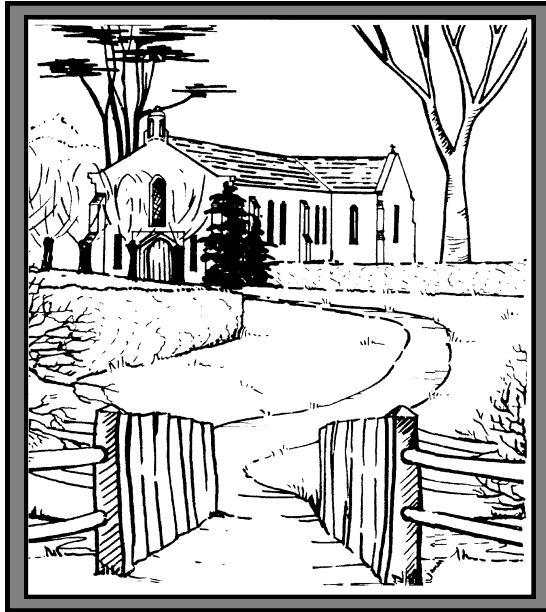


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Amanda Jane Coleman

25th October 1962 – 11th September 1922

As many of you will be aware Mandy passed away peacefully at Dorothy House on Sunday 11th September.

Below is a message from her boys:

There will be a thanksgiving service to remember and celebrate Mum's life at St James' Devizes on Monday 3rd October at 12.30pm.

With the service being a celebration there is no requirement for a full black dress code.

Family flowers only please, we would very much welcome donations to Dorothy House or Cancer Research UK in their place.

Please join us after the service at The Bear Hotel for refreshments from 1.30pm.

Sam, Adam and Charlie

Remembrance

The annual Church Remembrance Service will be on Sunday the 13th November this year, beginning at 10:50am at the Village War Memorial outside the Village Hall.

For those new to our villages, it is our custom to gather at the War Memorial at 11:00am on the 11th November for a very short Observance amounting to: the Exhortation, two minutes silence and the Kohima Address.

Poppy sellers will begin house to house collections on Friday the 28th October and it would be most encouraging to the village volunteers if those minded to donate to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal would take this opportunity to do so.

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Pastoral Letter

WELCOME!

How important it is for us all to feel welcome, whoever we are and wherever we have come from...

I was officially welcomed by the communities and churches, in this lovely part of Wiltshire, on Wednesday 7th September in the Church of the Holy Cross in Seend. This marked the beginning of my time as Associate Priest in the Wellsprings Benefice...exciting!

The day before a new Prime Minister had been appointed, the day after (very sadly) the death of H.M the Queen was announced, and we had a new King.

However, I am unlikely to forget my first week, not only because of the events that took place, but also because of the welcome I had received.

So what does it mean to welcome someone? I like this definition, **'to gladly receive a person into one's presence or companionship, to greet with friendship and courtesy'**.

It seems to me that the queen was a great example to us in so very many ways, but especially in re-

spect of her ability to welcome. What stood out for many was the way in which she was able to extend a welcome to all, regardless.

How good are we at welcoming people, into our communities, our churches, our schools and our lives?

Jesus was known as one who welcomed people who others of his time would have shunned... women, the disabled, the poor, those of other cultures and beliefs, backgrounds and class... the list goes on.

Being made welcome gives us a feeling of acceptance; being included helps us to find our place and purpose in life.

Thank you for welcoming me! It has been so good to have a chat whilst walking my dog (a red setter) joining in with village events, popping into the shop or waiting at the bus stop. I look forward to getting to know you and our villages better and in turn to welcoming you!

With Much Love
Revd Caroline O'Neill



An Illustrated Talk with Music; 'Composing in a Time of Tyranny' with Andrew Neill

10th November at 6pm

St James' Church, North Newnton, Pewsey SN9 6LA

Discover how Richard Strauss, then Germany's leading composer, coped with the Nazi regime and Russia's greatest composer of the 20th century, Dimitri Shostakovich; a natural melodist (as this talk will show), composed and survived the ever-present threat of 'the knock at the door' during the time of Stalin.

