

# Chilbolton and Wherwell Community Magazine

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## February 2019

The shortest and, quite possibly, coldest month of February has arrived. Feasting at Yule a distant memory and “Dry January” behind us, it’s time to celebrate the coming of Spring at Imbolc; Love on St Valentine’s Day. Check out the diary dates: film, quiz, bingo - and a lovely fish and chip supper for the ladies, are on offer. If that’s not enough to tempt you away from your warm fireside, also interesting talks from the History Group, Horticultural Society and the WI. Hat, coat, gloves. Ready, steady, go..

*Lucia Foster-Found.*

Thank you to our contributors this month, and to our production team – Sue Blazdell, Ray Blazdell and Lucia Foster-Found - and to our distribution coordinator, Terry Gilmour and distribution helpers. Special thanks to Tim Whiteside, our ‘What’s On’ Coordinator.

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## Church Matters The Downs Benefice



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Treasurer			

### Church Flowers in February

<b>Wherwell</b>	2nd and 9th 16th and 23rd	Anna Lipa Alice Higham
<b>Chilbolton</b>	February	Betty Geary

### From the Church Records

<b>Chilbolton</b>		
Interment of Ashes	10/11/18	Damon Jarrett
Funeral and Burial	3/12/18	Brian Brown
<b>Wherwell</b>		
Baptism	16/12/18	Beatrice & Martha Aspinall

<b>FEBRUARY 2019</b>	<b><i>St Mary the Less, Chilbolton</i></b>	<b><i>St Mary's, Crawley</i></b>	<b><i>St Catherine's Littleton</i></b>	<b><i>St Stephen's Sparsholt</i></b>	<b><i>St Peter &amp; Holy Cross, Wherwell</i></b>
<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February – The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)</b>					
Holy Communion (BCP)				8am	
Family Service	10am				
Family Communion		10am			
Holy Communion					10am
Café in Church Room			4pm		
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February</b>					
Holy Communion			9.30am		
<b>Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February</b>					
Messy Church at Li			4-6pm		
<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> February – The Fourth Sunday before Lent</b>					
Morning Prayer	10am				
Morning Worship		10am			
Family Communion			10am		
Joint Service led by Sparsholt School				10am	
Benefice Evensong at Watermill Cottage, Wherwell, SP11 7JS					6pm
<b>Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> February</b>					
Prayerful Preparation for Peace & Wholeness at 6 Rozelle Close, Littleton, SO22 6QP			10am		
<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> February – The Third Sunday before Lent</b>					
Holy Communion (BCP)		8am			
Family Communion (CW)	10am				
Morning Worship			10am		
Matins				10am	
Family Service					10am
Peace & Wholeness			6pm		
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February</b>					
Flowerdown HC			2.00pm		
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>					
Holy Communion			9.30am		
<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February – The Second Sunday before Lent</b>					
Holy Communion (BCP)					8am
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Worship with Sunday School		10am			
Family Communion			10am	10am	
Evening Prayer at Pentons, Village Street, Chilbolton, SO20 6BE	4pm				
<b>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February</b>					
Westholme HC			2.30pm		
<b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February</b>					
Meditation			7pm		

## Letter from Andrew Kent

Dear friends,

I write this on New Year's Eve, as Reverend Jax enjoys a well-earned break after a busy Christmas. With the shortest day of winter behind us we look forward to spring – primroses are in flower in our garden, and soon we will see new leaves on the trees. With this seasonal cycle of the passing of the old and the coming of the new it seems to me a good time to ask ourselves what we achieved last year and, more importantly, what we can do in the coming year for others.

For Christians, Christmas is a time to celebrate the birth of Jesus, with a message of hope for each of us - but it is also a reminder that as Jesus served others, so should we. I'm not suggesting we give up our lives for others as Jesus did, although last year's 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War reminds us that many people then did just that. What we can all do, however, is to use our individual gifts to help other people in lots of different ways, however small.

Many of you will be involved in helping people in your local communities and further afield, and without all of you life would be less fulfilling, or much tougher, for people not as fortunate as many of us. I am involved with a charity providing care, accommodation - and hope - for people who have fallen on hard times and been drawn into alcohol or substance abuse, often leading to homelessness. Many are youngsters. I have learned that their difficulties are almost always not their fault, nor a choice on their part, but that if enough people care enough to help them they are often able to overcome their problems.

