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Regular Meetings

In the Village Hall

- **Gardening Club**
3rd Monday 8.00pm (not Aug/Dec)
- **Pilates classes**
Thursdays 7pm-8pm & 8pm-9pm
- **Ladies Group**
Last Wednesday (not Aug/Dec)
- **Women's Institute**
2nd Tuesday 7.45pm
- **Worton Toddler Group**
Wednesday 10.00 am - Noon
- **1st Worton & Marston Brownies**
Alternate Tuesdays (term time only)
- **Worton Parish Council Meeting**
1st Monday (not Aug) or as shown on notice boards

In the Chapel at Marston

- **Marston Parish Council Meeting**
Last Tuesday (every odd month)

In the Rose & Crown

- **Neighbourhood Plan Meeting**
Second Sunday 7pm (not Aug)

Various Venues

Announced Monthly

- **Book Swap**
2nd Saturday 10.00 - Noon

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Forthcoming Events

8pm Thursdays
Clapping for carers

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celebration of sorts on
Friday May 8th

Devizes Farmers' Market

Next: tbc

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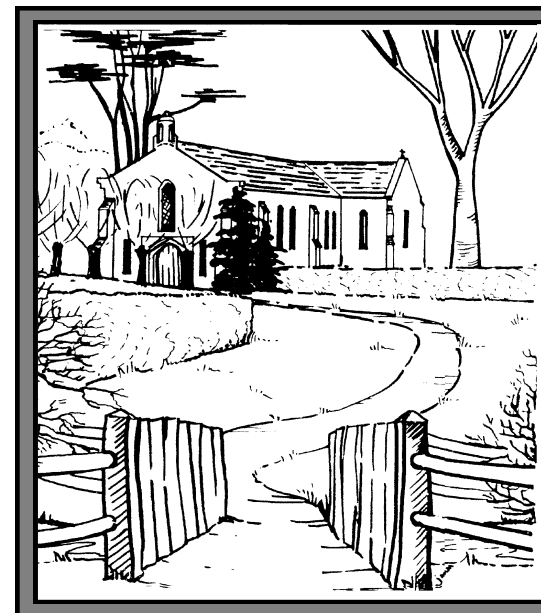
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Food for thought

*'Man is the only animal that can remain on friendly terms with the
victims he intends to eat until he eats them'.*

Samuel Butler

Due to the coronavirus measures,
the magazine will not be printed and distributed
for the foreseeable future,
it will instead be published straight to two websites:

www.worton.org.uk

and

www.christchurchworton.org.uk

Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Some advantages however are that the magazine
will now be in colour,
no clarity will be lost through the printing process,
and, instead of the 15th, items can now be included
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THE BRIDGE

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Frank William Barcham

13th January 1928 - 1st April 2020

Frank passed away peacefully at his home in Marston on Wednesday April 1st aged 92 and he was laid to rest at Christ Church, Worton on April 23rd.

Dorothy would like to thank everyone for their support, love and prayers throughout this sad time. She has been overwhelmed by the number of cards, messages and phone calls.

If you would like to make a donation to Wiltshire Air Ambulance in Frank's memory please contact Joanne on mrsfp67@gmail.com

May you rest in peace Frank

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*Extracts from The Bridge (May 1990),
kindly provided by Tony Walker*

TIMELY THOUGHTS

We all grow old, but we should try to stay young at heart.
Language is not a barrier, when friendship is the keyword.
Even a short visit can be the beginning of a long friendship.
Never hesitate to grasp the hand of friendship.
Keep a cheerful outlook and the way ahead is clear.
Today's good deed is tomorrow's happiness.

Anon

As many people in the village will have noticed, there is a breach in the bank on the Marston side of the river above Ray Bridge. This has existed now for over a year and has grown considerably in size in that time. It is now so large that the Mill Race below Ray Bridge has suffered increasingly low levels of water as, of course, the flow of water is now bypassing the Tilting Gate altogether.

WORTON & MARSTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE NEWS

Homeopathy was the subject of an interesting talk given by Dr. Tootle-Smith to the April meeting held in the Village hall. Members were told that Homeopathy is a natural form of medicine with origins back as far as the Ancient Greeks. It slowly died out, but surfaced again in Germany in the 17th Century under the guidance of Samuel Harriman. Since then it has grown in strength again.

The principle of Homeopathy is the treatment of the 'whole person', with a remedy to suit the individual. By the time of his death Harriman had tested some 1200 remedies. Continental doctors are already trained in all aspects of complementary medicine and the changes expected in 1992 may well bring about further interest in Homeopathy in this country.



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As a consequence of the coronavirus restrictions, no public meetings will take place at Christ Church or Marston Chapel until further notice.

Information about how to join in regular on-line services within the Wellsprings Benefice can be found on the benefice website www.wellspringsbenefice.co.uk

From Christ Church....

Christ Church has been physically closed for several weeks now, but has been very active in many ways, with no break in services.

Revd Ali, husband Stu, Revd Joshva, and the Wellsprings team have worked incredibly hard, to prepare and run the services via Zoom, something most of us had never heard of before. Stu has been technically and creatively amazing, including producing wonderful backdrops to many of the services. From Palm Sunday through to Easter Sunday, there were many services, including a very moving Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, and Easter Day celebration. It has been a good way of keeping in touch with the rest of the congregations in the Benefice. There has been interaction before and after the services, but missing the coffee and the lovely church flowers! Although we are socially distanced we are 'virtually' together.

This will be the way forward for some time to come, so if you have any questions or need help, please contact Revd. Ali Bridewell, or one of us. Contact details elsewhere in The Bridge.

We were so saddened to hear of the loss of Frank Barcham. He was a dedicated member of Christ Church and Marston Methodist Chapel, and a very dear friend to all who knew him. We continue to hold Dorothy and family in our prayers.

Heather & Jean, Churchwardens

There were no weddings, baptisms or funerals at Christ Church in March.

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‘BBC Enlists Idris Elba to narrate a soothing poem to uplift the UK’

Don’t Quit

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,
when the road you're trudging seems all uphill,
when the funds are low and the debts are high,
and you want to smile but you have to sigh,
when care is pressing you down a bit - rest if you must,
but don't you quit.

Life is queer with its twists and turns.
As everyone of us sometimes learns.
And many a fellow turns about when he might have won
had he stuck it out.
Don't give up though the pace seems slow - you may suc-
ceed with another blow.
Often the goal is nearer than it seems to a faint and falter-
ing man;

Often the struggler has given up when he might have cap-
tured the victor's cup;
and he learned too late when the night came down,
how close he was to the golden crown.

Success is failure turned inside out - the silver tint of the
clouds of doubt,
and when you never can tell how close you are,
it may be near when it seems afar;
so stick to the fight when you're hardest hit - it's when
things seem worst, you must not quit.

