required. There will be a retiring collection for contributions towards the cost of repairing and reinstating the Stockbridge War Memorial. Wine will be on sale before the talk starts.

*David Williams*

This month, your magazine has a new set of regular adverts, which will be published until the June 2019 issue – please have a fresh look

## Diary Dates

Short Mat Bowls at CVH	Every Monday	7.30 - 9.30 pm
Weekly Bingo at WHG Club	Every Monday	7.30 pm
Keep Fit at WVH	Every Tuesday	9.30 -10.15 am
West Down Working Party	Every Tuesday	2.00 - 4.00 pm
Golden Pilates at CVH	Every Wednesday	2.00 - 3.00 pm
Badminton at CVH	Every Thursday	8.00 pm

*Please contact the Editorial Team if you have regular weekly events to be published above.*

### July 2018

2	Chilbolton PC meeting	CVH	7.00 pm
6	<i>Ad hoc advert deadline for August</i>		
7	Wherwell coffee morning	WVH	10.30 am – 12 noon
7/8	Ragwort Pull	West Down	10.00 am – 12 noon
10	Wherwell PC meeting	WVH	7.00 pm
10	<i>Copy deadline for August</i>		
14	Neighbourhood Plan meeting	CVH	10.00 am
14	Monthly Bingo	Home Guard Club	8.00 pm
15	Family Service	Wherwell Church	10.00 am
15	Ragwort Pull	West Down	see article
16	Midday Mums	WVH	10.30 am – 12 noon
17	Chilbolton WI talk on Hypnosis	CVH	7.30 pm
21	Chilbolton Coffee Morning	CVH	10.30 am – 12 noon
21	Andover Town Band concert	CVH	6.30 for 7.00 pm
24	Chilbolton Horticultural Society	CVH	7.00 pm
31	Wherwell Ladies' BBQ	Dancing Ledge	6.30 – 8.30 pm

### August 2018

4	Wherwell coffee morning	WVH	10.30 am – 12 noon
18	Origins Open Day	Fullerton Farm	TBC
25	Annual Flower Show	CVH	TBC

### Save the Date

Oct 13	Chiltoberfest	CVH	see advert
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Wherwell History Group have published a  
**Concertina Postcard**

8 colour photos, map, brief history  
& address panel, all for only £4

available from the White Lion, Home Guard  
Club, Chilbolton Shop & Mike Gee (860 592)

## WHAT'S ON IN THE AREA – July

1/7	Romsey Bandstand & Entertainment Trust - Mayor's Picnic Sunday 12:30
3/7	A Day in the Life of a Dancer (AL) 7:00pm <b>Free but must be pre-booked.</b> An event not to be missed for any aspiring dancer, or anyone involved in dance
7/7	Over Wallop Fete 12-4pm at St Peter's Church, Glebe Field, SO20 8HT
8/7	Jeremy Paxman in conversation with Alastair Stewart – A life in questions 5pm (TRW)
8/7	Simply Jaguar at Beaulieu, National Motor Museum New Forest SO42 7ZN - 01590 612888
9/7	Chris Packham – Pictures from the edge of the world – Winchester Guildhall 6:30pm 01962 840 820
12/7	Tenebrae – Winchester Cathedral 8PM – A Hymn of Heavenly Beauty
13/7	Mary Berry in conversation with Kirsty Wark 6 -7:30pm Winchester Guildhall 01962 840 820
13/7	Johnny Cash Roadshow 7:30pm @ The Brook, Southampton The number one Johnny Cash experience Tribute (Clive John)
17 -21	Boeing Boeing - revived to great acclaim in 2007 in the West End and on Broadway 7:30 (PTR)
19/7	David Thomas in Concert – Stockbridge Town Hall – for further information - 01264 323213
20/7	ELIO PACE presents ELVIS PRESLEY (AL) 7:30pm Due to overwhelming demand, the show is touring theatres in the UK
27/7	A tribute to ABBA 9:00pm @ The Brook, Southampton this 5 piece live band transports you back to the 70's
27/28	Andover Gin Festival Friday 7:00pm (AL)
<b>Farmers Markets</b>	
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	
Venue	Number
Andover Lights - (AL)	01264 368368
Theatre Royal Winchester - (TRW)	01962 840 440
Plaza Theatre Romsey – (PTR)	01794 523054
Salisbury Playhouse - (SP)	01722 320 333
The Brook – Talking Heads	<a href="https://tickets.ents24.com">https://tickets.ents24.com</a>

