

# Chilbolton and Wherwell Community Magazine

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## October 2018

Welcome to October, meaning either the eight month in the Roman Calendar or the month of the Winter full moon (Old English). Lots of articles from regular and new contributors, including history, nature, a recipe, a moving poem and Mission journeys with the Kevin Lay Foundation. Plenty of activity this month (and next!) with talks, films, 'Food Security', 'Arrivals and Departures', 'Pet Service', two (!) Beetle Drives and Chiltobberfest – live music, great food and real ales, which this year is under cover. Finally, there is a special centre-page pullout for 'Useful Medical Contact Numbers'.  
*Andrew Flanagan*

Thank you to our contributors this month, and to our production team – Deirdre Kenny, Sue Allen and Andrew Flanagan - and to our distribution coordinator, Michael Payne and distribution helpers. Special thanks to Tim Whiteside, our 'What's On' Coordinator.

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**Church Flowers in October**

<b>Wherwell</b>	6th 13 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup> 27th	Anna Parnell Dawn Fildes Antonia Molden
<b>Chilbolton</b>		Beryl Lawrence Dawn Rickatson

<b>Benefice Services October 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>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October</b>					
Holy Communion			9.30am		
<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October – The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity</b>					
Holy Communion (BCP)				8am	
Family Service	10am				
Family Communion		10am			
Holy Communion					10am
Café Church in Church Room			4pm		
Autumn Meditations					6pm
<b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October</b>					
Messy Church at Crawley		4-6pm			
<b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October – The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity</b>					
Morning Prayer	10am				
Morning Worship		10am			
Family Communion			10am		
Harvest Festival				10am	
Benefice Evensong					6pm
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October</b>					
St Catherine's Toddlers			10am		
Harvest Festival					
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October</b>					
Sparsholt School Harvest Festival service				9.15am	
Flowerdown HC			2.15pm		
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October</b>					
Holy Communion			9.30am		
<b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October</b>					
Prayerful Preparation for Peace & Wholeness at Monks Rest, Church Lane, Littleton, SO22 6QY			10am		
<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October – The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity</b>					
Holy Communion (BCP)		8am			
Family Communion with REME (CW)	10am				
Harvest Festival			10am		
Matins				10am	
Family Pet Service					10am
Peace & Wholeness			6pm		
<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October</b>					
Westholme HC			2.30pm		
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October</b>					
Meditation			7pm		
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October – The Last Sunday after Trinity – BIBLE SUNDAY</b>					
Holy Communion (BCP)					8am
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Worship with Sunday School		10am			
Family Communion			10am	10am	
Benefice Evensong	6pm				

*The Church of St Peter & Holy Cross, Wherwell  
invites you to a*

## **PET SERVICE**



**Sunday, 21st October 2018  
10.00am  
St Peter & Holy Cross,  
Wherwell**

*Cuddly toys are also welcome if you don't have a pet to  
bring - or just bring yourselves!*

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who will answer your questions on growing

## **APPLES**



7.45pm Tuesday 23rd October, Chilbolton Village Hall.  
Refreshments. Raffle. Visitors welcome; £3 donation please.

Dear Friends,

*'It is better to light a candle than curse the darkness.'*

Ancient Chinese Proverb

The Kevin Lay Foundation (KLF) was set up in November 1999 in memory of Kevin, who was then a churchwarden at St Catherine's Church at Littleton. Tragically, Kevin died in a plane crash in Kosovo. He was on his way to work with Tear Fund, a Christian aid agency, rebuilding property for homeless refugees, as a member of their Disasters Response Team.

At Kevin's funeral, his family asked that the collection should be used for helping young people to emulate Kevin's work in the Developing World, and from this has sprung the Kevin Lay Foundation. Its aim is to provide money to help support young people, from The Downs Benefice and the surrounding area, to travel abroad and work on short-term projects with a Christian Mission or Aid Agency such as Tear Fund, Scripture Union etc.

Kevin cared passionately about the social injustices of this world and felt called by God to do something actively to help. He felt it was 'better to light a candle, than curse the darkness.' Since its inception, the Foundation has made grants towards projects which have enabled local young people to take part in short term Mission work, in locations where they are able to help people in situations of great need. The beneficiary of a KLF grant can be of any Christian denomination who is either on the electoral roll or is a resident of the Downs Benefice and its adjoining parishes. Additional criteria for a grant are that the Aid Agency must be Christian mission or aid based. The chosen project must be unpaid, short-term, and the work must be deemed as 'worthwhile and will make a difference.' The beneficiary must provide KLF with a breakdown of anticipated expenses: the cost of travel, accommodation etc, and they must also be actively working to raise funds for their trip.

I am writing about the Foundation here by way of a pointer to all young people and their families across the Benefice who might be considering such a trip, so that they know of the existence of the KLF and the prospect of grant monies being available. Application forms are available from the KLF Secretary, Carol Ward, who can be contacted at [carol.ward@daleclose.co.uk](mailto:carol.ward@daleclose.co.uk).

These Mission journeys are certainly not mere gap-year jaunts. They are often moving insights into the lives and plight of others in the world whose sufferings are beyond our own experiences and imaginings. They are always transformational – both for those who travel and for those whom they help. As Christians in this benefice, let us pray for the work of all those who have felt the call of Christ to this profoundly important work - past, present and future; for the agencies they serve and for the people they support.

Yours, in the light and mission of Christ,

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

## Prayer

Christ our Lord,

You give us our lives: all that we are, our bodies and our minds.

You inspire us to learn more about the world around us,  
about you, about ourselves and about the lives and difficulties of others.

May we who enjoy the freedoms that you give us,  
rejoice in our discoveries and work tirelessly for all who suffer.

Bless those who take risks and make sacrifices for the good of others.  
May their work inspire us always in our own pursuit of mission and faith.

Help us to learn from each other, gain the knowledge to build  
a better world, and realise the potential you give to all.

*Amen.*

### Autumn Meditations at Wherwell Church

We are very pleased to announce a new series of meditations for this Autumn. This season, we are featuring figures active in the C20th. We do hope you will be interested.

Each meditation will be held at 6 pm in the church and last for around thirty minutes, and will be followed by refreshments.