Christians now look forward to Lent. Traditionally lasting forty days and running up to Easter, this year Lent starts on March 6th. "Lent" comes from the old English word "lencten" (lengthening), meaning that the days are getting longer and that spring has arrived, with the promise of renewal and hope for the future. Lent traditions around the world vary, but the common thread is we give up some things that we do just for our own pleasure, but we also think about other people and how we can help them. Christians or not, we can all learn from Lent. Despite all the difficulties in the world, each one of us has a great capability to do good on a personal level, and to all of you who do so much already in our communities and elsewhere, thank you.

"Love is giving, not taking; mending, not breaking; trusting, believing, never deceiving; and sharing God's gifts in helping another." (Author unknown)

*Andrew Kent  
Chairman, Downs Benefice Council*

# **Brian Brown**

A tribute by Barbara North

I knew and worked with Brian from 1979, at TSB, the Andover Hospital and Wherwell Primary School and lived in Chilbolton where we both built houses in the 1980s.

On Monday 3rd December I joined the family, friends, former colleagues and villagers at a packed St. Mary the Less church in Chilbolton to say farewell to Brian and join in a service of thanksgiving for his life. Brian and his family moved to Andover in the early 1970's and he spent the last thirty years of his life enjoying his retirement in the village of Chilbolton. Brian was the Chief Executive of TSB Trust Company. I doubt that anyone who lived in the town and surrounding villages during the 70s and 80s has forgotten the enormous impact TSB Trust Company had. His fledgling Unit Trust and insurance broking company moved in to White Bear House, in the Chantry Centre. This was an unusual organisation, part of a mutual savings bank, which had seen the opportunity to introduce unit-based savings to the bank customers and then became both Life Insurance and General Insurance underwriters. The business grew dramatically; Keens House was built and then Charlton Place, a new computer centre and at its height well over 2,000 people were employed. Brian thought of Trust Company as an extended family, and whilst enjoying the prominence it gave him, was always keen to provide the sort of training and benefits for staff not seen before in Andover as well as insisting everyone, including him, also had fun. Many of us had the opportunity to grow with the company and for females especially it was a new chance to develop and assume senior roles. The success of the company also meant money could be invested in the town, especially the Carnival which he loved to take part in – although some thought that renaming the station after a refurbishment was perhaps a step too far!

Brian guided this very successful company into an era when other banks were copying this formula and a need to reduce costs and use bank staff to sell products meant that the TSB Group decided to merge the bank and insurance company and eventually merge with Lloyds Bank. Brian took early retirement in the late 80s and was then asked to form a new NHS organisation, a Trust, and so became the first Chairman of the Andover War Memorial Trust in the early 90s, the smallest NHS Trust in the country. He

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brought his inimitable enthusiasm to this task, developed a strong team and worked hard to make investments in the local hospital which he felt was a really important asset for the town. His notable achievement was spearheading the development of the Day Case Theatre which is still providing a wonderful facility today. Politics and pressure on budgets (what's changed!?) saw the hospital merge and Brian spent some interesting years lecturing about Trust Company's development, including at the London School of Economics; he also served as a Governor at Wherwell Primary School. His final few days aged 81, supported by his family, were spent at the Countess of Brecknock Hospice, which he had always supported.

Brian was larger than life; he loved life and enjoyed it to the full; he loved his family and really cared about people and the place in which he lived and worked. Ok, sometimes he was a pain – but aren't we all? There are many of us who do owe Brian a debt of gratitude for the opportunity he gave us to develop to our full potential. Thank you Brian and Rest in Peace – you deserve to.

*Barbara North  
Fair Field, Stockbridge barbara.north@talk21.com*

### **Wherwell Church Family Service**



**We hold a service for the whole family on the 3rd 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 17th February at 10.00 am**

**Why not come and join us?**



The Downs Benefice will be holding special Mothering Sunday services in all the churches at 10.00 am on Sunday, 31st March.

Everyone is most welcome to come.

## Wherwell Church Christmas Fayre

The PCC of Wherwell would like to thank all those volunteers who helped with the wonderful Christmas Fayre held on Advent Sunday, 2nd December. Special thanks go to Susanne Horne who masterminded a very successful event, bringing in well over £1,000 for church funds.

