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FROM THE EDITOR

And we're back.....!! I hope our readers have had, or are indeed still having, a good summer. It's been quite eventful, what with a general election and the Olympics and other world events, but hopefully you will have found time to relax and recuperate.

Now it's back to school, and to various term time pursuits, and a bumper News and Views, with lots of news and information for you to peruse, including wildlife news from Otis Tarda, who has a look at jackdaws. Our jackdaws are an interesting if irritating

bunch - a couple of years ago they decided that the space under our solar panels looked like an excellent nest site, and promptly began building (they seem to like hot spaces!). We had to call in specialists to wire off the gap between the panels and the roof, which seemed to work until the jackdaws assembled along the wire and formed a team to pull out all the pegs holding the wire mesh in place! We had to call the specialists back to fit considerably stronger pegs, which foiled the jackdaw plot! Daw!

Sue Bonney - Editor

Deadline Dates

Editorial copy and photographs should be sent to editor4newsandviews@gmail.com

Articles and photographs for the October issue should reach Sue Bonney no later than **Friday September 20th.**

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This Month's Cover: This month's cover features pictures from the West Lavington Fete: Dog Show Best in Show winner Oakley, a Red Fox Labrador, and his owner Danny McMahon; Eloise, Jessica and Wolfgang Wood having fun in the DWFS Fire Engine and Wiltshire Police car: and ladies from the WI, Jeannette Giles and Theresa Sellors, who provided the wonderful teas in the Village Hall. Photos: Caroline Spindlow and Sue Bonney

We are always on the lookout for eye-catching photographs for the front cover of News & Views. They should be portrait (vertical), in colour and of a high resolution.

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CHURCH OF ENGLAND BENEFICE

Regular worship in our sister churches

9.00 am St Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Littleton Panell

4.30 pm Ebenezer Baptist Church, West Lavington

Churchwardens

St Peter's, Great Cheverell: Andy and Pauline Jenkinson (813775)

Calendar of Services

The Lavingtons, Cheverells and Easterton

Date	Market Lavington St Mary's	West Lavington All Saints'	Easterton St Barnabas	Great Cheverell St Peter's	Little Cheverell St Peter's
Sunday 1st September	10.30 am Benefice Communion - St Peter's Great Cheverell				
Sunday 8th September		9.00 am Breakfast Church <i>Families Welcome</i>	10.30 am United Service	11.00 am Simple Communion	
Sunday 15th September	11.00 am Communion	9.30 am Communion		10.00 am Welcome to Worship <i>Families Welcome</i>	
Sunday 22nd September		9.30 am Praise & Worship <i>Families Welcome</i>	9.30 am Holy Communion	11.00 am Harvest Festival <i>Lay Led Service</i>	11.00 am Holy Communion BCP
Sunday 29th September	10.30 am Benefice Communion Farewell to Rev Marion Harrison All Saint's Church, West Lavington - Followed by Bring and Share Lunch				
Sunday 6th October	10.30 am Benefice Service (Harvest) St Peter's Little Cheverell				

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REFLECTION

For many of us September is a time of new beginnings. Our children start school or return to a new class. Our 11 year-olds move from primary to secondary school and our teenagers move from school to college and university. This is also the time our twenty somethings are looking to make their first move into the work place. All these transitions can be a minefield for the emotions. As for myself, I will be leaving the Benefice to move into retirement. I too will be facing change and transition from a

work based life to . . .

We have all faced times of transitions in our lives. Times when we move from what we know and are sure of, a place of stability and safety, and move to a new praxis. One where we may not know the people around us or what is required of us. We feel excited by what is new and fearful of the unknown. We mourn for what we have lost or put down while eagerly making new connections with those around us. How we cope with the emotional turmoil created within us is a sign of our maturity.

So if you are in transition, or know someone who is, and would like some advice, embrace change, grow into your new state of being and enjoy all that life has to offer you. That is what I am going to try and do.

I will miss you all and think of my time here as your priest with fondness. I wish you well and will continue to pray for you as you start your interregnum, moving forward to the next stage of the Christian life of the Benefice.

With all God's Blessings **Rev Marion Harrison**

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From the Parish Registers

Funerals

Andrew (Andy) Norman JENKINSON, church warden at St Peter's Church, Great Cheverell died on 17th June aged 70 years. His funeral was held at St Peter's Church, Great Cheverell on 5th July, taken by Rev Caroline Spindlow and was followed by burial in the churchyard.

Charlotte Vear NEAL of Easterton died on 10th July, aged 71 years. Her funeral at St Barnabas, Easterton on 27th July was taken by Rev Marion Harrison, followed by cremation.

Andrew OLIVER (formerly MACRDECHIAN) of Market Lavington died on 12th July, aged 58 years. His funeral at St Mary's Church, Market Lavington on 1st August was taken by Rev Marion Harrison and followed by cremation.

Weddings

Jessica Laura CARSWELL and **George James Morgan WEBSTER** were married at St Peter's Church, Great Cheverell, by Rev Marion Harrison, on Saturday 17th August.

Charlotte Holly BLAIR and **Nicholas John Frederick DOMAN** were married at All Saints' Church, West Lavington, by Rev Caroline Spindlow, on Saturday 17th August.

West Lavington Friendship Club

The Friendship Club has two special events in September:

Wednesday 11th September:

Join us for a trip to Weymouth.

We still have seats available and need to fill them. Tickets £10.

Wednesday 25th September:

A Sing along with Sian and Rob, Churchill Arms, 2.30pm. Tickets £5.

For further details or to book for either of these events, **phone Eileen on 01380 813264**

The West Lavington Branch of the Mothers' Union met in June when Anne Wilson spoke on the theme 'Being a Christian in Japan'. Anne has family who lived in Tokyo, and she has visited there many times. The main 'religion' in Japan is Shintoism, although they know it as a way of life and not a religion. Until 1858 Christians were unwelcome in Japan but now, out of a population of 132 million, 1% are Christian and are free to worship.

On the 6th July we had a stall at the Village Fete selling fresh produce- cakes, vegetables and fruit. The day was quite challenging weather-wise, as the strong wind had other ideas of a neat and tidy display. However, we sold most of our produce and had an enjoyable day meeting villagers and visitors.

