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Pastoral Letter

As I write this in the second week of May, I am just returning to my lay ministry, having had about a month off due to being quite unwell and necessitated a hospital stay over the Easter weekend. I would like to say thank you to all those who have emailed me and messaged me wishing me well - I have really appreciated your concern and I'm please to say that I am recovering well.

I have to confess that I really struggled being in hospital and missing out on the Holy Week and Easter services. Yes, there were tears - plenty of them but there was also lots of prayer. Conversations with God where I asked why and how I became ill and ended up away from my biological family and my spiritual (church) family over what should have been a joyful occasion celebrating the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead.

I found comfort in reading the Psalms; Psalm 88 in particular seemed to say what I was feeling at the time:

"Lord, you are the God who saves me; day and night I cry out to you.

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May my prayer come before you; turn your ear to my cry. I am overwhelmed with troubles and my life draws near to death."

Having grumbled to God and told him how upset and angry I was, I asked him to give me his peace in the situation. This he did, and I was able to accept my extra time in hospital without further distress. Yes, bad things do happen to us even when we have a strong Christian faith. However, I firmly believe that God is with us whatever happens, giving us strength to carry on. Some of my favourite bible verses are from another Old Testament book, Jeremiah 29

"For I know the plans I have for vou." declares the LORD. "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart."

verses 11-13 which say:

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This will be the theme of an Informal Praise service that will take place at St Mary's Church, Potterne on Sunday 26th June at 11am. We will not be following a formal order of service but rather we will sing, pray, hear readings and share with each other the good things that God has done in our lives in the past week, month or even longer. If you are curious about church but don't like the idea of a traditional service, why don't you come join us for something a bit different?

Liz Starling (Licensed Lay Minister)

Youth Action Wiltshire

On Saturday 25th June, by kind permission of Nicky and Kate Hunloke, Youth Action Wiltshire will be co-hosting a Summer Drinks Party, featuring a group of Wiltshire young carers who will perform their "Glow in the Dark" original pieces with the Bath Philharmonic Creative Learning Team, at **The Old Rectory in Poulshot** at **6pm**.

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> For more information or to purchase tickets, please contact ginniekeen@gmail.com



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SERVICE CALENDAR

JUNE

Sun June 5th	PENTECOST 9.30am 3.00pm	CHRIST CHURCH Holy Communion Jubilee Praise
		MARSTON CHAPEL No Service
Sun June 12th	TRINITY 9.30am	CHRIST CHURCH Morning Praise
	6.00pm	MARSTON CHAPEL Local Arrangement
Sun June 19th	TRINITY 1 9.30am	CHRIST CHURCH Morning Praise
		MARSTON CHAPEL No Service
Sun June 26th	TRINITY 2 9.30am	CHRIST CHURCH Holy Communion
	6.00pm	MARSTON CHAPEL Local Arrangement

JULY

Sun July 3rd	TRINITY 3 9.30am	CHRIST CHURCH Holy Communion
		MARSTON CHAPEL No Service

A Celebration of the Life of Carol June Coxhead took place at Christ Church during April.

Visit the church website: www.christchurchworton.org.uk

From Christ Church:

Easter Day:

Easter Sunday: There were traditional Easter Day Services in all the churches in the Benefice except Christ Church. It was decided to do something which would include our regular congregation but also families and children, and it certainly did! There were about 60 children and similar number of adults - an amazing atmosphere in church.

Revd. Adrian led a very informal Communion service, which he explained to the children as it went along and involved them in distributing bread and grapes (before they became wine!) as for safety reasons wine is still not shared with a joint cup.

Many thanks to James and Emma Phipps who kindly donated the Easter Eggs and organised the Easter Egg hunt, enjoyed by all.

Revd. Adrian, our Marvellous Magician, then entertained with his Magic Show, with many adults trying to spot how those tricks work! But he is keeping it all under his hat!!

Whilst all this was happening, there was some beautiful live music being played by a visiting cellist.

