

# News and Views

A black and white photograph of a sculpture made of metal ribbons, resembling a muscular figure in a dynamic pose, set against a background of foliage. The sculpture is composed of numerous overlapping, curved metal strips that form a complex, organic structure. The figure is depicted in a powerful, athletic stance, with one arm raised high and the other bent. The background is a dense thicket of leaves and branches, creating a textured, natural setting for the man-made artwork.

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July 2014**

Date	Market Lavington	West Lavington	Easterton	Great Cheverell	Little Cheverell
<b>6th July 3rd after Trinity (Proper 9)</b>	9.30 am Half Hour Service*	9.30am Parish Communion (Trad)	11.00 am Parish Communion	11.00 am Family Communion and Baptism	11.00 am Matins (BCP)
<b>13th July 4th after Trinity (Proper 10)</b>	11.00 am United Service With Trinity at Community Hall	9.30 am Parish Communion	11.00 am United Service at ML Community Hall	6.00 pm Evensong (BCP)	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)
<b>20th July 5th after Trinity (Proper 11)</b>	9.30 am Parish Communion	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) 9.30 am Matins (BCP)	11.00 am Matins (BCP)	10.00 am Welcome to Worship (not communion)	11.00 am Parish Communion (BCP)
<b>27th July 6th after Trinity (Proper 12)</b>	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)	9.30 am Half Hour Service		11.00 am Parish Communion (BCP)	11.00 am Family Communion and Baptism

**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\* 17th and 24th February

11.00am & 6.00pm Ebenezer Baptist Church West Lavington.

**Pattern of Services in AUGUST 2014**

As in previous years there will be just one main service in the Benefice at 10.30 a.m. during August, alternating between the five churches, together with an 8.00 a.m. service in another of the churches:

3rd August	8.00 a.m. Little Cheverell	10.30 a.m. Market Lavington
10th August	Easterton	Great Cheverell
17th August	Market Lavington	West Lavington
24th August	Great Cheverell	Easterton
31st August	West Lavington	Little Cheverell

**Calendar of Services in the Lavingtons, Cheverells & Easterton  
August 2014**

Date	Market Lavington	West Lavington	Easterton	Great Cheverell	Little Cheverell
<b>3rd August 7th after Trinity</b>	10.30 am World War 1 Commemoration		6.30 pm Memorial Garden Dedication Service		8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)
<b>10th August 8th after Trinity</b>			8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)	10.30 am Simple Celebration Communion	
<b>17th August 9th after Trinity</b>	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)	10.30 am Family Communion and Baptism			
<b>24th August 10th after Trinity</b>			10.30 am Parish Communion	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)	
<b>31st August 11th after Trinity</b>		8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)			10.30 am Parish Communion (BCP)

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

**Dear Friends,**

As I write the flag of St. Georges flutters from houses and cars as England are hours away from playing their crunch second match against Uruguay; defeat tonight will almost certainly result in an early exit from the 2014 World Cup. By the time you read this, it will all be history.

I haven't watched much of the World Cup, but I was struck by an article in the 12 June Gazette and Herald written by Ed Deedigan. Inevitably the article touched on the '*ugly beast-like exploitation*' of FIFA and its seemingly untouchable status amidst renewed allegations of financial irregularities and bribery.

The cost of hosting such an event is mind-blowing. Ed Deedigan goes on '*imagine the good that football could do if its objectives were to improve the lives of the poor and disadvantaged, instead of lining the pockets of the, allegedly, corrupt hierarchy... positively influencing the life chances and living conditions of some of the less developed outposts of the football landscape*'

He suggests that at FIFA should turn the whole bidding process on its head and '*should nominate the country with the least ability to host the event and then plough its billions not only into stadia but all the infrastructure needs of that country through schools, health, housing and transport.*'

We can all dream of a better world without much prospect of it being realised. The above article was entitled '*Integrity should be the winner*'. There is a huge need for integrity in financial matters in all walks of life. It is no co-incidence that Jesus spoke more about money in the Gospels than about any other subject; he knew of human beings susceptibility to its charms. There is nothing wrong with money per se, but as Timothy put it, '*the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil*' (1 Timothy 6:10). The writer in the Book of Ecclesiastes put it like this, '*Whoever loves money never has enough, whoever loves money is never satisfied with his income.*' Some things never change.

