

News and Views September 2011



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

Date	Market Lavington	West Lavington	Easterton	Great Cheverell	Little Cheverell
4th September	9.30am * Half Hour PET SERVICE	9.30am Parish Communion (Traditional)	11.00am Matins (BCP)	11.00am Extended Communion	8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
11th September	8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) 11.00am * United Service at St Barnabas	9.30am * Parish Communion	11.00 a.m. United Service	6.00pm Evensong (BCP)	11.00am Parish Com- munion (Traditional)
18th September	9.30am * HARVEST FESTIVAL	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)
25th September	8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) 7.00 p.m. Prayer and Praise	9.30am * Half Hour HARVEST FESTIVAL		11.00am HARVEST FESTIVAL	

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.

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

VILLAGE CARE

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

Dear Friends,

The violence on the streets in many of our cities during the middle of August was shocking. Many opinions have been offered, including those of Jonathan Sacks, the Chief Rabbi, writing in The Times.

He wrote that we have witnessed a real, deep-seated failure of morality; the rioters were not rebels with or without a cause, but mostly bored teenagers. Where, he asks, were the parents of the 11-year-olds? Where was the self-restraint? Where was the capacity to defer gratification? Where the sense of right and wrong?

Why were they doing it? he asks: because they could, because everyone else was, because it was fun, because the police weren't really in control and they weren't going to be sent to prison for a first offence.

Who has been setting a counter-example, the Rabbi asks? Bankers? Politicians? The Press? Many are wondering, he adds, who today is genuinely willing to sacrifice an opportunity for self-interest. Our culture has been sending out a tacit message that morality is passé, conscience is for wimps and the sole command is 'Thou shalt not be found out'.

Britain, he continues, remains for the most part a thoroughly decent society, but there can be no doubt that something in our moral ecology has gone astray. And we are all implicated, because we are all responsible, individually and collectively, for the moral state of society. That is one duty that cannot be delegated away to the government, police or social services.

Jonathan Sacks believes that too much of contemporary society has been 'a vacation from responsibility'. Children have been the victims of our self-serving beliefs that you can have partnerships without the responsibility of marriage, children without the responsibility of parenthood, social order without the responsibility of citizenship, liberty without the responsibility of morality, and self-esteem without the responsibility of hard work and achievement.

He concludes that we need a new culture of responsibility; we need to challenge young people to exercise moral leadership and to serve others – and the only way to do so is by starting with ourselves.

James Campbell

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HARVEST FESTIVALS

Market Lavington: 18th September at 9.30 a.m.
 West Lavington: 25th September at 9.30 a.m. (Half Hour Service)
 Great Cheverell: 25th September at 11.00 a.m.
 Easterton: 2nd October at 11.00 a.m.
 Little Cheverell: 23rd October at 6.00 p.m.

All contributions of produce will be gratefully received. Tins and packets will be given to Devizes Food Bank.

The Devizes Food Bank help many living on the edge of poverty within the Kennet area. Last year more than 500 boxes were distributed to people in need locally. DFB welcome tins and packets of: Milk (long life or dried), pasta sauces, cereal, tinned meat, tea, tinned tomatoes, sugar (granulated), tinned fruit, biscuits, rice pudding, fruit juice (long life), snacks, chocolate, instant mash, sponge pudding, fish, soup and tinned vegetables; (they currently have shortages of items underlined). DFB cannot accept fresh or frozen items. Fruit and veg. brought to decorate the churches will be available to purchase after the services and what is left over will be given away. If you're not planning to come to a Harvest Service in Church, you could still drop off donations of food for DFB either in one of the wooden boxes provided at the back of most of our churches or at the checkout at Sainsbury's or Morrisons in Devizes. Anyone willing to help organise events (e.g. DFB carnival float) please contact info@devizesfoodbank.co.uk or 078 0797 3605

BIKE & BUGGY BRING & BUY SALE

**Saturday 24th September,
 West Lavington Village Hall**

If you want to sell/trade-up bicycles, tricycles, scooters, buggies, prams, pushchairs, cots, high chairs or any large baby equipment that you no longer need, come and sell them and/or buy the next size up.

If you are a new grandparent come and buy second hand baby equipment for that visit.

9.00 to 10.30 bring items for sale. 10.30 to 12.00 buying. Collect your money from 12.00.

CASH ONLY - Sold as seen - Refreshments

25% of selling price to All Saint's Church, West Lavington tel.no. 816133

LITTLE CHEVERELL HARVEST SERVICE

All denominations welcome
 Sunday 23rd October at 6.00 p.m.
 followed by
 HARVEST SUPPER in the
 VILLAGE HALL at 7.00 p.m.

Tickets for supper £7.50
 - Phone 816318
 We look forward to seeing you.

Devizes Deanery bite-sized learning ~

1st session of the 3rd year ~
 Thursday 8th September at 7.30 p.m.
 at Saint James' Church,
 Southbroom, Devizes

"The Church" - an exploration of what is exciting about the Church of England today and how we can be encouraged in our faith

The Reverend Jonathan Triffitt

Thursday 29th September at 7.30 p.m.
 at Bulkington Village Hall,
 Devizes, SN10 1SE

BY POPULAR REQUEST!

Intercessions - a further session on improving our personal and public intercession.