Programme will last 90 minutes with a short break for refreshments

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SERVICE CALENDAR

OCTOBER

Sun Oct 2nd	TRINITY 16 9.30am 6.00pm	CHRIST CHURCH Holy Communion <i>MARSTON CHAPEL</i> <i>TBA</i>
Sun Oct 9th	TRINITY 17 9.30am	CHRIST CHURCH Morning Praise <i>MARSTON CHAPEL</i> <i>No Service</i>
Sun Oct 16th	TRINITY 18 9.30am	CHRIST CHURCH Holy Communion <i>MARSTON CHAPEL</i> <i>No Service</i>
Sun Oct 23rd	LAST AFTER TRINITY 9.30am	CHRIST CHURCH Informal Communion <i>MARSTON CHAPEL</i> <i>No Service</i>
Sun Oct 30th	ALL SAINTS DAY No Service - Benefice Service is at Seend 10.00am	CHRIST CHURCH <i>MARSTON CHAPEL</i> <i>No Service</i>

NOVEMBER

Sun Nov 6th	3RD BEFORE ADVENT 9.30am 6.00pm	CHRIST CHURCH Holy Communion <i>MARSTON CHAPEL</i> <i>TBA</i>
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There were no weddings, funerals or baptisms at Christ Church during August

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



WELLSPRINGS BENEFICE SERVICES
OCTOBER 2022

Due to ongoing health issues within our ministry team, we may be forced to change or cancel services at short notice. Please check our website or speak to the church warden for the latest information. We apologise for any inconvenience and ask for your understanding.

Sunday 2nd (Trinity 16)

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Potterne
9:30am	Holy Communion	Worton
9:30am	Matins	Poulshot
11am	Morning Praise	Bulkington
11am	Holy Communion	Seend

Sunday 9th (Trinity 17)

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

Friday 14th

3pm	Messy Church	Potterne Village Hall
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Sunday 16th (Trinity 18)

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Seend
9:30am	Holy Communion	Worton
11am	Holy Communion	Potterne
11am	Holy Communion (including baptism)	Bulkington
6pm	Evensong	Poulshot

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Sunday 23rd (Last after Trinity)

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

Sunday 30th (All Saints Day)

10am	Benefice Service	Seend
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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.

Churches are open for private prayer during the week.

Please visit our website www.wellspringbenefice.co.uk for more details of all our services, latest updates and to keep in touch.

Ministry Team

Rector:	Rev Ali Bridewell	(currently on leave)
Associate Priest:	Rev Caroline O'Neill	01380 828302
Benefice Administrator:	Sarah Leckie	07516 224057
	sarahleckie.wba@gmail.com	

Church Registers

Weddings

Lauren Pearce and Michael Ralls on 10th September at Christ Church

No baptisms or funerals this month.

From Christ Church:

Revd. Adrian who has been a curate in the Benefice for just over 2 years, is now continuing his training at St John's church in Devizes, along with chaplaincy at Salisbury Hospital.

He has been a real blessing, working with such enthusiasm and good humour, encouraging and engaging with young families and setting up the very popular Quest.

We will miss him, but he will still be 'popping up' from time to time.

We welcome Revd. Caroline O'Neill who was licensed to the Benefice in a lovely service at Holy Cross Church, Seend, led by Bishop Andrew, Bishop of Ramsbury (and joined by a black cat who did a tour of the church and made itself at home during the service!)

Revd. Caroline is an Associate priest, working part time, and will be working in all the churches in the Benefice.

We continue to think of Revd. Ali, as she continues her treatment, and pray for a return to good health soon.

We also think of the families of those in our villages, and others known to us, who have recently died.

We join in with the Nation's condolences to King Charles III and the Royal Family on the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

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Worton Community Speedwatch - August 2022

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

Sessions: FIFTEEN

Total Vehicles Counted: 4401

Vehicles recorded for exceeding the 30mph speed limit:359
(of which 78 were reported to Wiltshire Police for excess speed)

Maximum Speed Recorded: 53mph (On Thursday 11th at 16:03)

Highest Vehicle Count: 366 on Thursday 18th between 08.00 and 08.45.