Edgar Albert Guest



Fundraising for Costa Rica 2020



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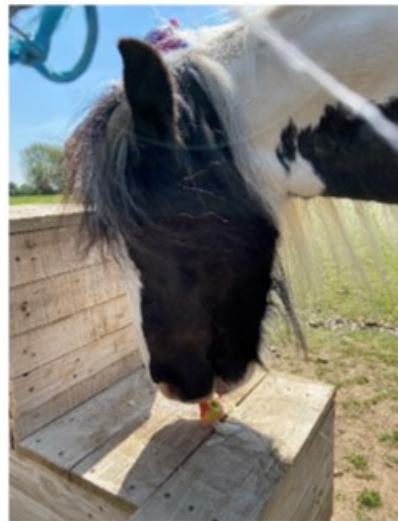
This month I have not had the chance to help anyone with jobs due to lockdown, but I have done some work on the farm which has been enough to nearly reach my target. I have now got to £4238.08 overall. Which is a lot of money! As my target is £4250, so I am only £12 off this. My trip was supposed to start on July 22nd this summer but unfortunately due to covid-19, that has spread all over the world, holiday travel has been cancelled. I am waiting to hear from the school whether the trip is cancelled or can be postponed until next summer. I really hope it will be the latter, even if the trip gets moved to another of their camps not in Costa Rica.

Due to schools closing I have had a lot of schoolwork sent online and as there are no GCSE's this year the attention has been on my year who are taking their GCSE's next year in 2021. So, I am still occupied and not yet bored! I am also very lucky to live in the wonderful countryside where I can take Reuben, my dog for walks and also look after and ride Puffin my pony.



I hope you are all well and enjoying the sunshine as much as you can.

Scarlet



Pastoral Letter

The View from my window (virtually speaking)

The first thing that comes to my mind today is thank God. 'You must be joking', I hear you say, but I really mean it, so what is it that provokes that thought? Obviously it's not the virus. I would be a psychopath or something similar if I thought that; no, it's the incredible beauty of the area that we live in and the opportunity to take time to notice.

I am lucky; we live in the centre of the village and we have quite a big garden, with a stream going through it. How idyllic is that? Normally most of us spend a lot of time and energy booking holidays and pouring over travel brochures, in order to get away, but now all we have to do is go into the garden, or walk down the road, and be amazed. At the time of writing we are enjoying beautiful weather, and when I go out I can hear bees and birds, and not much else. (Is it my imagination or are the birds noisier this year?) The tulips are a wonderful colour and my tomato and beetroot seeds have germinated, and I have been playing with the idea of having a special little bower under the apple tree, an

area which up until now I have neglected. The cow parsley is just coming into its own, like champagne I always think, and the aroma of the May is unmistakable. So what have we got to complain about; it is surreal isn't it? I don't know anyone who is ill, and because I fall into that category of people who are past the age of doing anything I don't do a lot. And yet; and yet....

The whole planet is under threat. Where weapons of mass destruction fail, the tiny virus is spreading like an invisible cloud and it has changed everything, and we dare not look into the future. We must pray for our scientists, all our health workers and all the others who are really contributing to keeping our civilisation going. Meanwhile even the churches, those buildings which are always there, those bastions of our history, are closed. But are they? At this time when people really could feel so alone, others are reaching out by any means they can to keep in contact, and I never thought I would put this in print, but thank God for the internet; by the amazing technology of



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BOOK SWAP

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Let's hope it isn't too much longer before – as the Queen said – we meet again.

Keep safe & well & as cheerful as possible.

Judy



Wild flowers

Today David and I took one of our favourite walks through the Trout farm towards Great Cheverell and down Long Street with our dogs Kai and Alfie. They love to play on the grass on the right as you come into Marston followed by a lovely refreshing drink in the pond, before heading on home to Worton.

So what is the point of this. Well, what was noticeable today is how absolutely lovely the Green is because it has not been cut! It is full of early wild flowers and grasses, the seed bank in it is wonderful and must be ancient.

We identified the following in flower:

Lesser Stitchwort, Meadow Buttercup, Red Clover, White clover, plantain, Vetch, Daisies, Ragged Robin, Dandelions, Wild Dock, Campion and many species of grasses some in flower and others to follow. We also identified the leaves of flowers to come later in the summer such as Wild Carrot, Scabious and Knapweed. and I'm sure there will be more than those.

If this area was allowed to grow naturally with perhaps some pathways cut through it pro tem and then cut in August after the seed heads fall, it would be a huge asset. We need these wild flowers for our bees, wildlife and ourselves.

Alison Parker

Oakley House, Worton

Polite request from a villager.....

If you use lamp-posts, notice boards etc. to display any personal advertising posters in the village, please can you remember to remove them after the event or after a reasonable time. Many thanks.



Five Lanes Women's Institute

(Encompassing the 5 villages of Worton, Marston,
Potterne, Poulshot and Bulkington)

Obviously during this strange period of lockdown we have been unable to physically meet but that doesn't mean to say we have forgotten about each other or that we have been out of contact with each other. Our committee has been keeping in touch with members, checking on the well-being of each; younger members have been shopping for older members; those members who live alone have been offered whatever support they need; people's birthdays that we were aware of, have been marked with ecards and we have even managed a virtual afternoon meeting sharing a cup of tea (and in some households cake) on Zoom, though I have to admit that when that was first mooted the only Zoom I knew was an ice lolly!!

Members are doing what the WI does best, supporting each other, supporting their community and sewing: masks (for locals), and scrub bags and scrubs for the NHS and other carers.

We look forward to the time when we can meet again in person but until then we shall continue to hone our IT skills...next virtual meeting could well be a quiz!!

Veronica

'And once the storm is over, you won't remember how you made it through, how you managed to survive. You won't even be sure, whether the storm is really over. But one thing is certain. When you come out of the storm, you won't be the same person who walked in. That's what this storm's all about.'

Haruki Murakami

Zoom and the like we can still see each other, even if we can't visit. I have spoken to so many people and almost without exception people are saying that they are more in contact with their families than ever before. In case anyone ever thinks that the church is just that beautiful building down the road, Alleluia, now we know that actually the church is the people who go out into the community and out of their way to help wherever they can, and most of all to pray together and to maintain a community even though they cannot meet in person.

And so, whilst there is such enormous sadness in our country and in our world, the same old thing seems to be triumphing; love. We are not weaker; we are stronger. Our hearts are not diminished but enhanced. Our compassion for others is greater, not smaller, and we are able to go out and see and feel and experience the God given beauty that is all around us.

Today is today; let it be, and Jesus said 'do not worry about your life....

Consider the lilies of the field; they toil not neither do they spin and yet I say unto you that not even Solomon in all his glory was arrayed as one of these'.

Thank God for today.