The Reverend Maureen Allchin

DUCK STREET FAIR

In aid of Cancer Research UK, Rowdeford School Charity (Hugo Halkes Charitable Trust)

**Tuesday, 4 OCTOBER 6 - 9 p.m. &
 Wednesday, 5 OCTOBER
 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

New Stalls and Old Favourites
**BRING AND BUY CAKE
 AND PRODUCE STALL**

at
 Brookfields, Duck Street
 West Lavington SN10 4LG
 (Bo Miles-Hobbs 01380 813082)
Entrance £2.00 including coffee

EARLY MORNING SWIMMING

restarts on Thursday 8th September:
 Monday and Thursday mornings,
 term-time only, from
 6.45 - 7.55 a.m. at Dauntsey's pool,
 contact Julia Ford, tel 01380 812365

AN INVITATION

PLEASE JOIN US

9.30am Sunday 4th September

The Half Hour Pet Service

~ everyone welcome ~
 & all creatures great & small

Please bring your pet suitably collared/leashed or caged for everyone's safety & enjoyment.

Coffee, tea, squash &
 biscuits served afterwards



What's On this month

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ABBA NIGHT



ABBA SENSATION with supporting Act 70's SENSATION
 Fancy dress if you dare!!
Saturday 22nd October 2011 at Dauntsey's Memorial Hall, West Lavington
8:00pm to Midnight - £12.50 per ticket to include cheese Supper

"Help for Heroes was founded by Bryn and Emma Parry in October 2007 out of a desire to help the wounded Servicemen and women returning from Afghanistan and Iraq.

The message of the charity is simple: We are strictly non political and non critical; we simply want to help.

We believe that anyone who volunteers to serve in time of war, knowing that they may risk all, is a hero.

These are ordinary people doing extraordinary things and some of them are living with the consequences of their service for life.

We may not be able to prevent our soldiers from being wounded, but together we can help them get better."

H4H is purely a fundraising charity which then passes on all the donations to specialised organisations to facilitate whatever help is needed; for example a new rehabilitation centre has recently been opened at Tidworth.

Please support this very worthwhile charity and come and have some fun as well !

Tickets From: Jo Wadman 01380 812336
Julia Ford 01380 812365



GREAT CHEVERELL VILLAGE HALL WHIST DRIVE

There will be an ALL NO TRUMPS Whist drive, with everyone welcome, commencing in the Old Village Hall on Saturday 24th September at 7.30 p.m.

HARVEST LUNCH

in aid of Farm Africa
Soup & Ploughman's (£7.00)
 Friday, 21st October at 12.30 p.m.
 Market Lavington Community Hall
 Raffle - All Welcome
 Names/Numbers please (for catering)
 to Liz & Dave Thom 818335 Or
 Liz.thom2@btinternet.com

CINEMA NIGHTS AT GREAT CHEVERELL

Great Cheverell Pavilion
 Movie Night Saturday 17th September
 7.30pm

MAO'S LAST DANCER

Tickets £5.00 available from Cheverell stores or on the door.

Pay bar available , doors open from 7.00p.m. Future Dates:

Saturday October 29th

BRIDESMAIDS

Saturday December 10th

MR POPPERS PENGUINS

CINEMA NIGHTS AT MARKET LAVINGTON

Trinity Church utilize a monthly Cinema Night at the Market Lavington Community Hall at 7 for 7.30 p.m. The film choices are shown below and tickets will be available from either the Market Lavington Post Office or from a'Beckett's Vineyard in Littleton Panell when the vineyard shop is open.

We run a licensed bar and provide a really good show including a loop system for those needing to utilize hearing aids.

Tickets are just £5.00

Saturday, September 24th 7.30p.m.

THE EAGLE

Saturday, October 22nd 7.30 p.m.

WATER FOR ELEPHANTS

Saturday, November 26th 7.30 p.m.

LARRY CROWNE

WHITE HORSE OPERA

presents Orpheus in the Underworld
12th, 14th & 15th October Devizes Corn Exchange at 7.30pm

White Horse Opera's new production is suitably racy and features an array of singers who are well-known to its regular audiences. Rebecca Hiller [Eurydice] and Neil Kirkman [Jupiter] both made a strong impact in last year's *Sonnambula*, and Tom Magnone and Alexandra Denman make a welcome return to the company to play Orpheus and his severe guide Public Opinion. The production is conducted by our resident Musical Director Arne Kovac and directed by Chrissie Higgs, who staged the recent successful tour of *The Pirates of Penzance*.

Tickets £5-£15 are on sale now at Devizes Books 01380-725944

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LAVINGTON AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOCIETY

present

RAGS TO RICHES

A Comedy Fantasy 'Who Dunit' suitable for all ages!

In West Lavington Village Hall

9th & 10th September

at 7.30 p.m. (licensed bar from 7.00 p.m.)

Tickets £6 adults, £3 children

From Market Lavington Post Office, Costcutter, West Lavington

Devizes Books or at the door. Telephone Hotline 813319

When the shopkeeper leaves his clothes shop Rags to Riches at the end of the day, the costumes inside come to life and set out on an adventure...

When suave suit Saville Row is 'shot' with red wine and elegant Tiffany Ball Gown is discovered ripped in half on the changing room floor, the costumes fear for their material lives. Who is the culprit? Could it be diva of the clothes shop Madame Chanel, the brooding Valentino, the gloves Fingers and Thumbs, pretty Poly Esther Dress, or larger-than-life suit Rags? The clothes turn to their leader, General Homestores Blazer, for an answer, but then a strangely familiar costume appears on the scene and vows to uncover the villain...