The Fayre was held in Wherwell Village Hall and offered lovely stalls selling Christmas gifts, decorations, and cakes, as well as the chance to indulge in waffles and mulled wine. Santa's grotto was very popular with the children who also made lanterns in the Craft area. With their lanterns, they then processed down a beautifully-lit Church Street – we all agreed, the best ever display of Christmas lights – our thanks go to Andrew Flanagan, Mike Gee and their team for this. Everyone then enjoyed the Advent Carol service by candlelight conducted by Rev Jax Machin in the church. *Anna Lipa*

## CHILBOLTON PARISH COUNCIL

Chilbolton Parish Council (CPC) met on the 7th January 2019. We welcomed our latest member Geoff Cockram. I am sure he will be a valuable member of the team. There were three members of the public present. We were pleased to see Peter Boulton, one of our TVBC councillors, after a long absence. Andrew Gibson, our HCC councillor, sent his apologies for absence and a helpful report.

There is not a lot to say this month. The final profit for Chiltobberfest is £1723.77. A very good effort indeed. My thanks to the organisers and all those who attended. We have lodged a claim for the brush cutter and chain saw stolen from my outbuilding. Annoyingly, they have yet to deal with it despite chasers from our clerk. Very poor service in my view. I am going to chase them myself to see if it makes any difference.

The container has been placed in position on the playing field and is now being used to store CPC's equipment. As soon as possible we plan to rub it down and paint it green. The general view of CPC is that it is not as intrusive as was feared. There is a bit of work to be done on the playing field. There are two small trees that have fallen across the fence and will be removed. There is brash to be dealt with from a much larger tree that fell in the summer. The Lengths Man has been tasked with doing this.

The very elderly water pump in the pavilion has now been mended. It had a problem with its bladder! The showers have all been replaced and work fine. We plan to declutter the pavilion by moving the tables and chairs into the container. I was delighted to see the War Memorial Playing Field being very well used by families over the Christmas holiday.

Our Auto Scythe, known as The Beast, has had a full service and our trailer repaired. The Beast was immediately put to work last weekend clearing brambles on West Down. We had the assistance of the Hampshire Conservation Volunteers who did a great job raking up and burning. We are still trying to persuade HCC to fund the necessary felling to dead or dying ash trees on West Down. Those near the road are a safety concern. We also have to bear in mind the cable that runs beside the road. The footpaths are in good order. I am particularly pleased with the condition of the Mark Way. We are awaiting a delivery of scalping by HCC so we can repair the boggy section of the Mark Way as it runs alongside FP 16 (TV Farm). You may have noticed that we have provided another poo bag dispenser on the Grindstone Green. The Common is in good order too. There is some work we need to do to keep Natural England happy. It is work our volunteers can do so will not cost much.

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On the subject of volunteers: can anyone spare half an hour or so to help on West Down. Every little helps. Some jobs are no more strenuous than pruning roses. We meet at 2pm on Tuesdays normally at the top car park. If you would like to give it a try get in touch with me, Glynne Evans or our clerk, Mandy.

We are still waiting for George Whitefield to clear the Abbot's Stream; to complete the replacement of some dragon's teeth and to fill in behind the planks near the Purleygigg Bridge. Moya Grove is in discussions with Alison Graham-Smith of Natural England as to the best way of preventing further erosion of the bank near the Purelygigg Bridge.

I am pleased to report that our grant for The Common has been renewed for another year. This is worth nearly £5K. We have reached agreement with Virgin Media to plant a hedge to screen their junction box near the Recycling Centre.

Well, that's it for this month. It's not very exciting but Christmas and the New Year were fun with our grandchildren. I cannot make the February meeting so I will be asking George Marits to chair the meeting and to write an article for the magazine. *David Griffiths, Chairman*

## **Do You Enjoy working with Flowers?**

**New for 2019**

### **Floral Design Classes**

Thursday afternoons from 2pm – 4pm

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

**Jan. 24th, Feb. 7th and 21st, Mar. 7th and  
21st April 4th**

Learn how to create exciting designs for your home.

The cost will be £75 for a 6-week course.

