

NEWS AND VIEWS

JULY & AUGUST 2011



*Calendar of Services in the Lavingtons, Cheverells & Easterton
July 2011*

Date	Market Lavington	West Lavington	Easterton	Great Cheverell	Little Cheverell
3rd July	9.30am * Half Hour Service	9.30am Parish Communion (Traditional)	11.00am Matins (BCP)	11.00am Extended Communion	8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10th July	8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) 11.00am * United Service at	9.30am * Parish Communion	11.00am * United Service at Trinity, Market Lavington	6.00pm Evensong (BCP)	11.00am Parish Communion (Traditional)
17th July	9.30am * Parish Communion	8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) 9.30am Matins (BCP)	11.00am Parish Communion	9.30am 'Welcome to Worship' (not communion)	11.00am Parish Communion (BCP)
24th July	8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) 7.00pm Prayer & Praise	9.30am * Half Hour Service		11.00am Parish Communion (BCP)	
31st July	8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)				10.30am Benefice Communion

* An asterisk indicates services where children's activities are provided.

*Calendar of Services in the Lavingtons, Cheverells & Easterton
August 2011*

Date	Market Lavington	West Lavington	Easterton	Great Cheverell	Little Cheverell
7th August		8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)	10.30am Parish Communion		
14th August	10.30am Parish Communion			8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)	
21st August		10.30am Parish Communion)			8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
28th August			8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)	10.30am Simple Celebration	
<p>Regular worship in our sister churches: 9.00am St Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Littleton Panell* 10.30am Trinity Church in the Community Hall Market Lavington* 11.00am & 6.00pm Ebenezer Baptist Church West Lavington.</p>					

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VILLAGE CARE
West Lavington, Littleton Panell & Little Cheverell
TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 816826

Dear Friends,

This week I watched Terry Pratchett's television programme about assisted dying. I imagine that a number of you will have done so as well. It is one of the big 'life and death' issues of our times and one about which people have widely differing views, often strongly held.

One of the many responses to the programme was a letter to The Times from Nigel Rawlinson, a doctor from Wick in Gloucestershire who has experience in A&E and more recently in palliative care.

He made three points: First, the case for assisted dying is selfish. It's all about "me", "I", and "my rights". There is no regard for the feelings of others. Second, it likens our humanity to that of cats and dogs. Human beings, and human dignity, are much more than that. Third, it portrays ultimate hopelessness.

The word 'dignity' was mentioned a lot on the programme. The Doctor asked, "What defines our dignity?" Advocates of assisted dying would say that it is "my personal right", being left alone and allowed to do "my wish". He thinks it is the opposite. Our dignity is given to us by others, by their love, their regard, value and care for us, whoever we are. Dignity is expressed for some by faith in God, and many more turn there than we are led to believe by this secular society of ours. Dignity values living, and not dying.

Nigel Rawlinson sees this as the start of a rather different story – a story of hope.

We won't all agree with his sentiments, but I found much that made sense.

James Campbell

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Tel. (01380) 816963

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Rev'd Ann Cocking (01380) 812763

WEST LAVINGTON CHURCH FETE, 18th June

Despite the inclement weather the people who braved the showers and the wind enjoyed themselves. The Dog Show, run by Henrietta Goggs, was a great success and my thanks must go to her for all her hard work in organizing this.

My thanks also to all those who helped on stalls, teas, the Beer Tent, Barbecue, and Car Parking, to name but a few, and also to those who worked so hard on publicity before the event, so many giving of their time and commitment. Thank you.

Sadly, our total of just over £2,000 was way down on last year, but hopefully memories of fun, games, go karts and steam trains will remain, and encourage people to come again next year when we hope the sun will shine on us.

Liz Evans

(And the thanks of everyone who was there to Liz Evans and Liz Bord for arranging the event, with such good humour and enthusiasm. Ed)

CHURCH FETE TEAS THANK YOU!

To all those who helped me with the teas on the day of the fete, to David for the milk, and to those who generously gave tea, coffee, sugar, cakes etc and/or donations.

Without the above help it would not have been possible for me to organise the teas.

Mary Diccox

GREAT CHEVERELL FETE, 25th June

Our fete was blessed with good weather, which meant that we were assured of a good attendance for the occasion. Some new events, like the Helicopter Rides, the Dog Show and the Steam Train, attracted great interest and we are delighted to say that £2,500 was raised – an increase on last year. Thanks are due to all those who came and, even more, to those who ran stalls or who helped in a multitude of other ways.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE Bill Chadwick

A Thanksgiving Service has been arranged for William Chadwick (Bill) who lived for many years in Rickbarton, West Lavington, on Saturday, 30th July starting at 2:30pm in West Lavington Church.

His family hope that some of his friends and neighbours will be able to attend. There will be some refreshments in the Church after the service.

An evening of choral music and fun at the MARKET LAVINGTON COMMUNITY CHOIR Summer Concert

Featuring a wide selection of
music from Sacred to Soul!
Friday July 8th, 7:30pm
at St Mary's Church, Market Lavington
Tickets £4 (children £2)
(including a glass of sparkling wine)
from Market Lavington Post Office

WEDDING PHOTO COMPETITION AT WEST LAVINGTON FETE

We were too late to get the results of this competition announced at the fete. The winners were:

The oldest photograph- submitted by Tony Morton. Date not yet authenticated, but believed to be in the late 19th century. The next oldest was submitted by Keith Nutland and was dated 1907. That wedding was the oldest West Lavington wedding submitted in the competition, although there were one or two older ones exhibited from the village archive.