Easterton Church

Wednesday 21 September 2011

Come and hear about

The Alpha Course

and consider its impact

Globally, Nationally & Locally

Debbie McIsaac, Regional Alpha Consultant, will speak about the Alpha Course which has now been done by an estimated 16 million people worldwide in 164 countries. She has worked within the C of E in Wiltshire villages for a number of years and will talk and answer questions about how the Alpha Course has enabled churches to grow stronger.

Supper 7.30pm Talk 8.15pm

To book you place, please contact the Benefice Office (816963) or email lavingtonchurch@btinternet.com

GREAT CHEVERELL VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Peter and Janine Fanshawe again had their garden open in August in order to raise Income for the Village Hall. Their garden was as usual in immaculate condition and those who came along enjoyed wandering around looking at the flowers and the produce. We were also entertained by the ducks who had to be shepherded to the stream, having taken a shine to the small pond and the goldfish. We raised a total of £174.00 from the teas, raffle and gate money. The afternoon was most enjoyable and we would like to thank Janine Peter and Tom for all their hard work on the day.

ERLESTOKE BROWNIES

50th ANNIVERSARY

TEA PARTY

1st Erlestoke Brownies are celebrating their 50th birthday and we are holding a Tea Party to celebrate. This will be on Sunday 11th September, 3 - 6 p.m. at Great Cheverell Pavilion. Everyone welcome. We would love to see anyone who has been involved with the Pack in any way - as a Brownie, a leader, helper etc.

If you know anybody who no longer lives in the area but would like to be involved, please pass on the details. Also we are looking for any photos or memorabilia. At the party we are planning a Cake Stall, Raffle and Bring and Buy table. If anyone would like to help in anyway it would be much appreciated.

For any further information please contact:-Kathryn Harris 01380 813823 or Sandra Hardy 01380 818816

LAVINGTON & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

At our next meeting, which will be held in West Lavington Village Hall at 7.15 p.m. on Wednesday, 21st September, Peter Biggs will talk on *Creating a Garden at Malvern Show*. There will be a Plant Sale. The subject of this month's competition will be a Vase of Michaelmas Daisies.

WEST LAVINGTON VILLAGE HALL NEWS

The lock to the Meeting Room at the Village Hall has now been mended and users will be able to use the newly issued keys.

Any groups wishing to promote their activity on the Village Hall website should send photos or copy to the Secretary, Mike May. (tel: 812574)

The Meeting Room, Disabled and Ladies toilets have been repainted.

Volunteers are needed for manning the "Satcaf" - drinks and bacon butties for the hungry young footballers!

The next committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, 13th September at 7.30 p.m. in the Meeting Room; all welcome.

CONCERT

At St Barnabas Church, Market Lavington

Thursday, 15th September at 7.30 p.m.

"The Battle of Roundaway Down"

A programme of music and words by Mandocordia

Admission at door with programme £5 Refreshments available. In aid of the Hospice at Salisbury Hospital

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GAZETTE & HERALD COMMUNITY NEWS

Deadline Changes

Sandra Gamble, correspondent for The Lavingtons in the Gazette and Herald's Community News column, wishes to inform you of major production changes at the newspaper which took place at the end of July. The column is now produced in Swindon, rather than Devizes, and Diana Deal, who was responsible for editing the column, has left the publication. As a result of these changes, the deadline for submitting items has been altered. Sandra now needs to be in receipt of details of any items which you would wish her to include for publication by noon on the Wednesday (rather than, as previously, the Thursday) preceding publication of the newspaper.

Sandra can be reached by: e-mail at sgamble@uwclub.net, telephone on: 01380 812616 or post to: 3 Duck Street, West Lavington SN10 4LG.

Editorial responsibility for content remains with the Gazette & Herald so Sandra makes no promises that what you send will be included as sent. The main guideline is that entries should be "short and interesting".

THE BIG COFFEE MORNING

MACMILLAN Cancer Support in Wiltshire is gearing up for this year's World's Biggest Coffee Morning, which this year celebrates its 21st birthday.

Every year, thousands of people from across the country get together in their communities to raise money and awareness for Macmillan while having a great time with family and friends. Since its launch in 1990, the World's Biggest Coffee Morning has raised over £60million for Macmillan.

Last year, 570 people registered to hold their own coffee mornings in Wiltshire and our generous supporters raised £82,000 in this county alone, making a huge difference to the lives of people affected by cancer. Each day, ten people in Wiltshire are diagnosed with cancer, and Macmillan works to turn more days into good days.

2011 also marks another special occasion for Macmillan – our centenary. One hundred years ago, Douglas Macmillan founded the charity and since then, Macmillan has been providing medical, financial and emotional support to people living with cancer and their loved ones.

Although caffeine-based events are the most popular, yours doesn't have to be about coffee – why not utilize a craft fair and sell handmade goods to your community? Or celebrate our centenary in style with a champagne-filled garden party?

To find out more and for ideas for your own event, please visit www.macmillan.org.uk/coffee to register. Alternatively, you can contact Macmillan's local office on 01793 432252.

COURTYARD SURGERY

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

This is the address for the new Courtyard Surgery website. As well as information about services provided by the surgery and links to approved websites providing useful and accurate information about illnesses and support available, the site also has a link to the Friends of Courtyard Surgery and allows patients to book/ or cancel some types of appointments and order repeat prescriptions. To use these latter facilities, people need to get a username and password. To get these you can either apply on-line and collect the username and password from the surgery, or ask the reception staff for a username and password next time you are in the surgery.