August was a quieter month for vehicles with the schools on their summer break.

At 17.05 on Thursday the 18th as a white van travelling through the village at 51MPH drove past the passenger threw a clear liquid at us. The incident was reported to Wiltshire Police. Following their investigation the police were unable to proceed as the owner of the vehicle was not registered with the DVLA. The officer who called said this is not uncommon in the criminal fraternity.

Bob Mitchell

Dear Villagers

Just a thought.....

My wife and I have been reminiscing about Worton. Marlene has lived in Worton all her life. As far as we can work it out there are only 14 households that have an original connection to the village. When you look at it, isn't it sad?

Roger Wilshire



Whilst it is sad when people leave the village, it is also great to welcome those who arrive. If any newcomers would like to send in a short piece introducing themselves, it would be much appreciated.

Likewise, if anyone at all would like to send in letters, we would all be very pleased to hear from you.

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BEER AND CAROLS AT THE PUB MONDAY DECEMBER 5th at 7:00PM

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT AT MARSTON CHAPEL SUNDAY DECEMBER 11th at 6:00PM

NEWCOMERS OF 2022 WELCOME PARTY ON FRIDAY JANUARY 27th 2023 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

If you moved into Worton or Marston during 2022 and you haven’t received a Newcomers’ Booklet please get in touch as we won’t know to invite you if we don’t have your details. Some Newcomers may have had a Booklet but have not communicated your names etc so again please get in touch.

Jean Lane 722069 Heather Walker 725785



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Worton Parish Council

What extraordinary times these are. With the sad passing of our Queen, we have come, in the truest sense, to the end of an era. It’s unusual to experience such an acutely shared emotion of shock, which has added to the many losses we have experienced as a community recently.

I will confess that the protocols and ceremony associated with the Queen’s passing and King Charles’ accession somewhat caught me out and I wasn’t aware of some duties I apparently had until far too late, so hopefully I will be forgiven for this.

Many of you will be concerned about the lack of apparent progress with the installation of the Speed Indicator Devices. As I write these notes I am expecting an update from the Wiltshire engineering team who will be carrying out the first part of the installation process. This has been hampered by responsible officers enjoying their annual leave and the “spanner in the works” caused by one of the sites being located on the access point to the new housing development.

The change in location may well mean that another onsite meeting will need to be arranged. We are determined to “get this done” and will do our best to move things forward.

Whilst discussing traffic issues, we have submitted a request to Devizes LHFIF (Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group) to consider a number of suggestions to improve the situation which reflect ideas shared at various meetings over the last few months. These things inevitably seem slow to progress but we are constantly keeping the issue to the forefront in the best way we can. We are keeping an eye out for potential funding streams. The changes we would like to see are unlikely to be cheap and our financial resources are limited.

We are expecting to have a meeting with Tom Sheppard, who is representing Newland Homes, prior to our next Parish Council meeting. This will be an opportunity to get to know each other and to share concerns and ideas in a positive light.

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We have already been able to clarify some of the detail, but I would prefer to share information more widely after we have had the chance to meet with the developers in person. The main concerns we have raised could be summarised as:-

Number of new homes in total

How many of those will be “affordable” homes?

What consultation is taking place with residents?

What provision will be made for improved recreation and other facilities?

What support could there be to alleviate traffic issues and access through the village?

It should be noted that the access point to the new estate, which has generally been felt to be unsuitable, has already been agreed as part of the planning process.

We are expecting Mr Sheppard, the Planning Director of Newland Homes to visit the village to meet local residents and listen to their concerns in the next few weeks. We are not expecting there to be a formal presentation. We will share details of timings and location when we can via social media, notice boards etc.

We have been contacted by a young man called Oliver Symes who made an offer to source and plant trees in the Sandlease recreation area. Oliver attended our last meeting and shared his passion for trees with us. He proposed to order trees via the Woodland Trust (in a similar way to the ones we obtained linked to the Great War commemoration). We were pleased to support his idea in principle and will be having an on site meeting with him to iron out the details.