7 October 2018                      Dietrich Bonhoeffer, pastor, theologian, anti-Nazi  
dissident, 1906-1945

4 November 2018                    Br Andrew (van der Bijl), Christian missionary  
active during the Cold War, born 1928

### From the Church Records

<b>Chilbolton</b>		
Interment of Ashes	6/7/18	Margaret Millard
Interment of Ashes	11/7/18	Evelyn (Betty) James
Blessing of Vows & Baptism	21/7/18	Lucy & Olivier Grujard & Eloise Grujard
Thanksgiving Service & Interment of Ashes	27/7/18	Susan Buxtorf
<b>Wherwell</b>		
Baptism	28/7/18	Otto Clarke

**Advance Notice**

# **CHRISTMAS FAIR**

(Proceeds to St Mary the Less)



**Sunday**  
**25<sup>th</sup> November**  
**2.00 - 4.00**



**Chilbolton Village Hall**

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\* \* \* \*

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**For further details contact Lesley 01264 860584  
or Mary 01264 861142**

## **Wherwell Christmas Fayre**

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2018

### **CAKE STALL**



It's never too early to bake & freeze for Christmas, so please help us by making your favourite - cakes, pies, biscuits, jams, or whatever is your speciality ~~~

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## **Wherwell Parish Council**

### **Meeting report for 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2018**

The Parish Council (PC) was joined by District Cllr Drew, and three members of the public. No issues were raised in the open session.

There were three matters arising from the minutes (July):

- The PC has sent a further letter to HCC Highways, regarding HGV use of the B3048 (Longparish Rd.), and the resultant damage being caused to the bridge at Winchester Corner. A much more positive reply has been received, which was discussed, and the outcomes are to be relayed to HCC.
- The application forms for registering “assets of community value”, have been submitted to TVBC, however additional site plans are required in some cases for them to be processed.
- A list of local medical contacts has been compiled jointly with Chilbolton PC and will be published in the October issue of the community magazine. Some laminated copies of the list will be available in certain locations including the Chilbolton shop and the Home Guard Club.

Cllr Drew reported that he had been contacted by the owner of the land at the junction of the A3057 with the B3420, who wished to set the record straight and felt that he was being mis-portrayed. Cllr Drew had suggested that he attend a PC Meeting. TVBC are continuing to make slow progress moving this case forward.

Cllr Drew also reported that following a full TVBC Meeting, the Community Governance Review was progressing with a few minor tweaks. He also mentioned the imminent Andover “BID initiative” which will aim to make improvements to the town centre and increase footfall.

The PC considered and supported two new planning applications in the parish, decisions from TVB on earlier applications were noted.

Finance: The clerk reported that there had been no issues arising from the external review of PC accounts for 2017/18. She was thanked by the council for all her hard work in this matter. The conclusion of audit report, together with the required documentation, have been displayed on the WPC notice board and posted on the finance page of the WPC section of the community website, in line with current regulations.

The bi-monthly accounts were discussed and agreed. For greater transparency it was decided that authorised payments would be listed on the Meeting Minutes going forward. The 2018/19 Insurance policy and quotation was discussed and agreed. In principle the purchase of a third defibrillator to be sited at the Fullerton end of the village was agreed; cost etc. to be investigated.

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Updates from Councillors were received:

- Contractors for Virgin Media have made good progress in the village, with only a few areas left to complete. Some minor issues have been identified, which will be passed on to Virgin Media. It is hoped that the extremities of the parish, not currently serviced by any superfast broadband provider, will be included in the second phase of the project.
- The final quote to carry out repairs to the war memorial remains outstanding. The tree warden noted that, in some parts of the village, hedges were over grown and therefore narrowing the road. ***All residents are reminded that it is their responsibility to keep hedges trimmed and off the highway for safety reasons.***
- It was agreed that the previous idea of installing outside table tennis should not be pursued, but alternative leisure facility possibilities are to be investigated. Following the success of the litter pick earlier in the year, another one is to be organised for late October.
- Cllr Broadbent reported that a meeting, with TVBC to discuss the next steps in the Parish Plan, has been arranged for the near future. Cllr Broadbent will be attending the Test Valley School presentation evening in November

Unfortunately, the Section 106 funds from the Lime Tree development cannot be used to fund the proposed footpath running alongside the B3240 as planned. Other options for this footpath were discussed, as were alternative projects to utilise the S106 money.

The next Meeting will be held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November.

*Sean Hutton, Chair*

## **Useful Medical Contact Numbers**

Inside this months' magazine (see the centre-fold page) you will find a list of local medical contacts, for you to cut out & keep as a point of reference. This has been jointly compiled by Chilbolton & Wherwell Parish Councils.

If you live in Wherwell & would like your copy of the list laminated, please contact Sean, on 861031, or email:

[councillor.hutton.wherwellpc@gmail.com](mailto:councillor.hutton.wherwellpc@gmail.com)

who will be happy to do it for you.

## **Chilbolton Parish Council**

Chilbolton Parish Council (CPC) did not meet in August. The Open Spaces Committee met at Poplar Dene on 9th August. Among matters discussed were:

- the provision of dedicated recycling bins on the Common as much of the refuse is recyclable;
- the provision of a portable loo at peak times;
- obtaining bye laws to give greater control over the Common, the playing field and West Down;
- the obtaining of a container to store our valuable equipment;
- the resurfacing of part of the Grindstone Green path;
- the provision of map boards;
- the installing of new showers in the pavilion to replace all four defective shower units;
- the pre-season cleaning of the pavilion;
- the erection of the goalposts at the new basketball area;
- the replacement of the fence at the Coronation Green;
- more dragon's teeth in Joys Lane to prevent inconsiderate parking;
- Glynne Evan's report on West Down and his excellent report in his capacity as tree warden.

These reports are available if anyone would like to read them. The main point is that there are a number of ash trees along Coley Lane that are suffering from Ash die-back and will need attention before they fall across the highway. Some we can deal with ourselves. Some we may have to employ a tree surgeon. He also reported that our application for a CPRE Award in respect of West Down had reached the short-list stage. It would have been nice to win an award but I think we did well. Thank you to Moya Gove for entering us.