No Worries

No Worries is a service provided by Wiltshire PCT for people aged between 13 and 24. No Worries clinics give an opportunity to talk about all aspects of sexual health. Anyone going to these clinics is treated as a private patient and everything is kept confidential; even your own doctor doesn't get told about the visit unless you ask for information to be passed on. You can attend your appointment on your own, or with a friend, partner or parent.

As well as an opportunity to talk, the clinics provide advice on contraception, relationships, and pregnancy. They also provide contraception, and testing for sexually transmitted diseases.

The only local practice providing a No Worries service is Courtyard Surgery, in West Lavington. If you call on (01380) 813300 and ask for a No Worries appointment, you will be made welcome. There will be appointments available on a daily basis, from before school to early evening.

Posters about No Worries will be distributed around the local Secondary Schools, Youth Groups and for Council Notice Boards.

Wiltshire Moneyline

There are so many different types of loans around these days it's hard to decide which one is right for you.

Wiltshire Money Line offers

CHOICE: WML offers another option to people who might not be able to get loans from banks, building societies and other mainstream lenders.

AFFORDABLE: WML loans are much better value than most home credit providers and we explain everything in simple terms. We will not lend you more than you can afford to repay.

PERSONAL SERVICE: Unlike some mainstream lenders, interviews are held face-to-face.

FLEXIBILITY: We give people the option to repay by standing order from a bank or building society account weekly, fortnightly, four weekly or monthly; or by paying a benefit into the Credit Union

Wiltshire Money Line is now being managed Wiltshire Community Bank so if you want an affordable loan you will need to become a member of your local branch.

We aim to offer a good, affordable service to people who do not have many choices when they need to borrow money.

Any money we make by charging interest and fees will be used either to lend to other people or help with our running costs.

So if you're starting a new job, going on holiday, want a fresh start or need a loan for any other reason, give us a call. **01249 248323**



VILLAGE CARE AND LINK For West Lavington, Littleton Panell And Little Cheverell

Have you considered becoming a volunteer driver?

Village Care and Link (previously known as The Care Group) was formed in West Lavington in 1982.

We provide transport for mainly medical related appointments to centres as near as West Lavington Surgery and as far as Swindon, Bath and Southampton Hospitals for those who are unable to use private or public transport for these appointments. All we ask in return is a voluntary (but not compulsory) donation to the group. This provides for some of our costs, but we also receive grants from Wiltshire Council and Wiltshire NHS.

We are finding that our services are increasingly required for the more distant locations, and not all of our existing drivers feel able to do these longer journeys. For this reason we urgently need to increase our pool of drivers.

As a driver, you will receive 40 pence per mile expenses. You would be contacted for a journey by our central Driver Co-ordinator and you do not have to accept the assignment if you have other commitments; our co-ordinator would simply try the next driver on the list.

Drivers have to have CRB clearance which we organise through Wiltshire Council.

If you have any spare time and can drive, please consider joining us.

Please phone me on 818510, or Julie Collins on 816973.

If you need to use our services, please call our central number 816826.

Michael Page, Chairman

Have you thought of starting your family tree?

Have you started and got stuck?

Lyn Dyson and Becky Wells have now set up a new Genealogy Service to meet your needs, and because we love what we do our fees are very modest!

Dyson-Wells Genealogy Services

1 Dauntsey Court, West Lavington

Tel 01380 813943 www.dyson-wells.co.uk

[dyson-wells.co.uk](http://www.dyson-wells.co.uk)

AN ANNOUNCEMENT IN THIS MONTH'S SARUM LINK.

A lady priest is moving shortly to become Priest in Charge of the following parishes in Norfolk, Blickling, Edgefield, Itteringham with Mannington, Little Barningham, Oulton with Irmingland, Saxthorpe with Corpusty and Wickmere with Wolterton.

Can anyone come up with an appropriate acronym or abbreviation that it is practical to put at the head of a letter and still have some space left to say something!

Quentin Goggs

GREAT CHEVERELL VILLAGE HALL SOCCER PITCH

Starting September, the unused soccer pitch will again be in use by children from this community on a regular basis, both for soccer training purposes and competitive league football over the weekends. New goals will be set up, and a pitch will be marked out. It would be greatly appreciated if **ALL DOG OWNERS** can keep their dogs on a lead in this area to refrain from dog fouling on the pitch, which will now be used on a regular basis by children.

A MESSAGE FROM RICHARD GAMBLE

Wiltshire Councillor for The Lavingtons & Erlestoke Division

If you didn't respond to the consultation about the Core Strategy, you have missed your chance to comment upon Wiltshire's plans for the development of the county for the next 15 years. You may, nevertheless, be interested to know some of the principal features of the plan and some of the points made by those who have responded in the Devizes area. This is not a definitive report, just a selection of points that have caught my attention.

First, the plan envisages that provision must be made for 778 more houses to be built in the Devizes area by 2026. 569 of these would be built in the "town", which for these purposes encompasses parts of Roundway and Bishops Cannings, and 209 would be built in the surrounding villages. This would be in addition to the 427 houses for which provision has already been made.