Jane Knowles



*'I take a bath once a month,
whether I need to or not.'*

Queen Elizabeth I

*'No garden, however small, should contain less than two
acres of rough woodland!'*

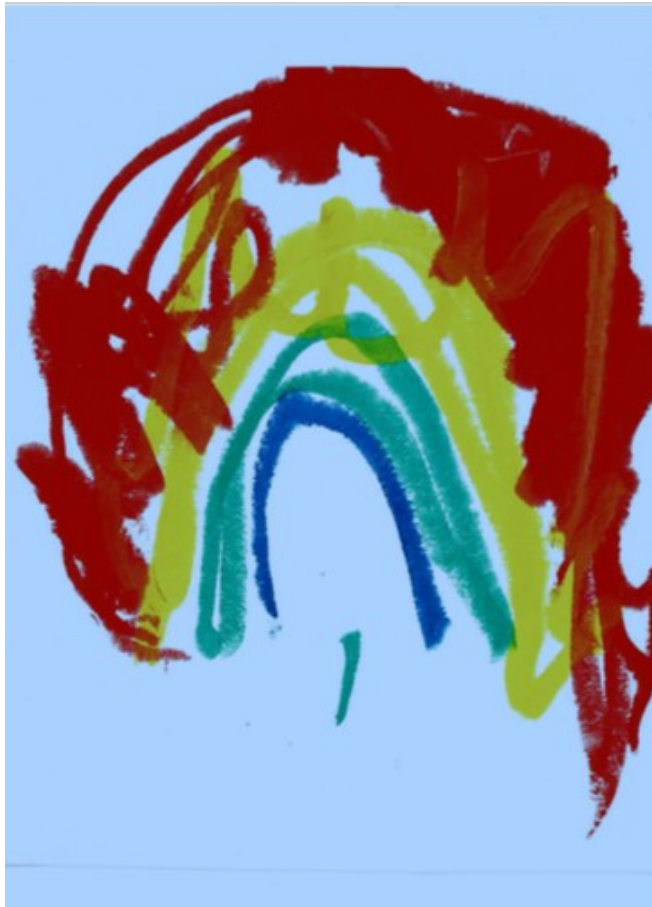
Lord Rothschild

Something from the vicar....

For those who have lost track, today is Blursday the fortyteenths of Mayprilay! Are you like me struggling to know what day and month we are in? During this time of fearful uncertainty and a world pandemic - haven't we been here for months already? ***How will we keep going for another month or three or more?***

Over the last few weeks, I have heard that rainbows are appearing in the windows of houses. Beautiful symbols of hope.

The picture here comes courtesy of Arthur Fower, my Great Nephew. Huge thanks to him! He sent it by post to my Dad who is currently living with us, and it really brightened his day.



new mental healthcare helpline (0300 303 1320) has been launched, which operates in Wiltshire seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

Some other services have been suspended but I hope you are getting all the support you need.

You may contact me about this or any other matter
by email to richard.gamble@wiltshire.gov.uk

Five Lanes School
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20th April 2020

Cllr Judy Rose
Mayor of Devizes
Devizes Town Council
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Dear Cllr Rose,

I hope you are keeping well. I am writing to let you know that me and my friends have put pictures of rainbows in our windows as a sign of our thanks to the NHS for their bravery and hard work. My Nana is a carer and my Auntie works at Salisbury Hospital on the Covid ward. She says it is very tough and so my rainbow is for her. We are also going out to clap every Thursday to cheer them on.

I hope that we will all be able to see our friends again soon. My Great, Great Grandad Sidney Dowse was also Devizes Town Mayor. He used to ring a bell in the Market Place. Do you have the bell? If so, can you please ring it loudly next Thursday at 8pm for all NHS and Key workers?

Thank you and stay safe,

Kindest regards

Will

Elder class, Five Lanes School

A Message from Richard Gamble

Wiltshire Councillor for The Lavingtons & Erlestoke Division

I hope you are surviving in these unusual times!

Wiltshire Council is very active in supporting the residents of the county and Wellbeing Hub is continuing to work at pace to provide support and guidance for the most vulnerable members of our community.

The Wellbeing hub has, at the time of writing:

delivered over 793 food parcels	contacted over 9,541 people
received 2,563 calls	received 1,065 emails

For more community and volunteer information, including details on how supermarkets are supporting communities, information about food banks, and contact details of our Community Engagement Managers please visit the 'Community information: support, volunteering, information packs' section on our Covid-19 webpage <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/public-health-coronavirus>

We have also created an online interactive map that allows people to see what COVID-19 community support is available in their neighbourhood and throughout the county. The map can be found at www.wiltshire.gov.uk/public-health-coronavirus.

The council has designed some posters for residents who are unable to answer the door due to self-isolating or social-distancing measures. The posters, which provide instructions for people making deliveries, can be downloaded from our [Covid-19 webpage](#).

The community response to the ongoing COVID-19 situation has been, and continues to be, fantastic and we thank local businesses for their kind help and support.

Any shops or businesses that can help with the supply of bed linen are asked to email HeadsofServiceAdultcare@wiltshire.gov.uk with the subject line **Bed linen support**. The supplies are needed at County Hall, Trowbridge and at Monkton Park, Chippenham and can be delivered during office hours or alternatively the council can collect items.

The Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership (AWP) NHS Trust has provided an update on the provision of mental healthcare services in the region. Its crisis and intensive teams and urgent and emergency referrals continue to operate and respond as usual, and a

People are being encouraged to show this symbol of hope in the windows of their homes. A sign of light shining in the darkness, even in what can be described as the darkest of times, for our nation and our world.

When I see a real rainbow it always makes me smile, lifts my spirits and encourages me. A real and living symbol of hope. For in these days when it can feel like all is lost, when all is strange, when we are afraid or anxious, when hope is hard to cling to, a rainbow of hope is what we need. The symbol of God's everlasting covenant of love with God's people. The symbol which helps us to recall that God will never abandon us, that God journeys with us through the fear, the pain, the anxiety and the joys.

My hope has also been renewed by the number of volunteers that have stepped forward to help in the various Good Neighbour schemes that have set up around the villages, and also the ways communities are supporting each other. **You really are doing a fantastic job!**

So dear friends **THANK YOU**, please continue to care for each other as you are doing, to make that phone call, send that letter or email or have that facetime, zoom or WhatsApp conversation. Continue to pray, knowing that you are held in the loving arms of our God who hears our prayers. Continue to be a community, although all around us is strange. **Continue to hope, for God's love and light are everlasting.**

With love Rev Ali x

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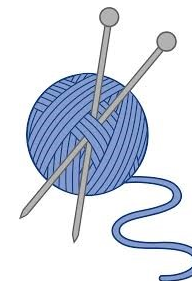
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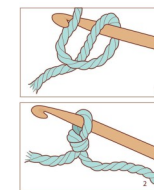
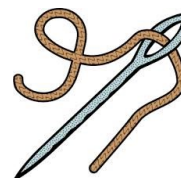
Are you Crafty?