**Contact Bronda Dossett on 01264 365463 for more details  
or email: [bronda@dsl.pipex.com](mailto:bronda@dsl.pipex.com)**



## Wherwell History Group – Winter 2019 Programme



February 15th

Major George Bacon  
MBE TD AAC(V)

**Accidental Tales from  
an Historic Pilot**



March 15th

Phoebe Merrick

**The History of  
Broadlands, Romsey**



April 26th

Tony Raper

**The 1st Hampshire,  
(Andover), Battalion  
Home Guard**

All talks take place in Wherwell Village Hall, at 8.00pm

Tea or coffee and biscuits are served after the talk

Everyone is welcome (£4 entrance fee for non-members)

*Andrew Flanagan*

# Wherwell Parish Council

## Meeting report for 8th January 2019

The Parish Council was joined by District Cllr. Drew, and two members of the public, who did not have any matters they wished to raise in the open session.

The PC co-opted two new Councillors, Sue Blazdell and Diane Newell, to fill the casual vacancies following the resignation of George Hampson and Lucy Williams. After signing the required paperwork Sue and Diane were welcomed to the Council.

The bimonthly accounts were tabled, and expenditure was agreed. The draft budget, for 2019/20, was presented by the clerk and discussed. Applications for grants from the PC, by local organisations, were considered, and projects to be funded in the coming year were prioritised. It is hoped that the PC will be able to secure some grants to help fund these projects. A small increase in the annual precept was agreed.

County Councillor Gibson sent a report, in his absence, with his apologies:

**Test Valley School** An important update on the Test Valley School Swimming pool. Test Valley School Governors are reviewing the school's swimming pool future. The pool has a significant annual cost (circa £12k) which the School cannot afford without additional funding. The Governors will be making a decision on the future of the pool and reviewing all options. I am supportive of keeping the pool but realise that additional fund would be required. Discussions are continuing and any suggestions would be welcome.

**Buses.** On the positive side, the cuts in concessionary bus services, which have been mentioned in local newspaper articles, will not affect the Test Valley Central Division, as far as I am being told. There are cuts in the Basingstoke area.

**Salt Bins.** I would ask you all to check that salt bins have been filled in your villages and please contact me if there are any that still need to be filled up. I was promised that all Salt Bins would be filled by the 24th December.

**Highways.** Please continue to report potholes on the HCC portal and please let me know if reported potholes have not been completed so that I can escalate and ensure that the work is done. The Highways report indicated that Hampshire Highways fills circa 6,000 pot- holes per month which is circa

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72,000 per year. District Cllr. Drew reported that the BID initiative in Andover had been successful. TVBC are planning to develop a cultural quarter utilising the old magistrates' court building, and is working in conjunction with Andover College and the Lights to make improvements there. It is also looking to make more of the park in the Town Mills area. Cllr. Drew was pleased to be of help in securing a rental, social housing property in the village for a local family and was thanked by the PC.

The PC considered two new planning applications in the parish, and decisions, from TVBC, on earlier applications were noted. Updates from Councillors were received:

- The replacement trees for the “clump” are still waiting to be planted, however the area needs to be cleared before this can be done.
- It was reported that some trees had fallen across the footpath near “Wood Edge”, enquiries will be made to see who is responsible for clearing them.
- Cllr. Broadbent attended Test Valley School presentation evening in November & presented a prize for Art, on behalf of the PC. A presentation was made by Jenny Brain, regarding Community Projects, at the recent TVATPC Meeting. The PC's comments on the Housing Needs survey had been acknowledged, but no further decisions had been made as yet.
- Frustratingly, wayleaves for Beech Grove, Chant Close and Fairpiece remain outstanding, therefore preventing any further work to be done by the contractors to Virgin Media.

The PC would like to thank the gentlemen who gave up their time to assist Santa in distributing gifts to the children who visited the Wyevale Garden Centre grotto, in particular John Andrews and David Morgan.

*Sean Hutton, Chairman*



## Come and pick litter!

Come and join us to tidy up the streets of Wherwell  
on Saturday March 9th from 10.00 till noon.

Led by Dawn on behalf of Wherwell PC

Meet at the village hall – picking equipment will be  
provided.