Locally, the question is "Where should our share of the 209 be allocated?". Well, the plan has identified a hierarchy of settlements. Limited infill is envisaged for the "Smaller Villages" of Erlestoke, Marston and, nearby, Easterton, and Edington (Little Cheverell and Coulston, which are not mentioned in the plan, would have development on an exceptional basis only). The balance of comment is that this may be too restrictive. Even small villages need new houses to ensure, for example, that young families can populate the local schools and keep the villages from stagnating.

More, though still limited, development is envisaged for the "Larger Villages", which in this area are Great Cheverell, Littleton Panell, West Lavington, Worton and, nearby, Bratton, Potterne and Urchfont. Such development would mainly be within the established "village envelope" but may be adjacent to it.

By implication, more growth is envisaged for Market Lavington which is defined as a "Local Service Centre", a rank shared with Pewsey and second only to the market town of Devizes. The idea is that development is "well related to settlement boundaries that supports wider community aims, and is of the correct scale, character and function". There are some fears that this may imply too much for Market Lavington and adjacent Easterton. These settlements have absorbed significant development in recent years, with more to come at the Jam Factory site. Local roads are particularly poor. On the other hand, some development may be necessary to sustain the current level of shops and others services and to finance improvements to the infrastructure, like more recreation space.

In Devizes itself, the main concern is the need to improve the roads and other infrastructure before more development takes place.

There is no space here to discuss other issues (like my interest in a railway station at Lydeaway) but if you still want to have a say, let me know and I'll try to get your views to the planning team before it's too late!

You may contact me about this or any other matter on

richard.gamble@wiltshire.gov.uk
or by phone on 01380 813619.

WEST LAVINGTON LOGS FOR SALE

Good Quality Seasoned
Hardwood Logs

Logs cut to size – now available
£130 a load (full trailer) – Half
Loads available -£78

Free local delivery (3 miles radius
of West Lavington) or buyer collect
Please call 813113 or 07977 058 304

GARAGE SALE

Cheverell Place, Little Cheverell
Saturday 17th September
from 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

Clearing out after 30 years – many
garden and household items, including
tools, crockery, occasional furniture,
glass, linen, etc.

WEST LAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting was held on 7th July.

An excellent detailed report on the street lighting consultation prepared by the clerk was circulated, and the council agreed that this should be forwarded to Wiltshire Council for their consideration. It was agreed that in a street where one objection had been received and no other opinions expressed, the light should be left on. All those households who responded to the survey will receive a letter giving feedback but the final decision rests entirely with Wiltshire Council.

Vandalism was a problem in the village during June with several houses and street signs sprayed with white paint and a garden shed broken into. Please, if you do see anything to arouse your suspicions do contact Wiltshire police on 0845 4087000. We have had the first cut of the footpaths, but are aware that there is a certain amount of remedial work needed on several footpaths and stiles at the Littleton Panell end of the village. We are in contact with the Rights of Way officer and also with the landowners to encourage them to cut back overhanging trees and bushes and to keep the paths clear.

The temporary interactive speed sign at the Northern end of Littleton Panell is collecting information that we hope will help us to control speeding through the village in the future

We are aware that the reactive lights on the A360 by the church are faulty. Mr Gamble has kindly written to the council on our behalf requesting immediate attention. I hope by the time you read this it will have been corrected. We look forward to our next meeting after the August break on 1st September.

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.

CHEVERELL MAGNA PARISH COUNCIL

Traffic Issues: The Parish Council is continuing to press for sensible controls over the traffic flows through Great Cheverell, which is a Conservation Area. A further test of traffic speeds within the 20 mph limit will be undertaken by Wiltshire Council during September, hopefully building on the success of earlier tests, so local drivers are asked to be particularly aware of their speed during this period. Signage is also to be improved, especially around the school. The Parish Council has also attracted almost 250 signatures on a petition to reduce drastically the number of HGV's using the village to avoid the Chocolate Poodle Railway Bridge, which will be referred to Wiltshire Council to support the call for change to the currently signposted routes.

Rubbish in Play Area: Once again we have to report that problems are being experienced with rubbish being scattered around the Play Area due to overfilling of the rubbish bin. Please could we request that those using the Play Area take their litter home with them; thank you.

Plastic and Cardboard Recycling Skip: A skip will be available on **Wednesday morning, 28th September**, outside the Pavilion. This skip is only to be used for the disposal of plastic and cardboard items, as other items will not be taken. Thank you.

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

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



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

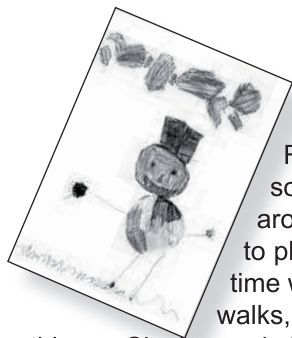
To book call **08456 525255** option **2**
 For information **01380 860100**

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

Ready, steady, go.... Quick, get the paints out, aprons on, try some shaving foam, whack on the paper. That's one done. Run around. Stop and pull out all the farm animals then decide not to play with them and try the peg puzzles instead. More art, this time with bottle tops and curly ribbons. I just made mum. Snacks, walks, PE in the school hall. Lunches and laughter and so much to tidy up. Singing and shouting with bells and whistles. So much noise. Is it time to go home already? Bye then, see you tomorrow. Day one...tick.

Another busy year for the pre-school starts. We are open from 8.45 a.m. to 2.45 p.m. Monday to Friday for 2 to 5 year olds following the normal school terms. We are registered to take younger children if your child is ready. This can create problems with staffing ratios but we will happily consider any applicants and will help if we can. If you wish to register your child or arrange a trial session please contact Gill Tayler.