Anji Scofield gave a very interesting talk at our meeting in July about her challenging trek to Santiago de Compostela in northern Spain. She covered approximately 800 miles over three trips. Her first walk started in April 2017 and her final one was completed in October 2023, when she reached her goal. The route covers that made by St James the Apostle and is a popular walk with pilgrims and enthusiastic walkers.

We met again on 12th August, when we had afternoon tea and cakes in the garden for a farewell tea for Reverend Marion Harrison, who has supported us at many meetings by providing communion and prayer. We wish her well in her retirement.

We continue to support Rise Up, the Mothers' Union campaign against domestic abuse. We collect children's craft items and hand creams, which will be used by Wiltshire Fear Free for those suffering domestic abuse. **Fear Free can be contacted on 01225 775276.**

Our next meeting will be on **9th September at 2.15pm** at 54 The High Street, West Lavington, where Reverend Caroline Spindlow will be delivering an afternoon of meditation.

Please come and join us, you are very welcome.

Jackie Knipe
jack_knipe@hotmail.co.uk

Benefice 200 Club

The season is nearly over but we have two summer winners of the Benefice 200 Club to announce. The July draw was won by Ann Janes of West Lavington and the August draw was in favour of Slater Reynolds of Market Lavington.

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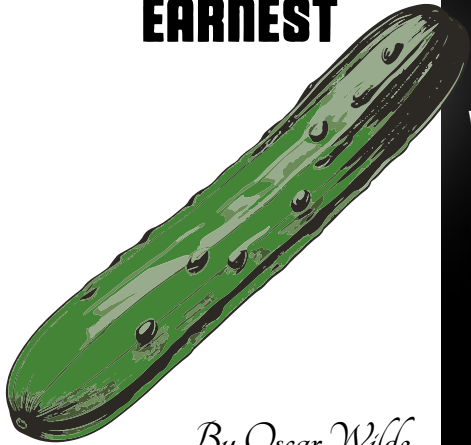
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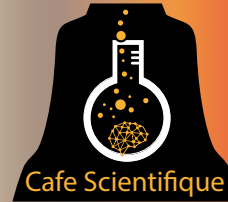
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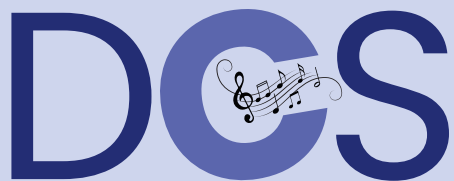
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Under the direction of Philip Pooley, we will be rehearsing music for both our Christmas and Spring 25 concerts, including Bach's St John's Passion.

No audition is needed to join DCS - just enthusiasm! Singing is good for you, so if you would like to challenge your vocal chords in a fun relaxed choir, come and join us! Subscriptions cost £45 a term, or £80 for both the autumn and spring terms. We are happy to let new members 'try before they buy' for a few weeks!

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The Club swimming times are **Sundays: 3.30pm to 5:30pm; Tuesdays: 7:15pm to 8:15pm.**

Membership fees for the term: - £38 for individual and £76 for a family.

For further details about joining this offering, please contact **Alison Andrews**, Membership Secretary on Lavingtonswim@gmail.com

Morning Swimming starts **Thursday 12th September** and is from **6:30am to 7:30am**. Membership fee for the term is £40.

For further information about the morning swimming please contact **Phil Richardson**, Membership Secretary on ladscmorningswim@gmail.com

Alternatively, for any of the above contact Club Secretary **Anita Holness** via email at: anita@kholness.plus.com



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Sun Sept 8th: Gasper Cottage, Gasper Stourton, Warminster BA12 6PY. 11am - 5pm £6.

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Sun Sept 8th: Corsley House, Warminster BA12 7QH. 11am - 5pm £10. Cream teas.

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West Lavington Village Fete 2024

A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of this year's Fete on 6th July. In particular, we would like to thank those who organised village community stalls and their helpers: **All Saints Church** - Anne Wilson; **Books** - Mike and Carolyn Parker; **Bottle stall** - Martin and Sharon Hayward; **Bric-a-brac** - Anji Scofield; DAPS; **Face Painting** - Phillipa Davy; **Friendship Club** - Eileen Hinton; **Ice cream** - Yva and James Bonney; **Mothers' Union** - Jackie Knipe; **Plants** - Denise Innes; **Twinning Association** - Malcolm and Lin Johnson; **Village Care & Link** - Ann Janes; and **1st Lavington Guides; West**

Lavington Pre-School. Thank you also to our commercial stallholders who add variety to the Fete- we would like to have more, so please spread the word!

Thanks too to Mark and Caroline Spindlow for organising the ever-popular Dog Show; to Michael and Judy Page for organising the Prize Draw and to all those who donated prizes; to Dauntsey's School for providing tables and sound equipment; and to Lavington Sea Scouts for helping us throughout the day. A huge thanks again to the WI (teas) and to John Ford (beer tent) for keeping us refreshed and sustained. Last but not least, thank you to Callum Clark who produced aerial footage of the day with his drone.

We were delighted to welcome Wiltshire Fire and Rescue, Wiltshire Police, St. John Ambulance for First Aid, Devizes Jubilee Morris Dancers and Amesbury Town Band, all of whom contributed immensely to the success of the day.

This year's Fete's takings were £4358, just topping the best ever (2022)- a huge achievement. The following village organisations have all received donations: All Saints' Church; Tuesday Club; Friendship Club; Lavington Seascouts; Mothers' Union; Village Hall; WI; West Lavington Guides; and West Lavington Pre-school.

None of this would be possible without our hard-working committee: Chris Bonney (car parking and Announcer), Sue Bonney (publicity), John Ford, Mark and Caroline Spindlow, and Matt Bastone (Treasurer and setting out). My grateful thanks to them all.



Ice Cream Stall Helpers at the Fete

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All of those who set up and take down the marquees and tents for the Fete are well into retirement and not getting any younger. The wind provided a huge challenge this year and we feel the current set up and take down arrangement is simply not sustainable.

We need a team of younger adults to help set up and take down the tents and tables on the day.

