

Chilbolton and Wherwell Community Magazine

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November 2017

The extra hour gained as the clocks went back is a fleeting pleasure heralding dark evenings and shorter days... Welcome to November. With services of Remembrance and All Souls, it's a period of reflection, but also a time of anticipation with Christmas well and truly in our sights. There are festive dates for the diary and the chance of a little Xmas shopping and tree ordering. Also worthwhile volunteering opportunities, quizzes, Broadband progress meeting, the chance to take in a movie (or 3) and even an evening of glamorous gambling all in a good cause. Lots on.

Lucia Foster-Found

Thank you to our contributors this month, and to our production team – Sue Aiken, Lesley Chin 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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ST MARY THE LESS, CHILBOLTON

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From the Church Records – September 2017

Chilbolton		
Thanksgiving Service	13/09/17	Shirley Dixon
Blessing of Family Grave	17/09/17	Ley/Highton Family Grave

Benefice Church Services November 2017	<i>St Mary the Less, Chilbolton</i>	<i>St Mary's, Crawley</i>	<i>St Catherine's Littleton</i>	<i>St Stephen's Sparsholt</i>	<i>St Peter & Holy Cross, Wherwell</i>
Wednesday 1st November					
Holy Communion			9.30am		
Thursday 2nd November					
All Souls Service			7pm		
Sunday 5th November – The Fourth Sunday before Advent					
All Saints Service	3pm				With Ch
All Souls Service		10am		6pm	
Café Church in Church Room			4pm		
Saturday 11th November					
Remembrance Service at War Memorial			10.55am		
Messy Church at Sparsholt				4-6pm	
Sunday 12th November – The Third Sunday before Advent					
Remembrance Sunday Service at War Memorial		10.55am		10.55am	
Remembrance Sunday Service at Flowerdown Barracks			10.30am		
Remembrance Sunday Service in Church	With Wh				10.50am
Wednesday 15th November					
Holy Communion			9.30am		
Saturday 18th November					
House Communion at Monks Rest, Church Lane, Littleton			10am		
Sunday 19th November – The Second Sunday before Advent					
Holy Communion (BCP)		8am			
Family Communion (CW)	10am				
Morning Worship			10am		
Matins				10am	
Family Service					10am
Peace & Wholeness			6pm		
Tuesday 21st November					
Flowerdown HC			2.00pm		

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Wednesday 22nd November					
Meditation			7pm		
Sunday 26th November – Christ the King – <i>The Last Sunday before Advent</i>					
Holy Communion (BCP)					8am
Family Service	10am				
4 th Sunday Worship with Sunday School		10am			
Family Communion and Patronal Festival			10am		
Family Communion				10am	
Autumn Meditations					6pm
Tuesday 28th November					
Westholme HC			2.30pm		

Church Flowers in November

Wherwell	November	Lucy Williams and Louisa Roberts-West
Chilbolton	November	Annette Keys and Debbie Richardson

In Memorium Robin Mann

My father, Robin Mann, passed away in July after nearly thirty happy years living in Drove Hill, Chilbolton. He asked if I, his daughter, Sheila, would place a 'thank you' in the Village Magazine to all his friends, fellow Short Mat bowls players, ladies from the WI, and neighbours who showed him great kindness over the years. This was especially so, when he was the sole carer for his wife, Jean, who suffers from Alzheimer's. More recently, they all helped him celebrate his 90th birthday, when he was extremely physically frail and terminally ill, but mental fully firing on all cylinders. We will all miss him.

Shelia Newby

**We shall rest and we shall see;
We shall see and we shall love.
We shall love and we shall praise;
Behold what will be, in the end without end;
For what is our end but to reach the Kingdom which has no end?
From *The City of God* by St Augustine**

Dear Friends,

At this time of year, as the leaves fall from the trees, our thoughts turn to the remembrance of things past and we hold in our hearts the fallen and the beloved – those who have selflessly given their lives for us, those who returned from conflict wounded in body and mind, those who remained at home and soldiered on to keep the wheels of family homes and the industry of country oiled, and those who continue to defend our realm in the pursuit of peace.

We also remember our loved ones: mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters, husbands, wives, children and friends, however fleeting their existence. We reflect on all the saints who have gone before us in faith – people whose ordinary lives have blessed us with extraordinary light in the generous example of their living and the grace of their dying.

This is a time of remembrance as much as it is a time of celebration. Let us thank God for the precious time our beloved were with us. For the joy they brought to our lives and the love with which they too were blessed. These are experiences and memories which no-one can take from us. They are ours to hold in our hearts; ours to cherish and live by all the days of our life.

My prayer for us all, is that we find strength to dwell on the rich blessing of our connection to those we love and who loved us, rather than becoming lost in the sadness of a temporary farewell. May we rejoice in the truth of eternal life our faith assures us of, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour.

Yours in the hope of eternal life with all those we love,

Jax

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

Prayer of Remembrance

O Lord, we praise You for all those who have influenced our lives for good by their example, by their writings, their prayers, their gifts, their selflessness and their love.

For all those we have loved and who have loved us – we thank You, O Lord;

For all they have meant to us, and all they have given us of themselves.

Help us to understand that *'death is only an horizon; the limit of our sight.'*
We remember before You, those who are dying now and all those who watch with them, especially those who have lost hope and all those who have never known Your love.

For thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

SANSARA CONSORT

“ For the Fallen”

Friday 10th November 2017

St Peter's Church, Stockbridge 7.30pm

On **Friday 10th November 2017**, Sansara Consort will be making a welcome return to Stockbridge to perform a programme of music which explores the enduring depths of human suffering through the juxtaposition of choral music from the three masters of the renaissance with twentieth-century compositions by Arvo Part and Sir John Tavener.