# Chiltoberfest

Chilbolton 2018



**LIVE MUSIC ★ GREAT FOOD ★ REAL ALES**

COME AND ENJOY A WONDERFUL NIGHT OF ENTERTAINMENT AT **CHILTOBERFEST 2018**

Saturday 13th October 2018 | 7pm 'til Midnight

At the Chilbolton Village Hall

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT  
CHILBOLTON POST OFFICE AND STORES

- Over 16s only -

**Chiltoberfest**  
**2018**



FIND OUT MORE  
@chilfestchilbolton

Tickets

**£10**

each

All profits will be donated to the Chilbolton Memorial Playing Field

## **Common and West Down Conservation Ragwort Pull**

We need you once more to help restore WEST DOWN's Chalk downland. A very enjoyable time was had by all last year!

**Join us pulling up ragwort for an hour or so  
10-12 am on Saturday and Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> July, 2018  
and Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July if necessary.**

**Meet in the car park at the Station Road end of the Down  
(not the recycling bins one !)**

Please bring gardening gloves, (ragwort has acid juice), a garden fork and, if you can, a wheel-barrow too (best is one with an inflatable wheel). More equipment will be supplied. (More info – Moya 01264 860411)



This year we may need your help on the Common too. Chalk downland habitats are very biodiverse and under threat. The chalk slopes of West Down have to be grazed. In this way the grass is short enough for the chalk downland plants to flourish. BUT Ragwort is poisonous to livestock, so, we have to get it off. It pulls up most easily when in flower. The

Parish Council, as the manager of West Down, is responsible for seeing that this is done, so we need your help. Just a little of your time on Saturday or Sunday would be an enormous benefit.

*Moya Grove*

## **Longstock Park Water Garden**

Owned and managed by Waitrose, the Longstock Park Water Garden travels freely for seven acres. The River Test flows through two and a half acres. The water remains crystal clear, connecting the two islands and woodland valleys, Longstock and Leckford together. This giant yet intimate garden attracts visitors from all over the world.

The Water Garden is open to the public, supporting a nominated charity on selected Sunday afternoons, April to September, 1pm - 4pm only. With regret no dogs are allowed at the Water Gardens, with the exception of assistance dogs.

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The programme for the remainder of 2018 is shown below.

Sunday 1st July - Barton Stacey C of E Primary School  
Sunday 8th July - No Limits Charity  
Sunday 15th July - National Coastwatch Institution  
Sunday 5th August - SSAFA Winchester Division  
Sunday 19th August - Planets Cancer Charity  
Sunday 2nd September - Romsey Open Gate Stroke Club  
Sunday 9th September - 6th Winchester Scout Group  
Sunday 16th September - University of Southampton Gift of Sight Appeal

Admission is £6 for adults and £2 for children under 16.

Children under 3 are free.

Please note: There are no card paying facilities at the Garden.



Longstock Park Water Garden was created by the Beddington family in the 1930's and further developed by John Spedan Lewis in the 1940's as a place to reflect and relax. The garden is a true spectacle, hosting an array of plants from around the world. It is home to over 100 different trees. It has been labelled as one of the best water gardens in the world and has a variety of forty different water lilies and numerous aquatic and marginal plants for you to enjoy.