Please consider being part of the team. If you can help us, don't wait until next year - please contact me!

Sue Bastone - Fete Chair

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Lavington Community Choir

Lavington Community Choir would like to thank everyone who participated in and attended the Summer Concert on July 5th. It was a fantastic evening and everyone enjoyed the mix of music. We had everything from an ABBA medley to Telemann's Alleluia with some opera and Queen's Bohemian Rhapsody thrown in!

The Choir will be back together from **Thursday 12th September at 8 for 8.15pm** at Market Lavington Community Hall. Newcomers are always welcome, with no experience or sight-reading skills necessary and the first session is free. Find out more from **pboyagis@gmail.com**

Did You Know?

Local Roadworks in September

Sunday 8th: 9.30am - 3.30pm:

The **B3098 Cheverell Road** will be closed at Little Cheverell from for Open Reach works. A long diversion will be in place.

Mon 9th to Fri 13th September:

Lavington Lane will be closed overnight from 7pm to plane off and resurface the existing carriageway.

For further updates, visit **one.network**

September

by Judith Howard

This evocative piece was written by Judith Howard (mother of our gardening guru Charlotte) in 2000 for a creative writing course. Almost a quarter of a century later, despite climate change affecting our weather and the seasons, Judith's words conjure up what most of us still know as September.

September, the ninth month and the summer is over. September, a time of richness and bounty. The crops are gathered in and the fields lie deserted and coarse-stubbed save for the odd pheasant or wood pigeon searching for discarded grain.

The still verdant hedgerows are swagged with trails of fluffy seeded old man's beard, decked with long necklaces of coral-berried wild bryony and embroidered with the deep red of haws and the sealing wax scarlet of the hips of the dog rose. Arching above all the bramble, its great coils of green barbed wire now bearing summer's promise; heavy clusters of luscious fruit, shading through green and orange to deepest black, that purple smudge the mouths of greedy child gatherers.

The woods, a medley of colours; some trees still green, their leaves coarse and leathery, others glow orange-red or have turned lemon yellow, shining like a shaft of morning sun amidst the dense coppices. The Horse Chestnut, its palmate leaves edge-toasted in cinnamon, drops viridian spiked mines that crack open to reveal French-polished conkers, the mahogany treasures of schoolboy's pockets. All about is the sharp citrus smell of falling leaves that edge the pavements and footpaths like discarded cornflakes, crisp crunching and crackling underfoot. Once swept they are piled into bonfires whose acrid smell and lazy ostrich plumes of lilac smoke permeate the crisp evening air and fill one's hair with the smell of autumn.

The cottage gardens bear the final vestiges of summer. Rose bushes untidily straggle upwards bearing overblown blooms like blousy barmaids; their petals bruised by the attention of wind and rain. The bright mauves and magentas of the Michaelmas daisy glow in the heat of an Indian summer and are a popular meeting place for indolent bees and butterflies gathering the last of the honey and nectar before their winter hibernation. Great candelabras of inky elderberries are food for rapacious starlings who action paint the stone slabs of the terrace with splatterings of purple and mauve.

All around one hears the mournful falling cadences of birds as they depart for sunnier climes and the wind in the trees as it rustles the drying leaves. The nights are drawing in, which bring to mind log fires, hot mugs of cocoa, Christmas and spring and a new beginning.



CHEVERELLS' GARDEN CLUB

Cheverells Garden Club didn't do the planned garden visits in August, but instead had a well attended barbecue with Pimms in just one garden. Lots of food, drink, a general moan about the weather and the multitude of pests made for a wonderful evening. Thank you to everyone who attended.

On September 10th the subject of a talk is **'Tales from the Potting Shed'** by **Francis Burroughes**. Stories and tips in the struggle with slugs, bindweed and the neighbour's cat! The return of a most entertaining speaker! We meet at the Village Hall in Great Cheverell at 7.15pm for a 7.30 start.

Edington arts

Three of the UK's finest chamber ensemble players to play at Edington

The Britten Sinfonia is one of the UK's most respected and dynamic orchestral ensembles in the UK, with a reputation far beyond these shores.

On **Saturday October 19th** three of their Wind Principals, all well-known soloists and chamber ensemble players in their own right, are coming to perform at Edington Priory Church as the Britten Sinfonia Wind Trio.

Nicholas Daniel (oboe), Sarah Burnett (bassoon) and Joy Farrall (clarinet) have put together a great programme for this relatively unusual combination of instruments, from a Beethoven Trio and a Divertimento by Mozart to pieces by Ibert, Milhaud and Poulenc. There will be music for a wide range of tastes, performed by three outstanding instrumentalists. Edington Arts is incredibly privileged to be able to welcome them to the Priory Church.

Tickets for this concert are on sale now from £11 to £25 with a 10% discount for Edington Angels on all seats, and can be secured through the What's On page on the Edington Arts website, www.edingtonarts.org, or by phoning **Chrissy on 01380 831256**. Students 18 and under come free. The performance starts at 7.30pm and will end at roughly 9.30pm, including an interval.





Paws in the Park 2024

**Sunday 6th October, 10am for 10.30am start
Dorothy House Hospice, Winsley, BA15 2LE**

Dorothy House's second annual Paws in the Park dog walk challenge is back!

This year's event involves a 5km sponsored dog walk around Winsley and through Dorothy House's Firefly Woods and newly launched Interactive Nature Trail (some of the route cannot be accessed on wheels and alternate routes are available).

After the walk, participants are invited to stay and enjoy the event village as well as refreshments and activities on offer. Just some of the activities to look forward to include a family-friendly dog show, professional photography, demonstrations by some of our event partners, delicious treats for everyone and lots more.

This year offers two registration options: 'A Bonded Pair,' which covers one human and one dog, costing £15; and 'The Pack' which covers up to two adults, three children and two dogs, for £25. Additional human and dog tickets can also be purchased. Each participant or household is required to raise £50 in sponsorship to help raise vital funds for Dorothy House.

Each entry includes an event souvenir for every dog taking part.

To register as a participant, visit:

<https://www.dorothyhouse.org.uk/get-involved/events/paws-in-the-park/>

Or email events@dorothyhouse-hospice.org.uk or phone 01225 721480



DID YOU KNOW

Road Closure Affecting Visits to the RUH at Bath

The A36 will be fully closed between Lymply Stoke and Monkton Combe until the spring of 2025. This is to stabilise the embankment.