In this way, we call to mind, with equal gravity, conflicts past and present; victims of war and terror, the plight of today's refugees and the fallen of bygone ages.

This programme will present the audience with a very special experience for this time of remembrance, of hearing a variety of music of different periods containing a similar theme.

Tickets: £14 available from:

John Robinsons, Butchers, Stockbridge

www.jumblebee.co.uk/stockbridgemusic

The Lights Theatre Box Office, Andover (01264) 368368

Roger Tym (01264) 810363

The Downs Benefice

ALL SOULS' SERVICES

Traditionally, All Souls' Day is the time when the Church remembers those who have died and offers prayers of thanksgiving for their lives. This year, there will be four special All Souls' or All Saints' services in the Benefice for those of us who have been bereaved, and during each service there will be the opportunity to light a candle and to have the names of loved ones remembered in prayer.

In all of our churches there will be a box with cards for you to fill in with the names of those you would like to be remembered. To ensure that the names you give us are read at the service of your choice, please show this clearly on the card before returning it to the designated box in the church. If you prefer, you can give your card to a Churchwarden or Parish Visitor or send it to the Benefice Office. It would be very helpful if you could complete and return the card by **Tuesday 24th October**.

You will be warmly welcomed at any of the following All Souls'/All Saints' services:

THURSDAY 2nd November

All Souls' Service - St Catherine's Church, Littleton at 7.00 pm

SUNDAY 5th November

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

All Saints' Service – St Mary the Less, Chilbolton at 3.00 pm

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

The ministry team look forward to meeting as many of you as possible at one or more of the All Souls'/All Saints' services. Everyone is welcome. If you would like to attend one of the services but need transport to the church, it will be arranged for you if you contact the **Benefice Office: 01962 880845**.

An Autumn Programme of Meditations at Wherwell Church

The last meditation of our Autumn series on the lives of Christian mystics will feature the life of Julian of Norwich who was an anchoress, theologian and writer, and lived from 1342 to 1416 AD. We have already heard about Hildegarde von Bingen and St Francis of Assisi, and this last meditation before Christmas promises to be just as thought-provoking.

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

The Harvest Moon

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow



1807 – 1882



It is the Harvest Moon! On gilded vanes
And roofs of villages, on woodland crests
And their aerial neighborhoods of nests
Deserted, on the curtained window-panes
Of rooms where children sleep, on country lanes
And harvest-fields, its mystic splendor rests!
Gone are the birds that were our summer guests,
With the last sheaves return the laboring wains!
All things are symbols: the external shows
Of Nature have their image in the mind,
As flowers and fruits and falling of the leaves;
The song-birds leave us at the summer's close,
Only the empty nests are left behind,
And pipings of the quail among the sheaves.



CHILBOLTON VILLAGE HALL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 27 NOVEMBER 2017

A reminder that the Village Hall Management Committee's AGM will take place in the Durnford Room at 8.00 pm. All residents are invited to attend since this is an open meeting.

If you are interested in joining the Management Committee then please contact me at wendyandrews875@btinternet.com.

The agenda can be found on the Village Hall website at www.chilboltonvillagehall.co.uk.

Wendy Fakes (Secretary)

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

In aid of Chilbolton Pre-school

Pre-order by Saturday 2nd December and
pick-up from the pre-school on
Saturday 9th December

5-6ft tree
£30

6-7ft tree
£40



Christmas wreaths and decorations for sale on pick-up day
All trees freshly-cut to order and are Nordman Fir
trees which retain their needles

Orders to fundraising.chilboltonps@gmail.com
or call Anna Taylor 07726 890 785





FATHER CHRISTMAS IS COMING TO Wherwell Christmas Fayre

on Sunday 3 December 2017

3.00 pm to 5.00 pm

in the Village Hall, Church Street, Wherwell

There will be mulled wine, waffles, cakes, tombola, gifts,
Christmas cards, decorations and Children's Lantern Making

Christmas lights in church street

in aid of the Church of St Peter and Holy Cross Church, Wherwell

**To be followed by the children's lantern procession to the
church for the 5.30 pm**

Advent carol service by Candlelight

**Children are encouraged to dress up in Nativity costume
for the Procession and the Service**



CHILBOLTON PARISH COUNCIL (CPC)

Chilbolton Parish Council (CPC) met at 7 pm on Monday 2nd October at the Village Hall. We were pleased that our County Councillor, Andrew Gibson, was able to join us part way through our meeting. We were able to thank him for the £500 he has made available for painting the inside of the pavilion.

Chilbolton Open Spaces Committee met at 7pm on Thursday 12th October at Poplar Dene.

Among the matters discussed were the autumn top cut on the Common. On the advice of Edward Painter it was decided that this should take place as soon as possible and preferably before the cattle are removed. We were told that a representative of Natural England (who give us a grant) is coming to inspect the Common. It would be nice if the top cut took place before this visit as it always looks neat and tidy after the cut. Also the ground is still quite firm which will minimise the damage caused by a tractor. We get paid for educational visits to The Common and West Down. These are organised by Moya Grove. The minimum to qualify for payment is four visits and five have taken place so we should be all right. The parish paths are all in good shape. I still have not cut the path linking Frog Lane to back of the Old Inn. It will be done soon. I have been rather busy painting new windows at my house. Talking of Frog Lane: earlier this week a tree fell across the lane blocking it. I am grateful to Richard Youell for promptly arranging its removal. There are two large trees on the left just after you pass through the gate that Richard is concerned about. Glynne Evans, who is our Tree Warden, is going to have a look at them and advise us.