Jubilee Praise: On Sunday 5th June at 3pm, there will be a Jubilee Praise held outside at Christ Church (in church if wet) Come along and enjoy singing some of the Queen's favourite hymns and songs, followed by tea and cake, a wonderful way to round off the weekend celebrations in the villages. Please bring a garden chair.

Open Gardens: On the weekend of 25th /26th June there will be many gardens open in Worton and Marston. Teas will be available in church on both afternoons.

Heather & Jean, Churchwardens

Worton Parish Council have received a Community Fund application from Worton & Marston Village Hall for the sum of £1,600 towards the cost of the extension and renovation of the village hall kitchen.

The application can be viewed on the Parish Council website: http://worton.org.uk/community-fund/

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Sunday 5th (Pentecost and Queen's Jubilee weekend)

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8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Potterne
9:30am	Holy Communion	Worton
10am	Jubilee Thanksgiving Service	Bulkington
11am	Holy Communion	Seend
12pm	Jubilee Service in Marquee on Green	Poulshot
3pm	Jubilee Praise	Worton
3:30pm	Jubilee Praise	Potterne

Sunday 12th (Trinity Sunday)

9:30am	Morning Praise	Bulkington
9:30am	Morning Praise	Worton
9:30am	Holy Communion	Poulshot
11am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Potterne
6pm	Evensong	Seend

Sunday 19th (Trinity 1)

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Seend
9:30ar	n Morning Praise	Worton
11am	Morning Praise	Potterne
11am	Holy Communion	Bulkington
6pm	Evensong	Poulshot

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Sunday 26th (Trinity 2)

9:30am Holy Communion Poulshot
9:30am Holy Communion Worton
11am Holy Communion Seend
11am Informal Communion Service Potterne
6pm Evening Service Bulkington

Every Tuesday, 9am Daily Prayer service at Poulshot Please join us at our new informal gathering called Quest every Saturday at 5.30pm at Poulshot Village Hall.

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Worton Parish Council

The May Parish Council meeting also included the Annual meeting which is when the officers are appointed for the next year. I was nominated and elected as Chair, whilst Richard Slack will continue as Vice-Chair. We are both delighted and, indeed, flattered by the fulsome support we have from all of the other councillors.

However, there continues to be a vacancy for a councillor and may I again encourage residents to put themselves forward? Whilst the role has its challenges, it's great to have the chance to play a positive role in village life and hopefully make things better, even if only in a small way. Probably the most pressing concern is the need to replace Liz Starling as clerk. Liz will be a very hard act to follow as she combines the calm authority required when dealing with what can be quite intricate procedural rules with humour, kindness and patience. Since she took up the role five years ago she has been very much the "face" and front line of the Parish Council dealing with an extraordinary range of predictable, random and extraordinary enquiries, issues and concerns. In the instant communications age we live in this has sometimes meant mini avalanches of things to respond to, which she always does in a timely and appropriate fashion, in the process helping councillors to prioritise and carry out their roles the best they can. We are still seeking a new clerk and will be re-advertising the post. We are very grateful for the interest that has been shown so far.

Liz has kindly agreed to continue in the role of Responsible Finance Officer and will also be keeping an eye on the website and Facebook communications. However, realistically, the functioning of the council will be affected by the lack of a clerk in a range of ways. May I politely request that patience and understanding is given? Responses to enquiries may be slower and require further support. Whilst we understand the need for residents to make us aware of issues these are often not within the power or authority of the Parish Council and we may well need

to refer residents to the correct agency more quickly than perhaps has been the case as we prioritise the most essential tasks.

Unfortunately, we sometimes have to deal with communications from residents who are unhappy with the work of the council. We discussed this at our meeting and I think that it is appropriate to remind residents that Councillors give up their time voluntarily and will do their best to help and support. In return, may we please politely request that communications are done in a civil way and not likely to cause offence?

An upcoming opportunity to air your views and concerns is provided by the Annual Parish Meeting which takes place in the Village Hall on Monday 30th May starting at 7pm. As well as the usual chance to report what various village organisations have been up to and what their plans may be, we are having a special focus on traffic issues. Hopefully we will have some definite news on the installation of the Speed Indicator devices by then. We also want to share ideas about the Village Plan that Cllr Powell has begun work on.