*Andrew Flanagan*

## Winchester Festival – 6<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> July

Now in its 21st year, the 2018 festival brings a varied programme to the city's many wonderful venues. In the year that commemorates the centenary of the Armistice in 1918, the opening concert brings together a choir from Hampshire with a choir from Germany to present one of the glories of the choral repertoire, Bach's *Magnificat*.

Over the following eight days there will be music from Allegri and Bernstein to Tallis and Whitacre, talks on spies, solitude, cathedrals and current affairs, an intriguing tale of Winchester's connection with Alcoholics Anonymous and a series of lunchtime recitals showcasing Hampshire's exceptional young musicians. The festival continues to attract big names with award-winning choir Tenebrae performing in the Cathedral and Jeremy Paxman and Mary Berry speaking in our series of talks.

Friday 6 July		
7:30pm	<a href="#"><u>Opening Concert</u></a>	Cathedral Nave
Saturday 7 July		
5.30pm	<a href="#"><u>John Humphrys</u></a>	Theatre Royal
7.45pm	<a href="#"><u>The Waynflete Singers:</u></a> <i>Earthly Delights and the Garden of Love</i>	New Hall, Winchester College
Sunday 8 July		
2.00pm	<a href="#"><u>An Honest Soldier</u></a> <i>a play for voices</i>	Cathedral Lady Chapel
3.30pm	<a href="#"><u>Festival Evensong</u></a>	Cathedral Quire
5.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Jeremy Paxman</u></a> <i>in conversation with Alastair Stewart</i>	Theatre Royal
7.30pm	<a href="#"><u>Winchester Camerata</u></a> <i>in concert</i>	St Paul's Church
Monday 9 July		
1.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Lunchtime Recital</u></a> <i>Caleb Curtis (cello), Ke Ma (piano)</i>	St Lawrence's Church
3.00pm	<a href="#"><u>An Honest Soldier</u></a> <i>a play for voices</i>	Cathedral Lady Chapel
6.30pm	<a href="#"><u>Chris Packham</u></a> <i>Pictures from the Edge of the World</i>	Guildhall
Tuesday 10 July		
1.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Lunchtime Recital</u></a> <i>Josh Hall (oboe), Hayley Parks (piano)</i>	St Lawrence's Church

3.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Between the Covers</u></a> <i>Winchester in literature - a guided walk</i>	Tourist Information Centre
6.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Suzannah Lipscomb</u></a> <i>The Tudors</i>	Theatre Royal
8.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Piatti Quartet</u></a>	Church of St Cross
Wednesday 11 July		
1.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Lunchtime Recital</u></a> <i>Nathalie Ryan (piano)</i>	St Lawrence's Church
3.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Between the Covers</u></a> <i>Winchester in literature - a guided walk</i>	Tourist Information Centre
6.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Paddy Ashdown</u></a> <i>Game of Spies</i>	Theatre Royal
Thursday 12 July		
1.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Lunchtime Recital</u></a> <i>Chamber music from students on the Hampshire Specialist Music Course</i>	St Lawrence's Church
3.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Between the Covers</u></a> <i>Winchester in literature - a guided walk</i>	Tourist Information Centre
6.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Simon Jenkins</u></a> <i>England's Cathedrals</i>	Theatre Royal
8.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Tenebrae</u></a> <i>A Hymn of Heavenly Beauty - choral works</i>	Cathedral Nave
Friday 13 July		
1.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Lunchtime Recital</u></a> <i>Helena Mole (violin), Roger Owens (piano)</i>	St Lawrence's Church
3.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Between the Covers</u></a> <i>Winchester in Literature - a guided walk</i>	Tourist Information Centre
6.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Mary Berry</u></a> <i>in conversation with Kirsty Wark</i>	Guildhall
8.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Terry Waite</u></a> <i>Solitude</i>	Guildhall
Saturday 14 July		
6.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Richard Dawkins</u></a> <i>Science in the Soul</i>	Guildhall
8.00pm	<a href="#"><u>NYJO Nonet</u></a> <i>Great American Songbook</i>	St Paul's Church
<b>Sunday 30 September</b>		
8.00pm	<a href="#"><u>Alan Hacker – A Celebration</u></a> <i>Fundraising concert for the charity Jessie's Fund</i>	Cathedral Quire