Alan James has been offered a quantity pea shingle. Subject to the consent of the landowners, Chris and Gemma Thompson, we propose to spread this along the muddy part of the Grindstone Green path. While on the subject of footpaths, HCC are coming to widen the narrow north end of the Mark Way. CPC have agreed to help. This will take place at 10 am on Tuesday 14th November. We will meet at the top car park on West Down. The work will benefit horse riders in particular. We would be very grateful for any assistance with this task. We have tasked the Lengths Man with cutting back the rest of the Mark Way. For those of you who don't know, HCC pay for a man known as a Lengths Man to carry out tasks requested by Parish Councils. One part of the funding is specifically for clearing footpaths. The term Lengths Man is an ancient one. In days gone by a Lengths Man was paid to maintain a length of highway. Moving from paths to West Down: I am pleased to report that the cutting of brambles is going well. Thanks to the two previous years of cutting, the task is now much easier.

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It is pleasing to note that grass is now growing where formerly there was none. Another welcome development is the finding of heather growing on West Down for the first time in twenty years. This is something Natural England have been looking for. Hopefully this will help to ensure that our funding continues. We have started clearing the bank by the Recycling Centre. There is more work to be done. Southern Water have made a bit of a mess laying the new water main but this was inevitable. We are confident that Southern Water will clear up any mess and make good any damage (eg to the kerbs at the entrance to the concrete road). We have been informed that the work is on schedule and should be finished by Christmas.

The football pitch at the War Memorial Playing field is looking good thanks to Nick Horne cutting it with his ride-on mower during the summer. We have agreed to allow two youth sides from Winchester to use it this season at an increased rent.

I was unable to attend Chilfest but I am told it was a great success. Once again it made a profit: nearly £2,800. We now have about £7,800 earned by Chilfest to help pay for new sports equipment. We have applied for S. 106 funds to help pay for a netball hard standing area. We may not start this project until we have approval from TVBC. We are confident that about £1300 will be made available. I would like to thank all those who have worked so hard over the years to make Chilfest a success. I am happy to report that there will be a Chilfest in September 2018.

I am also happy to report that good progress is being made with the project to erect a bus shelter in Bransome Avenue. I am sorry this has taken so long but we are determined to get it done. I attended to official opening of the new path linking the Fullerton Road with the entrance to the Old Fullerton Junction Station. Congratulations to all those who made this possible. My dog, who dislikes being too close to traffic, really appreciates it, as do I!

I had a letter from our MP, Caroline Nokes, asking about mobile phone coverage in the village. I was able to tell her that although a minority enjoy a reasonable reception, most households, particularly those in the village street, certainly do not. I had a smart meter installed. It is completely useless as the mobile signal is too poor. I am sure I am not the only resident who has had this experience. As I write this I hear in the back ground the noise of the infant Elodie. She is visiting us for the first time. Well, that's it for another month. The next time I write we will be approaching Christmas!

David Griffiths-Chairman
Email: dlgrf@icloud.com

Chilbolton Pre-School Report

It's been a busy few weeks back at Pre-School and we have welcomed lots of new families to our setting and also a new committee. Our new Chairperson is Claire Richards and she has a great team of parents supporting her. We have some amazing fundraising events planned, our first one being the exciting Casino night on Sat 18th November at The White Lion in Wherwell.

The Pre-School relies heavily on this kind of fundraising to purchase replacement and new equipment for the children.

Our theme has been "all about me" and we are beginning to get a great display of family photos; the children love seeing these and showing their



friends. We are now talking about different Nursery Rhymes and will then look at hibernation before starting on our lead up to Christmas.

We were lucky enough to have a visit from Charlotte Nash who chatted to the children all about the Harvest and what we need to make things grow, we sang a lovely song and then finished with a little prayer.

We are already looking forward to our Christmas visit to the church. The setting collected items for the food bank, many thanks to everyone who supported this.

We have enjoyed lots of trips to forest school where the children have met Mr Owl. The children all made a Boggitt to leave in the woodland - they look



after all our worries. The children made them from clay and then used twigs and bits collected from the woodland to decorate them. We have also made superhero bands, joined in a treasure hunt as well as all the normal activities such as bug hunting and climbing trees.

Emma Moore has photographed

the children as these make amazing Christmas presents and we are also working on our new Calendar for 2018. The children have enjoyed making lots of different craft activities including tractor tyre pruning, goldfish in a bowl, apple trees and lots more. These activities are adult led ones but the children always have opportunities to access all the craft bits and make creations at any point.

Upcoming dates; Bags-2-School collection Wednesday 8th Nov
Casino Night at The White Lion Saturday 18th Nov.



Sam Inglis



Invites you to

Casino

Night

When:
18th November 2017
@7.30pm

Where:
The White Lion Inn,
Wherwell

Dress code:
Smart/glamorous

♠ Cash exchanged for fun money to play at Blackjack & Roulette tables

♠ Experienced croupiers to guide people through play

♠ Fantastic prizes for the highest winners



Join us to play

BLACKJACK & ROULETTE

(for fun!)



Ticket price is £15 and includes food.

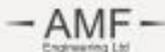
Tickets are available at the pub, the Pre-school or by emailing fundraising.chilboltonps@gmail.com or call 07726 890 785

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE CHILBOLTON PRE-SCHOOL

Pre-school supported by



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VOLUNTEER BEFRIENDING SERVICE

We are looking for Volunteers in your Community

Could you be a 'Befriender'?

What will I be doing?

As a Volunteer Befriender your role will be to provide social companionship to patients who have a chronic or life limiting illness and who are isolated or lonely. Visiting patients in their own homes, you will help them to feel more supported and help to improve their emotional well-being and confidence.