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

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Dauntsey's Aided Primary School



Enterprise Week was a great success with all the children participating in a variety of teams. The children all thoroughly enjoyed the experience and their results were fantastic. I would like to congratulate all the teams for their hard work. I was really proud of the skills the children demonstrated and it was lovely to see the fun and enjoyment that this learning opportunity brought. When selecting the winning team the

following criteria were used: money raised, originality of idea and teamwork. I am pleased to reveal that the winning team were The Bookworms, running the Bric-a-Brac Stall. The total money raised was an incredible £554.13. Congratulations to everyone involved.

Mrs Stone and Mrs Firth completed the White Horse challenge, hiking 56 miles over two days to raise money for Wiltshire Air Ambulance.

We saw outstanding effort at the KS2 Swimming Gala. The support and encouragement was fantastic and all the children had a super afternoon. Congratulations to Avebury who emerged victorious this year.

The PTA Beach Party was a huge success, with everyone enjoying themselves and we are really pleased to announce that over £900 was raised. Thank you to Perdy and all those members of the PTA, the parents and the teachers who joined in the fun.

Finally, it's time to say goodbye to the Year 6 pupils who are moving on to the secondary phase of their learning journey. They are an exemplary group of young people who have worked hard and behaved with consideration and maturity both within the school and also when representing the school through sporting and other events. We will all miss them and wish them all the very best for the future.

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LAVINGTON PRE-SCHOOL



Well what a fantastic year we have had. We began the year with our first birthday celebrations in September, which everyone all enjoyed. We have had some fantastic topics this year starting with My Amazing Journey, Christmas Celebrations, Night Sky, The Window, Fit for Life and finishing with Somewhere Special. Through each topic the children have been able to explore all the aspects of learning.

We would like to thank Mr Lakin and Mrs Kerr for inviting us to join in with numerous DAPS celebration assemblies, visits to reception class, Harvest Festival, Sports Day and, more recently, induction days. The children have thoroughly enjoyed every visit.

We sadly say goodbye to 13 of our older children who move on to various schools, each beginning a new chapter of their learning journeys. We wish them all well, and hopefully one day they will visit us telling us about all the new friends they have made. We also say farewell to Lottie, who has decided to pursue a child-minding career. We wish her well in her new career path.

I would like to finish by saying a big THANK YOU to all our families and friends who have supported all our fantastic fundraising events throughout the year. I hope you all had a wonderful summer break and we look forward to seeing you all in September.

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

HOLY TRINITY CE AIDED PRIMARY, GREAT CHEVERELL

What a wonderful and busy term we had here at Holy Trinity! As well as our Sports Day (overall winners this year were Blue team), we had our link school in India visit us with some of their pupils and teachers, our children entertained us to a wonderful evening concert of music at school (we have so many talented musicians in our school and it is a joy to have them perform for us), Silbury class entertained their parents at the Year 6 Restaurant, Sarum class entertained their parents to an afternoon of board games that they designed and made themselves, and all the Year 6 leavers' events have taken place.

We love to have our parents taking part in as many school events as possible – as well as the events just listed; parents also joined us on the school field for a picnic after the sports day – a lovely family event. We had a cookery afternoon in June where parents and children cooked a meal together, and recently we ran a first aid course for parents and children after school.

If all goes according to plan, and there are no last minute hitches, we should open in September as Holy Trinity Church of England Primary Academy – the first primary academy in the Diocese of Salisbury! My thanks to our tremendously supportive governors, inspirational and talented staff, wonderful families and most of all to our outstanding children, all of whom have contributed to the Outstanding judgement of our school which has made this exciting step possible.

BOOKMARK, GREAT CHEVERELL

Although low in numbers owing to the holiday season, a lively discussion group got under way at Mary Thain's for our July session.



All members present thoroughly enjoyed *The Postmistress* by Sarah Blake. It was felt that the author realistically contrasted the atmosphere and standpoint of a small US town in 1940 with the plight of a European continent at war. This novel was a popular choice, unlike Brenda Reid's *The House of Dust and Dreams*, which was set in Greece in 1936 and, despite the subject matter, was deemed somewhat lightweight (we should have guessed by the title!). Although the novel improved in the second half, we expected a little more depth from this author who was apparently Head of Drama at Anglia Television.

Our thanks to Mary for hosting the July meeting. The next reading group discussion will be our biography session, to be held on Wednesday, 31st August, at Lynda Wearne's house.

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WORTON AND CHEVERELL F.C.

'The Badgers'

Preparation for the following season starts with Training for the younger age groups at West Lavington Village Hall pitches on Saturday 3rd September from 09.30 a.m. New members, both boys and girls, are most welcome to come and start on that day. Various teams are looking for new players for next season, and we recommend that you contact the relevant manager shown

below. The age groupings is for example: Under 11 on 31st August 2011.

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WEST LAVINGTON TWINNING ASSOCIATION



Saint-Pierre
d'Autils

Our visit to St Pierre d'Autils took place in July and was a great success. Twenty members of West Lavington Twinning Association travelled to St Pierre and we were made very welcome. The highlight of the visit was a dinner on the Saturday during which each country sang their favourite "folk" songs with great gusto! A highlight of the evening was a solo by Bridget Green of "Blow the Wind Southerly" which left our hosts in awe.