### CHILBOLTON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Eleanor Waterhouse and Kate Bennett (finalists)  
will be talking about the

***BBC's 'Big Allotment Challenge'***



come and join us for an entertaining evening  
7.45pm Tuesday February 26th, Chilbolton Village Hall  
Refreshments Raffle Visitors welcome - £3 donation please.



Homing Enquiries 0345 260 1501 or  
andover.cats.org.uk  
Fund-raising and volunteers 07733 242196 or  
email coordinator@andover.cats.org.uk  
Items for resale 01256 892773

We had a busy year last year and managed to re-home 113 cats. We couldn't do this without our wonderful team of volunteers and we would like to say a big thank you to all of them.



We're lucky enough to be able to have use of the Rotations Charity Shop in Whitchurch again this year. Our dates are 11th-25th April and 12th-26th September. We are always in need of good quality bric-a-brac so if you have anything to donate please contact us using the details above.

Last month's cat, Tiger Lily, went off to live with a young family in the Andover area. She's now a very happy cat and is thoroughly enjoying all the attention.

This is Pippa, a beautiful little cat of around four years. She is very independent and likes to spend plenty of time outside. Pippa would need to be the only animal in the household and requires a home without children. Did you know? Cats make about 100 different sounds. Dogs make only about 10.

### **STOP PRESS – Great News from Virgin Media**

To offset some of the very large costs involved in building the Virgin Media ultrafast broadband network across the Test and Dun Valleys, new customers were asked to pay an upfront one-off community contribution fee of £300. On 17<sup>th</sup> January 2019 it was announced:

“Due to the generosity of local landowners and other community efforts the network build costs have been slightly reduced. Because of this, Virgin Media has decided to drop the £300 fee. Existing Virgin Media customers who have paid the £300 will be refunded.”

Please note, there is no action required. Virgin Media will be refunding the originating payment card, or by cheque if the card is no longer active. The refund will take several weeks to process but Virgin Media aim to have all refunds completed by the 8th February 2019.

Forthwith, Virgin Media sales teams will be re-visiting homes in the Test Valley villages, to assess the routing of the cable and explain the installation process.



**SAVE THE DATE**

## **BLUEBELL WALK at WHERWELL**

**Sunday, 28th April 2019**  
Starts 10am Wherwell Village Hall

The Management Committee of the Colonel Jenkins Memorial Hall invite you to join the **Annual Bluebell Walk on Sunday, 28th April**. This guided tour leaves from the Village Hall at 10am, and takes in the beautiful bluebell woods of Harewood Forest.

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

Fingers crossed for Spring Sunshine  
We Look Forward to Seeing You There

### **Parish Lengthsman Wanted**

There is a vacancy for a Parish Lengthsman, to carry out routine maintenance work across 15 parishes in the Test Valley. The work will take roughly 60 hours per month but as much of the tasks are weather dependent it will not be spread evenly across the year.

The role of the Lengthsman is to do everything necessary to improve the environment within the local communities and to keep 'their' Parishes up to scratch, forming a close relationship with the Parishes and an awareness of their needs. The work is outdoor and varied, ranging from sweeping footpaths to clearing grips.

The Lengthsman is required to provide transport, mobile telephone and tools necessary to carry out their duties. The scheme is funded by Hampshire County Council and administered by Stockbridge Parish Council.

If you would like to apply for the role please contact the co-ordinator, Alyson Lownie at [alyson@lownie.net](mailto:alyson@lownie.net).

## Diary Dates

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

Please contact the editorial team if you have regular weekly events you would like published above.

### February 2019

1	Film - King of Thieves	CVH	7.00 for 7.30 pm
2	Wherwell coffee morning	CVH	10.30 am
4	Chilbolton PC meeting	CVH	7.00 pm
6	<i>Ad hoc advert deadline for March magazine</i>		
9	Monthly Bingo	WHG Club	8.00 pm
10	<i>Copy deadline for March magazine</i>		
15	Wherwell History Group	WVH	8.00 pm
16	Chilbolton Coffee Morning	CVH	10.30 am
16	Jax propping up the bar	Abbots Mitre	11.00 am
16	Chilbolton Neighbourhood Plan	CVH	10.00 am
17	Family Service	Wherwell church	10.00 am
19	Chilbolton WI talk	CVH	8.00 pm
24	Simon's Quiz	WHG Club	7.30 for 8.00 pm
25	Midday Mums	WVH	10.30 am - noon
26	Chilbolton Horticultural Society	CVH	7.45 pm
26	Wherwell Ladies' Night	Abbots Mitre	7.30 pm