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At the July meeting, which will be at 7.15 p.m. on Wednesday, July 16th, in West Lavington Village Hall, the subject of the talk by Mike Burgess will be Make Room for Fruit. The subject of this month's competition is a Vase of Sweet Peas. On August 20th we shall be holding our Produce Show in the Community Hall, West Lavington.

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What's on this month

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## SEVENTY YEARS A DIVA !

Geraldine Roche, who is known locally to many for her involvement with White Horse Opera, Operaletta and as an excellent teacher, is hosting a concert to celebrate "70 Years a Diva!". It is to be held in St John's Church Devizes on 4 July at 7.30 pm. Tickets are £10 each (to include cake and a glass of fizz) available from Devizes Books or 01380 726386.

The programme includes music by Mendelssohn, Gluck, Rossini, Gershwin, Matthew Harris, Monteverdi and others, with words by authors including Shakespeare, Bernard Levin, Kurt Weill, Yeats and many more.

Performers will be Geraldine Roche and her many friends, including Anna Markland (concert pianist and previous winner of BBC Young Musician of the Year), Lewis Cowen, Niall Hoskin, Pamela Rudge, Alex Denman and members of Operaletta and Titco.

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**Anna Grew**

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### WEST LAVINGTON CHURCH CHOIR

The church choir consists of 8 people at the moment, so you could say that we are small, but perfectly formed! Extras are parachuted in as and when the occasion demands. However, we are in desperate need of fresh blood! And preferably younger blood at that. The ability to read music is helpful, but not essential. More important is the ability to pitch a note and hold it.

Choir practices are held on a Tuesday, usually once or twice a month, depending on the number of services and weddings.

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## APOLOGIES

### IN ADVANCE

On Saturday, July 5th, pupils from Dauntsey's School will be holding their Annual Leaver's Ball' As part of the celebrations there will be a Firework Display scheduled to begin at approximately 10.00 p.m. and lasting about 30 minutes. Our apologies for that brief disturbance on this special occasion.

### IN RETROSPECT

I am writing with the most profound apologies for the disruption and annoyance the parking for our event on 10TH June caused the residents of West Lavington.

When we organised the event we were offered a field near the barn where some of our guests parked and if that had been available on the day we would have been discreet and not interrupted life as much as we did. We spoke to the Sculpture in the Garden organisers who had notified the police and gained permission for parking. We were assured it would not be a problem. I do hope that you will accept our apologies. We have also apologised to the Domans and want to thank them again for being so generous in giving us access to their lovely garden.

The Wiltshire Community Foundation supports communities across Wiltshire and Swindon and is committed to West Lavington, which is why we are so distressed at the annoyance we have caused with our event. We have funded West Lavington Youth Club since 2005 and have also supported the Lavington Track and Field Club and the Market Lavington Old School Day Centre, both of which have members from your village. We have also supported 7 households in West Lavington with Surviving Winter Grants – for the elderly and disabled in fuel poverty in the past 4 years providing not only help with fuel bills but additional support including insulation for their homes and help with isolation. Overall we have made grants of £22,751 to West Lavington over the past 10 years.

**Rosemary Macdonald, Chief Executive**  
The Community Foundation for Wiltshire and Swindon

## EDITOR'S NOTES

My thanks to Nicki Douglas-Lee whose photograph of one of the pieces of sculpture recently seen at West Lavington Manor appears as or cover. Nicki is a professional photographer who advertises in News and Views under the title of Capture the Moment.

The picture of the Decade Flags, also at the exhibition, was taken by Anne Parish.

**Jim Hodges**

## AN ENVIRONMENTAL MATTER

As a local farmer, I would like to take this opportunity to make you aware of the Agricultural Environmental Schemes that we have in your area. Our Farm is involved in the Natural England Entry Level Scheme which means the farm has a few areas which we manage specifically to encourage wildlife.

There are various corners in fields that are planted with pollen and nectar mixtures to encourage insects such as bumblebees and in particular 25 acres of natural regeneration at the top of White Street, Market Lavington Hill which will encourage such species as Skylarks, Lapwing, and Partridge. Whilst we appreciate people like to walk across the land using the various marked footpaths and to a certain extent use the unmarked footpaths round certain field boundaries it would be very much appreciated if the wildlife areas are not walked on as this may discourage the wildlife which we are trying to attract. Should anyone be interested in knowing more then please feel free to contact me – [anthonysnook@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:anthonysnook@tiscali.co.uk)

**Many thanks, Anthony Snook (Easterton).**

## YOUR OWN WWI ANCESTORS

I am always on the look-out to find ways of raising money for the Youth Club. If your family had no connection with West Lavington at that time, I will be happy to do some research to try to find out what your ancestors did during the war, for a small donation of £5-£10 to the West Lavington Youth Club.