Most of you will have noticed the appearance, and rapid disappearance, of the “20 is plenty” stickers that were posted through the village. The vandalism that led to their removal was disappointing and surprising as it's hard to conceive why anyone would object to our village being made safer for us all. At the request of some residents who live on the High Street I reported the incident to the police. I can confirm that

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there hasn't been sufficient evidence reported for the case to be pursued further. However, lessons have been learned and we will be reviewing the most effective way to encourage motorists to drive safely through our village. Whilst on the subject of safety, I feel the need to remind residents whose property borders footpaths and pavements to ensure safe passageway for pedestrians. If anyone finds this difficult, please let me know via clerk@worton.org.uk, and we will try to help via the village maintenance group.

Thanks once again to all of those who supported the improvements to the “Jubilee” footpath by contributing to the appeal led by Cllr Patricia Goodenough. I am pleased to be able to report that the target was reached and that we should be able to cover the ongoing maintenance of the Worton section of the path for the immediate future.

Lastly, a reminder that the next Parish Council meeting will be on October 3rd at the Village Hall. The start time may change from the scheduled 7.30pm if there is also a meeting with Mr Sheppard from Newland Homes on the same date.

Barry Devine



OCTOBER BOOK SWAP



**Saturday 8th October
10.00am - 12 noon**

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Over the summer holidays, we were surprised and delighted to receive a donation from the Gardening Club following their successful Open Gardens weekend. The money will make a real difference to us and we are very grateful. We would like to thank the Gardening Club and all those involved in the Open Gardens weekend.

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Worton and Marston Gardening Club

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She arranged many very interesting talks for the members as well as visits to local gardens and helped organise Christmas Wreaths workshops, competitions, quizzes, and barbecues.

With quiet dedication, Rosemary gave huge support to the Gardening Club over many years and will be greatly missed.

Dave Loveys

Dave became Chair in 2017 at a time when the Club was struggling to recruit members and continue. However, his drive and enthusiasm and his blog in the Bridge reinvigorated everyone and we now have a thriving membership.

Dave had a great sense of humour, was kind and generous and will be greatly missed by everyone.

Graham Wright

Graham and Jenny moved to Marston at the Millennium, and immediately became part of Village life.

Graham had many interests, especially caravanning and golf, was interested in most sports, was a very keen gardener and member of the Gardening Club, entering the Village Show regularly.

He will be missed by all who knew him.

Events

October 17th Talk by Gill Hazell about growing Sweet Peas - Doors open at 7:30pm for a cuppa and a catch up, talk to start at 8:00pm

New members always welcome – come along and see if you fancy joining us.

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November 21st – AGM – meeting first then a chance to socialise with other members over drinks and snacks. Further details to follow.

Sally svwood90@hotmail.com Tel 01380698969

FIVE LANES WI

Our September meeting began with a time of reflection for HM the Queen who was President of Sandringham WI. After the usual business Helen and Sally demonstrated printing using wooden blocks onto fabric. Members enjoyed using their artistic talents to decorate a tea towel or shopping bag with various degrees of success!

Our next meeting on Tuesday 11th October at 7.45pm will be a talk from Scarlet Bodman on her recent trip to Kenya.

New members will always have a warm welcome.

Sarah 720244



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On behalf of the members of Ladies Group may I express our sadness at the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Pam Woods



**CALL FROM CHORAL WORKSHOP:
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The Edington Arts Choral Workshop on Saturday 22nd October is still taking applications, and anyone interested is urged to apply. Application forms are downloadable from the Edington Arts website, www.edingtonarts.org. There is space for more singers, but Edington Arts is encouraging tenors and basses in particular to apply.

The workshop, to be taken by former Kings' Singer and international choral conductor Simon Carrington has attracted a good response; the two pieces to be worked on, Britten's 'Rejoice in the Lamb' and Elgar's 'Great is the Lord', have interested choral singers from Devon, Hampshire, Dorset and Sussex as well as from Bath, Bristol and Salisbury, as well as all points closer to home. However, the assembled forces could do with more male support, so don't be shy!