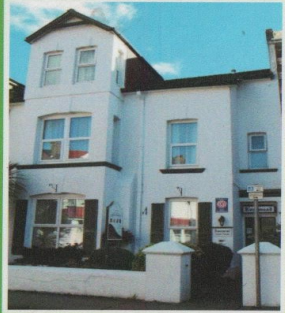
Obviously we can't meet to be creative together at the moment... but being creative has a very positive effect on our mental well being! There is loads of "stuff" available on-line.....

www.mybluprint.com is offering all their classes free at the moment...worth a look for inspiration at least even if you don't actually get around to making anything!!

As you might imagine...Sarah and I have a lot of different craft materials....ask if you need something and we'll see what we can do! I would like some 3 ply baby wool if anyone has any to spare...any colour.....I am making jumpers for the rabbits I have been making....so small amounts are all I need....about 25/30 gms would be enough!!

Best Rosemary and Sarah





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Worton United Charities

During these troubled times, can I remind readers about the Charity. I am very aware that neighbours and colleagues are keeping an eye out for those who for whatever reason are not able to manage as before. But if anyone is struggling or knows of someone who would benefit from assistance, please contact myself or one of the other trustees, Rev Ali Bridewell, Alison Cross, June Mason or Shaun Gould. Of course, all conversations will be confidential.

I am also aware that people have more time on their hands and are thinking of growing more vegetables than usual. We do have a spare allotment just outside the village boundary on the Seend Road. It will not be easy work to start with, we will get a cultivator on the ground to help preparation. It's quite a big area so it can be shared and you still meet the current rules regarding self-isolation.

Please keep safe and take care

Bill Francis
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The 2020 Village Show

We hope that this year's Village Show on 5th September will still go ahead. We do not need to make a final decision about this for a couple of months, by which time hopefully the crisis will have eased. We will keep people informed as we go.

We have increased the number of classes in the craft section as follows:

A Hard Handcrafted Item using wood, metal, clay, glass

A Handcrafted Item Using Fibre - eg knitting, crochet, weaving

A Handmade Garment

A Handcrafted Image Using Any Medium including paint, embroidery, textile, collage etc.

So those craft minded readers, with time on your hands, good luck

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On behalf of the organising committee,
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Press Release For Devizes Parishes

Devizes Outdoor Celebratory Arts (DOCA) received the great news of being awarded funding from Arts Council England just before the Covid 19 pandemic lockdown. This will help us deliver our programme of much loved events for the next year. When some of them will happen is still under discussion by our Trustees, but one decision that has been made is to move the date of **Devizes Carnival** from July 11th to **Sunday October 4th**. This will enable us to hopefully work with schools at the start of the Autumn term.

The **theme for Carnival 2020 is 'Go Wild'** which we will all need to do when we get to October after so much time in isolation!

We have commissioned the making of a fantastic large scale Ark to lead the Carnival, and are looking for **walking entries** to follow it, in twos as is traditional – it can be anything – 2 disco dancers, 2 sumo wrestlers – it's up to you. Why not join in; you've plenty of time to get your costumes together. We are posting ideas on our facebook page and on our website.

If you wish to enter the parade please complete an entry form also on the DOCA website

Eventually we will be keen to talk to groups who would like to be involved in free artist-led costume making workshops which will take place in August and September.

Get in touch via email if that applies to you:

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A poem for these times

I'm normally a social girl
I love to meet my mates
But lately with the virus here
We can't go out the gates.

You see, we are the 'oldies' now
We need to stay inside
If they haven't seen us for a while
They'll think we've upped and died.

They'll never know the things we did
Before we got this old
There wasn't any Facebook
So not everything was told.

We may seem sweet old ladies
Who would never be uncouth
But we grew up in the 60s -
If you only knew the truth!

There was sex and drugs and rock 'n roll
The pill and miniskirts
We smoked, we drank, we partied
And were quite outrageous flirts.

Then we settled down, got married
And turned into someone's mum,
Somebody's wife, then nana,
Who on earth did we become?

We didn't mind the change of pace
Because our lives were full
But to bury us before we're dead
Is like a red rag to a bull!

So here you find me stuck inside
For 4 weeks, maybe more
I finally found myself again
Then I had to close the door!

It didn't really bother me
I'd while away the hour
I'd bake for all the family
But I've got no bloody flour!

Now Netflix is just wonderful
I like a gutsy thriller
I'm swooning over Idris
Or some random sexy killer.

At least I've got a stash of booze
For when I'm being idle
There's wine and whiskey, even gin
If I'm feeling suicidal!

So let's all drink to lockdown
To recovery and health
And hope this bloody virus
Doesn't decimate our wealth.

We'll all get through the crisis
And be back to join our mates
Just hoping I'm not far too wide
To fit through the flaming gates!

Believed to be by a Jan Beaumont
(sent in by more than one villager)

From the Daily Telegraph
on Monday 27th April.....

Bryony Gordon's Corona Heroes

Felicity Mackay-Morris
Nominated by Alison Barry

I would like to nominate my sister-in-law Felicity. She has cancer, fibromyalgia and other health issues and a husband with advanced multiple sclerosis. She has found time to sew bags for hospital scrubs, as well as brightly coloured face masks. Many of her kindnesses to her local community go under the radar, and I hope to change that.



Worton and Marston Gardening Club

When I was younger, I seem to remember a magazine called 'Old Moores Almanac', which was on sale and promised to predict the coming year. I don't know if it still exists and never bought it in my youth, the main reason being that I am not certain that I want to know what the future holds for me. One thing I am certain of is if 'Old Moores Almanac' is still in the newsagents now, it won't be predicting the Covid 19 Virus disaster for 2020. We villagers are however much more fortunate than most, being able to self-isolate in our homes most of which have gardens. Imagine how much more difficult living in a tower block in one of our major cities at the moment.

I have been able to continue working for Mole Valley Farmers distributing animal feed across the South of England and Wales so I really notice the lack of traffic and, when I drive through a town or city, people. Work has been full on for the last couple of months because of Spring lambing. Every year there is this annual extra demand for sheep feed in order to keep expectant mothers in good condition so that they can give birth and then have plenty of milk for their lambs. I am so lucky. It is a wonderful job to be allowed to do and I get to meet all the farmers and shepherds in places that most people often don't know exist. When I first started driving lorries over fifty years ago I particularly remember delivering into the Welsh Valleys, and indeed back loading from places like Ebbw Vale and Gorseinon. Because of the nature of mining and heavy industry, everything seemed dark and gloomy. I particularly remember one cold, dismal winter morning climbing up through Treorchy and being surprised to notice that all the terraced houses' windows, doors and door steps were painted in bright colours and whatever time of day it was, there was always somebody outside washing their paint work. The Valleys are now totally different from those days. Even so, steps, doors, and windows are still brightly coloured and kept clean. In those days, fifty years ago I was delivering for heavy industry so never even realised that at the top of the little roads that branched off the main roads I was driving on all those years ago, were farms and farming families. Thirty or forty years later, I am meeting all those farmers, a lot of whom are the same age as I am. I hear tales of how they used to grow potatoes and wheat for the war effort and when they show me which fields were used I am amazed at how it was done.