The funniest wedding photo- (by overwhelming public vote), was submitted by Liz Evans

The happiest couple- (again by public vote) was submitted by Tony Morton. Not for the same photo, but for a much more recent wedding!

Thank you to all those who submitted photos, and also to those who voted.

THE CHEVERELLS GARDEN CLUB The Cheverells Garden Club Annual – 14th June 2011

The evening of the Great Cheverell Garden visits was thankfully dry and sunny and so there was a large group of members visiting the four gardens in Great Cheverell kindly offered to us. What a treat and inspiration it was to wander through these beautiful gardens and to be able to ask questions about the planting. We ended up with Helen and Chris, where there were some 'before and after' pictures that showed what a transformation there had been in one year! A big thank you to all those gardeners in the four gardens who had worked so hard to prepare for our visit and had been willing to show us round.



There was a raffle which was won by Gladys.

Next month's meeting on Tuesday 12th July is a visit to 'Wellaway' a National Garden Scheme garden in Marston. The visit is subsidised for Cheverells' Garden Club members for whom the charge will be £5, and this includes tea and biscuits. For non-members the charge will be £8.

Please arrive at the Village Hall at **6:30pm** in order to sort out transport



Wiltshire
GOOD NEIGHBOURS

At the heart of your community

Welcome to Wiltshire Good Neighbours – a new free service for the residents of The Lavingtons, Easterton, Eastcott, Urchfont and Wedhampton.

My name is Jo Loring-Fisher and I am your Good Neighbour Coordinator. As an employee of Community First, I am here to assist older residents of rural communities access services in order for them to live safe, comfortable, fulfilling and independent lives.



I aim to be a friendly and familiar face in the community, to listen to your concerns, and provide you with information on services such as: where to find advice about benefits; healthcare needs; social activities and transport for health related journeys or shopping. I will do my best to help you to identify what you need, and connect you with the services that can help you.

If you feel that you, or someone else could benefit from this service, please contact me by telephone on

07557 110417 or email gncarea09@communityfirst.org.uk

Wiltshire Good Neighbours is a free service funded by Wiltshire Council and provided by Community First in partnership with Age UK Wiltshire and Age Concern Salisbury.



Wiltshire Council **COMMUNITY FIRST** Wiltshire **age UK** **AGE Concern** Salisbury District

VILLAGE CARE AND LINK

If you have even a small amount of spare time please consider helping us as a volunteer driver or phone operator; we are in desperate need of both. Simply call us on any of the numbers below. Drivers are only asked to drive when they are available; that's why we need lots on our list.

We held our AGM on 23rd May, where we reported on the year's activities and re-elected the committee. including two new members.

The year April 2010 to April 2011 saw the consolidation of our affiliation to the Link Project. One result of this was the receipt of a grant from Wiltshire Council and the NHS. All our drivers and other members now have CRB clearance and our systems have been brought up to date.

At the close of the year we had 33 registered drivers. Although this seems to be a large number, many cannot undertake the longer journeys and of course not everybody is available all the time.

Between 1st May 2010 and 31st March 2011 we took 113 requests for transport which resulted in 110 journeys and an approximate aggregate mileage of 2,143. Of these 18 were to Salisbury, 16 to three sites around Bath and 6 to Swindon.

The urgent aim this year is to recruit additional drivers and members to undertake a turn once a year to take the log book and telephone to accept requests for transport.

In 2012, on 21st April we are organising and sponsoring a Village Gala in and around West Lavington Village Hall. The idea is to invite all village organisations based in West Lavington, Littleton Panell and Little Cheverell to give them an opportunity to promote their activities. This will be a free, fun event, based on the theme of St George's Day and will not be used for fund raising. The Care Group will provide afternoon tea, promote its activities and hopefully recruit lots of new drivers.

Anyone who runs or belongs to village organisations is invited to contact Julie Collins with details of the organisation so we can send them an invitation. Julie's phone is 816973, and email ralph.collins@talktalk.net

Finally, if you need transport for (generally) medical related appointments and cannot use public transport, please call our central dedicated number which is 816826.

To volunteer as a driver or phone operator, please contact Julie Collins 816973, Michael Page 818510 or Eileen Hinton 813264.

FREELANCE DRIVER REQUIRED

We are looking for a safe, confident and experienced person to help with school runs and general driving (car provided).

If you have a full clean licence and have any spare hours to help out, please call:

**Pippa Anderson on
07767 488 899 or email me
pa@anderson-co.com**

FUN AND FROLICKS FOR ALL THE FAMILY!

Sunday 28th August.....Can we do it again? Once again, we would like to offer huge thanks for your support of The Soapbox Derby last year. The turnout was phenomenal and your generosity, kindness and spirit of fun enabled us to donate nearly **£6,000** to Cancer Research UK - specifically toward breast cancer research. This year, to keep things fresh and interesting, we're shaking things up a bit, and hosting **Party At The Pavilion**.