The diversion is long, via the A350 and A4 and is very busy. It is not advised to divert through the local villages and Bradford Upon Avon as there are several pinch points with long delays.

If you have an appointment at the RUH, allow extra time for your journey.

Join the Bratton Jubilee Players!

Come and join the Bratton Jubilee Players! Work is now underway to start our November production which will be a good old fashioned pantomime entitled Rapunzel on November 21st, 22nd and 23rd, with a matinee on the Saturday.

We are on the lookout for keen and eager people to join us, either backstage or in the limelight as part of the cast. No experience necessary, just a willingness to commit to a team and put on a great show. So if you feel like a challenge then come and join us.....let the chaos begin!

The Bratton Jubilee Players were formed in 1996 and have been performing ever since. We meet every Wednesday evening at 8pm in the Jubilee Hall and are always looking to welcome 'new blood', young or old, in and around Bratton.

For more information or to arrange a time to come and see us please drop us an email at contactjubileeplayers@gmail.com or message us via our Facebook page **Bratton-Jubilee-Players**.

DID YOU KNOW?

How to avoid a kitchen fire nightmare - COOK WITH CARE

In July, Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service (DWFRS) launched a new safety campaign, Cook with Care, with a focus on preventing cooking-related incidents and reducing kitchen fires. More than half of accidental fires in the home start in the kitchen, most while the victims are in another room. Common causes of these fires were: cooking being left unattended; items being left on hot cooker hobs, such as tea towels and small kitchen appliances; and metal objects placed in microwaves. During 2023, one third of kitchen fires attended by DWFRS were in the homes of people aged over 65 and living alone.

By highlighting some of the potential dangers in the kitchen, DWFRS hope to encourage safer cooking behaviours amongst those most at risk. In particular, if you have an older friend or relative who lives alone, please share this advice with them.

There is more information on the DWFRS website about safety in the home at: www.dwfire.org.uk/safety-at-home. If you are concerned for someone's safety, you can contact the DWFRS Safe & Well team- call **0800 038 2323** or visit: www.dwfire.org.uk/safe-and-well-visits





Gardening with Capability Charlotte

Gardening Jobs for September

September marks the transition from summer to autumn, making it a busy month for gardeners. As temperatures drop and daylight hours shorten, there are plenty of gardening tasks to keep you occupied.

Lawn Care: revitalise your lawn. Scarify the grass to remove thatch, aerate to improve drainage, and apply autumn feed to prepare it for the colder months.

Planting: plant spring bulbs like daffodils, crocuses, and tulips. It's also ideal for planting perennials and shrubs, giving them time to establish before winter. Consider adding winter pansies and violas for autumn colour.

Harvesting: pick the last of your tomatoes, beans, and courgettes. Early autumn fruits like apples, pears, and plums are also ready to be gathered. Elderberries should be ready to forage and make a great cordial to fend off winter colds, pick sloe berries for sloe gin. Remember to leave plenty for the birds.

Pruning and tidying: prune late-flowering shrubs, deadhead roses, and clear away any faded annuals. This tidying prevents diseases and pests from overwintering in your garden.

Mulch: add the first layer of mulch to feed the soil and help control weeds. Any organic mulch is fine - just make sure manure is well rotted.

If you have any more questions, find me at: www.capabilitycharlotte.com



Dodgy Lodgers

We had a jackdaw nest in our chimney. It was very entertaining. The jackdaw couple seemed to be having a domestic every night, making a considerable noise. If they'd been people, the police would have been called! Periodically, twigs etc would drop down the chimney. When the eggs were hatched, the noise increased, but eventually they fledged. We got a chimney sweep to clear the chimney and fit a cowl. The twigs started just above the fireplace to nearly the top of the chimney - filled completely two Green Bins. We enjoyed having our lodgers, but decided once was enough.

Annemarie Seager



Jackdaws have increased in numbers since the 1960s, which is rather surprising considering that many of their nesting sites are no longer available - chimney stacks are now either cowed or wired over due in part to domestic heating.

When choosing a chimney for their nest site jackdaws drop twigs and sticks down the flue until a few lodge across it, establishing a firm base for their nest. They continue to drop sticks down until they reach the desired height for their nest. Such nests often caught fire when the kindling and coal in the grate were ignited!

Jackdaws are accomplished thieves - they plunder other birds' nests for the eggs and nestlings, and also raid garden bird feeders, which are frequently damaged by them and other corvids. They are highly social, gathering in noisy flocks and performing aerial acrobatics. They mate for life, choosing their mate in their first year but don't breed until the following year. The pair will perch side by side preening each other. Their name originates from their call 'daw', the 'jack' part meaning a rogue, or knave.

Perhaps you have seen the romantic habits of wood pigeons, whose squabs (young) may hatch as late as October. Local pigeons are becoming something of a problem now in gardens due to loss of woodland habitat and arable foraging. Most birds will have finished breeding now and will be skulking away in the undergrowth moulting, losing their tails and shedding feathers ready to meet all comers in the early autumn to claim territories. They will chase away intruders, even those from their own broods, choosing vantage points from which to sing around their territories to announce that 'this garden is mine.'

Consider slowing down your lives for a few days by taking time after work and at weekends to sit in your garden in different places and at different times. As well as lessening stress and forgetting work problems for a while, you will be surprised at what the wildlife is up to. Sitting silently outside in July I caught a movement- something dark, about the size of a bumble bee. As I watched it came again, climbing rapidly up the side of a planter, possibly attracted by the live mealworms we feed our garden birds. It was a pygmy shrew! These smallest of British mammals need to eat three times their weight a day in order to survive, since as a prey species they use up a great deal of energy rushing about at great speed. A fritillary butterfly also landed briefly beside me, a great thrill as reportedly 80% of our butterflies are diminishing in number, although there are encouraging reports about Red Admirals and Holly Blues bucking the trend.