The day will run at Edington Priory Church from registration at 9.30am to about 4.30pm, and there will be a final run-through at 5pm after tea and cakes, when singers' friends and families are invited to join the party. (No charge, but donations welcome).

The cost of the day is £25, £22.50 for Edington Angels, and £10 for students in full time education or training. This includes refreshments on arrival and mid morning, and hire of copies.

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Worton and Marston Village Show

Please find a list of winners and runners up of the classes in this year's Village Show (please see below). Thank you to all who entered, attended or helped with the show. Half of those who entered were not Gardening Club members so a special mention to those as we want to open up the competition to as many as possible.

If you have any ideas about changes to the show, new classes, etc, please get in touch.

Bill Francis, Show Chair, 07775616901

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Best in Show Rose	Harris Shield	A & H Walker				
Fruit	Lindis Shield	S Cox & G Bowyer	8	Nell Soni	5	D&B Francis
Home Produce	R. G. Smith Shield	Alison Parker	19	Rachael Fielding	19	D&B Francis
Craft	George Holloway Cup	Evelyn Burt/ Alison Parker	6	Debs Mackay/ Rachael Fielding	2	Rachel Holland/ Val Dodd
Men's	John Vint Cup	Giles Collins	9	D & B Francis	9	Dennis Rennie
Biggest	H. M. Howard Shield	Dennis Rennie	18	R & L Parker	12	S Cox & G Bowyer
Children's	Bodman's Coaches Shield	Callum Woods/ Lottie Thomas	3	William Thomas	2	Lacey Whiting
Geranium Exhibit	Marshall Shield	Alison Parker				
Pot Exhibit	Jubilee Cup	D & B Francis				
Photography - Adults	Lewis-Walker Cup	Catherine Bridger	9	Nell Soni	3	A & H Walker/ Sally Collins
Photography - Under 16s	Bodman's Coaches Shield	William Thomas	7	Lacey Whiting	4	Lottie Thomas
Club Champion	E. J. Chivers Cup	D & B Francis	38	R & L Parker	32	Alison Parker
Show Champion	Anne Shand Worton & Marston Flower Show Cup	D & B Francis	46	Alison Parker	36	S Cox & G Bowyer



ECO-CORNER



Mothers' Union at its monthly West Lavington meeting in September hosted Alice Corrie of Climate Stewards (part of the worldwide A Rocha family) to come along and talk to those who care about the climate crisis and want to know what they can do to help. Climate Stewards aim to help individuals and small and large organisations *measure* their carbon footprint, *reduce* what they can and *offset* the rest. They are passionate about helping us live better on low carbon while supporting our global neighbours to adapt to the impacts of climate change.

For example, individuals can use free of charge Climate Stewards' carbon footprint calculators to work out the carbon emissions from all areas of life – flights, driving, public transport, household energy, food, waste, water and everything else.

<https://www.climatestewards.org/carbon-calculators/>

Their 360carbon calculator is designed to help churches, small charities and businesses work out their carbon footprint from everything they do. Carbon footprint audits and carbon neutral advice are available for large charities and medium to large businesses.

Once you know how big your carbon footprint is, you can pinpoint areas where you can cut down or eliminate it. Climate Stewards provide some really helpful suggestions about how to reduce your carbon emissions. For example, by living more carbon lightly.

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Its nine partner carbon offsetting projects in six countries are all rooted in their individual local communities, initiated and designed by local organisations to bring benefits to biodiversity, health, family income and the local environment, as well as carbon mitigation. They

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include: biosand water filters for families in Uganda; community forestry planting in Ghana, Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda; safer, cleaner, fuel-efficient metal cookstoves for low-income families in Nepal and Peru; and time, water, fuel and money saving fireless cookers for families in Uganda.

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If you would like to find out more about your carbon emissions, how to reduce them and easily offset the rest, head to the Climate Stewards website <https://www.climatestewards.org/> or email info@climatestewards.org.