CPC met on Monday 3rd September at the Village Hall. Two members of the public were present, plus David Drew, our TVBC Councillor and Andrew Gibson, our HCC Councillor. I was able to report that we have arranged for George Whitefield to resurface the part of Grindstone Green path that gets very muddy in winter. The handrail along the Purleygigg Bridge has been repaired. Andy Bond has completed the re-fencing of the Coronation Tree Green. We saved a bit of money by re-using the galvanised wire netting. George has installed more dragons teeth in Joys Lane.

Car parking has been a problem this summer with the fine weather. The Common is becoming more and more popular. I was told that people call at the village shop and ask for Chilbolton Beach! I would like to thank all those public spirited parishioners who regularly clear up after a busy day on the Common. Despite an obvious problem with human excrement, CPC understandably decided not to have a temporary toilet. Instead we may open the toilets in the pavilion at peak times, provided we can provide someone to supervise.

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TVBC advised against dedicated recycling bins on the Common. In their experience the public tend to put general rubbish in the recycling bins. A pity, but that's the way it is. The basketball area is now complete. The goal posts are height adjustable. We had a very frustrating time with these goal posts. The first lot did not fit together. The second lot were damaged in transit so it was third lot lucky. I am very grateful to Nick Horne for the time and trouble he took over these posts. We should remember that the money for this project was provided by Chilfests. Thank you to all those who supported them. Hopefully, future Chilfests will provide money for more sports equipment.

CPC have decided, subject to clarification of a few details, to buy a secondhand shipping container to store our equipment and free up space in the pavilion. It is proposed to place it on the far side of the pavilion. It will be painted green to try and make it less conspicuous. We went through a number of options before deciding on a container. We are grateful to John Rowles for allowing us to store our equipment at his place or so long.

The showers at the pavilion have been replaced by Ryan Heath and are working well. The pavilion has had a much needed deep clean. As far as the bus shelter is concerned we are investigating alternative sites in Branksome Avenue with HCC.

Well summer is over and the children are back at school. What a summer we have had! Best wishes to you all.

*David Griffiths (Chairman)*

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## Wherwell's Sheep Fair (part 2)

Following on from my article last month, I fortuitously stumbled across a first-hand account written by A J Parker, (author of the poem "Pretty Wherwell).

### 'Orrell Fair'

'How well I remember my first visit to the Fair just over fifty years ago. I was a lad working on a farm at Leckford. The farmer said to me "all the men are wheat-sowing and there are a couple of two-teeth rams to go to fair, so you must take them in a cart. Take Smiler, the old black mare. He is quiet and I think you will get there all right. Find Ellen & Son's clerk and hand them over to him"

'I was very pleased with the idea of a day at the Fair, but little did I know what sort of job it was going to be. Well, I got the two rams loaded up and started off. All went well until I reached Testcombe bridge. Here I ran into droves of sheep and cattle coming down the Ox Drove, all making their way to **Orrell**. Just about here I found that Smiler had a lot of spirit, which we never saw on the farm.

What with the bawling of the cattle, the barking of the dogs and the shouting of the drovers, she got properly worked up and started a rodeo of her own. First, she cocked her ears, then her old tail began to switch. Sometimes the front part of her was in the air, then she changed ends and with a squeal up came the tail end.

Between whiles she would start a sort of jitter-bug set-to and all the time I was sitting on the front of the cart holding on like grim death, trying to restrain the old mare's antics with little success, I admit. She was boss of the proceedings'

'At last, tired out, I reached the White Lion Inn. Here were a lot of shepherds who had already penned their sheep, all enjoying pints of beer outside the Inn. Just here, my old mare excelled herself. She knew all the tricks and bucked and squealed – and how those men roared with laughter. In later years, I rode hunters who could do wicked things, but I never met the old mare's equal.'

'The shepherds gave me a farewell cheer as I passed up to the fairground and delivered my pair of two-teeth rams. But, I could not stay and enjoy my outing.

Tired out, I turned Smiler round and started on the return journey. Once clear of the noise of the cattle, she settled down and was her old quiet self again and we arrived home feeling a healthy respect for each other. After that, I got on very well with her and we were good friends, for I had quite forgiven her for that awful day at the fair.'

'About six months afterwards, I went in one morning to harness her for the day's work and found her dead. No more would she look round to see if I had a tit-bit for her or take any more two-teeth rams to **Orrell Fair**.'

'The sequel to my story is that years afterwards a cottage was built on the very spot where I unloaded my two-teeth rams. Believe it or not, I am writing this in the kitchen of that cottage as it happens to be my home to-day.'

*Alfred John Parker later became groom and subsequently chaffer at Wherwell Priory. The cottage referred to in the last paragraph is likely to be in Fairpiece. At the time of his death, in March 1951 aged 72, he was living at 32 High Street.*

*Andrew Flanagan*



Romsey Male Voice Choir and Rookwood School

# United in Song

13 October 2018

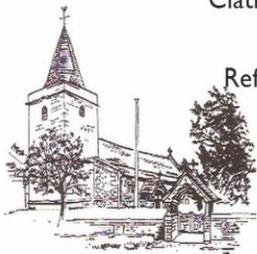
St Marys Church, Andover

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Clatfords and Abbots Ann Village Stores and  
Jane Eastwood Tel: 01264 353320

Refreshments available during the interval

**Starts at 7pm**



## Andover Cats Protection

We are very grateful to volunteers from Lloyds Banking who, despite the extremely hot weather in July and August, came out to the villages and painted seven of the pens where our cats in care are kept.

We would also like to thank Strathmore Veterinary Clinic who gave us a donation from the proceeds of their Open Afternoon.



Homing was very slow during the summer but fortunately picked up again after the holiday season. Both Lily and Autumn have now found homes.

Tilly is a pretty calico tortie female, approximately 8 years old, who is looking for her forever home. She would be suited to a quiet household with someone home part of the day. She has had a problem with a sore on her front paw but this seems to be healing nicely now. She could possibly live with a well-behaved dog as she doesn't seem to mind her fosterer's two dogs.

*Martin Bevan*

Homing Enquiries	0345 260 1501 or visit: <a href="http://andover.cats.org.uk">andover.cats.org.uk</a>
Fund-raising & volunteers	07733 242 196 or email: <a href="mailto:coord@andovercats.org.uk">coord@andovercats.org.uk</a>
Items for resale	01256 892 773

## Hedgehog Population Decline

Do you love hedgehogs?

Do you want to help them out?

Since the 1950s, the population of the European hedgehog in the UK has declined by a staggering 97%.