Due to the devastating effects of Dutch Elm Disease in the 1960s, much of our countryside looked as if it had been nuked. In Wiltshire elms were once so plentiful that they were known as Wiltshire weeds. The Government and woodland charities started a project in the 70s 'Plant a Tree in '73'. Let us take up this mantle again in our decade with 'Plant More in '24'.

Otis Tarda

**WILTSHIRE
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FOR THE
LAVINGTONS**



**A Message from Cllr Dominic Muns
Wiltshire Councillor for The
Lavingtons**

You may contact me about this or any other matter by email:

dominic.muns@wiltshire.gov.uk or by phone on **07585 394 178**.

I hope you had a lovely summer and saw some sunshine, either at home in The Lavingtons or further afield. There were lots of local events held across the area and thankfully I got to enjoy several in between work and childcare. It was good to catch-up with many of you on my travels.

As I reported at the start of the summer, traffic lights will be installed at Black Dog crossroads in the spring. With that project developing at pace behind the scenes I wanted to discuss the cause of accidents at the junction and why some suggestions won't work or can't be delivered.

Poor judgement is the cause of every accident I have seen in the last ten years. I can't think of a single incident that wasn't caused by someone pulling out from Worton or Broadway in front of a vehicle on the A360. The errors are usually explained by poor visibility and/or excess speed of A360 traffic. However, the fault always rests with the driver pulling out, even in cases when the vehicle on the A360 is speeding. This might not seem fair, but it is a fact of highway code and motoring law.

A roundabout was explored early in the project but given what we now know about the impossibility of acquiring extra land from a neighbouring landowner, that idea is impossible. Furthermore, the DfT says that roundabouts on a 50mph road need to be illuminated and so aside from being impossible from a space point of view, it would also be significantly more expensive. Traffic lights therefore are the best option available given the constraints that exist.

All sorts of temporary mitigation steps have been suggested including lowering the speed limit. This is something I have been pushing for since my election and unfortunately the decision does not solely rest with Wiltshire Council. Wiltshire Police have a veto and they have chosen not to support a reduction. Of course, reducing any limit does not guarantee every driver will comply anyway. This creates a more dangerous situation where the driver sat at the Worton turning might assume all cars are doing 40mph and pulls out accordingly, failing to spot that the other car is travelling much faster than even the previous 50mph limit.

I am exploring what temporary signage might be installed to cover the short gap between now and the traffic light switch-on. I don't believe a sign will make any difference to someone's decision to pull out in front of a moving vehicle, but it might help encourage A360 traffic to stick to the speed limit and have their foot hovering over the brake. I will keep you posted as I find out more.

**CHEVERELL
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PARISH
COUNCIL**

The Parish Council is meeting on **Monday 2nd September at 7.30pm** at the New Pavilion, Witchcombe Close. Everyone is welcome to attend. There is always a section at the beginning of a meeting for anyone to have their say and it is an opportunity for residents to put forward ideas and share their views. Agendas and minutes can be found on the Parish Council website at <https://www.greatcheverell.org/>

The agenda will include regular items such as finance and planning applications. Victoria Park Residents Association will provide an update regarding ongoing works. The Parish Council will discuss the play area, grounds maintenance and the Parish Steward works at each meeting. The Council will be replacing the fencing around the playground soon and the Clerk is sourcing quotations for the work to ensure best value.

Resilience planning is ongoing and the New Pavilion is designated as an emergency hub in the event of any emergency. Winter supplies of gel sacs, salt, flood and snow warning signs have been ordered. Please get in touch with the Council or the Parish Clerk if you wish to be involved in supporting the community during an emergency. We are particularly looking for a Snow Warden and a Flood Warden- training will be provided. Please get in touch if you have a 4x4 or similar vehicle and you would be willing to help out during emergencies.

Community Events: There will be an Autumn Village Tidy/litter pick on **Sunday 6th October** from 10am to 12 noon, meeting at the New Pavilion. A safety briefing and refreshments will be provided along with all the kit required. Thanks to everyone who has helped over the past year with our regular litter picking events.

Defibrillator: We have a defibrillator located at the New Pavilion which is checked regularly. South West Ambulance Trust will provide training if we can get enough people interested- let us know if you would like to attend a training session.

Play Area: In addition to planned new fencing, we are beginning consultation regarding new equipment for the play area. The plan is to provide equipment for pre-school children. Please get in touch with us if you have ideas for the play area. The Clerk and Councillors will be happy to drop by to chat to parents and young people.

Contact for all enquires: parishclerk@greatcheverell.org

**Great Cheverell Village Hall
Statutory Meeting**

Wednesday September 18th at 7.30pm

In the Great Cheverell Pavilion

This village meeting is a legal requirement before any decision is taken regarding the possible closure of Great Cheverell Village Hall.

We need to hear your views - please join us.

LITTLE CHEVERELL PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council has been busy tidying the village and has now completed a clearance of overgrowth at the Sheepwash pool behind the Village Hall. A visit is recommended! Patching of the worst parts of Low Road have been completed and finally the Telephone Box on Low Road, which houses our defibrillator, has had a fresh coat of red paint.

We are now looking for volunteers to help maintain the Sheepwash pool and complete the renovation. A video of the original project

completed in 2004 is on You Tube, this is the link link <https://tinyurl.com/275cv78s>

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on **1st October at 7pm** in the Village Hall and all members of the public are welcome to attend.

We have been working hard to keep the council's website up to date and relevant. We share the site with the Village Hall Committee and it's now possible to view upcoming events and buy tickets directly from the website, www.littlecheverellparishcouncil.org.uk. Please take a look and let us know if you have any suggestions for content you would find useful. There is a contact form on the website.



Little Cheverell Village Hall

All the LCVH events are now more visible in the events pages of the Parish Council website at www.littlecheverellparishcouncil.org.uk where you can book and pay for tickets to our events.

We are pleased to announce the return following a summer break of our Sunday Afternoon Jazz starting on **6th October, 1pm - 3pm**. Tickets cost £5.00 and the Jazz event is family friendly, no charge for children.

We are also pleased to present our Cheese and Wine evening on Friday **11th October at 7:30 PM** - tickets and full details will soon be visible on the website. This is always a popular social event and as always the proceeds will go towards maintaining and improving the Village Hall. We hope as many of you as possible will come along and support us.