Back to the UK, at the beginning of August, Sue and Rob Robson hosted a barbecue for members only chez Orchard Place. Our thanks to them for a very enjoyable evening.

Our next event is a "Casino Night" on Friday 30th September in the village hall West Lavington at 7.30 p.m. Tickets are £8 each for members and £10 each for non members. Supper will be provided and there will be a wine and soft drink bar. Everyone will be issued with "funny money" (non-transferable) with which to play, and there will be a raffle.

Tickets are available from any member of the committee and myself (see below).

After this, on Friday November 18th, we are holding a "Murder Mystery" supper, again in West Lavington Village Hall. There will be supper and a wine and soft drink bar, visitors are encouraged to dress as their designated characters in the plot. Watch this space for further details.

The return visit of our friends from St Pierre is scheduled for the weekend of 8th June 2012.

As part of our fund raising to finance the return visit in 2012, we have a number of 2012 calendars for sale at £7.99. They feature photos taken by members of the two Associations, six of West Lavington and six of St Pierre. These are available from myself (tel. 818510) or from the Bridge Inn. They make excellent Christmas presents for friends and family. We also have white tee-shirts from our friends in St Pierre with Twinning logos on them. These are £10 each available from me.

If you would like to join the West Lavington Twinning Association, please contact our chairman Malcolm Johnson on 01380 818147 or blocker38@hotmail.com. Membership is £10 (£8 for seniors) or £15 per household (£12 for seniors).

Michael Page, Secretary

Mothers' UNION
 Christian care for families

We were delighted to welcome Revd Roger Redding as our speaker on 11th July. Roger is Chaplain to Travelling People in the Diocese of Salisbury. He is also a founder member of South West

Alliance of Nomads (SWAN), an organisation respected by the Government as the main voice of all travellers in South West England. Roger and his wife moved to Chalk Valley, about 12 miles from Salisbury, 15 years ago. This was in a very isolated area. He decided to spend a week living amongst the gypsy travellers and said that he learned more about Romany gypsies in that one week than he would have done by reading books about them for many years. At the end of that week they told Roger. "You are one of us now; you have brought a sense of peace – you must return!" It was 6 years later that he applied to become Chaplain to Travelling People. *Val Noviss*

Mary Sumner Day on Tuesday, 9th August, was celebrated at Salisbury Cathedral, and in the Devizes Deanery at a Service of Thanksgiving at Holy Cross, Seend at 11.00 a.m., led by Revd Jennifer Haynes. Earlier in the day, prayers for Mary Sumner and the work of the Mothers' Union were remembered at Morning Prayer.

Janet Hodges

Meanwhile over a hundred members diocesan wide enjoyed a picnic lunch in the grounds of Salisbury Cathedral. We then assembled in the cloisters to pray for the 81 countries in which we have a Mothers' Union presence. After each prayer for the people and the work in that country the branch who had presented it paraded their banner around the cloisters while other members sang choruses. When all prayers had been said we assembled in a circle at the Walking Madonna and had a prayer service ending by us all being encouraged to continue the worldwide work and service. Our branch received a very big thank you for the loan of china mugs for the occasion. *Ann Cowburn*

On September 8th our Market Stall will be in the Brittox – cakes, produce and jams are welcome.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, 12th September when Jane Pelly will be speaking about Syria. *Janet Hodges*

THE CHEVERELLS GARDEN CLUB
 'Out & About' During Summer 2011

On July 12th The Cheverells' Garden Club visited 'Wellaway Garden' in Marston and were treated to an excellent guided tour by the owner, Pam Lewis. There was lots of interest to see in the garden and Pam's enthusiasm for everything was maintained throughout the evening. Delicious homemade cake and cups of tea brought the evening to a close. This visit was subsidised by the club for garden club members.

Then on August 9th members and their guests were 'out and about' again when they made a return visit to the gardens and greenhouses at Erlestoke Prison to find out what developments had been achieved since August 2010. So much work had been done; all the flowers grown in the gardens had been propagated on site and the vegetables in the poly tunnels were impressive & plentiful.



There will be a joint project flowerbed planted in the autumn; a raised bed, built in the carpentry workshop is ready so we just need to book a date.

The Garden Club is holding a 'Fun 'Show' on the morning of Saturday August 27th, schedules of which are available at the Great Cheverell Post Office. The next Tuesday evening club meeting is on 13th September at Great Cheverell Village Hall at 7.15 for 7.30 p.m., the theme being *Prairie Planting*, and it will be a welcome return of Dinah Lindon-Critchley.

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)



WEST LAVINGTON WI

If you'd been walking past the Giles Room at West Lavington on a beautiful evening in July, you may have wondered if a WI group photograph was about to be taken. However, the unified cry of 'cheese' was not for the camera, but for our plates, as Mrs. Partridge was warmly welcomed into our midst for an enlightening talk (with samples) on British

I was actually quite busy tickling my taste buds that evening, so I may not have taken quite as many notes as usual! But I can still taste the six week old Caerphilly, once a miner's simple supper, now popular in Caesar salads. And of course the beautiful saffron coloured Leicester, followed by the 12 week old Wensleydale, ideally served with spiced fruit cake or ginger bread and apple pie; unfortunately not on this occasion. I know we all enjoyed the creamy, flaky Lancashire, which was created when meat was not affordable, leisurely pursued by the mild, clean, crumbly Cheshire. Our next two tasters were Double Gloucester, originally made in the Severn Vale from Cotswold sheep's milk and the ever popular Cheddar, which takes its name from the Gorge in Somerset, used to store the cheeses. And last, but not least we were treated to Stilton, King of English cheeses; ripened through the blue mould. I'm sure there was a reason for the lack of Derby that evening, but I'm afraid my final jottings became a little too 'dairy smudged' to read! Our thanks to Mrs. Partridge for a truly scrumptious and informative evening.