American bands and was later a teaching colleague of mine. Michael occupied the front row with the afore mentioned Francis Matthews, Geoff Perkins, later to become an even greater inspiration in TV comedy and Nigel Scheinwald, now Sir Nigel having served as our ambassador to the USA. In such august company, I relegated myself to three rows back.

Nevertheless, I did surprisingly well. Our 6th form days were tragically disrupted by the sudden suicide of a mutual friend, Gary Findon, who Michael made a poignant documentary about a few years ago. However, astonishingly, my results were deemed good enough to be entered for the Oxford entrance exam. This was, by far, the hardest test I had ever had but, following an even more surprising interview in an edifice that predated Hogwarts -power cuts meant halls lit by candlelight, I was offered a conditional place at Keble.

The result was an extended stay at school to take and pass a peculiar exam called Use of English. I went to some Russian and Scholarship history classes in an elite group that included Michael and thence our paths diverged as I went on to university a year ahead of him.

We only got in touch again when he made the programme about Gary and again, recently at Dauntseys where I was touched to be introduced as his "Old school friend".

As for some other interesting people I was friends with at school? Maybe next time.

Barry



hort, having “passed” the 11plus and earned our place amongst the elite. Now, quite frankly, unless you were in 2A, or, if you had something about you, 2B, you were consigned to the scrap heap as far as Harrow County was concerned.

To be honest, I had always thought of myself as being pretty clever (based on almost no evidence), but I certainly reckoned myself. For goodness sake, I got 96% in Latin!

But then, there was Polly. He had something I lacked – self-confidence. Now, that was hard to find given the environment we were in. I now realise that much of this must have come from his extraordinary personal history which took his family from war torn Spain to a relatively multicultural melting pot of post war Britain. Soon after we started at the school, he invited subscribers to a venture he began called the “Bush grove weather station”. For the then princely sum of 2 shillings members would receive a weather report from said station on a regular basis. I only ever got one!

For whatever reason, I developed a friendly rivalry with Michael to be top dog. This was a one way rivalry of course. He seemed to be best at everything -though not in the area of sport, which was where I eventually found my niche. Academically he could do no wrong and always seemed to have the edge on me. Except once.

In year 9 I was top of the year in English!. I even got a prize book token from the Head of English, Jim Golland, with a card (which I still have) congratulating 3A’s “Mighty Atom”. Yes, I was short then too.

I was destined to spend most of my time at school in Polly’s company and, to be honest, I more or less gave up on the idea of competing with him. (that’s when the sport came in as I founded a football team and subsequently league to satisfy the wishes of the majority of boys in our Rugby dominated school.)

I did well enough to jump a year and took my A levels early. Two of my choices - History and English Literature, were the same as Michael’s, so we continued to spend a lot of time together. The English classes have provided particularly amusing and, dare I say, inspiring memories for both Michael and I. I was lucky enough to have a decent chat with him a few weeks ago when he gave a lecture at Dauntsey’s and those English classes made for fond recollections and mutual memory jogs. We were lucky to have inspirational teachers, one, the larger than life Fred Bilson had taught Paul McCartney and another, Clive Anderson wrote sleeve notes for

In the garden, it is Jane who has been hard at work. As a result of this everything is looking fine. As regular readers of this article know, I am a firm believer of sowing my parsnip seeds early. This year, in spite of the awful conditions, I picked the only couple of dry days just about at the end of February, prepared some ground and sowed the seed. Looking closely at the seedbed today I think I may have got it wrong this year. I can’t see many young parsnips pushing through the surface yet. It is unbelievably dry up there so I have watered my seedbeds liberally. By late January this year, I didn’t think I would ever need to use a watering can again except for the greenhouse. Enjoy your gardening and keep safe.

Dave

Upcoming meetings

It will come as no surprise to learn that visits and meetings are postponed for the time being. Do keep in touch via email though.

We usually use the NGS ‘Yellow Book’ to choose our garden visits. At this time when we are unable to get out and visit, the NGS have set up some virtual garden tours. Check them out at ngs.org.uk

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Quote for May

“To dream a garden and then to plant it is an act of independence and even defiance to the greater world.”

Stanley Crawford, ‘A Garlic Testament: Seasons on a Small New Mexico Farm’



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railways. However, we had never met each other prior to our start at Harrow County.

We were both placed in the 36 strong grouping known as 1W (after Welldon, a place I have never ascertained the location or existence of -unlike the other three houses). This was supposed to cement our bonding as a unit to carry us in a secure way through our time at the school, with an attempt at vertical grouping, the older boys setting examples and guidance as opposed to the low key, faux public school bullying which was what actually happened.

So, on the first day, we sat in our serried ranks - terrified out of our skins, whilst mock Dracula types hectored us. Those were the days where induction procedures were totally designed to instil fear into young minds from the start, or so it seemed to me. Luckily, there were exceptions -more later. Out of the blue came an announcement. We were to have a form captain! This person was to be a trustee with some privilege in return for responsibility -presumably some sort of tell-tale or sneak. No democratic process was involved - to be fair, we were struggling to remember who we were, let alone the person suffering in the next seat. In retrospect, it should have come as no surprise that Polly was duly announced as our de facto leader -after all, he had already appeared on TV - not quite a child star in a Ribena act, but from small berries what might grow?

Except, that's not what happened. Our form captain was a gentleman called Francis Matthews - not Francis Matthews the actor, but another one who has gone on to do equally well as his namesake behind the scenes, producing such hit shows as Gimmee Gimmee Gimmee and Benidorm. No, Polly was DEPUTY form captain, a dubious honour that was enough to bring him to the attention of his peers -that and his sporting of short trousers. (I am embarrassed to admit that he and I were the only pupils still wearing shorts a year later!)

Our school was totally focussed on academic achievement, with a sprinkling of militarism thrown in. My future was largely determined by whether I had a proper teacher for a subject, or one of the ex-army officers, who taught in uniform and were not only terrifying, frequently sadistic but, with maybe two exceptions, hopeless at the job. Looked good in pictures I suppose.

At the end of the first year, following an intense period of formal examinations we were placed into four ability levels A, B, C and D. Now, bear in mind, we represented about 10% of the national co-

An item from Barry.....