Many service records were destroyed during a bombing raid in WW2, and it is often not possible to find much. If I can't find anything, then of course no donation would be expected.

Just let me have as much information as you know, and I will see what I can do... regardless of where the person came from. You never know; if enough people are interested there may be another book in it! If you have already researched your WWI ancestors and would like to provide me with your findings, I'll record the information and if a book of "Our Ancestors in WWI" becomes viable, I can include them.

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**WEST LAVINGTON YOUTH CLUB**

What a fantastic three long weekends, Thursday - Friday - Saturday and Sunday, for three weekends in June at The West Lavington Manor, during the 'Celebrating Art in the Garden' an exhibition of art. Ruth and Andrew Doman, owners of the Manor, allowed us, the West Lavington Youth Club, to provide the refreshments during this event; offers included mouth-watering lunches, sandwiches, cream teas, and a licensed bar served refreshing Pimms, and a selection of good wines. It was a great success with the money raised for refreshments helping the Youth Club to continue into the future.

We could not have managed without the support of other local organisations, including The Mothers Union, The Woman's Institute from various villages and the many friends who just came and helped when asked. Sally Bullock kindly provided the beautiful flower arrangements for the tables each week. The Youth Club Committee have worked so hard to make this event the success it was. I would like to personally thank them all. If you are not named but came and helped, thank you so much; it was very much appreciated.

The Youth Club members prepared some staggeringly beautiful banners for the Manor entrance, produced with the guidance and help of artist, Mollie Gratland. All supported by the National Lottery Awards4all programme. These will be used in a freshen-up programme in the George Baker Centre.



The Youth Club members would like me to say thank you all for your continued support.

By the time you read this we will have been on our very popular Paint-balling trip in deepest Warminster and look forward to more events in the future from the support that you have all given the Youth Club.

- Monday 7.00 – 9.00 p.m. Seniors at West Lavington
- Tuesday 6.00 - 7.30 p.m. Young Members at West Lavington
- Thursday 6.30 - 8.30 p.m. DROP IN Seniors at West Lavington
- Friday 7.00 – 9.00 p.m. Seniors at Market Lavington

**Thank you all for your continued support.**  
**Eric Freeman - Chairman, The Management Committee West Lavington Youth Club**

## A MESSAGE FROM RICHARD GAMBLE

Wiltshire Councillor for The Lavingtons & Erlestoke Division

I have always thought that this part of Wiltshire is a good place to bring up children. We have good schools, fresh air and lots of countryside for youngsters to roam in. There is little crime or anti-social behaviour compared with other places and most people are as nice as pie.

However, you may think there comes a point, as young people grow, when there is not enough for teenagers to do in these villages or in the Devizes community area. But if you think that, you would be wrong! As part of Wiltshire Council's review of youth services, we have made a list of organisations providing services or activities for young people in the Devizes area and I am impressed by its length and breadth.

Without even going into Devizes itself, there are youth clubs in Bishops Cannings, Bromham, Market Lavington, Potterne, Rowde, Urchfont, West Lavington and Worton. I have counted 32 various sports clubs offering athletics, bowling, boxing, canoeing, cricket, cycling, hockey, football, netball and swimming for young people. There is a fully equipped gym at the Devizes Leisure Centre and a trampoline and squash courts and more! Special activities for 5 – 14 year olds are organised in the holidays.

Energy can also be burnt off at the BMX track in West Lavington, at the indoor skate park in Devizes or at the outdoor skate park in Rowde. Devizes is also soon to get a new skate park.

There are four clubs in the area offering martial arts including Tae Kwon Do and karate.

For those with a musical ear, First Stages introduces young people aged 8 – 16 to musical theatre and puts on wonderful productions. Kennet Young Musicians allows children to participate in high-quality music making and has taken youngsters to perform in London's Royal Albert Hall and the Festival Hall. Centre Stage Academy of Dance offers classes in ballet, modern, jazz, tap, musical theatre and commercial jazz. You can see a great show on their website.

And, of course, there are the Girl Guides and the Scouts, which each offer an amazing range of activities.

With the long summer holidays ahead, I hope all our young people will find plenty to do and to enjoy.

You may contact me about this or any other matter by email to [richard.gamble@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:richard.gamble@wiltshire.gov.uk) or by phone on 07762 018209.