You may recall that a suggestion was made that a kissing gate be installed on footpath WORT22 to replace the current stile. It has emerged that the situation is much more complex than at first appeared, as the suggested site is not on the definitive footpath but is sited on private land and it is thus inadvisable for the Parish Council to pursue the idea further. This is disappointing but we will keep an eye on the situation as those involved establish and indicate the correct route for the path, when we can look again at how safe and practical access can best be achieved for residents.

Finally, can I encourage all residents to support the events planned to mark the Queen's jubilee? A great deal of hard work has gone into this and it is sure to be a memorable chance to celebrate together.

Barry Devine

Worton and Marston Gardening Club

This year's Spring is turning out to be a repeat performance of last year. Not very warm, apart from a few nice days towards the end of March, virtually no rain, and until recently, little sunshine, all punctuated by the odd sharp frost or two. A gardener's nightmare.

In our garden, however we have had a good show of flowers and blossom, thanks mainly to Jane's love of Hellebores. They really have come up trumps many of them still blooming strongly.

We have also had daffodils, tulips and bluebells, as well as a few early flowering shrubs that I don't know the names of. All in all a good display of colour, which gives us much pleasure.

In readiness for Open Garden weekend, I planted out the ten sweetpea plants that grew from the seeds I sowed in the greenhouse early last December. The plants that grew are good healthy examples, and with the warmer weather are looking well. But seed manufacturers take note - ten plants from four packets. What is going on? I reckon that is less than 10% germination. I also planted four rows of Parsnip seeds and now by filling gaps left by non-germinating seed, I hope to have four complete rows. Germination of about 50/60% I reckon. When I left the agriculture industry in 1969 big root and vegetable growers were experimenting, very successfully with special spacer root vegetable seed drills. In order to be successful this system needed 90/100% germination of the seed sown. I don't remember seeing massive gaps in the seed rows then, anymore than one sees today. Therefore, this level of germination was achievable. It would therefore seem that the gardeners who are buying the little packets of seed, you and I, are getting the dregs of what the large horticulture plant growers industry don't want. The large industry machine wouldn't hesitate to sue if the best germination was less than about 90% of the seeds they bought.

Jane and I will be opening our garden over the Open Gardens weekend, and are hoping for a good display. All the plants are looking well but could do with a drink. Brown lawns may become a permanent feature if weather patterns don't change.

I haven't spent much time at the workshop recently due to a hiccup in my health. Hopefully, all on the mend now.

Dave

Diary Dates:

June 27th - NOTE change of date from usual 3rd Monday of the month. We plan to visit some of the gardens of members who are opening for Open Gardens weekend so we have decided to meet AFTER the event - details to follow via email

July 18th - Annual Members' Barbeque – volunteers needed for venue and cooking please.

August - No meeting - preparing for the Village Show on 27th - details elsewhere in The Bridge.

New members always welcome.

Sally – <u>svwood90@hotmail.com</u>

Ro - rosemaryrosenfeld@yahoo.co.uk

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir

For those that complain about trucks......

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Worton and Marston Village Show Saturday 27th August

The full schedule for the show will be in next month's magazine, please look out for it, take it out and keep it, the entry form will be there too.

But advanced info on the photography section. The classes for adults are-

Reflection

Native flora

A garden building

For the under 16's

A bird in the garden

an insect or bug

your favourite flower

(Remember as well as children living in the villages, we accept entries from children of families, e.g. nieces, nephews, grandchildren)

The Craft section is the same as last year:

- a handcrafted item using wood, metal, clay, glass
- a handcrafted item using fibre, e.g. knitting, crochet, weaving
- a handmade garment
- a handcrafted image using any medium including paint, embroidery, textile, collage etc

Good luck to everyone

Thank you

The Village Show Committee

Worton Community Speedwatch - April 2022 (Week Two)

(Note: all Wiltshire Speedwatch sessions are now restricted to 45 minutes only)

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The Queen and the Prince of Wales planted the first Jubilee tree in the grounds of Windsor Castle in March this year, to launch the *Queen's Green Canopy*, a not-for-profit tree planting project to mark her Platinum Jubilee and which aims to raise funds that will go towards creating green spaces in deprived urban areas and schools in the UK.