I first met Polly (Michael Portillo to most of the world) aged 11 on my first day at grammar school. I had secured a place at what was generally considered to be THE best school in the area where I lived, Harrow in North West London or Middlesex according to the post and my cricket allegiance. We were a very lower middle-class family who, like thousands of others, had joined on the post war coat tails of Metroland. My very hardworking and affable dad had sufficiently ingratiated himself with his boss at the steel stockholding business where he worked in London to secure a loan for the deposit on a 1930's semi, eccentrically identified as being in Stanmore, though we actually lived in a nonentity of a place called Queensbury -apparently named following a competition run by a local paper in.... Kingsbury, the next stop on the then Bakerloo line. If I stumble upon a time machine I will go back and supply a wittier attempt! But, I digress. Harrow County (boys) was very much the pinnacle of ambition my parents had for their first born. Our next door neighbour's sons went there, resplendent in their very traditional looking green blazers, school caps etc. What's more, one of the annual highlights of our admittedly limited social calendar was Gayton fair, the name given to Harrow county's attempt to take over local life for a day. Indeed, I was suitably entranced by the best Hornby train layout I'd ever seen in the room where I would later study A level geography, the silent movies shown in the lecture theatre, the somewhat scary cadets and their marching drills and motorbike displays on the makeshift arena etc etc. Indeed, Gayton fair was so beguiling, to my mother at least, that a few years later she insisted that my dad drove her there instead of watching extra time in the World Cup Final!

Interestingly, I had never even heard of the OTHER Harrow school until I was in the 6th form. In no way was there any rivalry, the schools were not so much in different worlds but on different planes of existence, enhanced by local geography, THE Harrow school being at the top of a steep hill. One never came across Harrovians jostling in the queue for the 140 bus!

So, back to Polly.

Michael lived in Bush Grove. I suppose about a mile from me and nearer to true Stanmore. Indeed, he lived near enough to the pre Beeching rail spur to have been kept awake at night by the Stanmore "rattler", an experience that may well have fuelled his interest in

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

Hello everyone. We hope you are all keeping safe and well and following the social distancing advice. You won't be surprised to know that we have closed the Village Hall as of March 21st, in line with government instructions. We are, however, trying to continue to buy services from our cleaner, who is self-employed, in order to help her financially during this period. So don't be alarmed if you see evidence of someone at the Hall and hopefully when normality returns the Hall will be sparkling after its deep clean.

We have also had to discontinue the grass cutting rota around the Hall as many of you on it were in the vulnerable persons category. For the time being Jeff Stocks has agreed to take on this task but if anyone feels able to help please contact him on 726845.

200 Club

We understand that the 200 Club has not been at the top of your priority list during these uncertain times and we realise that many people are facing economic uncertainty, but now that the new norm has settled down a bit, we are asking that, if you can, would you consider supporting the Village Hall in this way. In 'normal' years we use the income from hirings to pay for the everyday running of the Hall and we use the 200 club and other fundraising events to pay for maintenance/improvements. However, as we have lost the income from hirings and fundraising events, the money from the 200 club will be used to support the regular expenses (insurance, licences, fire and electric testing, utilities etc.). So far we have sold 96 slots which is way down on any other year. If you feel you can support the Hall in this way please telephone Veronica on 726845 and she will take details over the phone. And a very big thank you to all of you who have already re-joined. We really do appreciate it.

We do not plan to draw the winners whilst the shutdown is taking place BUT as a reward for all of you who do re-join, at the end of this period Trustees plan to hold a wine and cheese party for all 200 club members during which we will pull all the outstanding months and give out the prizes. We hope this will be a good way to celebrate the end of lockdown though we are aware that it may not be for a few months yet. This will be in place of the wine and cheese that we had planned for early April to celebrate achieving Hallmark 3 (Village Halls quality standard).

The winner of the **200 Club** for March 2020 £50 (the last one to be pulled) was Arthur Stockwell (no. 173). Congratulations, Arthur.

Veronica Franklin

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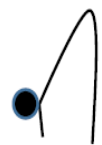

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Worton Toddlers




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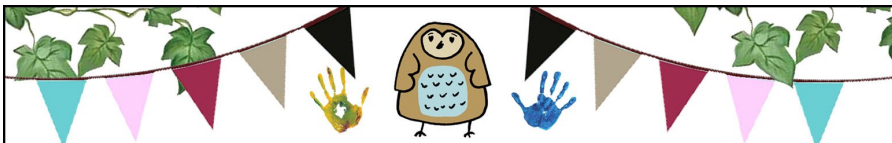
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Five Lanes School

The school has remained open to children of key workers during the COVID-19 isolation period, and numbers range from 6 – 12 on a daily basis. We also had 2 'keep in touch' days for the same children during the school Easter holidays. All classes are being set work remotely by their teachers and some inspiring work is being sent in. Well done parents & families for all the educating you are doing at home! Part of the daily routine is the fitness workout by Joe Wicks – getting the children and staff fit and motivated ready for the day ahead.

Thank you to Joy, who brought in some den making equipment and material to make face masks. The children have had fun building dens and playing in the wigwam.

Worton Parish Council

Since the last edition of the Bridge it feels like we have entered an alternative universe that even the late Stephen Hawking would have found confusing! However, we have all experienced a very steep learning curve and I genuinely believe that we will emerge stronger from the experience and, hopefully, better both as individuals and as a community.

Things that previously seemed important have been downgraded to take a more deserved lower rung on the ladder of concerns. These have included routine issues concerning statutory duties of the council and its membership. I hope you will all understand why the annual village meeting has been postponed. Also, the annual council meeting at which the positions of Chair and Vice Chair are agreed was also postponed. The new national framework advises that the existing Chair and Vice Chair should continue in their roles until such time as these roles can be properly considered. So, for the moment, David and I will continue.

The coronavirus lockdown has given many of us the chance to learn new skills. This is extending to the Parish Council as we will be attempting to hold our May meeting in a virtual format. The agenda will be available on the Village website (worton.org.uk). There will be the opportunity to attend (in a virtual form at least) should anyone wish to do so. To be honest, we will be trying to slim the meeting down so that only the most essential items are on the agenda and those more likely to need debate postponed until such time as a version of normality returns. Please contact Liz Starling at clerk@worton.org.uk if you would like to "attend" the meeting.

I think we will all agree that we are very lucky to live where we do in this time of "lockdown", having such delightful countryside literally on our doorstep. Sarah and I have enjoyed exploring the footpaths and putting our orienteering skills to the test. It's been great to see our village from different angles and there's a sense of triumph when one realises that the correct route through a field was found. However, problems have been reported, both by walkers and landowners. This message is a simple one - from the walkers' perspective, easy access is needed through routes we are entitled to use and isolated issues have been referred upwards. This should be a long-term benefit by opening up paths that are clearly not well-trodden

Worton & Marston Link Scheme

It is great to see how everybody is pulling together at this difficult time; it shows that our villages are great places to live. Wiltshire is almost unique in having a county wide volunteer transport scheme. Our small part which just covers our two villages has been around for nearly 25 years and hopefully will be around for at least another 25 years. When your neighbours go back to work there is no need to worry we will be available to pick up prescriptions, food and other necessary requirements.