### March 2019

1	Film	CVH	7.00 for 7.30 pm
2	Wherwell Coffee Morning	WVH	10.30 am
4	Chilbolton PC meeting	CVH	7.00 pm
9	Wherwell litter pick	WVH	10.00 am - noon
9	Jumble Sale	CVH	2.00 pm
12	Wherwell PC meeting	WVH	7.00 pm

## WHAT'S ON IN THE AREA – February 2019

Fri 1st	Jackson - Live in Concert superb musicians and dancers, fabulous costumes, and of course all the signature dance moves associated so fondly with the undisputed King of Pop – 7:30pm (AL)
7th	Brooke Sharkey – Singer Songwriter, spent most of her life in London and France. She writes gypsy and blues inspired folk ballads 7:30pm Hythe Tavern Winchester 01962 862592
Sat 9th	The Thinking Drinkers' Pub Crawl - You'll learn a lot, you'll laugh a lot and you get five free drinks - 8pm (TRW)
Sat 9th	Moscow Drug Club - Combining their original material with songs by the likes of Jaques Brel, Leonard Cohen, Tom Waits & Bertolt Brecht, an intoxicating & intimate musical experience. Seated Event, 8pm (AL)
12th	Yorke Dance Project - celebrates 20 years of performing dance by past masters and emerging artists from the UK and USA 7:30pm (TRW)
12th	Andover Health Walks - Walking is a great way to keep active and healthy and is fast becoming a social event that can help you to meet people – Tuesday 11am (again on 26 <sup>th</sup> ) - 01264 368649
Sat 16th	Oas-is - The world's BEST Oasis tribute band. Five Oasis fanatics who live and breathe Manchester's finest band and are now dedicated to giving you the best look and sound that you should expect from an Oasis tribute band. 8:30pm Standing arena event (AL)
21st	Forbidden Nights (Touring) - The evening is suitable for ages 18 to 80. Think Cirque de Soleil meets Magic Mike! – 7:30 (PTR)
Fri 22nd	Venus in the Landscape showcases the collection of Mirka Golden-Hann's 365 ceramic female figures inspired by the Ice Age Venuses. The installation was made during 2018 - Year of the Woman as a study of the female - January - Saturday 23 February (SP)
Sat 23rd	Creedence Clearwater Reimagined - With well-known classics such as Fortunate Son, Bad Moon Rising, Proud Mary, Have You Ever Seen The Rain? And many more, you'll be transported back to the birth of roots rock! 7:45pm (AL)
28th	Rita, Sue and Bob Too - “A great production – a blast of real life” Mon – Sat 7.30pm Matinée (Sat) 2.30pm (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
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# IMPORTANT NOTICE PUBLIC MEETING

**Chilbolton Neighbourhood Development Plan**  
10.00 am 16th February 2019 at Chilbolton Village Hall

## **Progress report**

Report on progress so far

## **Presentation of Draft Documents**

The Working Group will present the proposals resulting from the surveys and investigations.

## **The next steps**

Presentation of the Project plan.

## **Discussion and Questions**

There will be plenty of time to ask questions and discuss the Neighbourhood Development Plan.

The meeting should finish between 12.00 and 12:30

Please raise any questions with the Chilbolton Parish Clerk

[Chilbolton.Clerk@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:Chilbolton.Clerk@hotmail.co.uk) or

Tony Ewer [tonyrewer@me.com](mailto:tonyrewer@me.com) who will be pleased to assist.

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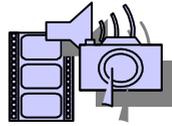
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# Chilbolton Pre-School

We all had a fantastic end to the term celebrating lots of fun Christmas events. We all went to The Lights in Andover to watch the Christmas show - the children really enjoyed joining in with the songs and loved the journey on the coach.