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

The Children's Society - House Boxes

As October is already here again, it is time to open our boxes. So I will be visiting all box holders later in the month in order to count the contents for the past year and send the proceeds to this very worthy charity.

For the benefit of magazine readers who don't know, The Children's Society is a National Charity that helps vulnerable children and young people suffering from abuse, neglect, poverty and fear of violence and those who have run away from home for any of these reasons. If any readers would like to help vulnerable children, the House Box scheme is an easy way to do it.

Participants take a Society box into their homes and throughout the year put into it loose change they may get. At the end of a year boxes are collected from all of the holders, emptied and the money counted by responsible people before sending it to The Children's Society. Empty Boxes will then be returned to the holder to repeat the procedure in the following year and also advising the amount that has been collected by the Box Holder.

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We are still collecting sponsorship, so if you would like to donate, please visit our Just Giving page <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/christchurchwortonmarston> or add your contact and donation details to the sponsorship form at the back of church before 10th October 2022.

Catherine (123 High Street)

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

A lifetime of service and duty

It could not have been more appropriate that the last public photograph of Queen Elizabeth II was taken two days before her death and was of her undertaking official duties. Indeed, she was performing perhaps her single most important duty: inviting a Prime Minister to form a government. Duty may be regarded as defining her reign. Outgoing and incoming Prime Ministers having to make round trips to Balmoral from Westminster in this second week of September 2022 was an indication both of continuity – Liz Truss is the Queen's fifteenth premier; the first was Winston Churchill – and change: in 1974 she flew from Australia to be in Buckingham Palace in time to receive the Prime Minister.

That it was always known this moment would come, has done little to diminish its impact for many of us. Along with Wiltshire Council colleagues, officers, and members of the public, I attended the Wiltshire Proclamation on the steps of old County Hall in Trowbridge on Sunday 11 September, and I was struck by the historical significance of the occasion. Following a minute's silence HM Lord-Lieutenant of Wiltshire, Mrs Sarah Rose Troughton introduced the event by saying, "This is a unique occasion. We are witnessing part of the fabric of our history dating back to the Middle Ages, to a time when this form of communication was the only official way that people heard such news." As I stood there my mind was taken on a kaleidoscopic journey through time, pre social media and 24-hour news, to the proclamations for Queen Elizabeth in 1952 and George VI in 1936, and earlier to the days when a stagecoach from London would have brought news of a new monarch to the people of Wiltshire.

Monarchs are accidental, are creations of circumstance, but some more than others. Initially she had no expectation of serving. One of the many remarkable aspects of the Queen's reign is that it came about, only because in 1936 her uncle, Edward VIII, declined to make the sacrifices required by his station, and abdicated. George VI passed the spirit of service to his daughter, and I am sure that

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many of us will have reflected on the speech which the then Princess Elizabeth gave from Cape Town on her 21st birthday when she promised, "that my whole life whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service and the service of our great imperial family to which we all belong".

Tamara Reay

Wiltshire Councillor for Devizes Rural West.

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VILLAGE HALL NEWS

We held a successful Nearly New Sale at the Hall on August 13th and raised £330 on the day and an additional £116 following, to put towards our new kitchen fund. We also hope to sell some of the remaining clothes to increase this in the next few weeks.

Our next fundraising event will be a Bingo Evening on Saturday, October 29th at 7pm at the Village Hall. This is back by popular demand. Tickets are £5 in advance and £6 on the night and are available from Sarah (720244) or Veronica (726845). This will include five bingo cards - one for each game. Further cards can be bought for £1 each. There will be a licensed bar with wine, bottled beer and cider, soft drinks and complimentary nibbles. So come along and enjoy a fun evening.

Another date for your diary is Wednesday, November 9th at 7pm. This will be our Management Meeting. All regular users of the Hall are invited to send a representative.

Finally, we plan to hold a Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, December 3rd 2pm-4pm. More on this to follow.

We are still looking for volunteers to be co-opted to our group so if you are interested in knowing more about this please contact Veronica on 726845.