It invites and encourages individuals, Scout and Girlguiding groups, villages, cities, counties, schools and corporates from across the United Kingdom to "Plant a Tree for the Jubilee" and will dedicate a network of 70 Ancient Woodlands across the United Kingdom and identify 70 Ancient Trees to celebrate Her Majesty's 70 years of service.

However, taking part in the *Queen's Green Canopy* (QGC) seeks, in addition to honouring the Queen, to benefit our children, grandchildren and future generations in the face of imminent climate chaos, due to the fact that trees support our natural wildlife, provide cleaner air, reduce pollution, have a positive effect on lessening soil erosion, improve biodiversity and landscape, host insects, and mitigate the effects of climate change.

The official tree planting season is between October and March but, if you haven't already considered, or been able to get on with planting a tree and wish to support the Queen, our planet and our youth, it's not too late! Tree planting will commence again in October 2022 through to the end of the Jubilee year.

Then in October, if you wish, you will be able to become part of the digital legacy of green canopy projects to commemorate the Jubilee by uploading your Jubilee tree to the QGC MAP, a digital record of the Jubilee tree planting projects across the United Kingdom. Alternatively, you might wish to order a QGC freestanding plaque to accompany your tree in situ. Gifting a tree through the QGC to benefit future generations is also a possibility.

Everyone is encouraged to play their part for the environment. In West Lavington/Littleton Panell, where we live, the village

Streetscene volunteer team, responsible for planting colourful tubs of flowers throughout the two villages, has already done so with a QGC sapling at the corner of Holmfield. If you too wish to participate, and have not already done so, the *Queen's Green Canopy* website at: https://queensgreencanopy.org/ contains detailed information on how to plan, plant and protect your tree – and much more.

Anne Wilson mrsannewilson@gmail.com and Sandra Gamble acanadiangamble@gmail.com









FIVE LANES WI

We met together on the 10th May for a very unusual meeting. Sarah D had prepared items for us all to taste and to decide out of 3 options, which were a Basic brand, a Supermarket's own, or a Branded item. We marked them A, B or C and the brands were revealed while we enjoyed some delicious cheese and wine, provided by Helen B. We tried plain crisps. digestive biscuits, white chocolate and tonic water, and were sometimes surprised that the supermarket brands tasted at least as good as the branded ones, especially as the price difference was quite large in some cases: also that some of the basic brands were quite acceptable. So in these times of rising prices, maybe we should consider the choices we make whilst shopping! Thanks to Sarah and Helen for all their time spent on preparation. Some potential new members came along and we have great hopes that our numbers will continue to rise. If you didn't come along then what about our June meeting?

On TUESDAY JUNE 14th we will meet as usual at the Village Hall at 7:30pm when we will have a "Virtual stroll through Venice" by a guest speaker, Sarah Buttenshaw.

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A Message from Tamara Reay Wiltshire Councillor for The Devizes Rural West Division Annual Report

Over the last few weeks, I have joined Annual Parish Meetings across Devizes Rural West. It is always good to hear the annual updates from the many local groups which help to ensure that our communities are such wonderful and welcoming places to live.

Wiltshire Council set a 2022/23 budget and 10-year Business Plan to focus on the future, while maintaining a long-term strong financial footing. The council's budget for the next financial year is just over £417m and with more than half (£235m) on support and social care for adults and children. Around £92m will be spent on day-to-day services such as waste management, road maintenance, leisure and library services, as well as the council's carbon management and climate change work - which recently saw the council ranked as the fifth best unitary authority in the UK for its response to the global challenge.

Alongside this, the council's capital programme is £307m for projects to improve and maintain the county's infrastructure - including leisure services, council house building, schools maintenance, footpath and highway improvements and high streets in Salisbury and Trowbridge.

The 10-year Business Plan outlines the council's guiding themes, which are prevention and early intervention; improving social mobility and tackling inequalities; understanding communities; and working together.