Glastonbury meets Cheverell.... Bring a blanket, bring your deck chair, bring your dancing shoes and be entertained by no fewer than 10 of Wiltshire's finest bands. Ranging from the bright young things of Cheverell to the not quite so young – but still devilishly handsome – and extremely talented, Purple Fish, and many more besides. For one night only, even Elvis will be back in the building!

And for big kids and little kids alike! To make sure we keep you thoroughly entertained throughout the day, there'll be a Bar, a BBQ, Beer & cider, bar games and quizzes; Champagne & Pimms, manicures & pedicures; Face painting and party games!

Kicking it all off: Running to beat breast cancer! Nearly 200 of you took part in the 5K fun run/walk in 2010 and we'd be thrilled if you'd join us again this year to try and match that success. Everyone is welcome – male and female, young and old, fighting fit or flagging a bit! And we're also introducing **Little Legs**, a much shorter run designed for 4 to 11 year olds, so nobody has to miss out on doing their bit if they don't want to.

Not to leave out the slightly more adventurous of you.... Why not sign up for the inaugural Cheverell Wheelbarrow Race? Open to all, take part in a hair-raising, off road course where you can pit your wits against your friends and neighbours and maybe even your own family. Who says it's the taking part that counts!

Entry and sponsorship forms are available from Cheverell Stores and will cost you £5.00 (£2.00 for Little Legs). No need to get sponsors – although of course if you want to then that would be fantastic and all the money that we make will go to **Breast Cancer Research**.

We would be very happy to talk to you if you have any questions about the day. Or if you are interested in helping out on the day, then we'd love to hear from you. Otherwise, we hope to see you on the day and that you have a great time. It would be fantastic to raise some money for a good cause, but as ever, the emphasis will be on fun and we hope that you'll either take part or come along to support and encourage those who do.

Best Wishes,
Pete Andrew (812439) & Sara Currie (813865)

WEST LAVINGTON YOUTH CLUB

The West Lavington Village Fete was a real success despite the variable weather. We certainly had a great deal of interest in our YC table with Lyn on Genealogy and History Booklets and Hazel on Recipe Books. The photographic presentation that Lyn did certainly created some interest. If you would like Lyn and her team to look into your family history make a date for 16th & 17th July. Ring Lyn on 813943 and book your slot at the Youth Club.

Our extra evening on Monday's 7:00 to 9:00pm., especially for younger members, school years 7-8-9. is proving to be a real success, with increased numbers each week, the following are still to take place, so come and join in the fun.

- July 4 - It's a knockout fun and games for all
- July 11 - Girls only - Pamper evening
- July 18 - Football Girls also welcome
- July 25 - B-B-Q an opportunity meet your friends before the holidays

We look forward to seeing you all; bring a friend.
Do not forget we are open for all member ages on Wednesday nights.
Eric Freeman - Chairman,
West Lavington Youth Club Management Committee

LAVINGTON & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

Members of the Gardening Club will be relieved to know that the Editor has now thrown away his 2010 calendar of events and that he can now report more accurately than last month that the July meeting will be held on July 20th in West Lavington Village Hall at 7:15pm when Diana Lyndon-Critchley will talk on Building a Border. There will be plants for Sale. The subject of this month's competition is a Vase of Sweet Peas. The Summer Show will be held in the Community Hall, Market Lavington on August 27th.

Youth Club on Target !



YOUTH CLUB FUND RAISING

Get your cartridges this way!

I have been using The Cartridge People for about five or six years to purchase my ink cartridges on line. I don't use compatible products, but the proper manufacturer's cartridges, although you can get compatible ones here as well. The cartridges are the cheapest I have found and they have never let me down yet. Now, the Youth Club has a dedicated web page at Cartridge People and for every purchase that goes through the web page, the Youth Club will receive 10% of the value, helping us to raise some much needed funds.

All you have to do is order your cartridges through this website:
www.cartridgepeople.com/west-lav-youth-club

Once on the site, press the pink button and then you can select your cartridges. They always list the compatible ones first, but just keep on scrolling and you'll get to the originals.
Or if you prefer to do it by phone you can phone 0845 850 1247 and make sure you quote the West Lavington Youth Club.
NOT ONLY THAT...BUT.....

Under this scheme we can get £1 for every original branded cartridge which we collect for recycling, or 50p for a remanufactured cartridge or 75p for an original brand toner. (Unfortunately all this excludes Brother, Epson or Kodak, but anything else will be paid for)

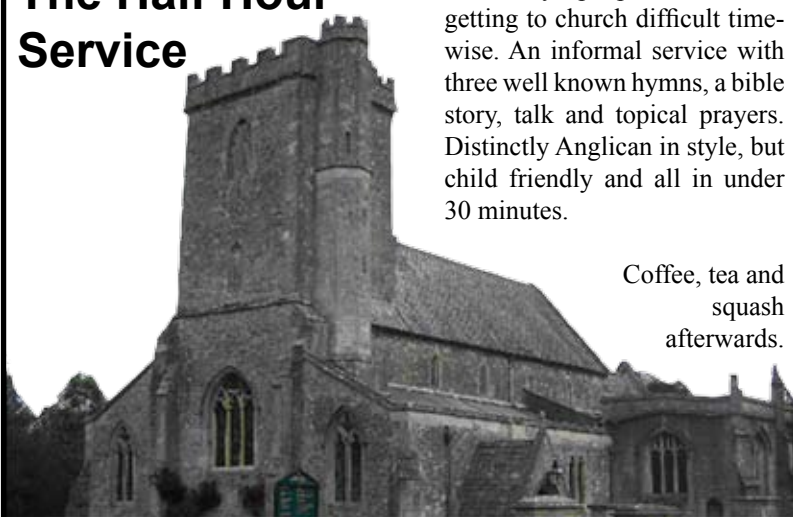
So please let me have your empty cartridges for recycling and help us to raise money! Maybe you can collect them at work as well for us?
I have absolutely no hesitation in personally recommending this website to you. In addition to cartridges they supply the best laminating pockets, and I've also purchased photo paper from them over the years.
Your support for this project will be greatly appreciated, and I hope you will find that you are saving yourself some money too!!