## GREAT CHEVERELL PARISH COUNCIL

As many people know, Gladman Developments submitted a Planning Application to build 25 houses on a plot adjacent to Garston. Following a whole village consultation the Parish Council submitted a range of objections to the plans including: size of the development and the impact on the infrastructure of the village, the access to the plot which is off a single track lane and the increased volume of traffic. There were also many letters of objection from local residents both in Great and Little Cheverell. The application was turned down by Wiltshire Council.

As expected Gladman have appealed and are requesting a four day hearing based primarily on the fact that the Planning Inspectorate are challenging Wiltshire Council on the amount of Sustainable Housing in the draft Core Strategy but also challenging some of the objections made by the Parish Council.

Great Cheverell is designated a small village and as such should be only considered for in-fill development. However, because the Wiltshire Core Strategy has not been implemented there is a risk that this appeal for inappropriate development may be successful. All those who objected have been notified and asked if they wish to add anything further to their submissions. The Parish Council is in the process of drafting a further response.

If anyone wants to read and make any comments on the Statement of Case submitted by Gladman Developments the documents can be found on the Parish Council website. <http://www.greatcheverell.org/>

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## LITTLE CHEVERELL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

### AGM Held On The 6th May

The Parish Council meeting was held at 6.30 p.m. on 6th May.

The meeting approved the annual accounts and thereafter sundry small payments. It also approved a change in internal auditor.

Amongst other matters the meeting, which was also attended by Richard Gamble, the local County Councillor, discussed the signage in Low Road and how to dissuade lorries and other unsuitable vehicles from using it as a 'rat run'. A good deal of damage has been caused to property adjoining Low Road by lorries which have not been able to negotiate the narrow parts of the road. The Chairman agreed to write to the County Council about placing suitable signage at the northern end of the road. A Community Co-ordinator from the County Council will shortly be visiting the village to look at what small infrastructural works could be undertaken in the area.

A number of minor planning applications were discussed and approved and the condition of footpaths in and around the village was discussed.

The meeting closed at 7 p.m. and was immediately followed by the AGM.

### Little Cheverell Parish Council AGM

At the AGM the minutes from last year's meeting were read and approved.

The Chairman's report highlighted the fact that since clerical duties had been taken on internally, some 80% on the annual precept was now spent directly on village causes. The village hall committee reported a satisfactory year for the village hall. The annual barbeque will be held on 23rd of July with the annual flower and produce show in September.

There being no other business the meeting was declared closed at 7.45 p.m..

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## WEST LAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

I would like to update you on items discussed by the Council at its June meeting.

The Footpaths Working Group met on several occasions in May to work on footpaths 12, 14, and 15. Volunteers including new recruits were thanked for their much appreciated contribution. Work on bridleway 7B has also been undertaken and the steps and entrance to footpath 28 have been refurbished. There is, however, continuing concern about hedges overgrowing footpath 12 despite Wiltshire Council letters to occupiers. The Parish Council will liaise with the Rights of Way Warden. Households are reminded of their responsibility to cut back hedges on their properties that overhang footpaths.

Three quotations were considered for the planned felling and reduction of a number of trees in the Recreation Ground, as recommended by an arboriculturist following the storms earlier in the year. The felling work is now planned for later this year. Recommended crown reduction work will be considered for future scheduling.

Following sudden withdrawal from the market of the Recreation Playground contractor, urgent consideration of three quotations for a new contract resulted in the appointment of a new contractor. The playing fields and playground should, therefore, again be ready for enjoyment.

The surface of the switchback jumps on the BMX track is being examined with a view to carrying out any necessary repairs after a reported accident.

Adoption of a policy seeking a 40mph 'buffer zone' on the A360 at the two current 30 mph extremities of the parish will be discussed with Wiltshire Council highways officers.

Following conclusion of consultation on the zebra crossing on the A360 near the entrance to Dauntsey's School, installation will commence on 4th August. Installation of the informal crossing on the A360 near White Street is anticipated to take place at the same time as installation of the zebra crossing.

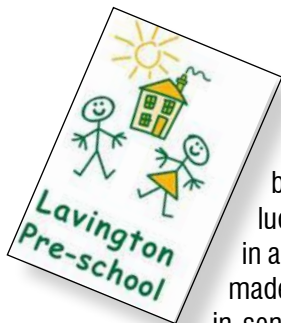
### Sandra Gamble, Chairman

You can now follow the Parish Council on Twitter- find us at [www.twitter.com/westlavingtonpc](http://www.twitter.com/westlavingtonpc) and keep in touch.