As Wiltshire Council Portfolio Holder for Climate Change, I was pleased to lead the development of the Climate Change strategy which underpins the Council's ambitions to reduce emissions and to make the county more resilient to climate impacts. A good number of projects are now underway including a Solar Community Scheme for residents, businesses and community buildings - more information is at www.solartogether/wiltshire/home please note registration closes on 14 June 2022.

Locally I am very aware that traffic and road safety issues are critical in many local villages, and I am working with Parish Councils to se-

cure further improvements. You have my assurance that this is one of my priorities for the year ahead.

Finally, I should like to thank the Parish Councillors for all their hard work and commitment, and especially the Parish Clerks who do a fantastic job in ensuring that everyone stays on track and manage to spin a significant number of plates! Thank you for your support over the past year. It has been a pleasure to represent you all at Wiltshire Council and to play a small part in your vibrant communities.

Tamara Reay

Wiltshire Councillor for Devizes Rural West.

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About half the potential households were able to come, along with other villagers, leaders of organisations and church representatives. Rev Gary and Rev Adrian welcomed everyone, gave a brief history of the event and after a grace was said encouraged all to tuck into the delicious Buffet. As always, many villagers had prepared and delivered a huge variety of food including the ever- popular desserts! This was all much appreciated by everyone. Organisation leaders were able to advertise their groups and hopefully spark an interest in those they spoke to.

The Family of Churches, which organises this event every year, would like to thank all those who made and delivered food, set up and cleared away tables, cleared away food and dishes, and to those (especially two-you know who you are) who spent ages washing and drying up! An excellent community event, which says a lot about the villages we are blessed to live in.

Those moving in during 2022, will, we hope, have their Welcome Party at the traditional time of the end of January 2023. If villagers are aware of new people moving in, please inform Jean or Heather (phone numbers appear elsewhere under Churchwardens) so that we don't miss anyone out when the time comes.

Despite the great "Gathering on the Green" last summer, we are unable to hold a summer event this year, but look out in the Autumn for the dates of Beer and Carols at the Rose and Crown, and the Carols by Candlelight in Marston Chapel.

Jean and Heather





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Queen's Platinum Jubilee Event

Saturday 4th June 2022

Free Community Event for residents of Worton and Marston.

Programme of events:

Village Hall 10am -12am

Decorate a cake with a "Jubilee" theme. <u>Bring it along to be judged</u>. Best cake in each category wins a prize:

Primary School. Secondary School. Adults. Also craft stalls tea and coffee.

Five Lanes school field 2pm-4pm

"Jubilee stakes" Hobby Horse races.

Winner in each category gets a prize: Pre School. Primary School.

Secondary school. Adults. Other games for all age groups with prizes!

Bring Your Own Picnic!

Free live music in the Rose and Crown in the evening!

Music kindly provided by local band "Done and Broke."

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Sunday 5th June at 3pm

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Tea and Cake to follow

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What a busy term 4 and 5 we have had!

Term 4 began with us celebrating 25 years of World Book Day! We had an exciting visit from the fabulous author Neil Griffiths who treated to us to some inspiring and incredibly fun workshops, including some awesome performances from parents and staff! We all decorated vegetables, dressed up as our favourite book characters and shared our love of reading with a friend.

We supported the NSPCC and had fun with maths for Number Day! We all dressed as number related characters and explored number games, formed numbers with fingerpaints, made shapes with nature, sang number songs and rhymes, and played lots of maths games.

Before the Easter break we celebrated Science Week by having a whole school Science Day. The children joined in with a variety of activities. We had great fun making marble runs, balloon rockets and launching paper aeroplanes which investigated forces. We planted seeds, searched for earthworms and looked at tree habitats which linked to living things. We also investigated the colours of the rainbow and chromatography and had a go at drawing our own optical illusions. We rounded off the afternoon by having great fun, making fountains with lemonade and mintoes.

This week has been particularly busy with SATs and fete preparations. We must say an enormous 'well done' to our year 6 children this week. We have been so impressed by the positive attitudes and endeavour that year 6 have shown – we are very proud of each and every one of them!