A group of researchers from the University of Exeter are studying hedgehog distribution and presence and absence in the UK, and could really use your help to learn more about how to help hedgehogs thrive.



Please take 2 minutes to fill in this quick on-line survey about hedgehogs, and you can be entered into a draw to win a £20 Amazon voucher!

<http://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/exeterhedgehog/>

*Emily Gilford*



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**J.S.Bach**  
*Magnificat in D*

**Britten**  
*Hymn to St. Cecilia*

**Handel**  
*Coronation Anthems*

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James Way *tenor* Aidan Smith *bass*  
Winchester College Quiristers  
Winchester College Glee Club  
Winchester Music Club Choir and Orchestra  
David Hurley, David Thomas *conductors*

7.30pm, Thursday 22 November 2018  
**WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL**

Tickets from [www.tickets.winchester-cathedral.org.uk](http://www.tickets.winchester-cathedral.org.uk) or 01962 857275

This poem, by Rabindranath Tagore (1861-1941), was recently read at the Service of Thanksgiving for the life of a young wife and mother of two, whose family live locally ....

## **Farewell My Friends**

It was beautiful as long as it lasted  
The journey of my life.  
I have no regrets whatsoever  
Save the pain I'll leave behind.  
Those dear hearts who love and care  
And the heavy with sleep, ever-moist eyes.  
The smile in spite of a lump in the throat  
And the strings pulling at the heart and soul.  
The strong arms that held me up  
When my own strength let me down.  
Each morsel that I was fed  
Was full of love.  
At every turning of my life I came across good friends,  
Friends who stood by me  
Even when the time raced by me.  
Farewell, farewell my friends,  
I smile and bid you goodbye.  
No, shed no tears for I need them not,  
All I need is your smile.  
If you feel sad, do think of me  
For that is what I'll like,  
When you live in the hearts of those you love  
Remember then  
You never die.



### **The Nobel Prize in Literature 1913**

Rabindranath Tagore , Calcutta, India.

Prize motivation: "because of his profoundly sensitive, fresh and beautiful verse, by which, with consummate skill, he has made his poetic thought, expressed in his own English words, a part of the literature of the West."

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## Food Security and You



Professor  
Bill Davies

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

6.30pm drinks and nibbles ~~~ 7pm talk

**Longstock Village Hall, SO20 6DT**

Distinguished Professor Bill Davies CBE is an outstanding scientist known for his pioneering work on water conservation, food security and business collaboration.

He is based at Lancaster University, advisor to Waitrose Agronomy Group and a true pioneer in all senses. This promises to be one of those outstanding evenings of the year. Don't miss it.

Free Entry

Details - Alan Wilson    [AW629252@aol.com](mailto:AW629252@aol.com)

### MIDDAY MUMS



Midday Mums will meet again on  
Monday 15th October, 10.30am - 12noon  
in Wherwell Village Hall.

All with babies/toddlers welcome.

The next one is on 19th November.

*Joyce Payne 860296*

## WHAT'S ON IN THE AREA – OCTOBER

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Russian State Symphony Orchestra 7:45 Anvil Basingstoke 01256 844244.
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	Leo Sayer 9:00pm at The Concorde Club & Ellington Lodge, Eastleigh Booking <a href="http://www.theconcordeclub.com">www.theconcordeclub.com</a>
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup>	Dracula - Welcome to D's – 7:30pm is a mesmerizing new ballet created by Chantry Dance Company for 2018 (AL)
8 <sup>th</sup>	World-renowned psychic, television and theatre star and the UK's favourite award-winning medium, Sally Morgan - phenomenal interactive stage show. 01962 840 500 Guildhall Winchester
9 <sup>th</sup>	Henry V 7:30pm - <a href="http://www.winchester-cathedral.org.uk/">http://www.winchester-cathedral.org.uk/</a>
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	Quo Experience - is not just another Quo tribute band... it is an 'experience' – 50yrs of hits from “Britain's biggest singles chart band of all time - Status Quo!” 7:45pm (AL)
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup>	Met Opera – Aida 5:45pm a Sonja Frisell production at Thornden Concert Hall, Eastleigh 024 8024 6555
Thu 18 <sup>th</sup> Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	A Pure Woman - Dorchester Arts and Poonamallee Productions 7.30pm Matinée (Fri) 1.30pm (TRW)
Sat 20 <sup>th</sup>	Ralph McTell - Known for his virtuoso guitar style, he is primarily a prolific and gifted songwriter - 7:30pm (TRW)
21 <sup>st</sup>	Bowie Experience is a breathtaking concert celebrating the music of the world's greatest pop icon, David Bowie. 7:30 (TRW)
22 <sup>nd</sup> to 27 <sup>th</sup>	Following rave reviews and sell out runs in London, one of Britain's best-loved and sunniest musicals comes to Salisbury. SP
25 <sup>th</sup>	The Marylebone Trio - classical woodwind trio formed in 2003 at the Royal Academy of Music 7:30 (AL)
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup>	Afterglow Genesis Tribute Band – 7:30 (PTR)
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup>	Craig Jefferson: Elvis Tribute 7:30pm (PTR)
31 <sup>st</sup>	Swinging At The Cotton Club (Touring) (TRW)
<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

## Diary Dates

Weekly Bingo WHG Club	Every Monday	7.30 pm
Short Mat Bowls at CVH	Every Monday	7.30 – 9.30 pm
Keep fit at WVH	Every Tuesday	9.15 – 10.15 am
West Down working party	Every Tuesday	2.00 pm
Golden Pilates CVH	Every Wednesday	2.00 - 3.00
Badminton at CVH	Every Thursday	8.00pm