How much time do I need to commit?

Just 2-hours a week, or less, can make a real difference to a patient living in your local community.

What support will I be given?

All relevant training will be given, as well as regular and on-going support and supervision.

Interested?

For further information contact Caroline Nash, Befriending Manager on: 01264 835293

Email: Caroline.Nash@hhft.nhs.uk

Interested volunteers will be invited to an informal interview and the role is subject to references, simple health checks and DBS clearance.

Wherwell Singers Christmas Concert



The Nativity

Save the Date!

Saturday 9th December, 7:30pm
St. Peter & Holy Cross Church, Wherwell. Tickets £10.

Join the Wherwell Singers as we celebrate the Christmas Story through music with a programme including Byrd, Palestrina, Pärt, Chilcott, Rutter and much more. There will also be the traditional sing-along carols, mulled wine and mince pies.

For more information, visit www.wherwellsingers.org
email info@wherwellsingers.org, or call 01264 720529.

AFTERNOON TEA at the White Lion Inn, Wherwell



Friday 17th November

£2.00 includes tea and cake



at 3pm, ALL are welcome (*regardless of age!*)

and . . . EVERY month on the **THIRD FRIDAY**

Further details from Jane Andrews (01264 860 635)
including enquiries about the possibility of transport

Simon's Quiz

26th November 2017

7.30 for 8.00pm === Admission £2.50



Cash Prizes

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Teams of up to 6

**

**Light Buffet
included**

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

**New Year's Eve at
Wherwell Home Guard Club
Come and celebrate at the club
with Sarah Saville**

Sarah is a Hampshire-based vocalist, musician and songwriter, who has been singing and playing pubs, clubs and festivals for more than 10 years.



Saturday 31st December from 8.00pm
American Supper – bring your friends & make up a table

Tickets £10 – includes welcome drink & bubbly at midnight

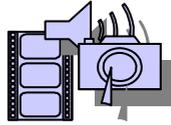
Weekly Bingo Evenings on Mondays at 7.30pm

Monthly Bingo on Saturday 11th November at 7.30pm

at Wherwell Home Guard Club

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

Come to the Movies!



CHILBOLTON VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
Proudly Present

CHURCHILL (PG)

Starring Brian Cox, Miranda Richardson,
Ella Purnell and John Slattery

With tensions mounting as D-Day approaches and fearful of repeating past mistakes, Churchill is reluctant to embark on the campaign the entire war effort hinges on. With strength and shrewdness, his devoted wife inspires him to achieve greatness.....

On
Friday, 3rd November, 2017 at 7.30 pm
Doors open 6.45 pm

Tickets £5.00 - In advance
Or £6.00 - On the door (subject to availability)
Price includes tea/coffee and biscuits

Wine, beer, and orange juice will be on sale

**To book your ticket, please ring Beryl Lawrence
on 01264 860618
or Sheila Laughton on 01264 860460**

New Footpath opens



District Cllr David Drew (L) & County Cllr Andrew Gibson(R) cutting the ribbon to open the path.

A new footpath has been put in alongside the busy A3057 at Fullerton, thanks to grants from HCC & TVBC. Sean Hutton, Chairman of Wherwell Parish Council, said “Getting a path in this location has been on the Parish Council’s wish list for a long time, and we are delighted that it has finally happened. The path links with existing footpath 501, and then the Test Way, giving safe access to Chilbolton, and the wider community. We thank our County & District Councillors for helping to secure the funds, and the contractor, EPW Construction Ltd.”

The path was officially opened on 5th October by HCC Councillor Andrew Gibson, and TVBC Councillor David Drew.

DIARY DATES

West Down working party	Every Tuesday	2.00 pm
Short Mat Bowls at CVH	Every Tuesday	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 WHG Club	Every Monday	7.30 pm

Please contact the Editorial Team if you have regular weekly events that you would like published above

NOVEMBER

2/5	All souls Services	See copy	
3	Film “Churchill”	CVH	6.45 for 7.30 pm
6	Chilbolton Planning Committee	CVH	6.00 - 7.00 pm
6	Chilbolton PC Meeting	CVH	7.00 – 9.00 pm
6	<i>AD hoc advert deadline</i>		
10	Virgin Broadband Meeting	CVH	7.00 - 8.30 pm
10	Sansara Music	St. Peters Stockbridge	7.30 pm
10	<i>Copy deadline for December</i>		
11	Jax ‘Propping up the bar’	Abbots Mitre	11.00 am
11	Monthly Bingo	WHG Club	8.00 pm
14	Wherwell PC Meeting	WVH	7.00 pm
17	Afternoon Tea	The White Lion	3.00 pm
17	Wherwell History Group	WVH	8.00 pm
17	Film “A Man Called Ove”	Stockbridge TH	7.30 pm
18	Chilbolton Coffee Morning	CVH	10.30 am
18	Christmas Tabletop Sale	WHG Club	11 am – 1.00 pm
18	Casino Night	The White Lion	7.30 pm
19	Wherwell Family Service	Wherwell Church	10.00 am
20	Middy Mums	WVH	10.30 – noon
21	Chilbolton WI	CVH	8.00 pm
22	Film “Miss Sloane”	Stockbridge TH	4.30 pm, 7.30 pm
25	Annual Quiz	WVH	7.15 for 7.45 pm
26	Chilbolton Christmas Fair	CVH	2.00 – 4.00 pm
26	Simon’s Quiz	WHG club	7.30 for 8.00 pm
27	Chilbolton Village Hall AGM	CVH	8.00 pm
28	Horticultural Society Social	CVH	7.45 pm