Many thanks, Lyn Dyson

WORSHIP IN OUR SISTER CHURCHES

Trinity Church, Market Lavington (United Church):
Services each Sunday in the Community Hall 10:30am
St. Joseph's, Littleton Panell (Roman Catholic):
Mass with Sunday School. 9:00am. Confessions before Mass.
Ebenezer Baptist Chapel, West Lavington:
Sunday 11 am and 6 pm (Secretary J. Coxhead 01373 823038)

The Half Hour Service



For busy people who find getting to church difficult time-wise. An informal service with three well known hymns, a bible story, talk and topical prayers. Distinctly Anglican in style, but child friendly and all in under 30 minutes.

Coffee, tea and squash afterwards.

9:30 am Sunday 24th July
All Saints Church West Lavington

DEVIZES CHILD CONTACT CENTRE IS LOOKING FOR A NEW CENTRE COORDINATOR



Devizes Child Contact Centre provides a service for children whose parents have split up and who might otherwise not have contact with the parent with whom they don't live. The Centre is urgently looking for a new Centre Coordinator. Evidence suggests that, when parents split up, children almost always do better in the long term when they maintain contact with both parents. However, when parents split up, there can be real or imagined concerns about contact. In some cases, contact simply doesn't happen for an extended period and in those cases re-establishing it can be difficult.

Devizes Child Contact Centre provides a simple and low cost facility to help maintain and re-establish contact:

- space (St Andrew's church hall and associated rooms);
- toys, games and other play equipment;
- friendly volunteers on hand to ensure the smooth-running of the facility, resolve difficulties and provide some friendly support.

The Centre is open on the second and fourth afternoons of each month. The mother (usually) brings the child and there is a handover arrangement overseen by the volunteers. In some cases, this is complex and has to include organising things so that the separated parents don't actually have to see each other – while ensuring that the child (who is in the middle of all this) is made to feel as comfortable as possible.

The Centre has a volunteer Centre Coordinator who liaises with solicitors and families and sets up the arrangements for families to use the Centre.

"However, the bad news for us is that our current Centre Coordinator has her house on the market preparatory to moving away from Devizes. So we are looking for someone who would like a volunteer role which provides both challenge and interest and which requires the ability to deal with sometimes complex situations in a tactful way."

For more information about what is involved contact Lisa Green on 01380 726817

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

Who Do You Think You Are?

Local genealogists, Lyn, Becky and Mike will be back at the Youth Club on Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th July to get you started on your family history, or help you if you have started but got stuck!

Please phone Lyn Dyson 01380 813943 for an appointment.
Donations to the youth club will be greatly appreciated.
Refreshments available
Visual display of village photographs from the Hooper collection

1st Lavington Sea Scouts
Help Wanted

We are looking for occasional helpers to come and help us to run activities.

Sea Scouts
Fridays 7:00pm to 9:00pm
Term time only

Someone to come out on cycle rides - 4 times a year
Someone to help with outdoor games - 6 times a year
Someone to come kayaking on the canal - 8 times during the summer term
Someone to help with indoor activities, games etc - 10 times a year.

Cub Scouts
Mondays
6:15pm to 7:45pm

People to join a flexible rota to help run games and activities, and be eyes in the back of Akela's head.

Cubs meet 33 times each year. Training provided
CRB Checks paid for by Scout Association
01380 812450

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A MESSAGE FROM RICHARD GAMBLE

Wiltshire Councillor for The Lavingtons & Erlestoke Division

There are two layers in which you might be interested in "planning". On a day-to-day basis, any of us may apply for planning permission to change our property, or we may have a view on someone else's application and wish to oppose or support it. Planning in this context is more accurately termed "development control".

It is a process which can arouse strong views and, on some occasions, can disturb social harmony between neighbours. What is allowed or disallowed, however, is not determined by opinion, whatever the passion of argument, but principally by national legislation and guidelines (a very large pile of paper!) and by the published local plan. For Eastern Wiltshire, the local plan is the Kennet Local Plan 2011, adopted in 2004 and amended by the Secretary of State in 2007. It is the job of the development control officers and, if necessary, the planning committee, to interpret and apply this local plan and the national rules and guidelines in each case with as much common sense as possible.