## October 2018

1	Planning Meeting	CVH	6.30 - 7.00 pm
1	Chilbolton PC Meeting	CVH	7.00 – 9.00 pm
2	SADS ‘Arrivals & Departures’	Stockbridge Town Hall	7.30pm
6	Wherwell Coffee Morning	WVH	10.30 – 12noon
6	<b><i>AD hoc advert deadline</i></b>		
7	Autumn Meditations	Wherwell Church	6.00 – 7.00pm
8	AFC ‘Leave No Trace’	Odeon, Andover	8.00pm
10	<b><i>Copy deadline for November</i></b>		
13	Chiltoberfest	CVH	7.00 - midnight
13	JS Lewis Talk ‘Food Security’	Longstock VH	6.30 for 7.00 pm
13	United in Song	St Mary’s, Andover	7.00pm
13	Janet’s Bingo	Home Guard Club	8.00 pm
15	Midday Mums	WVH	10.30 - 12 noon
16	WI Talk 'Amazing Dogs'	CVH	7.30 for 8.00pm
16	Planning Committee	CVH	7.15 - 7.45 pm
19	WHG Talk ‘Waitrose Farm’	WVH	8.00 pm
20	Chilbolton Coffee Morning	CVH	10.30 – 12 noon
20	Beetle Drive	Home Guard Club	8.00 pm
21	Pet Service	Wherwell Church	10.00am
23	Horticultural Soc. Apple Tasting	CVH	7.45 pm
28	Simon’s Quiz	Home Guard Club	7.30 for 8.00 pm
30	Ladies Beetle Drive	WVH	8.00 - 9.30 pm

## November 2018

3	Wherwell Coffee Morning	WVH	10.30 – 12noon
3	Christmas Bazaar	Home Guard Club	1.00 - 3.00 pm
4	All Souls Service	Wherwell Church	3.00pm
4	Autumn Meditations	Wherwell Church	6.00 – 7.00pm
5	Planning	CVH	6.30 - 7.00 pm
5	Chilbolton PC Meeting	CVH	7.00 - 9.00 pm

# Medical/ First Aid

**In the event of injury or illness within the community the assistance of professional medical support should be sought e.g. Ambulance, Doctor, Paramedic, First Responder, Qualified First Aiders.**

Details of medical support available in this area:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Contact Number</b>
<b>Ambulance/Fire/Police (emergency)</b>	999
<b>NHS (non emergency)</b>	111
<b>Defibrillator (Chilbolton)</b>	<b>Location:</b> Abbots Mitre, Village Street, Chilbolton, SO20 6BA
<b>Defibrillator (Chilbolton)</b>	<b>Location:</b> War Memorial Playing Field , Chilbolton Common, Chilbolton, SO20 6BB
<b>Defibrillator (Chilbolton)</b>	<b>Location:</b> Chilbolton Village Hall, Eastmans Field, Chilbolton, SO20 6AT
<b>Defibrillator (Wherwell)</b>	<b>Location:</b> Phone Box, High St., Wherwell. SP11 7JG
<b>Defibrillator (Wherwell)</b>	<b>Location:</b> Pavilion, Wherwell Playing Fields, Wherwell. SP11 7JP
<b>Andover War Memorial Hospital</b> (No A&E Dept.) Charlton Rd., Andover. SP10 3LB	01264 358811 (switchboard) 01264 835218 or 833203 (minor injuries unit - open 08.30 -18.00 daily)
<b>North Hampshire Hospital, Basingstoke</b> Aldermaston Rd, Basingstoke. RG24 9NA	01256 473202
<b>Salisbury District Hospital</b> Odstock Rd., Salisbury. SP2 8BJ	01722 336262

<b>Winchester (Royal Hampshire County) Hospital</b> Romsey Rd., Winchester. SO22 5DG	01962 863535
<b>Charlton Hill Surgery:</b> Charlton Rd, Andover, Hants SP10 3JY	01264 337979
<b>Shepherds Spring Medical Centre:</b> Cricketers Way, Andover, Hants. SP10 5DE	01264 310777
<b>St. Mary's Surgery:</b> Church Close Andover, Hants. SP10 1DP	01264 361424
<b>Stockbridge Surgery:</b> New St. Stockbridge, Hants. SO20 6HG	01264 810524

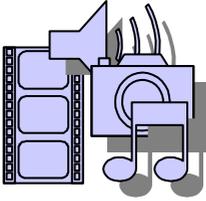
The following volunteers have attended first aid courses run by Chilbolton or Wherwell Parish Councils or their workplace and may only have basic home first aid supplies and are **NOT** registered First Aiders but are willing to provide assistance in a real emergency until the patient is seen by paramedics or taken to hospital.

**THE FOLLOWING VOLUNTEERS CAN BE CONTACTED BY CHILBOLTON RESIDENTS ONLY**

George Marits (c)	01264 860293
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**THE FOLLOWING VOLUNTEERS CAN BE CONTACTED BY CHILBOLTON & WHERWELL RESIDENTS**

Stacey Bradley (w)	01264 861290 or 07927 471928
Hannah Daubney (w)	01264 861374 or 07502 935422
David & Sally Griffiths (c)	01264 860313
Paul Moncaster (w)	07771 845841
Gwen Picco (c)	07768 044048
Steve Shean (w)	07831 694358
Amanda Spice (c)	01264 860300
Emma Way (c)	01264 860649



The movies in Chilbolton .....

Please note we do not have a film in October, as we have agreed to give up our booking in favour of a wedding celebration.

Our September film was very well received by all and we are now looking forward to November, when we are showing 'The Greatest Showman' the story of P.T. Barnum, founder of the world-famous Barnum & Bailey Circus.

In the meantime, we thank you for your support and hope you have enjoyed the films so far this year. We look forward to seeing you in November.

Chilbolton Village Hall Management Committee



## THIS EVIL THING

written and performed by Michael Mears

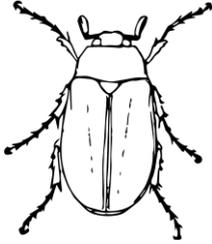
*...the compelling, shocking and inspiring story of the men who said no to war...*

Sunday 25 November at 2.30PM  
(to be followed by a Q and A session)

**Upper Clatford Village Hall**  
Village Street, Upper Clatford, SP11 7QL

**No entry fee. Retiring collection. Tea.**

website: <https://michaelmears.org/this-evil-thing/>  
[www.facebook.com/thisevilthing](http://www.facebook.com/thisevilthing)



# Ladies Beetle Drive!

Kindly Hosted by Pam Flanagan

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

**In Wherwell Village Hall**

*All Ladies Welcome, invite friends and neighbours*

**8 pm – 9.30 pm**

**Entrance £2 to cover the hall hire and tea, coffee and biscuits. Please feel welcome to bring your own refreshments or give a donation for the wine and soft drinks. Glasses are provided.**

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

***We look forward to seeing you!***



## **A big thank you**

to all my friends and neighbours for their kind messages and cards during Ray's recent spell in hospital, they were all very much appreciated.