DECEMBER

3	Wherwell Christmas Fayre	WVH	3.00 – 5.00 pm
3	Carol Service	Wherwell Church	5.30 pm
9	Wherwell Singers Concert	Wherwell Church	7.30 pm

WHAT'S ON IN THE AREA NOVEMBER

1/11	Broughton Floral Club Meeting, Kings Somborne Village Hall 7:30
2/11	Comedy Night Guildhall Winchester, Free Entry 01962 840 820
Fri 3/11	The Solid Gold Rock 'n' Roll Show 7:45 (AAB)
30- 4/11	Private Lives - strong passions and stronger personalities set the stage for a classic battle of the sexes – 7:30 (TRW)
9/11	The Summer of Love 7:45 Taking you back on a nostalgic musical journey to that incredible summer of 1967 (AL)
10/11	The Rat Pack with Kenny Lynch 7:45 (AL)
Fri 10/11	Charge Motionhouse Dance 7:30 (TRW)
Sat 11/11	Verdi's Requiem Romsey Abbey 7:30 - 01794 512987
14-18/11	9 to 5 Andover Musical Theatre Company present their new show with music and lyrics by Dolly Parton – 7:30 (AL)
31-18/11	The LadyKillers - puts a sign in her newsagent's window advertising 'A Room to Let 7:30pm (matinees Thu & Sat) (SP)
15-18/11	Winchester Musical and Opera Society – White Christmas (TRW)
Sat 18/11	Winchester Consort Concert – Messiah 7:30pm Quire 01962 857 275
20/11	Antigone - Actors of Dionysus – Drama... A family teetering on the brink of catastrophe 7:30 (TRW)
21/11	Wayne Ellington sings Nat King Cole 7:30 (TRW)
Fri 24/11	Forever Jackson Tribute Night 7:30 – 11:45 3 Course Dinner - Holiday Inn Winchester Over 18's only 01962 670 700
Sat 25/11	Brahms Ein Deutsches Requiem – 7:30 Winchester Cathedral 01962 857275
27/11	Michael Portillo 7:31 St Swithun's School, Winchester 01962 835700
Farmers Markets	
Romsey - First Sunday of every month 10am - 2pm	
Winchester - Second and last Sunday of every month 9am -2pm	
Andover Market for All Seasons - Every Friday Feb – Dec 8.30 - 1	
Venue	Number
Andover Lights - (AL)	01264 368368
Theatre Royal Winchester - (TRW)	01962 840 440
Anvil Arts Basingstoke - (AAB)	01256 844244
Salisbury Playhouse - (SP)	01722 320 333
Mayflower Southampton (MS)	023 8071 1811

Somerset Maugham's "The Constant Wife" at Stockbridge

After two consecutive productions of original writing, Stockbridge Amateur Dramatic Society (SADS) will be performing this classic play in December.

The director, Sue Jackson, said:

Written in 1927, this comedy of manners concerns Constance, a perfect wife and John, her successful surgeon husband. Superficially, theirs is a marriage of mutual devotion; however John is having an affair with Marie-Louise, Constance's best friend.

Of course, everyone knows about the affair; but what to do? Things become even more interesting when Bernard, an old flame of Constance, arrives from China and avows his undying devotion.

Constance is a woman of charm, beauty and steely intellect; her reactions to events are surprising to others, but she justifies herself with unfailing logic, and manages to twist a possible disaster into a complete success.

The play seems very modern in its analysis of the marriage contract, and needle sharp in exposing double standards. You will enjoy the pointed wit of Constance's mother and the pretence and duplicity of John and Marie-Louise.

A play not to be missed!

Performances will be 7th, 8th and 9th of December in Stockbridge Town Hall.

Tickets are available from John Robinson Butchers and Garden Inn in Stockbridge, the Post Office in Kings Somborne, and on the Internet via SADS website: www.stockbridgeamdrams.org.uk which also has more details about the production.

Save the date!

Wherwell Church will be holding its next Auction of Promises on 28th April 2018



Start making up your tables now!

Chilbolton Rectory as a Bishop's Palace, Squirrels and Benjamin Franklin

It's 50 years this month that we bought the Chilbolton Rectory and so its place as the residence of the rectors then came to an end. However, I was reminded of the family who lived here occasionally in the 1770s by a columnist of the Washington Post. He had a particular interest in squirrels and last May wrote requesting that he might visit me here in late July. He duly turned up, together with his friend the historian George Goodwin, author of 'Benjamin Franklin in London, The British Life of America's founding Father'. From them I learned the fascinating story that involved the rector of that time, Jonathon Shipley, his family's squirrels and the very distinguished Benjamin Franklin. Shipley himself moved in exalted circles. In 1760 he was appointed Dean of Winchester and instituted to the rectory here. The bishopric of Llandaff and then S'Asaph followed in 1769, although he probably only spent a month in the year there, and he kept his job at Chilbolton. As bishop he could speak in the House of Lords and became friends with Franklin and many other leading figures of his time. His portrait was painted by Sir Joshua Reynolds.

Last year my columnist, John Kelly, had visited Twyford House, Hants, about 15 miles from here where he thought he might find the grave of a grey squirrel. Shipley had inherited the house from his mother and Franklin had visited the family there and enjoyed 'the sweet air'. He was particularly fond of Shipley's 16 year old, fourth daughter, Georgiana and arranged for a grey squirrel to be sent over from America as a pet for her. (No, we cannot blame Franklin for the current superabundance of greys. This came about in the late 19th century.) But alas poor Mungo the squirrel escaped from his cage and was killed by a dog. I have a copy of Georgina's touching letter to Franklin telling him of Mungo's death. Also extant is Franklin's reply and the elegy he wrote for the squirrel. He offered a second squirrel, to be sent over by Deborah, his long-suffering wife. This one, named Beebee, arrived and 'grew fat and lively' and didn't die until 1779. Georgiana and her family were living at this house when she wrote the letter.