You may notice the date attached to the current local plan. Under national rules, a new plan must be prepared for Eastern Wiltshire and for the rest of the county within the next 18 months or so. For this reason, a consultation is now underway on the core strategy for Wiltshire for the period until 2026 (excluding South Wiltshire, which is ahead in the process for some reason). An initial consultation took place in 2009/10, since when government guidelines on regional strategy and housing needs have changed. This latest stage concentrates on the needs for housing and employment land over the next 15 years and invites comments about infrastructure requirements.

The draft core strategy makes some specific spatial proposals for the larger towns of Chippenham, Salisbury and Trowbridge but Devizes and other areas are discussed in more numerical terms (i.e. how many houses are needed rather than exactly where they should go). At a later date, Devizes and the surrounding parishes will be invited to prepare Neighbourhood Plans to apply the core strategy in a local context.

Planning at this level eventually determines what can be decided in the development control process in the future, so it important to us all. The consultation provides an opportunity for you to say what you think about the need for more jobs and houses in our area (not just for yourself but for the next generation) and about what infrastructure (roads, hospitals, schools, railway stations, etc.) is needed to support this.

To take part, go to <http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal> before 8th August. An exhibition of local proposals is being held at the Corn Exchange, Devizes on Monday 11th July between 2:00pm and 8:00pm when officers will be available to answer your questions.

The next meeting of the Devizes Area Board is on Monday 18th July at 7:00pm at Lavington School. All are welcome.

You may contact me about this or any other matter on
richard.gamble@wiltshire.gov.uk
or by phone on 01380 813619.

CHEVERELL MAGNA PARISH COUNCIL

Petition about HGV's: We are collecting signatures for a petition to reduce the number of HGVs diverted through Great Cheverell. We should be very grateful for your support when someone comes to your door, but if we have missed you, please sign the petition which is kindly being run at the shop.

Our suggestion to divert HGVs away from the A360, eastwards to the A342 and A345, will affect fewer communities and is a more efficient route for HGVs. This proposal will involve changes in signage and other measures and has been adopted by the Area Board. We now want action from them and Wiltshire Council to reduce the number of lorries using our village. Our ultimate aim is to get a weight restriction (7.5 tons) to limit HGV traffic here further.

20 mph Speed Limit: Thank you to all who keep to the new, lower speed limit through the village! This has produced positive results, as recent speed checks show that average speeds are lower. As expected, the decreases are small, but nevertheless a real achievement. Research shows that just an average 1 mph reduction in speed can result in a 5% reduction in casualties. There are still some motorists, however, who do not appear to see or care to adhere to 20 mph and still drive through here at 30 mph or more. We are therefore trying to emphasise the 20 mph limit and asking Wiltshire Council for additional signage changes, particularly by the school. If you have any suggestions for how to reinforce the 20 mph scheme and make it work better, please pass on your ideas to me.

Val Noviss, Parish Clerk (01380 813227)
cheverellmagna@hotmail.co.uk

WEST LAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of West Lavington Parish Council was held on Thursday, 2nd June.

Theft: PC.SO Nina Marsh attended, and reported to us the theft of lead from the roof of All Saints Church. Enquiries continue, but if anyone has any information she encourages us to report it to the Police line – 0845 4087000.

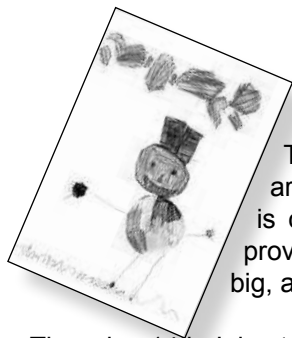
Speeding: Speeding on the A360 continues to be a cause for concern. Temporary Interactive speeding signs are due to be placed along the road during the next few months, and PC Marsh will attend in her car whenever possible.

Street Lighting: The street lighting consultation is ongoing until the end of June, with a number of letters from villagers both for and against. The Council will put this on the agenda for July before sending our information to Wiltshire Council for their decision.

Footpaths: The first cut of the footpaths has been completed. Please try to keep to the village paths and please continue to report any needing extra attention

Liz Evans (Chair)

West Lavington Website; The website is **www.westlavington.info**. The site is full of local news and links to many organizations, both local and County wide.



GREAT CHEVERELL PRE-SCHOOL FREE EVENTS AT THE PRE-SCHOOL FOR JULY

Thursday 7th July at 1:30pm – Sure Start Children’s Centre are running a Craft afternoon for all pre-school children. This is open to all and there is no charge. Refreshments will be provided. We don’t know what they intend to make but it may be big, as they want to use the school playground as well!

Thursday 14th July at 10:30am – Barefoot Story Teller will be with us. She will be re-telling a traditional story in a lively and exciting way with lots of interaction from the children. Open to all pre-school children and there is no charge. Refreshments will be provided.

As the pre-school nears the end of term we are busy taking registrations for next September. Early registration ensures we can plan sessions and events. We can take children from 18 months old but, owing to staff ratios, places are limited and can only be offered on a first come first served basis. Please call the number above to receive more details or to arrange a visit.