A special thank you to Judith Herridge for undertaking the lengthy Wherwell magazine delivery.

*Sue Blazdell*

# 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

**Chiltoberfest**  
2018

TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE AT  
THE VILLAGE SHOP

Tickets  
**£10**  
each

All profits will be donated to the Chilbolton Memorial Playing Field

Wherwell  
Home Guard Club

The Old Hill, Wherwell. SP11 7JB

# Christmas Bazaar

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

1pm to 3pm



Christmas Gifts & Decorations

Craft Stalls ~ Soft Toys

Cosmetics

Sweets ~ Plants ~ Calendars

& much more

Refreshments ~ Raffle

**FREE admission**

For enquiries about space for selling merchandise  
please contact Sandie 07584 673 993 before 21<sup>st</sup> October

## Grass Snakes

After publishing my occasional articles about creatures seen around the Old Cottage, I was often asked what is the difference between a slow worm and a grass snake; so here goes. The grass snake looks like what everyone expects a snake to look like whereas the slow worm is like a long corrugated piece of plastic pipe. It looks corrugated but when you touch it, it is smooth.



Another difference is that when you see a grass snake it will often raise itself up and hiss at you or flash its forked tongue. This is a great experience as the eyes of snakes seem to protrude and they have no movable eyelids to close. The eyeball has only slight power of movement and they stare without fear until they decide what to do, which is usually rustle away.



The only snake I have experienced that advanced on me was a Rattle Snake in Mexico. It was small but fierce and was intent upon attacking me, it did not realise I had a shot gun under my arm. Even a very young grass snake (6" long) which was in my hall raised itself and flashed its tongue at me before I collected it and put it in the paddock behind my house. When a snake is in attack mode its mouth opens and you can see that it is quite wide and is capable of being extended to allow the swallowing of small rodents. It can breathe during the swallowing as the breathing apparatus extends over the floor of the mouth to the chin. This is necessary as swallowing can take some time. The slow worms jaw is much like ours and does not open especially wide. It is a passive creature and just wants to slink away to a pile of leaves or a warm compost heap.

The colours are different as the slow worm is brown, grey or some colours in between whereas the grass snake is typically dark green or brown in colour with a characteristic yellow collar behind the head, which explains the alternative name Ringed Snake. The colour may also range from grey to black, with darker colours being more prevalent in colder regions,

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presumably owing to the thermal benefits of being dark in colour. The underside is whitish with irregular blocks of black, which are useful in recognizing individuals.

An adder can have similar markings but there is a distinctive V mark at the back of its head. I saw an Adder in Newton Stacey resting on a discarded roofing slate in a field. It was so still I thought it was dead and approached it and touched it near its tail. It raised itself up, looked at me and moved slowly away. This was in the spring and I assume it had been hibernating and was still coming to. Its skin was smooth and cold to the touch.

In Europe, the grass snake is also known as the Water Snake showing its liking for being near water, for swimming in water and for enjoying eating frogs, toads and tadpoles. The slow worms around the Old Cottage are never to be seen in or around water.

The biggest difference between the slow worm and the grass snake is size. A grass snake can grow up to four feet in length, a male about a foot shorter. Around here they seldom get longer than two feet; maybe there are too many dogs and foxes to contend with. A good size for a slow worm is 18" but around here 12" is about the biggest I have seen. The last grass snake I saw here was about 15" long and in the mouth of a fox which peered into our lounge window as I was watching Spring Watch. Oh for a camera in those moments.

Snakes shed their skin, or more accurately, the nineteen rows of small overlapping lance-shaped scales with a central ridge or keel. These scales are an outgrowing from the skin and when the snake moults they do not fall off as the hairs of fur clad animals do but the entire skin with its scales is cast intact. It separates first at the edges of the jaws and then the snake pushes against the ground, stones or plant stems until the loose skin is behind its head. Then it glides out of the remainder.

Where we lived in Oxford we had an old drystone wall and I could collect several skins there as the heat from the wall and the roughness of the stones made it a fine place to shed skins. I have not found any snake skins around the Cottage but where there are snakes there will be skins - so keep looking.

The slow worm casts its skin up to four times a year depending upon its food intake and the need for more space for the growing body but I have never seen the old skin so I too need to keep looking.

Finally, snakes lay eggs. In the case of a grass snake about 10 to 12, nearly the size of a pigeon's egg. They are deposited in warm places, usually compost heaps, in July or August. They are not easy to find and you find them usually by accident when digging out an old compost heap as I have done. The slow worm not only creates about 10 young, but does it with a word useful to crossword solvers or Scrabble players, "ovoviviparous" which as you all know means to bring forth its young alive.

*Alan Crisp*

# Simon's Quiz

28<sup>th</sup> October 2018

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)



Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October  
8.00 pm

## Beetle Drive

Traditional Fun & CASH prize  
Admission £2

Weekly Bingo Evenings on Mondays at 7.30pm  
Monthly Bingo on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> Oct. at 8pm

Save the date .... 3<sup>rd</sup> November

**Christmas Bazaar** – 1pm to 3pm

at **Wherwell Home Guard Club**

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

## Wherwell History Group – Autumn 2018 Talks



October 19<sup>th</sup>  
Andrew Hoad  
**The Waitrose Farm**  
**Leckford Estate**



November 16<sup>th</sup>  
Susan Howe  
**Amusing Anecdotes**  
about knowing  
John Betjeman  
& 'Siegfried'

All talks take place in **Wherwell Village Hall**, SP11 7JJ, at 8.00pm  
Tea or coffee and biscuits are served after the talk  
Everyone is welcome (£4 entrance fee for non-members)

### **2019 Calendar**

Next year's calendar will be on sale from 3<sup>rd</sup> November. Using the same physical format as 2018, it opens up to portrait A3 size. The top half has a 2-by-1 bygone photograph, with history notes. The bottom half has a monthly calendar with plenty of space for appointments. The Calendar will be on sale in local shops, at our November meeting and at local events such as Coffee Mornings and Christmas Fayres.