We are absolutely overjoyed to see the return of our school and village fete after a long two year break. We were treated to the most beautiful, sunny day. It was a joy to see our school and community coming together again, relaxing, chatting and enjoying the afternoon.

A huge thank you to everyone who helped with the many tasks to organise and run the day. We hope all our visitors had a great afternoon. See you again next year!

At the beginning of this term we were absolutely delighted to extend a very warm welcome to our new Headteacher, Nicola Phillips. Nicola has already met many of you over the past three weeks and will no doubt be meeting many more of you over the course of this term. We are very excited to have Nicola leading Five Lanes and look forward to an exciting and successful future.

We are currently in throes of planning a super Platinum Jubilee celebration week at the end of this term to create a wonderful lasting memory for the children on this momentous occasion. We look forward to sharing our news of the event with you soon.





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Marston Parish

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2nd June Thursday

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5th June Saturday

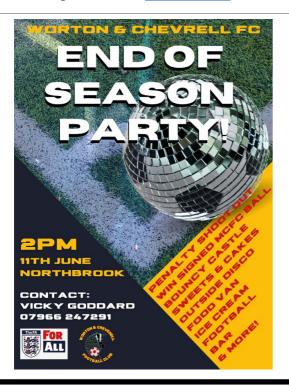
3pm - Tea and Cakes. Please bring Chairs and picnic blankets.

A classic car line-up will also be taking place, from **3pm**.

5pm - A village photograph will be taken.

6pm - BBQ and Fire. Burgers and hot dogs will be provided, please bring drinks and chairs/blankets.

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place on the 11th June.



Most teams have now ended their leagues fixtures. 3 teams have finished second in their leagues and one has made a cup final! Overall, it represents another highly successful season for the club on the field. Teams will now play summer tournaments and friendlies before breaking for the summer. The club end of season presentation day takes

The major fundraising appeal to replace the clubhouse roof at Northbrook which was ripped off by Storm Eunice is still progressing. The Roof Replacement Fund now stands at more than £4,000 towards the £20,000 target. If you wish to help, please visit

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Please get in touch with the relevant team contact if you are interested in joining The Badgers. We would also welcome contact from any small business wishing to sponsor an advertising board.

Badger Cubs - ages 4-6 years. The season has now ended with all the team looking forward to the presentation day in June.

U7s – Both teams are playing well and making great progress, making the coaches very proud.

U8s – Under 8 finished strongly in the league, now looking forward to playing in tournaments. Everyone excited about the presentation funday.

U9s mixed and girls – The season has now ended with both teams looking forward to the presentation day in June.

U10s - The team are in a cup final on the 21st at Bromham, have done well in league games and are looking forward to going 9v9 next season

U11s - got to a semi-final and have enjoyed league games.

U12s –U12 complete league season with just 3 defeats over 20 games. Fantastic performance and ready to go at U13 after deserved summer break

U14s – The team ended the season with a fantastic 2-0 away win at Castle Combe to end the season second, having only suffered 2 defeats. The team will play one summer tournament at Devizes, train until the end of June and then resume at U15 in September.

U15s – The team finished 2nd despite only losing 1 match, drawing 1 and winning 12.

Continuing to training with few friendlies until mid-June and then will have a summer break returning mid August.

U16s – The team ended the season second in the league.

Committee for Season 2021/22

Chairperson: Pete Huntley Secretary: Vicky Goddard Treasurer: Vicky Goddard Welfare Officers: Hannah Kervin Web Pages: James Partington Grounds: Mark Goddard Newsletter: David Groves All Team Managers

Team Contacts for 2021/22 Season:

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Girls Team – Liz Gaule – 07949 176623

U7 - Rob Nuttall - 07706 167347

U8- Pete Huntley- 07974756131

U9- Adam Shanley – 07423 576368

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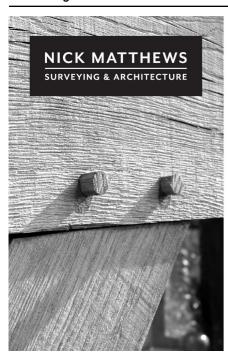
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Village Maintenance

Many thanks to everyone who helped at our first maintenance meeting in early April. We strimmed all the footpaths from Sandleaze to Raybridge and beyond, replaced a number of rotten fenceposts and railing in Sandleaze Playing Field, pulled down three very dead trees overhanging the playing field and cleared a lot of overgrown brambles and grass from around the new saplings on Sandleaze Bank.