200 Club

The winner of the £50 for July was Joe Kidd. Congratulations!!

Veronica Franklin
Chair of Trustees

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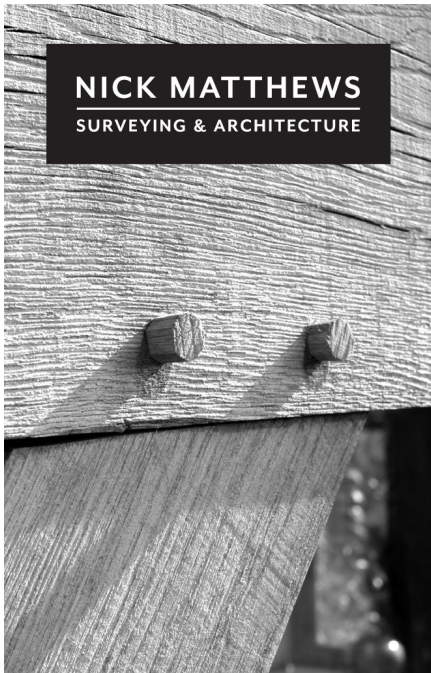
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WCFC Pays Its Respects

WCFC joined with the rest of the football community in paying our respects to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. All matches and training on the weekend of the 12th September were postponed and the following weekend all matches were preceded with a minute's silence. The new season has since started.

Badger Cubs - ages 4-6 years. Had their first training session of the season with strong attendance of over 10 new players, a very spirited bunch and we hope to sign up as many as possible after the next free session. New players always welcome at Elisha Field from 9 am Saturdays.

U7s – won their very first match against Larkhall Athletic Youth Falcons with sterling performances from all the lads! Their brand new kit had its first outing and the sun shone on a glorious day on the turf. Next up - the Future of Football Wizards.

U8s – started season with a tough loss at Chippenham. Plenty to build on however. Looking forward to a long, eventful season.

U10s - back at training on Tuesday nights at 6-7pm at the Elisha Field, Market Lavington. After a practice match we were back into league football last weekend enjoying a great game at Corsham. Always open to new players.

U11s - looking forward to starting the new season. Training on Friday 5-6 at Northbrook with games on Saturday morning. New players welcome.

U13s - preparations underway for the new season. Looking for additional players. Training on Friday evenings at West Lavington until clocks change.

U15s – the team kicked off its new season with a 7-1 victory over league newcomers Durrington. Training at 6-7pm on Friday evenings at Northbrook.

U16s - started the season well with 3 pre-season wins out of 3 and a comfortable 7-1 league win away to Warminster. Training continues Friday evenings 6:30pm at Northbrook.

U17/18s – a home game against Derry Hill FC will kick the season off on 25th September. We have 21 players registered and competition for places is fierce.

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The **Clubhouse Replacement Fund** now stands at more than £10,500 towards the £20,000 target. If you wish to help, please visit https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-worton-cheverell-replace-the-club-roof?share-type=teams&member=17482141&utm_medium=social&utm_source=whatapp&utm_campaign=p_na+share-sheet

Registration for new players remains open via the relevant age group team coach or the club secretary. We would also welcome contact from any small business wishing to sponsor an advertising board.

Committee

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 U9– Pete Huntley- 07974756131
 U10- Nick Church nickchurch88@gmail.com
 U11- Mark Goddard – 01380 813160
 U13 - Neil Black- 07769 261750
 U15 -Mark Goddard- 01380 813160
 U16– Dave Kiddle- 07843678781
 U17/18s– Andy Morris -07488 240243

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Evening opening

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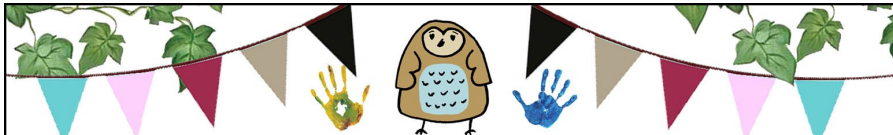
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*Extracts from The Bridge (October 1992),
kindly provided by Tony Walker*

RIGHTS OF WAY

There are always problems with rights of way. In 1949 Wiltshire County Council recorded all the paths in our area on a definitive map. This has now been up-dated and this month is shown across the middle pages of this magazine. The County Council now employs a rights of way officer for this area.