Our members took a summer break in August and will gather again on Thursday, 8th September at 7.30 p.m. for a Business & Social evening in the Giles Room, West Lavington. And on October 13th, our speaker, Mr. Newbury, will be here to ask, 'Are you sitting comfortably?'

Guests and new members always welcome. Enquiries from our president, Janet Stamp, on 01380 – 818370, or please feel free to turn up on the night.

Hild Marrow

BENEFICE 200 CLUB

The winner in July of the £40 first prize was Bob Giles of West Lavington, and the winner of the £20 second prize was Mike Nock of Great Cheverell. The draw was done by Sue Stacpoole of Market Lavington.

The winner in August of the first prize of £40 was Catrin George-Carey of West Lavington, and the winner of the second prize of £20 was Bonny Matters of Littleton Panell.

The draw was done for the first time ever by my wife Henrietta on behalf of West Lavington,.

Quentin Goggs,
Administrator of the 200 Club



FUNERALS

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

WEDDINGS

Emma Victoria LAWES and **Matthew Christopher WEBB** were married at All Saints' Church, West Lavington by Rev James Campbell on Saturday 25th June.

Rachel Elizabeth PAYNE and **Scott Adam STRICKLAND** were married by Rev James Campbell at St Peter's Church, Great Cheverell on 23rd July.

Gillian Louise CUNNINGHAM and **James Alexander Gordon SOMERVILLE** were married at All Saints' Church, West Lavington by Rev James Campbell on 13th August.

BAPTISMS

Genevieve Gillian Charlotte BRAKER was baptised by Rev James Campbell at St Mary's Church, Market Lavington on Sunday 19th June.

Lucas Akira MATTHEWS was baptised by Rev James Campbell at St Mary's Church, Market Lavington on Sunday 3rd July.

SusannahOliviaBinaCHATTERJEE was baptised by Rev Ann Cocking at All Saints' Church, West Lavington on Sunday 10th July.

Sophia Paige DAVIES was baptized by Rev James Campbell at St Peter's Church, Great Cheverell on 7th August.

Lucy Mae SWANBOROUGH was baptized by Rev James Campbell at St Mary's Church, Market Lavington on 14th August.

Richard HUES of Easterton died aged 66 years. A private cremation at Semington was followed by a very well attended memorial service at Chirton Church on 7th July.

Timothy GYE of Littleton Panell died aged 67 years, on 29th June. A private cremation at Semington was followed by a service of thanksgiving at All Saints', Church, West Lavington on 8th July.

Eric WHITEHEAD of West Lavington died on 29th June 2011, aged 76 years. His cremation at Semington took place on 11th July.

William CHADWICK, former Chief Fire Officer of Wiltshire, died in Bedford, aged 94 on 3rd May 2011 and was cremated at Bedford Crematorium. A Service of Thanksgiving was held at All Saint's Church, West Lavington on 30th July and ashes were buried there.

Alfred Charles "Charlie" WHITE, formerly of Market Lavington, died on 30th July 2011 aged 88 years. His funeral and burial took place at St Mary's Church, Market Lavington on 8th August.

Joan Margaret FORD of Eastcott, died on 18th July 2011, aged 86 years. Her funeral at St Barnabas Church, Easterton on 5th August was followed by cremation at Semington.

EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

Riots, reasons and remedy

Thankfully Wiltshire was spared the rioting that affected several cities in the UK back in August. But the West Country didn't escape the disturbances altogether. There were reports of disorder in Bristol and Gloucester, although when interviewed on Newsnight, the MP for Gloucester, Richard Graham insisted that what happened in his city was "not a riot, but a disappointing night."

No doubt politicians and think tank gurus will look long and hard at some of the causes of the recent outbreak of rioting that brought death and destruction to the streets of our country. Factors such as family breakdown and unemployment need to be taken into consideration. But when all's said and done we still can't get away from the fact that human beings are responsible for their actions, before the law, and to God. Not all rioters were hoodie wearing members of the "underclass". Some came from nice middle class homes, but they were carried along by a wave of criminality to loot and plunder at will.

Now that the long arm of the law has caught up with them and justice has been summarily administered, many will be rueing the night they indulged in unruly behaviour from the inside of a prison cell. Hundreds of young lives have been blighted by jail terms and criminal records. All for a moment of August madness.

Buildings burnt, goods stolen, businesses ruined, lives lost. Whatever possesses people to act in such a way? The Bible's answer is that human beings are sinners, "All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23). We have failed to live according to our Maker's instructions. On a large scale, that is the explanation for wars and riots. On a smaller scale it explains why our personal relationships are often fraught with tensions and difficulties.

The good news is that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. He died for the sins that separate us from God and incur his judgement. He rose again to give new life and hope to all who believe in him. Jesus is the remedy that Broken Britain needs.

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EDITORS NOTES

My thanks to Neil Lockhart for this month's cover picture of the Bridge Inn (his own sketch). Which prompts me to ask as usual for pictures, sketches, articles etc., though I do have two nostalgic West Lavington photographs that I hope to reproduce when space permits.

Jim Hodges

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