Our next meeting will be Saturday 18th June, 9am at Sandleaze Playing Field. The jobs this time will be to repeat the strimming of all the footpaths between Sandleaze and Raybridge and to continue clearing the weeds in Sandleaze Bank.

If Saturday is rained off then we will try again on the Sunday or the week after.

All volunteers are responsible for their own safety and should wear appropriate safety equipment for the task they are carrying out such as gloves, boots and eye protection/safety hat it you are using equipment.

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Our meeting in April was a talk by Jerry Willmott on his experiences during the Korean War. We were all aware of the Korean War but none of us really knew anything about it. Jerry was a young man of nineteen and was the leader of his unit. On one particular day when out on patrol orders came through to hold their position. He wasn't happy with that as the enemy was close, so he ignored the orders and moved his unit. This was just as well as their original position was fired on, and he wouldn't be here today to tell the story.

It was Christmas 1951 and presents were left for them (by the enemy). These included items such as sweets, slippers and silk scarves printed with Chinese figures telling them to lay down their arms and go home back to their families. Jerry brought his scarf along with photos and other memorabilia.

Mr. Willmott who will be 90 in July recalled his time in Korea as if it was yesterday. Sadly he feels Korea is a forgotten war, not remembered as other conflicts are, but the Korean people and government remember and are grateful for their part in the war. He still has contact with them and brought along a plaque sent by the Koreans commemorating 70 years.

We all enjoyed the evening and I think he enjoyed our company too.

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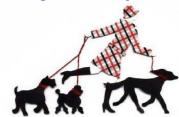
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VILLAGE HALL NEWS

Trustees

We held our AGM on May 4th where Hilary Groves stood down as a Trustee. Like all the Trustees Hilary took an active part in the running of the Hall and at events and she guided us on issues dealing with sustainability. She will be sorely missed. However, to compensate, we are delighted to welcome her daughter Rowena onto the Trustee group in her place.

Trustees are volunteers who work to ensure the continuance and improvement of the Village Hall on behalf of residents of both Worton and Marston. However, our current group is hampered at the present by illness and/or caring responsibilities. Therefore we urgently need to co-opt volunteers to help us. Our constitution allows us to co-opt two so if you feel you could help us out please do get in touch with me (Veronica Franklin Tel: 01380 726845). I am happy to talk to you about what is required before you make any decision.

Use of the Hall

It has been good to see the Hall gradually being used again both by regular hirers and for one off events like the Newcomers Party. Trustees intend to expand the use of the Hall this year by putting on some events ourselves, the first of which will be a tea and cake event on Saturday May 28th 3pm-5pm to introduce Villagers to our plans for extending and refurbishing the kitchen. We realise that people may not have received their copy of the Bridge by then and so we will aim to advertise this event as widely as possible using other outlets.

200 Club

This is usually one of the main ways that we can raise funds for the Hall but this year participation in the 200 Club has dwindled. This is good news for those who have already joined as they stand a higher chance of winning the £50 prize each month but its not good news for funds. We know that the cost of living rises are worrying but if you can support us by buying a number for a year {£12 a year) please consider doing so. And if you usually join but have forgotten now is a good time to do so. You can pay by cheque made out to 'Worton and Marston Village Hall' and delivered to 11 Gaisford Chase, Worton with details of who the number is for and your address (so I know where to deliver the winnings) or by Bank Transfer. The account name

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is 'Worton and Marston Village Hall'; Account Number: 00327868; Sort Code: 30-92-63. Again please let me know either by phone: 01380 726845 or email: veronica.frankllin@btinternet.com and again if you are new please give me your address. And finally thanks to those who have already joined. The winner for April: Rosemary Rosenfeld.

Veronica



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- 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)

Various Venues

Announced Monthly

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