As you may know in normal times we provide lifts for important journeys. Our main activity is to help the NHS by transporting people to and from medical appointments. Currently the entire NHS system is geared up for a possible influx of patients needing the intensive care units. If the virus reaches our villages our seniority could result in some of us needing those beds. Therefore, it is important that even when Boris Johnson gives us the green light, care is taken to maintain our distances and keep safe, so please use any help available.

We can't do anything unless you talk to us; our phone number is 07413 912828. Phone us for a chat. This will be very welcome especially if you have some gossip. All our drivers have been checked by the police (DBS) and when it comes to shopping, the drivers do not take payment. Your credit is good as we know where you live! All money is payable to the Link Scheme and will be picked up at an agreeable time later.

It looks like we are in this for the long haul. Please do not forget, the following should be followed wherever possible.....

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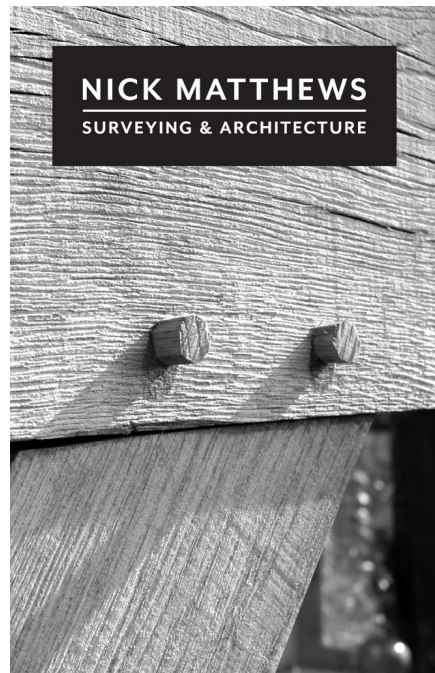
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for future enjoyment. At the same time, issues have been reported by farmers where walkers have caused damage by straying from the designated path. Whilst realising that this is almost inevitable at times due to social distancing advice, it should be possible to keep such disruption to a minimum.

On a personal level, I have been fully immersed in the establishment of our local support group which we christened Worton Good Neighbours. Whilst this was under the auspices of the Parish Council, it clearly has taken on a life of its own, with the active involvement of roughly 50 members of our community in one way or another.

The aim has been to connect volunteer supporters to members of our community who have identified themselves as vulnerable or, at least, in need. Whilst the support that volunteers can give is limited, due to a whole range of factors, there has still been a range of issues, needs etc. that have emerged.

After some early problems, shopping for those who are self-isolating seems to have settled down, with informal arrangements happening through the length of the village as we look after each other in this respect. The biggest concern has been the management of prescription collection which has been on occasion onerous and stressful for all concerned, not helped by confusing policies from the various pharmacies and a lack of advice and guidance from above.

Can I take this opportunity to make a plea on behalf of the volunteer group? Please consider changing the habit of a lifetime and use the technology now available to have repeat prescriptions delivered to your door via services such as pharmacy2you or Boots online pharmacy? Both Sarah and I have used Pharmacy2you successfully and will never find ourselves in the queue at Morrisons again (well, for repeats anyway) when all this is over. Failing that, for those who cannot use an online service due to their particular circumstance, the Day Lewis pharmacy in Market Lavington is a much safer environment for volunteers to queue in. (I wouldn't normally be appearing to advocate any particular service provider and, of course, other providers are available, but these are unusual times).

One of my aims with the volunteer group was to connect neighbours with each other as far as possible, in order to offer less formal support that is even more important and can be summarised as

“friendship”. Of course, this was happening anyway, and the support that is being given without any need for a formal structure is a vital part of the way we all pull together. Indeed, I know that offers of help were already being made before we launched our group and continue to happen. Plus, we must not forget the ongoing work of Worton and Marston Link.

It has become increasingly clear to me that there is an understandable technological divide which can make coping with the crisis more of a challenge for some than for others. I really hope that we can support each other in this by giving confidence to those who have an understandable mistrust of some aspects of technology; though of course there are practical difficulties. From a personal perspective I can report that a cross-generational team of supporters has enabled us to have regular face to face conversations with Sarah’s nonagenarian father in Essex, who is also enjoying online concerts by his personal favourite, Katherine Jenkins!

It’s been great to see new communication forums opening up, such as the Worton and Marston Facebook group (thanks Carla!) and the village website (worton.org.uk) which has taken on a new lease of life (thanks, Giles, Bel and others). There are also many imaginative ideas coming out about what we can do to keep ourselves happy and relatively sane, such as “Worton’s got talent!” on our website. Long may this continue - and we are already a bit jealous of “Gaisfordians” and their regular social distancing musical events (well done Paul etc!). I’m sure more will follow.

Over the last few weeks a trickle of advice, guidance, instruction etc. has turned into a virtual torrent which can be a challenge to sift through. We have tried to pick out some of the most useful information, or at least, links to it, on the village website. It’s worth having a look at wiltshire.gov.uk where there are regular coronavirus support updates. I have also found Wessex Community action (wessexcommunityaction.org.uk) to be a useful source of information and support.

Most importantly, we mustn’t let all the good that’s coming out of our renewed village spirit disappear when things get back to “normal”. Whatever that may mean in the future! In the meantime, keep happy and well.

Barry

Important information for bus passengers

Changes to bus services serving Potterne, Urchfont, and the Lavingtons

from 28 March 2020 until further notice

On Saturday 28 March and Sunday 29 March 2020,
First bus service D3 will run to **Sunday timings**, but
Faresaver service X72 will run normally on the Saturday.

Starting on Monday 30 March 2020, bus services X72 and
D3 will be replaced by temporary bus services 270 and 273
which will run every 2 hours **every day** at the following times:

	NSu	NSu						
Bath, Bus Station - Bay 9	---	---	---	1110	1310	1510	1710	1910
Melksham, Market Pl., Kings Arms	---	0750	0950	1150	1350	1550	1750	1950
Devizes, Market Place, Bus Island	---	0819	1019	1219	1419	1619	1819	2014
Potterne, Porch House	---	0825	1025	1225	1425	1625	1825	---
West Lavington Crossroads	---	0830	1030	1230	1430	1630	1830	---
Market Lavington, High St.	---	0833	1033	1233	1433	1633	1833	---
Urchfont, Walnut Close	---	0841	1041	1241	1441	1641	1841	---
	NSu	NSu						
Urchfont, Walnut Close	---	0844	---	1044	1244	1444	1644	1844
Market Lavington, High St.	---	0852	---	1052	1252	1452	1652	1852
West Lavington Crossroads	---	0855	---	1055	1255	1455	1655	1855
Potterne, Porch House	---	0900	---	1100	1300	1500	1700	1900
Devizes, Market Place (Pelican)	0712	0906	0912	1112	1312	1512	1712	1912
Melksham, Market Pl., Kings Arms	0738	---	0938	1138	1338	1538	1738	R
Bath, Bus Station	0820	---	1020	1220	1420	1620	1820	---

This temporary
timetable replaces
the previously
publicised service
270 / 271 / 272 / 273
timetable that was
due to be introduced
on 5 April 2020.