## **Ladies BBQ!**

**This one is for gentlemen too!**

**A chance to meet up with your neighbours and friends.  
Please come if you can but book first so we know  
for how many to cater!**

**Tuesday July 31st**

**In the beautiful garden at  
Dancing Ledge, Wherwell**

*We are so blessed to be able to return to this  
gorgeous garden going down to the river Test*

**6.30 – 8.30 pm**

**Tickets £10, plus bring your own drink and glasses  
Crockery, cutlery and a buffet including at least three main choices  
Members kindly bring a variety of delicious salads or desserts**

**There will be a raffle and prizes would be very gratefully received**

**If you would like to ask any questions please email me at  
[ahughes877@btinternet.com](mailto:ahughes877@btinternet.com)**

*I look forward to seeing you, Angela Hughes*

CHILBOLTON VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
ARE PLEASED TO PRESENT



**ANDOVER TOWN BAND**  
**'BRASS SHOW TIME'**

On  
**Saturday, 21st July, 2018**

**Doors open: 6.30 pm**

**Concert begins: 7.00 pm**

Chilbolton Village Hall, Eastman's Field, SO20 6AT

**Ticket Price: £10.00 each**

**£5.00 for under 16's**

**Refreshments and Cash Bar available**

**Tickets obtainable from the Chilbolton Village Stores**

**For information call Wendy Fakes on 01264 860237**

Join us for a fantastic evening's entertainment

*Registered Charity No. 301781*

## Chilbolton Pre-school Report

Since the weather improved we have been able to access forest school more regularly. The children have been using secateurs to cut elder and even used



the bow saw to cut pieces from longer branches. We put these in our dinosaur area. The children are very confident climbing up and along our elder tree then jumping off the end. They are able to take risks and explore outside which is so important.

One of our little girl's parents gave up their weekend to make a gravel pit for the children to have diggers in. This is a great new area and the children will benefit greatly from it. Many thanks to Olivia and Jol for all their hard work and thank you to the other parents and Travis Perkins, Andover for their kind donations of materials.

We all enjoyed the bank holiday Monday fete and many thanks to everyone who came along to help us run the children's area. It is a real family event with lots of activities. As in previous years there was great competition in the welly toss and prizes were given out in various categories. The Minion was a



great hit as was the Bouncy Castle, Sweetie Tombola and Candy Floss. This fete is very important for Pre-school as it raises valuable funds. Big thanks to all the parents for getting involved!

The children had an exciting time learning all about life cycles last term. We talked about the life cycle of a butterfly, dandelion, bean, and spider. We were lucky enough to watch our own chrysalis turning into butterflies before we released them onto the field. The children made a wonderful display for the church fete on our life cycle of a butterfly, I hope lots of you got to see it.

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We have had endless fun in our forest school over the last few weeks, we made tumble traps for the insects to fall into, and a wormery. The children really enjoy the new dinosaur zone and continue to enjoy making the most delicious mud pies from the mud kitchen.

Our new gravel area has provided the children with more learning experiences. They enjoy laying planks across the tyres and making obstacle courses where they need to think about risks when doing this as the

plank could move. We have a big cement mixer and will be getting some real bricks soon to enhance this new corner.

We all enjoyed our royal wedding party on 17th May and the children relished baking and icing cupcakes. They all made a crown and parents were invited along to watch a Dancing Claire session. The morning finished with tea and cake, just the ticket!

Our theme for the remainder of the term is fairy tales, always a favourite. We read the "Gingerbread man" book and the children had fun re-telling the story. The children also decorated gingerbread men of their own and they were delicious.