Great Cheverell Pre-School and Nursery is a charitable pre-school. Based in the grounds of Holy Trinity School and enjoying close links with the school and community. Reg. Charity No. 1037654

LAVINGTON AND DISTRICT SWIMMING CLUB



Location: DAUNTSEY’S SCHOOL

SUNDAY 5.15pm to 6.45pm,

TUESDAY 7.30pm to 8.30pm

Childrens’ Fun with floats–Sunday 5.15pm to 6.00pm,

Lane swimming available every session

FEES: £50 PER TERM FOR A FAMILY (£2.50 per swim)

£25 PER TERM FOR AN INDIVIDUAL (£1.25 per swim)

Summer Term starts Tuesday 26th April 2011

& ends Tuesday 10th July 2011

(20 SWIMMING SESSIONS)

Half Term Closure:

Sun 29th & Tue 31st May

Guest Fees: ADULTS:- £3.00

CHILDREN:- £1.50

Stephen Read. 22 Canada Rise, Market Lavington.

Tel: 01380 816280.

Email: indulge.two@googlemail.com

Michael Russell. 01380 818110, or 07836 515677.

Email: michaelrussell3735@btinternet.com

Come along for a “taster” – Guest Fee charged (£5 per family) which will be deducted when you join the Club for a term



Dauntsey’s Aided Primary School

Our topic this term 6 is ‘Somewhere Special’. Our children have had a busy start to the term; Orinoco class now have no excuses for ever running late; they designed and created clocks at Dauntsey’s School, the results of which were fabulous. Several of our children were fortunate enough to be able to work alongside local artist David Gunning drawing still life at Avebury. The school would like to thank both Devizes

DFAS and Devizes Museum for organising such a fabulous event. The artwork was stunning and has pride of place at school on display. Ganges class have also visited Avebury as part of their topic and had a thoroughly enjoyable day learning lots about the area.

Amazon, Thames and Nile class have participated in the annual infant fun day at Urchfont Primary School.

From Monday 20th June the school has been involved in an Enterprise Week with children working in teams with a target of raising funds to buy new laptops to aid learning.

The rain held off (just) for our annual Sports Day on Tuesday 21st. All the children competed in a variety of events and all gave it their best!

Our talented musicians have had the opportunity to showcase their talents at the summer performance, all performing exceptionally well. The evening was well attended with all enjoying the magical musical renditions.

On Thursday 23rd June we are planning to have an ‘Enterprise Market’ which will be a celebration of children’s learning throughout Enterprise Week. Enterprise Week will begin on Friday 17th June when each child in the school will be given £1 to enable children to make essential purchases during the weekend. ‘Companies’ will be formed; they will devise a business plan, promote their company and prepare their idea with a bid to raise money at the Enterprise Market on Thursday afternoon.

**Need to get to the RUH?
Live in west Wiltshire?**



**Book Connect2 for work,
appointments or visiting.**

To book call **08456 525255** option **2**

For information **01380 860100**

To contact us from the hospital dial **1444** from any hospital extension.

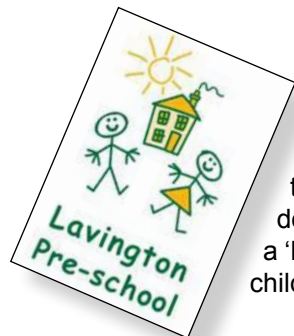
Connect at Erlestoke or Great Cheverell to use this service.



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LAVINGTON PRE-SCHOOL



We begin Term 6 with our new topic 'Somewhere Special' – we have been talking with the children asking them where their 'Somewhere Special' is and why it is special to them, how do they get there, whom do they go with. We have introduced a 'Book of the Week' this term, and we aim to ensure that all our children hear the story during the week.

We have started to harvest some of our vegetables. We have enjoyed using our senses to "smell" the spring onions, "taste" the strawberries, "listen" to the crunchy raw carrots and "look" at how muddy the potatoes were before they were cooked. The children have also been busy baking this term – making some delicious "whoopie pies". They used their numeracy skills to help measure out the ingredients, physical skills to mix the ingredients and most importantly they used their taste-buds to test the pies once made.

We have been visited Dauntsey's Aided Primary School to join in with one of their daily assemblies and also to share Amazon's Celebration Assembly. On both occasions the pre-school children were impeccably behaved.

**For any further information, please contact Vici Knott,
Pre-school Supervisor on: Telephone (07730) 285998**

NEWS FROM HOLY TRINITY CE AIDED PRIMARY

As a school judged to be outstanding by Ofsted, Holy Trinity would be able to convert to an Academy easily – many of the requirements are already complied with as a result of this judgement and the Secretary of State will simply nod the application through.

Following a year of research, an exhaustive feasibility study and consultation with many different stakeholders, the governing body of Holy Trinity has decided that our children's best interests would be served by converting the school to Academy status.



The main benefits are that we will be able to continue to develop the creative and engaging curriculum which is at the heart of our great academic achievements, rather than being tied into the proposed new curriculum (which, as it stands, in our opinion does not look fit for the purpose of preparing our children to live and work in the 21st century) and we will have control over all the money allocated to

our school from the central government (at present some is "top sliced" by the County to support various services).

We will also be able to retain and strengthen the Church school ethos by close association with the Diocese of Salisbury – this foundation being the reason for the overall success of the school. We will be able to reach out to support other schools who may ask us for help to raise standards in their settings.

We will still have a requirement to write SATS, to undergo Ofsted inspections in the usual way and to teach maths, literacy, science, RE and other aspects of a broad and balanced curriculum. Indeed, within the school, nothing much will change except that the curriculum provided will go from strength to strength to engage and enthuse children in their learning.