Public footpaths (usually a minimum of 1 metre wide) can only be used by walkers. Public bridleways (minimum 2 metres wide) can only be used by walkers, horse riders and cyclists (NOT motorised vehicles). By ways are open to motor vehicles as well as walkers, horse riders and cyclists.

Please let Parish Council or the County Council (the enforcement authority) know if a local footpath of the sort described above is being misused or abused or if there is no clear route shown or signposts are damaged or there are obstructions like barbed wire fences, ploughed up or with broken stiles or bridges.

For your information, if a path on the definitive map is, say, blocked by barbed wire you can legally remove enough of it to allow you to pass. Naturally, if a path is ploughed up the farmer is entitled to a reasonable time to make the route clear again - a day is usual and up to 14 days if the path disturbance is the first time a particular crop is planted there. It is no longer acceptable that a right of way running along the edge of a field should be ploughed up.

You can still go through the field if the line of the path is not clear, but make sure you keep as near as possible to where you think the line is and ensure you do the minimum damage to the crops. You are not entitled to let your dog run free over a farmer's field, with or without crops, only on the footpath.

If you come across a bull in a field you want to cross it might be as well to find an alternative route. A farmer is entitled to allow a bull in a field where there is a right of way as long as it is a non-dairy breed and is accompanied by cows or if it is less than 10 months old.

Please contact the Clerk to Worton Parish Council if you can help, with footpath number 10. Details elsewhere in this magazine.

Use them or lose them.

Ken Harris.

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Rose and Crown are holding a skittles "marathon" by the ladies skittles team, who will play for 2 hours on Saturday 17th October at 8.00 pm. Everyone is invited to guess how many points they can score in the 2 hours. (30p per guess and £1.00 for 4 guesses. The winner will receive a meal for two at the Rose and Crown.

LESLEY HALL - Headteacher

FLOWER SHOW 1992

We had wondered whether we would repeat the success of the 1991 show as this is not a special anniversary and the weather has not been particularly kind to gardens of late. However, the entries rolled in and by Show Day had topped 400. The judges complimented the villages on generally rising standards and supporters gathered in force for the Prize Giving.

This year we had an additional trophy awarded to the Gardening Club member with the highest number of points in gardening related sections (vegetables, flowers and fruit). The trophy was donated by Mr. Ted Chivers and is an original cup from the Chivers Flower Shows, first presented in 1947. In this, the first year that the Gardening Club has organized the Show, the cup was won by Faith and Tim Weeding.

The Committee thanks all those who so generously donated raffle prizes and a special word of thanks goes to Pauline Chivers for her beautiful calligraphy on the Prize Cards.

Now is the time to begin planning your gardens with next year's Show in mind. All members of the Gardening Club are entitled to a large discount on seed orders so don't miss the AGM and membership enrolment on 19th October.

This year's Flower Show Committee extends a warm thank you to all exhibitors and supporters for their enthusiasm and commitment and looks forward to seeing you all at next year's Show.

*Frank Barcham, Mavis Bennett, June Clack, Ena Harris,
Jennifer Haynes, Philip Oram, John Vint, Mary Vint,
Tony Walker, Faith Weeding, Tim Weeding.*

VILLAGE DIARY

Regular Meetings

In the Village Hall

(all currently suspended or on Zoom)

- **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**
Tuesdays 6pm-7.30pm
- **Potterne Rainbows**
Tuesdays 4.45pm-5.45pm
- **Worton Parish Council Meeting**
1st Monday (not Aug) or as shown on notice boards

In the Chapel at Marston (currently suspended or on Zoom)

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

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- **Book Swap**
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- 11th WI meeting
- 13th Are you Crafty?
- 17th Gardening Club
- 29th Village Hall Bingo

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