We were lucky enough to go along to St Mary the Less church in Chilbolton where Susan Ansell and Charlotte Nash put on an amazing Christmas nativity party. This has to be the best part of our Christmas tradition - joining in the nativity story, singing songs, passing the parcel and then finishing the morning with a delicious cake. Thank you so much for having us.

The term finished with a Christmas party where we played games, had a Christmas snack and then Father Christmas came to visit us. It was lovely seeing all the children return after the Christmas holidays and hearing all about the fun they had. Since returning we have been talking about the winter, arctic animals, cold colours and hibernating animals.



A big thank you to Wherwell Primary school for letting us hold our nativity play in their hall. The children were amazing and really enjoyed performing on a stage. So many parents and grandparents came along to support the

children. It was a wonderful morning.

*Sam Inglis, Manager, Chilbolton Pre-School*

## Looking Back to 2005 – the Book Worms Quiz Team



“At the Village Hall on the evening of the fifth there was a Quiz Night for the prestigious Errol and Sue Trophy in aid of the Tsunami Appeal. The hall was really packed and, in all there were ten teams who fought hard to prove just how good they were at knowing ‘who was the cleaner in the Crossroads Motel’ or ‘where Gray’s Elegy was written’. Sue (*Williams*) and helpers had made some great curry and all the necessary bits to go with it. There was a BYO deal on the wines and beers, which seemed to go very well. There was a tie between the Wooden Tops and the Book Worms which the Book Worms won by default. The prize, a big tin of toffees, was given back to Errol to distribute to the Chernobyl children who are coming to the vicarage this week. The event raised over £1,000 and everyone had fun.”

The report above was published in the News section of the old Chilbolton.com website. To improve the quality and value of this archive item, please can the Book Worms identify themselves in the photo ... and who were the Wooden Tops? Please can readers loan (or donate) any high-resolution images of this event ... **or any other event in 2005** ... so that Wherwell History Group can compile and publish next year (2020) a looking back 15 years archive? Thank you.

*Andrew Flanagan (wherwellhistory@gmail.com)*



## Recipe of the month



### **“A Taste of the Valley”** *Recipe Six - the last of the series* **Chocolate Pudding with Banana Marmalade and Crème Chantilly**

**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.**

This rich pudding is chocolate perfection as the centre should be gooey. Take care not to overcook them. The banana marmalade adds some texture and the pudding can also be served with vanilla ice cream.

250g dark chocolate (72% cocoa)	140g all purpose flour sieved
260g butter (unsalted)	20g soft butter
200g sugar	10 eggs
	20g cocoa powder

Melt the chocolate and the butter together in a bowl over hot water. Allow to cool. Combine the eggs and sugar and whisk together using an electric mixer until light and fluffy. Fold the cooled chocolate mixture into the eggs mixture. Fold the flour into the mixture. Transfer the mix into another container and allow to rest in the fridge. Pre-heat the oven to 190C.

Line eight pudding moulds (1 cup) with melted butter using a pastry brush and then dust with cocoa powder. Empty all surplus cocoa powder out of the mould, but make sure the entire surface is covered with butter and then cocoa powder. Fill the mould two thirds of the way up and cook at 190C for 10 minutes.

Serve immediately with banana marmalade and crème Chantilly – **but there’s no room for these on this page!**

**Write to [r.dlawrence@btopenworld.com](mailto:r.dlawrence@btopenworld.com) for these recipes.**

Bon appetit, 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 ☺*



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I am a retired Head of Maths, living in Chilbolton, with more than 30 years experience of teaching from KS2 to A-Level.

**For more information contact  
Mrs Sue Allen on 01264 860174**



## Chilbolton and Wherwell Wildlife

The weather may have changed by the time you're reading this edition of the mag, but in early January, as I'm writing this, it's unseasonably mild. We've had relatively few frosts so far, and no prolonged cold weather. As a result, some of our flowers are getting very ahead of themselves. As well as Snowdrops in December, I don't think I've ever seen so many Hazel catkins in full flower by Christmas.

The mild weather is also good for the winter survival of many of our common birds, and several species have been seen carrying nesting material. But it does mean we see fewer of them visiting our gardens for food. In my garden, it's noticeable that there are very few Blackbirds – just one or two, compared with usually a dozen at this time of year. Tits and Goldfinches are coming much as usual, but so far only one Reed Bunting. And we've yet to see a Redpoll. By mid-January we usually have a flock of Chaffinches, but only a handful at present. All these species are clearly finding plenty of natural food, and are having little need to visit gardens.