## Recipe of the month



**“A Taste of the Valley”**  
*Recipe Three*  
**Pumpkin, Spinach & Feta with  
Brown Rice Crust –**  
*6-8 servings*

**This six-month series of recipes has been selected from a book compiled by students, teachers and governors past and present of the Clutha Valley Primary School, Balclutha, New Zealand: “A Taste of the Valley – from our family to yours”. When you have all the recipes you may wish to combine them into a dinner party.**

### Filling

1 onion (chopped)  
4 rashers lean bacon (fat trimmed & chopped)  
*(leave out the bacon for a vegetarian dish)*  
2 cups diced cooked pumpkin  
1 cup drained cooked spinach  
100g feta cheese (chopped)  
¾ cup grated edam cheese  
1 cup milk 4 eggs  
½ tsp dried thyme  
Freshly ground black pepper

### Base

3 cups cooked brown rice  
2 eggs  
2 tbsps grated Parmesan cheese  
1 tsp dried mixed herbs

### To make the base.

Place rice, eggs, parmesan and herbs in a bowl. Mix well. Press well into sides and base of a 24-26cm pie tin. Bake for 10 minutes.

### To make the filling.

Lightly spray a frying pan with oil and stir-fry the onion and bacon (if using) until cooked, remove from heat and combine with pumpkin, spinach, and cheeses, and place into rice crust. Mix milk, eggs, thyme and pepper together in a bowl. Pour this over the other ingredients and cook for 35-45 minutes or until the filling is set and the surface is golden brown. Remove from oven and leave to rest for 5 minutes before serving. Can be enjoyed hot or cold.

*Robert Lawrence*

### Note from editor:

*Please send in your recipes to [cw.magazine@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:cw.magazine@hotmail.co.uk). If not published in the same month as submitted, they will appear in later issues*

**Stockbridge Amateur Dramatic Society**

**Curtain Calls...**

Come along and be entertained by readings and from plays, poems and novels based around the theme of...

**‘Arrivals and Departures’**

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 7.30 pm**

**Stockbridge Town Hall**

Or, even better...

...we'd love you to take part, so if you fancy having a go, please email [stockbridgeamdrams@gmail.com](mailto:stockbridgeamdrams@gmail.com) or call Mark Frank on 0773 887 4040

No experience necessary!

*You don't have to be a member of SADS, but we'd love it if you'd join!  
We're always looking for new blood to act, direct, produce, to be part  
of the technical team on sound, lighting, set design and build,  
stage managing, costume and props.*

*Equally, it'd be great for you to just come along and support our events!*

*Save the date for next month*

**‘Decisions, decisions!’**

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November, 7.30 pm**

**Stockbridge Town Hall**

## West Down management report – 01/04/18 to 31/07/18

**Agri-environment payments (AEPs):** Most West Down income is received by way of AEPs from the Government. It is easy to lose track of monies received from the Rural Payments Agency (RPA) and why they are being received. I have therefore summarised below all the payments relating to calendar year 2017 (RPA operate to calendar years) and their purpose.

### Payments for 2017 year:

01/12/17:	£2155.94	Agricultural Base Payment (BPS)
13/03/18:	£770.04	part-payment (75%) for Countryside Stewardship Higher Tier (CSHT)
12/06/18:	£836.68	final payment CSHT (£256.68), plus education visits (£580)

**Grand Total :** £3762.66

### What was the money for?

Keeping open bits (3.8 ha) of Teasel & Dobbs Field in “good agricultural and environmental condition” (GAEC) and therefore clear of scrub: £870.67

(ie: annual top-cut cost of £180, with remainder available for path-cutting, etc)

Keeping open areas (5.6 ha) of the fenced Enclosure area in “good agricultural and environmental condition” (GAEC) and therefore clear of scrub: £1285.27

(ie: for beast & tools maintenance, fuel, volunteer group costs, tree management – with surplus available for costs such as bin-emptying, nature trail maintenance, etc)

Keeping the downland slope free from invasive plants & scrub: £502.20 (volunteer & material costs)

Grazing the Enclosure: Basic £251.10, plus for Red Devons (native breeds): £273.42 = £524.52

(ie. for fence maintenance/replacement, water trough costs)

Organising & running two educational visits for children:

2 x £290 = £580

(available for projects, many thanks to Moya Grove for doing this at little cost to PC)

**Volunteer work:** As always, a small group of volunteers have been working every Tuesday afternoon, and on other days when convenient. A larger group turned out for ragwort-pulling on two weekends in July. A total of just over 500 volunteer-hours were recorded in 2017/18, slightly down on the three previous years of PC management of the site.

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**Work undertaken during April - July** has included: strimming and pulling of Hemp-agrimony on the downland slope, hand-cutting of sycamore saplings, refurbishment of the steps opposite Recycling Centre, planting of primroses, improvement to drainage near car-park, litter-picking, cutting of verges and scrub overgrowth along concrete road, and of course ragwort pulling.

**CPRE Awards application:** The PC's application for a CPRE Award reached the short-list stage, and several volunteers accompanied the judges on their walk round. There were however a large number of entries, and the application didn't go forward to the final list.

**Birds & Bees:** Of the key species in our Environmental Stewardship agreement (ESA), Grizzled Skipper and Brown Argus butterflies were present in numbers during late May. Sadly though, as far as is known, only a single Cistus Forester moth was seen. In July, Chalk-hill Blue butterfly appeared, but only in very small numbers as in recent years. Searches have been made for larvae of our other key moth species – the Striped Lychnis. No caterpillars have been found, though the food plant Dark Mullein seems to be doing well. A key breeding bird species is the Marsh Tit, and at least one pair was holding territory in April as usual.

**Grazing:** Cattle arrived on time, on 20<sup>th</sup> April this year. Given the amount of rain in April-May, this turned out very well. Conditions were less good in June-July, and the long hot period led to some supplementary feeding. The ESA doesn't really allow this, but we have to put this down to extenuating circumstance, otherwise the animals could be taken elsewhere. The poor grass condition does at least encourage the beasts to browse the scrub.

**Roads and drains:** We seem to have now solved the problem of the lake near the car-park entrance after periods of heavy rain. We eventually were given permission by the County Council (landlord) to break open the kerb-stone and make a small ditch, thus by-passing the blocked drain (which we guess dates from the road construction in 1940s). So far, it seems to have worked – though the 'ditch' needs regular clearing.