If you have ANY QUERIES, PLEASE CONTACT The Clerk to the Parish Council,

Peter Baxter on 07734 483883 or [clerkpc@sky.com](mailto:clerkpc@sky.com)

Parish Website [www.westlavington.info](http://www.westlavington.info)



## LAVINGTON PRE-SCHOOL

In term 6 at Lavington Pre-school we have been investigating 'Boats and the seaside' and we have been talking about staying safe around water. It has been a very exciting topic and it has been helpful that the weather has been nice. We have been very lucky to have a real canoe in our garden for the children to climb in and use for role play. All the children have made fossils with clay, made boats and we have also practised our vocabulary skills, talking in sentences describing pictures of the seaside. In July we will be visited by the RNLI and they will be talking to the children about the fabulous work they do to keep people safe at the seaside.

This is always a busy term with our little leavers visiting their big schools and acquainting themselves with their new surroundings ready for September. All the staff at Pre-school wish you and your families all the luck in the world, on the next stage of your learning journey. Some of you have been here longer than others but you have each brought your own unique qualities to our Pre-school family and we will miss every one of you. Please come and visit us when you get the chance.

**END OF YEAR TRIP:** We are all very excited about our end of year trip to Finkley Down Farm on Monday 21st July. **Pre-school will be closed that day.**

**SPORTS DAY AND LEAVERS CELEBRATIONS:** On Thursday 24th July, we are planning a fun packed celebration for all our school leavers and their families and for the children and families who are staying with us in September. We will be having a mini sports day starting at 11 a.m., followed by a family picnic and the leaver's graduation presentation from 12 noon until 1 p.m.

**CAKE SALE:** On Friday the 13th June the pre-school held a cake sale after the DAPS Father's Day assembly and made a grand total of £110 - thank you to all the committee, staff and parents who got baking for us.

**EASTER TRIKE RIDE AND RAFFLE:** Thanks to the hard work of the fundraising committee and all the people who took part in these events, the trike ride and raffle raised over £600 and the disco raised over £500. This is a fantastic achievement. We will be open again in the Autumn on Thursday 4th September and we look forward to seeing you all again then.

We currently have spaces available at our Outstanding Pre-school, if you would like to find out more information about us you can visit our website [www.lavingtonpreschool.org.uk](http://www.lavingtonpreschool.org.uk) or contact our Manager, Becky Gray, on (01380) 812551 or Email: [managerlavingtonpreschool@gmail.com](mailto:managerlavingtonpreschool@gmail.com)



## NEWS FROM HOLY TRINITY C OF E PRIMARY ACADEMY

### Pilgrimage Day

The whole school took part in a wonderful day of activities at Edington Priory in June to celebrate Pentecost. The children considered their talents and gifts and how they could use these to make the world a better place, they thought about the actions they could take to help other people, they made flags, footprints and doves, learnt about different cultures and countries in the world and spent time in reflection with candles and song. We ended with a gathering around a fire outside the church and then had a picnic on Ralph's Seat. My thanks to the Bratton Benefice and the Lavington Benefice congregations who ran such lovely activities for the children and made us all so welcome in the church.

### Summer Term

This is always a busy and exciting term – we have Sports day (and in this school, everyone aims to win!), we have an evening Music concert, a French concert, the school Eucharist service, Leavers' celebrations, induction activities for our new children, a visit to the seaside for our younger classes, and to the Steam museum for one of the older classes, and much more! We always eat our lunch as a picnic on our beautiful field whenever the weather permits and we do a lot of athletics and cricket training in this term.

### The New Art Centre

A reminder that we would like to welcome anyone who has had anything to do with the Great Cheverell Preschool, whether as a parent, a pupil or a staff member, to come to Holy Trinity on Wednesday 2nd July from 2.15pm – 3.15pm to see how the "Old" Preschool building is now being used by the primary school as an Art Centre. There will be refreshments and a chance to look around the building and chat to people you may have known when you had a connection with the Preschool. We welcome everyone no matter how long ago they were involved or how tenuous their connection.

**If you would like to find out more about our school, please visit the school website at [www.holy-trinity.co.uk](http://www.holy-trinity.co.uk) or phone us on 01380 813 796.**

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## DAUNTSEY ACADEMY PRIMARY SCHOOL

To kick off our 'Investigate This' Science topic, Professor Averil Macdonald came into school on Friday 25th April.