We have a very busy few final weeks of term left, and we will be visiting Amy's Farm in Fullerton, having a Sports day and, most importantly, wishing our school leavers a fond farewell, at our leaver's water party. We will also be welcoming our new September starters over the next few weeks for a visit to our happy setting.

*Sam Inglis*



## **Middy Mums**

Middy Mums will meet again on

Monday 16th July, 10.30am – 12 noon

in Wherwell Village Hall. All with babies/toddlers welcome.

There is no Middy Mums in August. *Joyce Payne 860 296*

In loving memory of  
**Christopher Royle Bruce**

We wish to acknowledge the many expressions of love,  
support and compassion from friends and loved ones  
during this time of sorrow.

How fortunate we are to live within this lovely village community.

The love that came over the doorstep was amazing  
and so gratefully received. Thanks again.

*Davina, Sue, Fiona and all the family.*

## **CHILBOLTON NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

### **PUBLIC MEETING**

**Friday 14th July 10.00 am**

There will be a public meeting in the Chilbolton Village Hall when the working group will report on progress and on the results of the Housing Need Survey completed in 2017 and the Parish Survey completed in 2018.

The surveys form essential evidence about parishioners' needs and wishes that is being used to prepare the Neighbourhood Development Plan.

Both Survey results are on the Chilbolton Website together with the Project Plan that is regularly updated and parishioners are encouraged to study these reports before the meeting.

<http://www.chilboltonandwherwell.info/index.php/parish-council/neighbourhood-development-plan>

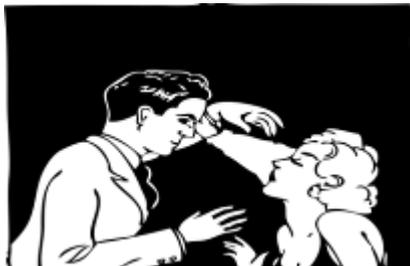
This meeting is a repeat of the meeting on 29th June for those who were unable to attend. There will be ample time to ask questions.

### **Photographic competition**

We need to have good photographs of places in the Parish for inclusion in the final document and propose to invite pictures from residents with categories for adults and children. Details will be announced at the meeting.

*Tony Ewer, Working Group Chair*

CHILBOLTON WI  
**"THE HISTORY AND MYSTERY OF  
HYPNOSIS"**



A talk by Alan Jones  
Tuesday 17th July, 7.30pm,  
in Chilbolton Village Hall

Refreshments

Raffle

Visitors welcome - £4 donation please

CHILBOLTON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY  
**"VISIT TO A CHILBOLTON GARDEN"**



Tuesday 24th July, 7.00pm

Members and partners only

Phone Jenny on 01264 861164 for further details

**SAVE THE DATE ... 25th AUGUST  
CHILBOLTON AND WHERWELL 34th FLOWER SHOW**

Schedules will be available from the village shop

Open to all residents of Chilbolton and Wherwell including their children and grandchildren, *not* just society members.

## **PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION!!**

### **Calling all budding photographers**

**Title ‘Why I Think Chilbolton is such a special Place to live’**

Your chance to have **your photo** included in the Village Neighbourhood Plan Document.

Open to all children and young people up to 18 years of age plus an adult category  
8 years and under, 9 to 13 years, 14 to 18 years, over 18

Spend the summer looking for that special picture that illustrates why you think the village is so great. It can be colour or black and white.

All details on the entry form which will be available from the Village Neighbourhood Plan meeting in the Village Hall on June 29th and July 14th or the Village Shop or the porch of Abbots Mead, Village Street.