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The builders were at work at their Twyford house and as she says ‘the bow windows of Twyford go on but slowly’. She hopes therefore that Franklin will spend some time in the autumn at Chilbolton. Unfortunately there is no evidence yet that he ever did. Mungo must have been buried here but we haven’t discovered his grave either! Shipley himself died here in 1788 and was buried at Twyford where there is a mural monument in his memory by Joseph Nollekins.

Jean Ward.

**ARE YOU A PARENT OR GRANDPARENT THAT CAN
SPARE 10 MINUTES APPROXIMATELY ONCE A MONTH?**

CHILBOLTON PARISH COUNCIL are **SEEKING VOLUNTEERS** to assist with the important task of **WEEKLY PLAY AREA INSPECTIONS** at Chilbolton War Memorial Playing Fields for 2018.

For insurance purposes we are required to carry out one inspection per week during term time and twice a week during the school holidays. But these inspections are also vital to ensure that the area and equipment remains as safe as possible for your children to use and enjoy.

The task is not difficult and takes around ten minutes to complete. The typical hazards to look for, but are not restricted to, are; trip, sharp objects and rubbish and that each piece of equipment remains in a safe usable condition. The defibrillator also needs to be checked. Training will be provided.

The more volunteers we have the fewer times you will be asked to complete an inspection. So please, if you can spare ten minutes of your time approximately once a month to ensure that your children’s/grandchildren’s play area remains a safe place for them to enjoy contact **Mandy Denyer** (Clerk) on **07514 670919** or email Chilbolton.clerk@hotmail.co.uk by 30 November 2017.

Thank you.

Harvest Festival Exhibition in Wherwell Church

The weekend of 7 and 8 October saw Wherwell Church put on the most marvellous exhibition of flowers, art and embroidery. Many people came and enjoyed the displays, and were able to appreciate the enormous amount and wide range of talent in Wherwell. The church looked wonderful with 14 floral arrangements, works of art displayed on ingenious boards fixed to the pillars, as well as our beautiful church vestments.

We would like to thank our chief flower lady, Jo Baughen, who masterminded the exhibition of flower arrangements, being on hand to help out throughout the weekend. The art display would not have happened without Mary Gee, who curated all the art to be displayed – as well as submitting her own marvellous works, and Mike Gee who worked tirelessly to create and erect the marvellous display boards. Both Gees were on duty from morning till night. Having Pam Prince's stunning church vestments on display around the Church gave people the chance to view her exquisite handiwork close up.

Thank you also to every visitor who came to see the exhibition, bought the delicious cakes, made donations, and generally ensured the event was a success. The net result was a terrific figure of £900. There will be Gift Aid to add to some donations, so the Church will benefit by around £1,000 in total – a great result which will help us fund repairs to the Church ceiling!

Jane Lipa



Midday Mums

Midday Mums will meet again
on Monday 20th November, 10.30am – 12 noon
in Wherwell Village Hall.

All with babies/toddlers welcome.

The next one will be held on 18th December
Joyce Payne 01264 860 296

The 2018 All Saints Winter Lectures Upper Clatford

Monday 22nd January 2018



Prison: an unflinching test of any civilisation?

An authoritative review on UK prisons and the options we face in dealing with this apparently intractable problem.

Juliet Lyon CBE, is the former Director of the Prison Reform Trust and currently Chair of the Independent Advisory Panel on Death in Custody. She is an acknowledged expert on the UK Prison Service and National and International Prison Reform.

Monday 5th February 2018



How honest was Churchill??

Winston Churchill's reputation has rested at Olympian heights. Yet recent research of his vast archive raises interesting questions.

David Lough, former private banker and now historian, weighs the evidence and discusses the implications for understanding not just Churchill, but the qualities we may need to tolerate in other great leaders.

Tickets and Venue

Tickets cost £12.00 per person. Please make cheques to "All Saints PCC". Available at *Clatford Village Store & Post Office* and *The Abbots Ann Village Store*. You can also contact Nicki Crosthwaite Eyre (01264 35 25 30 or e-mail: Nicki.eyre@talktalk.net) and send her a stamped addressed envelope to The Old Malthouse, Upper Clatford, Andover, SP11 7QL.

Please state number of tickets for each event.

Time & Venue

Doors open at 7pm and the lectures start at 8pm at the **King Edward VII Memorial Hall, Upper Clatford, SP11 7QL**.

Parking is available behind the hall.

Funds raised will be shared between All Saints PCC, The Prison Reform Trust and the Winston Churchill Memorial Trust.