The professor entertained us all with her fantastic demonstrations and afterwards we got to make slime and bouncy balls. It was so much fun! Thames Class have had an exciting couple of weeks hatching chicks. It's been wonderful to see them grow. The chicks have now gone back to Chicken School and are

really missed by both children and staff.

Orinoco and Ganges were treated to a talk by Gillian Smith from Wessex Water. Gillian explained what the sewage treatment plant has to cope with by making a bowl of sewage soup. The children thought this was "disgusting!"

### Enterprise Week 3rd – 6th June

The school, in a bid to give children a real life application to their learning at school, organised an Enterprise Week, where the school loaned every child £2, with the children forming groups a maximum of 10. The children decided how to invest their funds. Children had the opportunity to work together in teams, across all age groups throughout the school on their task, throughout the week, culminating in an 'Enterprise Market' on Friday 6th June. At this Enterprise Market the children had the opportunity to put their entrepreneurial skills into practice, running stalls / fund raising initiatives such as face painting, car washing etc safely within the school site.

The children raised an amazing £255.51 which will be donated to the Nestling Trust who are raising funds to build an Orphanage in Nepal.

The overall winners were 'The Fizzes' who made a profit of £44.31 selling fizzy drinks. They were rewarded with a pizza making session in Franco's Ristorante in Devizes.

### Mrs April Tarling

At the end of this school year April Tarling will be retiring. April has been at DAPS for 19 years and has taught and inspired hundreds of local children. If you would like to contribute to her collection or would like to send her your wishes please contact the school office.

[www.littlegreensprouts.co.uk/dauntsey\\_academy\\_primary\\_school](http://www.littlegreensprouts.co.uk/dauntsey_academy_primary_school)

On the website you'll also find some great interactive games for your children to play and find some fun activities for your children to do at home.

Mandy Francis Admin. Asst.



## WEST LAVINGTON WI

Mrs Joy Thomas gave a talk on WW1 for our June meeting. She really is an excellent speaker; she could make a talk on 'Watching Paint Dry' interesting. She concentrated on dispelling many of the myths.

Many of the British conscripts (especially from the towns) were scrawny and poorly fed. They weighed on average 7

stone and were 5'1" in height. These same men left the army 2 stone heavier and had grown three inches, so the rations were nutritious if not delicious!

The Great War didn't wipe out a generation of young men. Of those who went overseas, 1 in 7 died. They didn't serve at the front continuously, but had regular rest periods behind the lines, where they availed themselves of the local entertainment.

The phrase 'Lions led by donkeys' gives the impression of senior staff enjoying an easy war whilst they sent the soldiers to their deaths. 78 Generals died during the war and many more were injured; most were very concerned and protective of their men and often led from the front.

The huge numbers of losses made it impractical to repatriate the bodies and the decision was made to establish graveyards near the main battle sites. The land was ceded to the British and they became responsible for their maintenance. This left many parents and wives without a tangible place to grieve, so the idea of establishing a tomb for the 'Unknown Soldier' was muted.

The unknown soldier's body was chosen from a number of British servicemen exhumed from four battle areas - the Aisne, the Somme, Arras and Ypres. Their bodies were covered with Union Jack and Gen Wyatt (blindfolded), selected a body. This was transported to Dover via the destroyer HMS Verdun and taken by train to London.

On the morning of 11 November 1920, a procession took the body of the unknown soldier through London to the Cenotaph. This new war memorial on Whitehall was then unveiled by George V. At 1100 hrs there was a two-minute silence, and the body was then taken to nearby Westminster Abbey where it was buried, passing through a guard of honour of 100 holders of the Victoria Cross.

But while the coffin in London had been laid with great ceremony, no-one was exactly sure how the public would respond to this new memorial. In the event, they flocked to it. An estimated 1,250,000 people visited the Abbey to see the grave in only the first week.

This was a poignant end to the talk which left us much better informed about WW1.

Annemarie





During the three weeks that Andrew and Ruth Doman opened their gates at West Lavington Manor to the world, and generously suggested that the Youth Club

might provide refreshments to raise money for their funds, the Mothers' Union also offered their support by providing sandwiches and cakes and by helping to serve and clean up in the refreshment tent. I am so grateful to everyone who gave their time and to friends who supported this important fund-raising event. Everyone was great in serving as a member of a team that it was a pleasure to work with.

We shall be preparing for the Mary Sumner Day Service on Saturday 9th August at 11.00 and it is hoped to make it a family day when all children are welcome. After the service there will be a Ploughman's Lunch.