**There will be prizes in each category - so get snapping!**



**Origin Training Project Open Day**  
**HOLD THE DATE !!! Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August**

**Fullerton Farm, Fullerton, SP11 7LD**

**We had so much fun last year, and will have even more attractions and activities for all the family this time !**

**More details coming soon .... !**



## Recipe of the month

Slow-roast spiced leg of  
lamb with pan gravy  
a taste from New Zealand



Servings 8, prep time 15 mins, cook time 3hrs 35 mins, Skill level 1 (easy)

### Ingredients

4 garlic cloves peeled and finely chopped  
1 tsp ground cumin  
1 tsp ground coriander  
Pinch of sweet paprika  
2 tsp fresh rosemary leaves  
Juice of 2 lemons  
3 tbsps olive oil  
1 leg of lamb, boned (about 2.5kg)  
200ml chicken stock

### Method

Pre-heat oven to 160C. Mix garlic, cumin, coriander, paprika, rosemary, lemon juice and olive oil. Season with salt and fresh ground black pepper to resemble a thick paste. Massage the lamb with the paste, spreading it all over. Leave at room temperature until oven reaches temperature, then roast for 35 minutes. Pour in two cups of hot water and baste lamb every 30 minutes for a further 3 hours, add more water if required.

Place lamb on a warm plate and set aside. Separate the top level of oil from the remaining juices. Place the roasting tin over a medium heat and add the warmed stock and bring to a simmer, using a wooden spoon scrape the caramelised meat juices into the sauce, season as required and pour into a warm sauce boat through a strainer.

Serve with roasted vegetables, cauliflower cheese and minted peas.

*Robert Lawrence*



## Village Contacts – Clubs & Organisations

### Clubs and organisations

Badminton	Jill Lord	860667
Beavers/Cub scouts	Frances Waghorn	01962 776048
Bridge Club	Gee Parry	861136
Brownies	Julie Shone	01962 761269
Care Group (Driver Coordinator)	Su Field	861338
(Admin)	Sally Griffiths	860313
Chilbolton Players	Ford Bacon	07788 470188
Chilbolton Church Flowers	Jane Brown	860726
Chilbolton Coffee Morning	Sheila Laughton	860460
Chilbolton Neighbourhood Watch	Denise Hall	860543
Chilbolton Open Spaces Committee	David Griffiths (Chair)	860313
Chilbolton Playing Field Action Group	Claire Pigott	860522
Cockatrice Community Choir	Denise Hall	860543
Flood Advisory Group	Terry Gilmour	860507
Horticultural Society	Sheila Evans	860697
Joyrides Community Bus	Mary Dunne	860398
	John Musters	810459
Middy Mums	Joyce Payne	860296
Pre-School	Sam Inglis	07732 095814
Short Mat Bowls	Deb & Richard Richardson	861082
Village Hall (Chilbolton) - Booking Only	Kate Ballard	860524
	<a href="mailto:chilboltonhallbookings@outlook.com">chilboltonhallbookings@outlook.com</a>	
Village Hall (Chilbolton) - All other matters	Tony Ewer	860486
Village Hall (Wherwell) - Bookings	Julie Dickenson	07519 357593
Village Website	<a href="http://www.chilboltonandwherwell.info">www.chilboltonandwherwell.info</a>	
Wherwell Church Flowers	Jo Baughen	860319
Wherwell Cricket Club	Nigel Horne (Chair)	07876 122927
	<a href="mailto:nigelhorne@ntlworld.com">nigelhorne@ntlworld.com</a>	
Wherwell History Group	Andrew Flanagan	860560
Wherwell Home Guard Club	Sandie Bastable (Chair)	363499
Wherwell Ladies Night	Angela Hughes	860877
Wherwell Playing Fields	Sean Hutton (Chair)	860443
Wherwell Primary School (Secretary)	Patsy Pritchard	860384
Wherwell Primary School (Chair of Governors)	Sean Hutton	860443
Wherwell Neighbourhood Watch	Michael Payne	860296
Wherwell Singers ( <a href="http://www.wherwellsingers.org">www.wherwellsingers.org</a> )	Dale Webb	860074
White Lion Folk Club	Roly Clarke	07919 120159
Women's Institute	Pauline Taylor	861216
Test Villages U3A ( <a href="http://www.testvillagesu3a.org.uk">www.testvillagesu3a.org.uk</a> )	Geoff Thompson	01264 782771