**Tree management:** As noted previously and in the Tree Warden report, many Ash trees alongside Coley Lane are suffering from Ash die-back (Chalara). These will soon need attention before they fall across fence and road. Alan James and David Griffiths have attended courses and upgraded their chainsaw qualifications, and this coming winter we will be looking at how much work we can do ourselves before involving professionals.

**Litter & Fly-tipping:** Overall, and even on the hottest weekends, the litter situation is not too bad – provided we keep on top of it. And fortunately, for the moment at least, the fly-tippers generally seem to find the Recycling Centre area more convenient than venturing up to the West Down car-park.

*David Griffiths*

## CHILBOLTON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

A big '**Thank You**' to all who supported our Annual Flower Show on 25th August. Chilbolton Village hall looked splendid, full of beautiful flowers and vegetables, craft items and delicious home cooked food.

Well done to all prize winners, adults and children. Congratulations to Margaret Temple for winning the new Burr Trophy for 'Best in Show'.

We invite all residents of Chilbolton and Wherwell to enter next year's show which will be on the **24th August 2019**.

## CHILBOLTON WI

Come and join us on Tuesday 16th October to hear

**Nigel Knott** talk about

'**Amazing Dogs**'



The work of **Canine Partners** transforming lives

7.30pm members, 8pm visitors.

Chilbolton Village Hall. Refreshments. Raffle.

Visitors welcome; £4 donation please.

## Chilbolton & Wherwell Wildlife

These days, we are all familiar with the Little Egrets that are on the Common every day. And as I've mentioned previously, we sometimes occasionally see the Great White Egret, and Cattle Egret. I hear that there are quite a few Cattle Egrets about in southern England at the moment, so look out for them. They're a bit smaller than Little Egrets, invariably have buff colours in the plumage, and the adults have a shorter yellow bill – quite different to the black bill of the Little Egret. All these Egrets would of course have been a rare sight only twenty years ago. But warmer winters have enabled their populations to slowly increase, and spread up the French coast from their original breeding strongholds on the Mediterranean coast. The Little Egrets can now be seen throughout the UK.

Other species are following in the Egrets' footsteps, and my highlight of this past month was seeing a Glossy Ibis in the Test Valley. The Glossy Ibis is a big heron-like bird with long legs, and a long slender down-curved bill. The plumage is dark-brown, almost black, with a glossy-green, purple and bronze metallic sheen on the wings and tail. It's sometimes been incorrectly called a 'Black Curlew', and although it isn't a Curlew at all, this is a good way of remembering what it looks like! The main European breeding area is in southern Spain, but they are very mobile birds, and increasingly are being seen further north and into northern Europe. They are still a very rare bird in Hampshire, but they like to feed in marshes, wet meadows, and along rivers - so with global warming, it's a species that we will see more of in future, and perhaps on the Common.

By the time you read this, it will be October. October is a time when many birds are on the move, and a good time to watch out for birds that aren't normally here. Some may be rare birds, but also look out for less rare species that are passing through our area. Stonechats will very likely be on the Common, and Grey Wagtails will appear in all sorts of places – maybe even by your garden pond. Though we have our own breeding Grey Wagtails along the Test, we also get visitors from further afield. Recently, a friend of mine told me about a Grey Wagtail with colour-rings, that he had seen two years ago near Stockbridge. After some research and emailing, I managed to find out that it had been ringed near Heysham, on Merseyside. This is not quite in the same league as Swallows and Cuckoos that migrate thousands of miles, but there are quite a number of species that we think of as 'resident', but which do in fact 'migrate' or disperse over a few hundred miles for the winter.

*Glynne Evans ( [hantsbto@hotmail.com](mailto:hantsbto@hotmail.com) )*

## **The Downs Benefice - ALL SOULS' SERVICES**

All Souls' Day, on 2<sup>nd</sup> November, is traditionally the time when the Church remembers those who have died and offers prayers of thanksgiving for their lives. Our churches mark this season with special services to which we invite those who have been bereaved in the parish during the past year or more. The opportunity is given in the service to light a candle to remember those you love who have died, and we hope that you will find renewed hope and fresh confidence in the Christian message of resurrection and the life to come.

This year All Souls Day falls on a Friday so we will be holding our special services in Littleton on the Friday (2<sup>nd</sup> November) and in Crawley and Sparsholt on the Sunday (4<sup>th</sup> November). On the Sunday, we will also be holding an All Saints' Service at St Peter and Holy Cross, Wherwell to remember and celebrate 'the Saints' (all Christians) who have gone before us and who have influenced our lives and who make up the 'great cloud of witnesses', namely our families and friends (and there will be an opportunity to individually honour by name our loved ones); the Patriarchs and Saints in the Bible; and those who are still living who have helped nurture our spiritual earthly journey.

Those families for whom we have conducted a funeral or thanksgiving service in the last year will receive an invitation to join us, but everyone is welcome to attend the service, and in all our churches there will be a box with cards for you to fill in with the names of those you would like remembered.

### Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

All Souls' Service - St Catherine's Church, Littleton at 6.30 pm

### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November

All Souls' Service - St. Mary's Church, Crawley at 10.00 am

All Saints' Service – St Peter and Holy Cross, Wherwell at 3.00 pm

All Souls' Service - St Stephen's Church, Sparsholt at 6.00 pm

# QUIZ

## **Wherwell's Annual Quiz Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

7:15 for a 7:45pm Start  
Colonel Jenkins Memorial Hall

*and featuring our ever popular*

**Quiz Masters, Brian & Lydia Knight**

A 'Sell-Out' Last Year, So PLEASE BOOK NOW !!!

- Teams of up to 8, come along and join a team, or pull together your own team !
- Entry £10 per person includes a Two Course Supper
- *Clos du Marquis* 'Dining Out' Raffle & *Gill's* Prize Raffle
- Bring Your Own Drinks, Nibbles, and Glasses, please

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Cheques Payable to: 'Colonel Jenkins Memorial Hall'  
All Proceeds to the Village Hall Fund

## To All Magazine Contributors

We are eternally grateful for the regular contributions provided by villagers for the magazine each month. However, we would be even more grateful if the submissions were all provided in the A5 Template format.

If you are a contributor and already doing this – thank you! If not, please ask the magazine Content Manager to email you the template next month before you copy and paste your submission into it. Many thanks.

*Stephen MacDonald, Mag Chairman*

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