Please remember the Fete. Out stall is the Produce and Cake Stall. The date is Saturday, 12th. Any cakes, jams, jellies and pickles or produce from the garden will be most gratefully received. Thank you.

Janet Hodges (812467)

### CHEVERELL CAMERA CLUB



At the June meeting a small but interested group of members learnt a lot about White Balance/Colour Temperature by Ron Sims. For example, have you noticed that some photos you take might turn out with an orange cast if you take them under tungsten lights or with a bluish cast if you take them under fluorescent light. Well this is all to do with the way the camera interprets the lighting colour temperature and there are settings on your camera which allows you to adjust for this.

It has been an incredible learning experience attending this very embryonic Camera Club and I come away having learnt something new from every meeting. So whether you are a real novice or a more experienced photographer Cheverell Camera Club can help you understand your photography better. Meetings are held in Great Cheverell Pavilion and the timetable for the rest of the year is below. Everyone is welcome there are no rules on membership, except to have an interest in photography.

Date of Meeting	Theme		Talk / Discussion	
	Subject	Colour	Subject	Presented by
3rd July 2014	Water	Aqua	File Formats RAW\JPEG\TIFF	Professor John Hannavy
7th August 2014	Landscape	Purple	What makes a good press photo	David Bellis
4th September 2014	Holidays	Brown	AGM - Elections for officers	N/A

Lynda Wearn  
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### BOOKMARK



We gathered in May (like the nuts we are) to face the challenge of two Mann Booker prize winning novels. If ever an incentive was needed to purchase a Kindle, this was it. *The Luminaries* (all 832 pages) was considered to be a very good concept, with writing of a high standard and excellent vocabulary. However, it seemed to us that the novel was overly long and the plot complicated and slow to develop; a bit of a slave to its structure. We also found difficulty warming to the characters – all 12 of them whose traits represented the Zodiac signs, so astrology sceptics be warned! We found this ambitious novel, set in 1866 in the time of the Gold Rush, to be too complex to engage with; several members 'abandoned ship'. Even Bernie, who had recently stayed in Hokitika during her visit to New Zealand, only stuck with the book for that one reason. We scored this novel 5 marks out of ten and in a nutshell, we'd have liked less of *The Luminaries* and more of *Offshore*!

The main critique of Penelope Fitzgerald's 1979 prize winning novel was that it was so short lived! We were thoroughly engaged from start to finish - we'd have liked the characters to linger with us a while longer. *Offshore* is a short, deep, highly crafted tale about a colony of misfits in London in the early 1960s. Battersea Reach is where a mixed bag of the temporarily lost and the patently eccentric live on houseboats, rising and falling with the tide of the Thames. As two of our members have lived happily on houseboats in the past – and we've all grown rather fond of our own little foibles - this was considered a most engaging read which scored 9 out of 10.

We will meet again at the Village Hall on Wednesday July 2nd to discuss another epic '*The Goldfinch*' by Donna Tartt and Katherine Stansfield's '*The Visitor*'. August 6th will be our Classic or Biography session.

Please note that Bookmark's reviews and annual reading list can now be found on Great Cheverell's parish web site.

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The first of our Summer outings proved to be a great success. There was a large turnout for our visit to Wellaway Gardens in Marston. Here we were taken on a tour through the extensive gardens. There was a maze of grass pathways through well stocked beds and borders.

The owner is a flower arranger and had chosen her plants to provide material for herself and fellow flower arrangers. And her garden certainly would provide inspiration for her craft. As well as tending the garden with help from her sister and daughter the owner also has a metal workshop where she fabricates plant supports for her garden and various paraphenalia to use when flower arranging. Her husband works with wood and had made a beautiful shepherd's hut, which is now parked in their wildlife garden overlooking the large pond. It has all mod cons and is rented out for holiday lets. As we passed the workshop we glimpsed another shepherd's hut being made. And as we meandered past the potting sheds we discovered aisles full of plants for sale, at very reasonable prices. Wellaway Gardens is a labour of love, thirty five years in the making, and we thoroughly enjoyed our visit.

On Tuesday 8 July we have the second in a series of Summer outings. We will meet in Great Cheverell Village Hall at 6.45pm to organise transport sharing. We will then visit Beggars Knoll Chinese Gardens in Westbury. Here we will be given a tour of the gardens and given time to wander. Tea and cake will be available. There will be a charge of £3.50 for this tour for non members.