This is an exciting new step for Holy Trinity and we are very glad that we have been given the opportunity to become more independent in this way. We welcome members of the community, prospective parents and other stakeholders to come along and visit our school to see the great work that goes on here and to share in the fun of being part of the Holy Trinity community.

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WORTON AND CHEVERELL F.C. 'The Badgers'

The Champions League Finals took place on 11th June, when the Badgers celebrated with their Annual Fun Day and Awards ceremony. The tournament was well attended, with players from every age group taking part, culminating in a penalty shoot out between Man Utd and Chelsea. League winner trophies were presented to both the Under 9 Badgers and Under 12 teams.

On Saturday 9 July, the Club will be holding a 'Summer Extravaganza' fund raising event (it costs the Club around £13,000 a year to run), with a signed David Beckham shirt being one of the many raffle prizes. This event will take place at the Great Cheverell Pavilion and field from 5:00pm to 11:00pm. This event is open to both Adults and Children from the Club, who are also welcome to camp overnight (small extra charge and bring your own tents). There will be a licensed bar, food (including breakfast rolls for the morning), and several live bands playing from a main stage. Please email the Club Secretary, Paul Sperring (see website), or your Manager if you are attending (and numbers in your group for planning purposes).

<http://www.wortonandcheverellfc.co.uk>

Steve Dagnall 01380-727976

WORTON & CHEVERELL F.C. 'The Badgers'. 2010/11 Presentations June 2011			
	Player of the Year	Players Player / Clubman	Golden Boot / Most Improved / Clubman
Under 7	Danny Bowyer	Arlo Stone	Will Cook
U8 - (2 teams)	George Clarke	Josh Cook	Ben Woods
	Isaac Wain	Liam Scott	Austin Wood
U9 Badgers	Morgan Sprules	Josh Weyman	Oli Barnes
U9 Wizards	Jack Swan	Ryan Barton	Raf Stone
U10	Alfie Brinton	Henry Luzi	Josh Francis
U11	Madeleine Brown	Joe McMillan	Charlie Lawrence
U12	Chrisie Vick	Calum Littlestone	Tom Honeychurch / Sam Bishop
U13	Malesor Bardh	Alex Samon	Jamie Cox
U14	Calum Damon	Rob Kyte	
U16	Ross Walker	Harry Ash	Ben Perrett

WEST LAVINGTON TWINNING ASSOCIATION



As I mentioned in last month's article, we are looking forward to our visit to St. Pierre d'Autils in July. We also have a busy social calendar throughout the year with some events restricted to members only, but others open to all. Watch this space!

I also mentioned last month that we were busy preparing a calendar for 2012 showing photographs of West Lavington and of St Pierre taken by members of the two associations. These have now been printed and are available at £7.99 from myself on 818510 or The Bridge Inn (thanks to Cyrille).

Funds raised will be used towards financing events to be held in 2012 when members of the St. Pierre Twinning Association are due to visit us.

Membership of the association is open all in West Lavington and surrounding villages. To join, simply contact Mr M Johnson, 44 High Street, West Lavington, SN10 4JB or email or phone your details to blocker38@hotmail.com or 01380 818147.

Michael Page, Secretary



At our last meeting we prepared to meet out fête! Our very grateful thanks to all who gave so generously of their time (it was a very long day), their produce and their delicious cakes. Most of all I thank you, the helpers, for your cheerfulness and fortitude through the wind and rain. I also thank Lavender for allowing us to share a stall, which certainly swelled our bank. I must also mention Lavender's timing as her tent only blew away when she left it attended by others! It was very good of Liz and Liz to fuel us with hot cups of tea during the afternoon.

Our meetings during July and August are as follows:

July 11th Revd Roger Redding, Vicar to the Travelling People

July 19th Quiet Afternoon at Seend Vicarage, 2-4:30pm. Please bring a chair.

July 29th Wave of Prayer 9:00-9:20am.

August 9th Mary Sumner Day. Morning Prayer 9:00am at All Saints, W.L. The theme of the day is *Faithful in Payer*. There will then be a Service at Holy Cross Church, Seend at 11:00am, followed by a simple lunch and a Bring and Buy Sale at the Vicarage.

Janet Hodges (812467)



WEST LAVINGTON WI

At an open meeting of the WI on 9th June, members and their guests were brought up to date on the Bustard Project by Lynn Derry. Efforts continue to establish a sustainable population but progress is slow, mainly due to the high mortality rate during the first year of life of a Bustard chick. These huge birds, a male with an eight foot wing span and the female with a six foot span, are members of the

crane family and the heaviest flying bird in the world. In fact they prefer to walk or run, being able to out-run a fox. There are some 7,000 Bustards in Russia and the farmers are paid to report nesting females and any abandoned eggs are removed and incubated. They usually lay two eggs which are little bigger than a hen's egg, in a scrape in the ground. Only a few each year reach Wiltshire and the young birds spend 30 days in quarantine before they can be released. They have a preference for young oilseed rape, cottage and cheddar cheese, mice and worms. They like vehicles and dislike humans and dogs. The Bustard appears on the County coat of arms and on a number of flags and badges. Although the birds have a liking for travel - two flew to France and others to Dorset, Oxford and Somerset - they all return to the Plain. Numbers are presently in the low teens but a grant from the EU is helping this on-going re-introduction project, the only one of its type. However, the funding received has to be matched by fund raising, donations and visits including to the new visitor centre.