A more frequent
timetable will be
introduced when
Coronavirus travel
restrictions are lifted

Key: NSu – Journeys before 0905 will not run on Sundays or public holidays R – Calls if required by passengers on bus

For details of new bus services 270 and 273, please ring Faresaver on 01249 444444.

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CORONAVIRUS Do you need help? Can you provide help?

DO YOU NEED TO SELF-ISOLATE AND NEED HELP?

It is likely that over the coming weeks some of us will need to self-isolate as a precautionary measure. If you have been diagnosed or told to isolate and you need help with essential shopping, collecting medicines or you need to chat to someone please contact us on the number below.

The parish council is helping to coordinate members of this parish who are prepared to support those who have been told to isolate themselves by staying indoors and who may need help. You are not alone if you need to self-isolate!

This is not an alternative to the NHS, emergency services or social services; it is simply neighbours and local residents looking after each other.

If you think you may need to self-isolate now or over the coming weeks, it would be useful to know who you are and where you are so that help can be provided, if required, with essential shopping, medicine collections or just the need for a chat.

In addition, we are looking to set up a team of volunteers who can provide support as and when it is needed. Of course, many of us could potentially fall into both categories!

If you would like to be put on the list of those who might need support, please email Barry Devine at barry@worton.org.uk.

Or call 07809221341 or 01380720244

This is also the number to use if you would like some help

CAN YOU HELP US BY PROVIDING SOME SUPPORT?

If you would be prepared to help your neighbours and other local residents with prescription collections, essential shopping or similar tasks please contact us so that we can increase the number of volunteers in the parish.

You will need to provide your name, address, telephone number and what you can do to help and we will do our best to coordinate volunteers and those in need.

Please email Barry Devine at

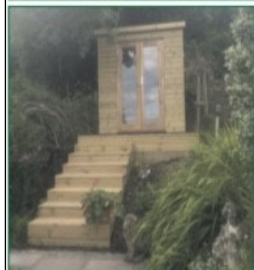
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Public Health England has advised people who are self-isolating to do what they can to avoid visitors to their home. Any deliveries of groceries, medications or other shopping should be left at the door so please ensure that this advice is followed. Volunteers acting on behalf of the parish council will be covered by the parish council public liability insurance.

Thank you for all your support and please stay safe.

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V E and V J Day Event

May 8th 2020

A chance to celebrate peace in Europe

**Despite the postponement of the planned
village events it is still intended to mark
VE Day in Worton!**

Chris and David Johnson will drive along the High Street starting at the Sandlease end at 2pm.

The car will be decorated in flags with wartime music playing.

Villagers are welcome to stand in their front gardens (observing social distancing rules) and wave and cheer as the car passes.

Please note that this is NOT a group-participant activity. It is only ONE vehicle and two occupants. It will only make ONE journey up and down the High Street then cease. No other vehicles are to participate, and no other members of the public are involved.

V E and V J Day Event

Postponed but NOT cancelled!

Please note the NEW dates!

A chance to celebrate peace in Europe

Aug 22nd – 23rd Exhibition in Village Hall

Aug 29th "Street Party" Church Lane

We still need your family stories, photographs or war time artefacts to help us record this important event. Keep them coming!

Was your family a member of the Armed forces, Land Army, Home Guard? Were they evacuated or in a reserved occupation? Share your family stories. People are interested.

The street party is already FULLY BOOKED and all applicants' names will be carried over to the new date unless they say otherwise. This is intended to be a 1940's themed event. Something for all the community to enjoy!



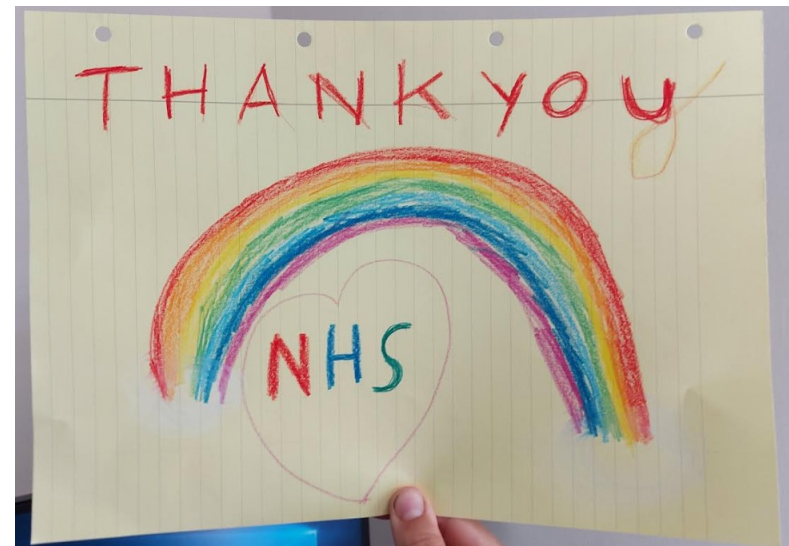
Contact Chris Johnson 01380 720580 email cvs64@hotmail.com

**This is a list of some of the volunteers who have been offering support to those who need it.
Please note - there are many others to whom I give my thanks.**

Andy and Suzanne Bonfield
Samantha Turk
Tracy Joyce
Giles Collins
Veronica Franklin & Jeff Stocks
Becky Ormond
Julie Stoner
Alison and Steve Pratt
Paul and Trish Stephenson
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Soon after writing last month's newsletter, we received news of the complete shutdown of football activities across the country. Since then we have also heard that for junior football our league has ended the season and expunged all results.

The club are now in the position of waiting for any reduction in lockdown to see if we can start activity again with the players.

In the meantime, we are starting preparations for next season (fingers crossed) and identifying the teams we will have, and the coaches, equipment and pitches, so we are in the best position possible.

Teams are looking for players for next season; it doesn't really matter what standard players are as they will receive training from our FA approved coaches.

Teams are always looking for more parents to get involved with helping teams in supporting roles or in coaching roles; the club will enable training for those who wish to get involved. Please speak to your managers to help support them.

Teams are looking out for sponsors so if you are interested in publicity by sponsoring a team then contact Dave. Also, if any companies would be interested in advertising at Davis Field then please contact Dave.

Contacts

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U8/9/12 – Mark Goddard – 01380 813160

U10 - Sharon Black 01380 818193

U11 – Paul Miller – 07917 582873

U13 – Dave Kiddle – 07843 678781

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