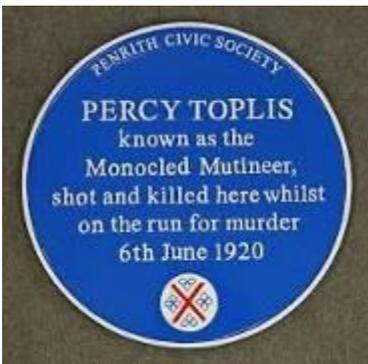
Wherwell History Group – Programme of Talks



November 17th
Jan Smith
**Vagrants, Paupers
and the
Welfare State**



January 19th 2018
Gavin Edgerley-Harris
**200 years of
Gurkha History**



February 16th 2018
Paul Stickler
**The 1920
Nationwide Hunt
for Percy Toplis**

All talks take place in Wherwell Village Hall, at 8.00pm
Tea or coffee and biscuits are served after the talk
Everyone is welcome (£3 entrance fee for non-members)

Andrew Flanagan

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Chilbolton Home Guard



Photograph from Leslie Dunford of Abbots Farm, back row last on right, c 1941. Location is St Michael's Cottage, home of Commander C. Barrett, sitting third front from right. The text below was written by Ted Smith, despatch rider. Both photo and text were published in "Chilbolton – A Record of Our Time" by Eleanor Lockyer

When the Local Defence Volunteers were formed, members wore an armlet with L.D.V. on them. Later, they were formed into the Home Guard, uniforms were issued along with Rifles and Sten guns. Chilbolton had about thirty members who had to work long hours by day and give two nights a week and Sunday mornings for training. Head Quarters, was St Michael's Cottage, where Mr Barrett was commanding officer. The Guard Duty room was next to the garage. There were three beds, two for off duty and one for the despatch rider. There were three riders, who slept in uniform, and two guards on duty and two off, changing over at 2.00am. They were guarding the Telephone Exchange - then a quarter of its present size (1979) - situated by the cattle grid in Joys Lane.

When the German invasion was expected, September 1940, more guards were on duty and they used an old shepherds caravan half way up Chalkpit Road (now Martins Lane) where they could see the whole landscape and hills, especially around the Leckford Hutt Inn and the A30 road area to watch for enemy paratroopers on the night everything was expected to happen. The despatch rider on duty alerted the guards to assemble and at midnight around thirty Home Guards members mustered at the Men's Club (the old Chilbolton School), on full alert looking to the darkened skies and listening for the rumble of enemy tanks coming up from the sea. At 6.00am, as the dawn was breaking, they were stood down.

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Andover author Tony Raper is writing a book about the Home Guard in and around Andover. He is keen to gather as much information as possible, which will be deposited at Hampshire Record Office after publication. If you have any photos, press cuttings, etc. or can name any of the people in the photo, please contact Tony on anthony.raper@outlook.com or 01264 364836.

WHERWELL HOME GUARD CLUB CHRISTMAS TABLE TOP SALE

Saturday 18th November 2017

11.00am – 1.00pm

Free Entrance

Christmas Hamper Raffle

Refreshments



To book a table to sell merchandise
please contact Sandie 07584 673 993 before 4th November

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 19th November at 10.00am
Why not come and join us.**

**JANE AUSTEN SINGERS (JAS)
Directed by : Simon Lillystone
ADVENT CAROL SERVICE 6PM
SUNDAY 3rd DECEMBER 2017
St. Peter's Church, Stockbridge**

Simon Lillystone, the new director of the Jane Austen Singers, will be conducting his first performance with the singers in St Peter's Church, Stockbridge on Sunday 3rd December.

Founded 42 years ago by Tim Lowden, who directed them throughout this period, this Advent Carol Service has become a very popular fixture attracting large audiences because of the extent of their repertoire and the expertise of their singing.

Tim Lowden is confident that, under the direction of Simon Lillystone, this year's service will witness new heights for the singers and should not be missed.

Chilbolton W.I.

Our speaker in September was Mr Kevin Little. He is a fishmonger by trade in Reading, but resides in Somerset. His talk was about rescuing animals.

He told us it started when he lived in Theale and more than once, ducks on the nearby Kennet and Avon canal got caught and tangled in fishing lines, but he was able to rescue them.

When he moved to Somerset, but still working in Reading, his menagerie of animals grew. He rescued dozens of cats, all with names and individual quirky ways. Kevin has looked after goats, birds, dogs, horses and donkeys, all of which have enriched his and his wife's life by their amazing antics.

He told us so many funny stories illustrated by photographs and short films. One about the crow found as a fledgling that only ate Canadian cheddar and turned his beak up at any lesser quality cheese. An ex-police German Shepherd dog who never quite forgot his police training and a cat that only drank milk from a jug with his paw.

Our members enjoyed a good evening, together with six visitors who came as a result of our leaflet drop the week before. Splendid and delicious refreshments were served afterwards in true WI fashion. Perhaps this type of event might whet the appetite of others who would like to join us at future events. We always meet on the third Tuesday of the month in the Village Hall so watch out for promotional posters round the village and advertisements in the Parish Magazine.

Margaret Temple.

Virgin Broadband Progress
Information Meeting
Chilbolton Village Hall
Friday 10 November, 7 - 8.30 pm

There will be a Meeting / Drop in Session at the Village Hall when representatives of Virgin Media will be present to explain the progress for the installation of their broadband fibre network which is expected to start in January 2018. Virgin will have maps and other information on display so villagers can see what is planned and understand the plan for the works.

Please come along and see.

Christmas Posada 2017



Mary and Joseph
are searching for a
place to stay - **can
you help?**



Be a part of this heavenly family tradition by offering them refuge for a single night and documenting your experience in a scrapbook.

Children, grandchildren and adults alike are then invited to keep one of the sheep and bring it along to either the Chilbolton or Wherwell Crib services where they can be reunited with the rest of the flock, completing this wonderfully 'woolie' Christmas nativity.

Opportunities to sign up include the **Chilbolton Christmas Fair on Sunday 26th November and Wherwell Christmas Fair on Sunday 3rd December**. Or please contact Janie Painter (Chilbolton) on 07980 002235 or janie.painter@yahoo.com & Susan Ansell (Wherwell) on 01264 860775 or s.ansell@andover.co.uk



Wherwell Christmas Fayre Sunday 3rd December 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 your speciality

Thank You Very Much !!