On Tuesday 12 August we have the third of our Summer outings. We shall be visiting a Becketts Vineyard in Littleton Panell for a tour of the vineyard. And there will be the opportunity, for an extra charge, to sample the wines. Please check the village notice boards nearer the time for details.

### WEST LAVINGTON TWINNING ASSOCIATION



Our twinning weekend was a great success. We have received a number of effusive letters of thanks from the French. I would like to thank the hosts on our side for all the hard work they put in to make the visit memorable for our French friends from St Pierre d'Autils, and also those who hosted our "mobile supper" on the Saturday.

Our French colleagues had never experienced anything like it! We all finished up in the village hall for Eton Mess and cheese surrounded by paintings and other works of art prepared across the channel and by our own residents. We had started the weekend with a greeting with cream tea at the Manor Garden Art event (thank you Ruth and Andrew and also the Youth Club) and we concluded on the Sunday with a "never to be forgotten" Hog Roast in the Robson's garden complete with a hearty sing song round a camp fire. Magic!

You can join the WL Twinning Association by calling our chairman Malcom Johnson on 01380 818147 or myself.

Michael Page, Secretary (01380 818510)



### WORTON AND CHEVERELL F.C.

'The Badgers'

**Unfortunately the Annual Fun/Presentation was cancelled in June due to unpredictable weather conditions, and is now re-arranged for Saturday 5th July (please check website for info).**

On the International stage, the Under 13's played in the **Saint Marcel International Tournament 2014 (France)**, being invited as representatives of West Lavington, whose twinning town St Pierre D'Autils is next to Saint Marcel. This is the second time that a team from Wiltshire has participated. The team raised all their own funds to travel and participate and the players were hosted by the twinned town association members.

The tournament, won by Wolverhampton Wanderers in 2011, had teams invited from England, Germany and Morocco, as well as top teams from the Normandy / Parisian area of France. With quite a high standard of play expected from the 20 teams participating, the matches were 20 minutes in length and were 8-a-side, so not something our team was used to.

On day 1 they played 4 matches, winning 3 and losing 1 meaning they finished second in their league with a 'top 8' finish being guaranteed.

On the evening of Day 1, the team were met and welcomed by the Mayor of Saint Marcel, who recognised the contribution of the British over this **'Special weekend'** commemorating the **Normandy Landings '70th Anniversary'**, as well as the importance of Sport in the development of young people in their region.

Day 2 saw the quarter final against Wolverhampton, a battle of the English teams. It was a very close match which turned on a dubious penalty decision when their French U16 international fell in the box. The final score was 2-0 which perhaps flattered Wolves.

This meant the team fell into a play off for 5th to 8th positions. Their next match was a 4-0 win against FC Yvelines, which meant they then went into a play-off for 5th or 6th. Unfortunately this game was to be played after a few hours, which in temperatures of 27 degrees, meant the boys were pretty tired by the time the match came around and didn't really perform to their ability going down 4-0 in the end.

Overall a very creditable 6th place out of 20. A measure of the success is that Wolves only finished 4th. Many friends made the trip over, with many new French experiences for the boys: from culinary delights of snails, to the interaction with

Steve Dagnall 01380-72797

## JULY AT TRINITY CHURCH IN THE COMMUNITY HALL

7th July 10.30 am Mr John Saunders  
 14th July 11.00 am United Service at St Mary's Church  
 21st July 10.30 am Rev Chris Cory, Holy Communion  
 28th July 10.30 am at St Andrew's Church, Devizes

Tots@Ten meets on Wednesday 10th July at 10.00 am in the Furminger Room at the Community Hall. The theme will be Journeys. New Mums and preschool children always very welcome.

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**Mavis Ivy Florence WILLIAMS**, formerly of Easterton, died on 31st May, aged 80 years. Her funeral was held on 12th June at St Barnabas Church, Easterton and was followed by burial in Drove Lane Cemetery.

### WEDDINGS

**Kathleen Ann WHEELER and Piers John D'arcy KENT** were married at St Barnabas Church, Easterton, by Rev James Campbell on Saturday 17th May 2014.

### BAPTISMS

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Alright, I know. It's Word Cup time and England aren't exactly doing too well. It's not even certain that they'll still be in the competition by the time you read this. Football. More of a rugby man myself, but some people quite like the game, apparently. Bill Shankly the great Liverpool manager said, "Some people believe football is a matter of life and death, I am very disappointed with that attitude. I can assure you it is much, much more important than that."

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