On a somewhat different theme, the next meeting of the WI takes place on Thursday the 14th July, the subject being British Cheeses with samples. Visitors are always welcome to our meetings in the Giles Room at the Village Hall starting at 7:30pm

Helena Warnock

BOOKMARK, GREAT CHEVERELL

Tracy Chevalier's latest book *Remarkable Creatures*, an historical novel set around Mary Anning, the famous fossil hunter, was very well received. Although not a complicated read, it was deemed most interesting and informative. Only a few members had read *The Lessons* by Naomi Alderton, but it was agreed this novel, although well written, was a shadow of *Brideshead Revisited*, lacking Evelyn Waugh's originality.

Members then voted to continue meeting in each other's houses and to re-establish the poetry reading to close our book club sessions.

Our thanks to Pam Gaiger for hosting this Bookmark session; we meet again on Wednesday 27th July at 7:30 pm, courtesy of Mary Thain, Great Cheverell. The two novels under review will be our Summer read, *The House of Dust and Dreams* by Brenda Reid and Sarah Blake's American blockbuster, *The Postmistress*.

Hild Marrow



WEDDINGS

Joanne Elizabeth HAYDEN and **Robert James HANNAH** were married at All Saints' Church, West Lavington on Saturday 4th June 2011.

Bethan MAIR PALMER and **Daniel Stephen YOUNG** were married at St Peter's Church, Great Cheverell on Friday 3rd June 2011.

BAPTISMS

Ava KELSEY was baptised by Rev Mark Fulsom at St Barnabas Church, Easterton on 15th May 2011.

Nicola BOLLEN and **Max Joshua BOLLEN** were baptised by Rev James Campbell at St Peter's Church, Little Cheverell on Sunday 5th June 2011.

FUNERALS

Our thoughts and prayers are with all who have recently been bereaved.

The funeral of **Doris MAY CARTER**, of Great Cheverell, who died on 29th April, aged 95, was held at Semington Crematorium on 17th May 2011.

Peter John HARVEY of Great Cheverell died on 14th May, aged 81 years. His funeral was at Semington Crematorium on 1st June 2011.

The funeral of **Olive Ethel MERRICK**, 92 years, of Market Lavington was held at Semington Crematorium on 8th June 2011.

James DEREK SAMPLE of Easterton Sands died aged 85 on 29th May. His funeral was at St Barnabas Church, Easterton on 8th June 2011.

Brenda June PEARCE of Devizes died aged 86 years on 1st June. Her funeral was at All Saints' Church, West Lavington on 15th June and she was buried in the grave of her parents, Alfred and Elizabeth STOW.

Anna Susan ROBERTS aged 57 who died in a tragic cycle accident on 4th June. Anna was the much loved wife of Stewart Roberts, Dauntsey's Head Master. Her funeral was held in Salisbury Cathedral on June 20th before a large congregation.

BENEFICE 200 CLUB

The winner of the £40 prize was Patricia Wright of Easterton and the winner of the £20 prize was Anne Walker of Little Cheverell. The draw was done by Carol and David Part on behalf of Easterton.

Quentin Goggs,
Administrator of the 200 Club

EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

Deadlines

If you are reading this, it is only down to the kind generosity of the editor. I've been contributing regularly to this magazine for long enough to know that the deadline for copy is the 20th of each month. However, it suddenly dawned on me that it was the 22nd and I hadn't submitted my article. Cue some hurried bashing away at my computer keyboard and a note of humble apologies to the estimable Mr Hodges.

If I feel a little embarrassed at my oversight, then just imagine how Harold Camping feels. He's the American preacher and radio broadcaster who confidently predicted that the world would end on 21st May. As I'm writing this on 22nd June, I think we can safely conclude that Camping got it wrong. His deadline for the end of the world was missed. I said imagine how the poor man feels, but it seems that he has little capacity for embarrassment. Camping has now issued a revised prediction that the world will end on 21st October. Some people will never learn.

Jesus had quite a bit to say concerning his return in glory, but he refused tell us the date of that great event. Take this verse for example, "Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming." (Matthew 24:42). Doesn't Mr. Camping have that verse in his Bible? Scripture is absolutely clear that Jesus is coming again, but absolutely unclear as to when. God alone knows the deadline and we can be sure that the Lord Jesus will not be late.

Christians believe that Christ became man and entered our world in order to die for our sins. Through faith in him we may be forgiven and put right with God. When Jesus comes again he will judge the world, defeat the power of evil and bring his people home to be with him for ever. There will be no missing that deadline. It is for us to be ready and waiting for his return, whenever that may be.

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EDITORS NOTES

The Cover picture records the very successful feature of both fetes in June when all ages ranging from 1 to 80 enjoyed a brief trip on the steam train. Both fetes were happy occasions though, for the first time for many years, West Lavington suffered the vagaries of the weather, but even that belied the dire forecast that day and we virtually escaped the rain.

I know I am always banging on about it but the annual fete is the one event in the year when we discover, however loosely, that a village can still be a community. A brief look at the photographs that are and were on display on these occasions remind us how much more this once was the case.

Jim Hodges

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