Our Fundraiser continues and will allow us to apply for improvement grants in the near future. If you would like to contribute, visit <https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/26089>

Please do tick the Gift Aid option if you are a UK taxpayer, which will allow us to collect an additional 25% over your donation amount.

Please note that we can take card and contactless payments at all our events and for donations to our fundraiser.

WEST LAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL



We hope everyone had a great summer, either on holiday or staying local. Our village Fete was a great success, thank you for the support you gave it. There have been many fetes and shows around our villages - seeing the Lord Robert Traction engine in Market Lavington was brilliant.

The most notable thing that happened was a change of Government, in particular the changes our new government is making to planning and house building. Wiltshire Council have made a web presentation available on YouTube that explains the current situation very well at: https://youtu.be/_MLFP7-Ex9o?si=A17Y21iBsWgatLoH

For Wiltshire the new housing plans give the county an 84% increase in housing targets, which will be shared across the county and will be mandatory targets. Whilst we have no idea what it means for our village, there is likely to be an impact. It gives an added level of importance for us to have an updated Neighbourhood Plan in place for our village. If anyone would like to help with that please do get in touch. The government is consulting on their planning policy and anyone can have a say. I encourage everyone to watch the webinar and make your views known:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/proposed-reforms-to-the-national-planning-policy-framework-and-other-changes-to-the-planning-system/proposed-reforms-to-the-national-planning-policy-framework-and-other-changes-to-the-planning-system>.

Closer to home, hedges and undergrowth have had a lovely warm and wet summer to add growth. It means some of our public footpaths are becoming difficult to walk on. You can report issues with footpaths to us at footpaths@westlavington.org.uk

If you are a landowner or your boundary borders a footpath, please make sure you keep the footpaths clear, which means cutting the hedge/undergrowth back to the border. If you need any advice on what you need to do, get in touch with our footpaths team.

We have two vacancies on the Parish Council - a great chance to support the community and protect the area we call home. If you are interested and would like to find out more, please contact our clerk on clerk@westlavington.org.uk

There are no planning matters outstanding at the time of going to press.

Now its time to dust off school uniforms, pack new students off to university and wave goodbye to the summer holidays. The next meeting of the Parish Council is on **Thursday 5th September** in the Giles Room, West Lavington Village Hall, at 7pm. All members of the public are welcome.

Peter West Chair, West Lavington Parish Council pwest@westlavington.org.uk

The Nicola Farnon Trio

featuring award-winning jazz pianist David Newton

Friday 20th September

Market Lavington Community Hall
St Mary's Rd, Market Lavington, Devizes SN10 4DG

Doors - 7pm - Performance start 7.30pm

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Tickets: £15

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Macmillan Coffee Morning

Saturday 21st September 2024

Market Lavington Community Hall

10am – 12pm

This year marks our 8th year of holding our annual Macmillan Coffee Morning

Every penny we raise goes towards Macmillan to help them

So please come along

Have a go at the various games, raffle, and tombola and see what you can find at the bric-a-brac stall.

Join us for tea, coffee and cake whilst raising money for the wonderful Macmillan!

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Our beautiful churchyard at All Saints' West Lavington **NEEDS SOME TLC!**

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If you can help please ring Mark Spindlow 01380 813445

Let him know what you can do and if you have your own tools

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All ages welcome!

**Saturday September 21st
10am - 4pm**



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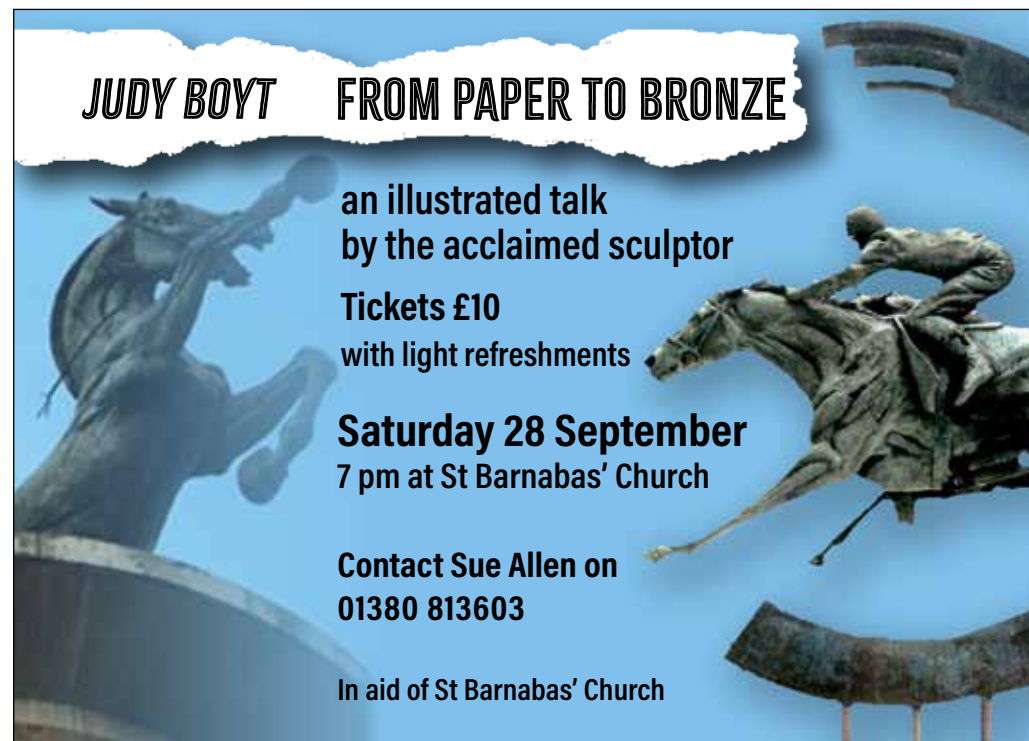
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June on
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**How will you decorate
YOUR tree?**

HOLY TRINITY PRIMARY ACADEMY



Welcome back, everyone! It is wonderful to welcome all our children and their families back after the holidays, and especially all our new children and their families.