Judy Conte, 01264 860 789



CHRISTMAS FAIR

(Proceeds to St Mary the Less)

Sunday 26th November

2.00 -4.00

Chilbolton Village Hall

FREE ENTRANCE

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**Craft stalls, gifts, cakes, handmade cards, preserves,
beauty products. Childrens craft activity
Seasonal refreshments and mulled wine
Bottle Tombola and Grand Draw
Donations of items for:**

**Gift Stall - Lesley 860127
Cakes - Jane 860726
Raffle Prizes - Mary 860795
Bottle Tombola - Colin 861227
Books and Cds - Lesley 860584**

Donations for raffle may be left in basket in village shop.

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

QUIZ

Wherwell's Annual Quiz
Saturday, 25th November, 7.45pm

celebrating the
60th Anniversary of Colonel Jenkins Memorial Hall

and featuring our ever popular
Quiz Masters, Brian & Lydia Knight

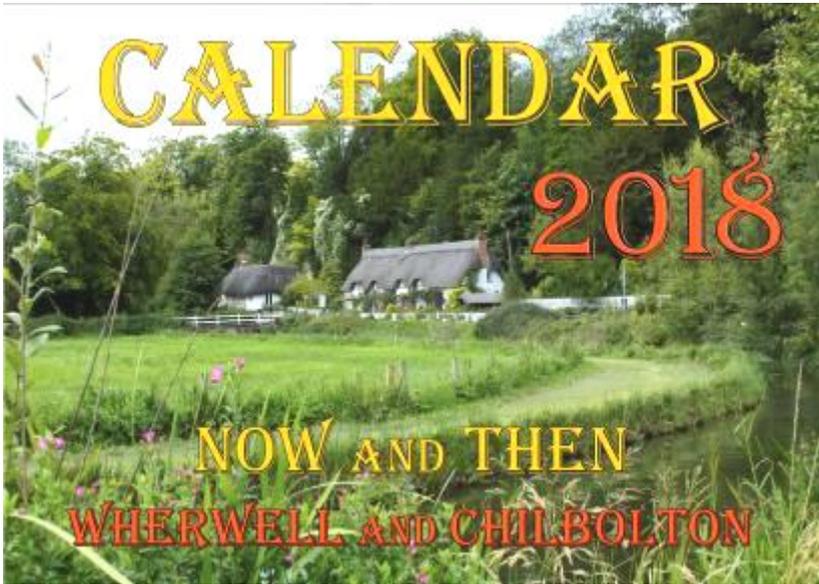
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- Teams of up to 8, join a team, or make up your own!
- Entry £10 per person includes a Two Course Supper
- *Clos du Marquis* 'Dining Out' Raffle
& *Gill's* Prize Raffle
- Bring Your Own Drinks and Glasses, please

Ticket Booking: Pip Hughes
T: 01264 860877 / E: ahughes877@btinternet.com

All Proceeds to the Village Hall Fund

Wherwell History Group



Next year's calendar will be on sale from 1st November. Using the same format as 2016, it opens up to portrait A3 size. The top half has a 2-by-1 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.



Places featured in 2018:

Chilbolton:

Anstey Cottage
Chilbolton Common
Old Inn Cottage
St Mary the Less Church
The Cart House
Watch Cottage

Wherwell:

Andover Lodge
Bickerstaffe
Dancing Ledge
Moonflower Cottage
Tadley Cottage
War Memorial

wherwellhistory@gmail.com

Mike Gee & Andrew Flanagan

Stockbridge Community Cinema

Friday 17 November 2017 at 7.30pm

A Man Called Ove (Cert 15)



1hr 43mins *In Swedish with English subtitles*

Ove, an ill-tempered, isolated retiree who spends his day enforcing residents' association rules and visiting his wife's grave, has finally given up on life just as an unlikely friendship develops with his boisterous new neighbours. Based on Fredrik Backman's international best-selling novel.

Wednesday 22 November 2017 at 4.30pm and 7.30pm

Miss Sloane (Cert 15) 2hrs 9 mins

In the high-stakes world of political power-brokers, Elizabeth Sloane (Jessica Chastain) is the most sought after and formidable lobbyist in Washington D.C. But when taking on the most powerful opponent of her career, she finds winning may come at too high a price.



Showing at Stockbridge Town Hall SO20 6HE.

Doors open 30 minutes before the start time

Tickets £5.00 from Garden Inn and John Robinson in Stockbridge or online via our website www.stockbridgecinema.org.uk

See our website for special Stockbridge meal deals

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Clubs and organisations

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(Admin)	Sally Griffiths	860313
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Chilbolton Church Flowers	Jane Brown	860726
Chilbolton Coffee Morning	Sheila Laughton	860460
Chilbolton Neighbourhood Watch	Denise Hall	860543
Chilbolton Open Spaces Committee	David Griffiths (Chair)	860313
Chilbolton Playing Field Action Group	Claire Pigott	860522
Cockatrice Community Choir	Denise Hall	860543
Flood Advisory Group	Terry Gilmour	860507
Horticultural Society	Sheila Evans	860697
Joyrides Community Bus	Mary Dunne	860398
	John Musters	810459
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Wherwell History Group	Andrew Flanagan	860560
Wherwell Home Guard Club	Sandie Bastable (Chair)	363499
Wherwell Ladies Night	Angela Hughes	860877
Wherwell Playing Fields	Sean Hutton (Chair)	860443
Wherwell Primary School (Secretary)	Patsy Pritchard	860384
Wherwell Primary School (Chair of Governors)	Sean Hutton	860443
Wherwell Neighbourhood Watch	Michael Payne	860296
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