Speaking of Chaffinches, I have always surmised that the Chaffinches visiting my garden in winter were just local breeding birds from West Down, or maybe from Harewood Forest. However, whilst trying to catch the first returning Blackcaps back in November, I was quite amazed to catch a Chaffinch carrying a Norwegian ring! It had been ringed as a young bird on the coast of Norway, just four months earlier. Most Scandinavian Chaffinches migrate south for the winter, and it's not unusual for them to be found in England – especially along the east coast. But it was quite a surprise to find one in my Chilbolton garden.

We have of course continued with the study of wintering Blackcaps. More than twenty of this winter's birds are now carrying coloured rings on their legs – so do please look out for them. We've only seen two birds come back from previous winters, but one of these is here for his third winter. He also carries one of the 'magic' geo-locators that I've mentioned before. But we've yet to catch him and retrieve the geo-locator, so we don't yet know where he goes for the summer. Two have been retrieved from birds near Portsmouth, one appears to have been bred in eastern France and the other in Austria. This is same pattern as for the two geo-locators we recovered last winter in Chilbolton. There's currently about two metres of snow in their Austrian breeding area, so it's easy to understand that the birds should spend the winter here!

*Glynne Evans*

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**CHILBOLTON**  
**Village Hall**  
**Management Committee**

**ARE HOLDING A**

**JUMBLE SALE**

**ON**

**SATURDAY, 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2019**

**Doors open 2 p.m.**

**Village Hall**  
**Eastman's Field, Chilbolton**

**All donations of jumble to the Hall  
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# Dearest Ladies!

All Ladies are invited to a  
Spring Bargain

## *Fish & Chip Supper!*

On Tuesday 26th February  
At the Abbots Mitre  
At 7.30 pm



Fish and chips and peas £8.50, including a scoop of ice cream, you can choose different things from the menu if you wish. Please book your meal with myself or Julie who is happy if you want to pay for your meal in advance so you will only have to pay for your drinks on the night.

Please book your place via email to  
ahughes877@btinternet.com  
or 860877

Let me know if you require a lift or can offer one!

Many thanks, Angela

## *L* is for love

*– the elixir of life –  
the key to contentment –  
the end of all strife.*

*But love is a word  
that can mean many things,  
from loving an apple  
to how someone sings.*

*Love of a person  
is harder to see,  
especially when viewed  
as you want them to be.*

*When you truly love someone,  
respect them and trust,  
you have to be sure  
that there's no hint of lust.*

*If your heart feels their absence  
and your silences shared,  
you're with the right person  
and you really do care.*

This poem has been published in a book of poems called “Pappy’s Alphabet” by Chilbolton resident Graham Kelly. The softback book, ISBN 9781326101497, is on sale in Chilbolton shop. *Andrew Flanagan*

# Sunday Quiz

hosted by Chris & Jo Corner

**24th February 2019**

**7.30 for 8.00pm === Admission £2.50**



**Cash Prizes**

**\*\***

**Teams of up to 6**

**\*\***

**Light Buffet  
included**

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**Tables MUST be reserved IN  
ADVANCE - phone Andrew  
(01264 860560)**

**Weekly Bingo Evenings on Mondays at 7.30pm**

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## STOCKBRIDGE MUSIC

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Local box offices will open one month prior to the concerts

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### MIDDAY MUMS



Midday Mums will meet again on Monday 25th February  
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All with babies/toddlers welcome. The next one is on 18th March.

*Joyce Payne 860296*

CHILBOLTON WI

**MARK WATTS**

will be giving a talk on

**Winchester Prison Past and Present**



Tuesday 19th February at 8.00pm

(Business meeting for members starts at 7.30pm)

All welcome. Refreshments, raffle. Visitors - donation please

**THANK YOU**

*to all those wonderful helpers who made cakes, shortbread,  
marmalade, etc., for the Wherwell Christmas Fayre.*

*Thanks for all your generous donations of tasty, tempting  
delights... the **CAKE STALL** raised £135!*

***Thank you so very much !!***

***Judy & John Conte***

## 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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