An exciting year ahead! We are very proud of the very exciting, engaging and broad curriculum we provide for our children. We believe that a happy learner is a good learner, so we aim to make learning as relevant, interesting and engaging as possible through a creative curriculum, so that the children are equipped to move into secondary school and their adolescence with all the knowledge and skills that they need to flourish in this next stage of their lives. Reading is promoted as an intrinsic part of teaching and learning and it forms a pivotal part of our curriculum. We believe that learning to read and reading for pleasure transforms children's lives.

Our creative curriculum progression is mapped out on our website <https://www.holy-trinity.co.uk/Curriculum/>



Thank you: *A beautiful handcrafted friendship bench was gifted to the School by Y6 children and their families, representing all the wonderful moments and special times shared together. Thank you so much from us all. We send our best wishes to all our Y7 children starting their new secondary school.*

This year we expand our Culture and Diversity work to show our pupils the wide range of diverse and exciting cultures that make up Britain and how our culture is richer as a result. We explore world music, dance, art, cooking and performance through our Flourishing Community to bring learning alive.

We have lots of visitors and experts joining us in school and off-site trips for every child, every year. We have partnerships with local galleries and



museums and we have regular visits from local experts such as farmers, the fire and ambulance services, conservationists, scientists, designers, engineers, athletes, architects and artists.

Themes and topics: We encourage children to learn through topics and themes as far as possible- it is always much more fun to learn how to write a report, a story or a poem if it is relevant to the topic. Maths makes more sense if children are using their maths skills to solve problems that have to do with their topic or theme.

Some topics will be covered by all classes in the school, others will be specific to the class- often a topic will be suggested by the children's interests. Topics will unfold over a term or half term, often ending in a big project- a film, a class museum, a meal, a class art gallery, a musical performance or some project that provides an end point for the learning around the topic. Parents are encouraged to come into school for Sharing Assembly every Friday afternoon to see how each class is progressing through their work.

Come and see our school If you think your child would enjoy being at our school, please make an appointment to come and visit us, have a look around and chat to the Headteacher. There is lots of information on our website www.holy-trinity.co.uk and our phone number is **01380 813796**.

Anna Woodman - Headteacher

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DAUNTSEY ACADEMY PRIMARY SCHOOL



As September arrives, we are not quite ready to give up on the summer at DAPS! All the children and staff will be arriving back at school, hopefully feeling well-rested and ready for what the new school year brings. We are hopeful that the weather will be kind to us so we can spend as much time as possible outside.

Goodbyes and warm welcomes

We will be without our wonderful Year 6 class, with most of them about to have their first few days at Lavington School. This is always a smooth transition, due to the close links between our schools and our linked systems within the EQUA trust. As sad as it is to see our Year 6 pupils leave, it means we also welcome our new starters and their families into the school.

Over the holidays, we welcome our new starters into school for three summer school sessions to have a look around, visit their classroom and explore the grounds while the school is nice and quiet. Some of them have only just turned four, so coming into school will be a big change for them. They also get letters sent to their home from their school buddies, Year 5 students who will be their one-to-one friends for their first two years at school. Many are used to a school routine, having already spent a few years with the brilliant team at Lavington Pre-school. As there is only a little fence separating the Pre-school's playground from our school, they can still say hello to their friends at play time.

School picnic in the park

We have an exciting event, organised by our PTA POD team, to kickstart the year. They are taking over the West Lavington Playing Field on Saturday 21st September for a school picnic so that everyone can bring their picnics along and socialise with other families at school. There will also be a small group of our Year 5 children selling cakes, running activities and organising games at the event to raise money for Breast Cancer Awareness. Please do bring a few pound coins along and stop by to show them your support.

Volunteers warmly welcome

If you are a parent at school, or live locally and have time to offer to regularly help in school, please do get in touch. Whether you would like to spend time in the classrooms listening to readers, help outside in our forest school or are incredibly handy and happy to help with outdoor projects, we warmly welcome volunteers at school. After the necessary checks, we would love to welcome you into our community. Please do give us a call on **01380 813373** or email us on **admin@daps.wilts.sch.uk**.

Philippa Winbolt, Headteacher

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'And above all things, have fervent charity among yourselves, for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.' (1 Peter 4:8).

'Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.' (Ephesians 4:32).

'God blesses those who are kind to the poor. He helps them out of their troubles. He protects them and keeps them alive; he publicly honours them and destroys the power of their enemies.' (Psalm 41:1-2).

Some people are like reservoirs. They collect God's blessings but then hoard them. Other people are like a straw. They want God to help other people through them. An important spiritual lesson is that God gives you far more blessings when you're a straw than when you're a reservoir. If you want God to bless you, bless others, particularly the most vulnerable in our society.

God makes many amazing promises to those who give to the poor. The Bible says in Proverbs 19:17, 'If you help the poor, you are lending to the Lord and He will repay you.'

God considers it a loan to Him every time you give to the poor. It's not a gift, it's a loan.

God promises that he will always pay you back.

Rev Fr David Knipe

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The Old Catholic Apostolic Church

The Old Catholic Apostolic Church is a mission church throughout the world. In July it celebrated its Annual Synod at Claremont Church in Bolton where several new Priests and Deacons were ordained.

As an ordained Priest, I originally trained as a Licensed Minister with the Church of England in Plymouth with the South West Ministry Training Course. I attended Durham University to complete my Theology, Ministry and Mission qualification. I then qualified to join the Continuing Anglicans (Anglican Continuum). After reaching the age limit for the CofE and in order to have a presence to minister in the UK, where there was no age limit, I joined the Old Catholic Apostolic Church (UK).

My current post is with the Wiltshire Police as a Chaplain. I also belong to the Police Christian Association (PCA) and the Police Chaplains (UK) which provides courses from Cardiff University.

I am involved locally with many aspects of Christian worship and enjoy the friendly atmosphere in West Lavington.

EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

Deadlines

“Depend upon it, sir”, wrote Dr Johnson, “when a man knows he is to be hanged in a fortnight, it concentrates his mind wonderfully.” The Editor of this publication has not threatened to hang me, yet. But she does set deadlines.

They have the effect of concentrating this writer’s mind wonderfully. Especially when nothing has thus far entered his mind as a topic for the next edition of the magazine. There’s a

deadline to meet. A blank Word document to fill up. Better get on with it, then.

From the grandest columnist for The Times newspaper to the humble contributor to your local community mag, scribblers live and die by editorial time limits. In fact, there’s a deadline looming over us all. The day will come when we are called to give an account of our lives to our Maker and Judge.

That thought should certainly concentrate our minds. For who of us can say that the copy book of their life is without blot or blemish? The good news is that God has done everything necessary for us to be prepared to meet him.

He sent his Son, the Lord Jesus, to die on the cross that the record of our sins may be wiped clean. The Holy Spirit has been poured out to give us new life. A grand invitation is made for us to ‘seek the Lord while he may be found and call upon him while he is near’.

Well, if you’re reading this, it means I was ready in time for the deadline. Always important, that and not just for writers.

Pastor Guy Davies

www.pbc-ebc.org.uk

You are welcome to join us for our Sunday services at 4.30pm. On the 4th Sunday of the month we have ‘Time for Tea +’, a traditional Sunday tea, followed by a short service.

The Importance of Being Earnest

Tickets are selling fast for this unconventional script-in-hand production of the Importance of Being Earnest to be performed in West Lavington Manor gardens on Sunday 8th September at 2pm and 6pm. Profits will go to local charity The Nestling Trust.

This timeless classic by Oscar Wilde is still hilariously silly and one of our best loved plays. Will Lane find a cucumber at the market? Will Gwendoline remember to bring something sensational to read on the train? How will Lady Bracknell deliver the infamous handbag line? Gates are open from midday. Bring a picnic and enjoy a look around the gardens before the show. There will be a bar and the ticket price includes a glass of bubbly (non-alcoholic option available).

This is a promenade production, so seats are limited, with very few tickets left as we go to press. To book, go to <https://tinyurl.com/earnest-2024>

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TRINITY CHURCH

We meet in the Community Hall, Market Lavington every Sunday morning at **10.30 am** unless stated otherwise.

Visitors to our informal style of worship in the United Reformed Church/Methodist tradition are always welcome. Do come along.

All services are accompanied by refreshments and we follow current regulations to help keep you safe.

Services For SEPTEMBER 2024

September 1st	Trinity Service with Holy Communion Led by Revd Graham Warmington
September 8th	Trinity United Church Service at St Barnabas, Easterton Led by Revd Gary Gotham
September 15th	Trinity Church Service Led by Holly Adams
September 22nd	Trinity Church ‘Sector’ Service Led by Revd Gary Gotham
September 29th	Trinity Church Service Led by Jeannie MacMeekin

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WHAT'S ON WHEN - A CALENDAR OF LOCAL EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 2024	
Sun 1st:	Children's Proms, Hillworth Park, 2pm.
Mon 2nd:	Cheverell Magna Parish Council meeting, New Pavilion GC, 7.30pm
Mon 2nd - Sat 7th:	Talking Heads by Alan Bennett, Wharf Theatre, Devizes. 7.30pm Tickets £14-£16. wharftheatre.co.uk
Thurs 5th:	West Lavington Parish Council meeting, Giles Room, WLVH, 7pm.
Sat 7th:	Twining Association Barbecue, WLVH, 7pm. Tickets members £8, non-members £10 from Mike Page on 818510
	Kats & Kits Pre Loved Sale at Neehams House, Victoria Rd, Devizes. From 10am
Sat 7th - Sun 22nd:	Assizes for Devizes Ideas Exhibition, Wiltshire Museum.
Sun 8th:	Staged reading of The Importance of Being Earnest, West Lavington Manor. 2pm and 6pm. Tickets £20.
Mon 9th:	Mother's Union afternoon of meditation, 54 High Street, WL, 2.15pm
	Cafe Scientifique at the Bell - Banning Killer Robots. Starts at 7.30pm
Tues 10th:	Cheverells Garden Club talk 'Tales from the Potting Shed'. GCVH, 7.15 for 7.30pm.
Wed 11th:	WL Friendship Club trip to Weymouth, Tickets £10.
Thurs 12th:	Lavington Community Choir restarts, MLCH, 8.15pm
Sat 14th:	Spring Bulb Sale in aid of St Peter's Church, GC. The Pavilion GC, 10am - 2pm
	Great Cheverell Film Club at the Pavilion. Doors open at 7pm.
	Devizes Heritage Open Day: guided tours and open buildings. trustfordevizes.info
	Devizes Colour Rush race and Confetti Battle: https://www.docadevizes.org.uk
Sun 15th:	Proms in the Park, Hillworth Park, Devizes. 2pm.
Mon 16th:	Dauntsey's Choral Society Autumn term begins. The Old Hall, 7.30pm
Wed 18th:	Great Cheverell Village Hall Statutory Meeting, GC Pavilion 7.30pm.
	Lavington and District Gardening Club talk 'Stumperies and Ferns', WLVH, 7.15 for 7.30pm
Fri 20th:	Jazz Concert, Nicola Farnon Trio, MLCH, 7.30pm. Doors open 7pm. Tickets £15
	Hancock's Half Hour The Lost TV Episodes, Wharf Theatre, Devizes. 7.30pm. Tickets £18.

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Sat 21st:	Macmillan Coffee Morning, MLCH, 10am - 12pm.
	Churchyard Tidy Up, All Saints Church, West Lavington 10am - 4pm
	DAPS School Picnic in the Park, WL Playing Fields.
Sat 21st - Sun 29th:	Devizes Food and Drink Festival. For event details visit devizesfoodanddrinkfestival.info
Wed 25th:	WL Friendship Club Sing Along with Sian and Rob, Churchill Arms, 2.30pm
Sat 28th:	Illustrated talk by sculptor Judy Boyt, St Barnabas Church, Easterton, 7pm. Tickets £10
OCTOBER 2024	
Tues 1st:	Little Cheverell Parish Council meeting, LC Village Hall, 7pm.
Fri 4th:	Devizes Autumn Fair, Corn Exchange, Devizes. 10am - 4.30pm
Sat 5th:	Last of the Summer Swing charity tea dance, MLCH, 2-5pm. Tickets £10/£16
	Great Cheverell Harvest Supper, The Pavilion, 7pm. Tickets £10.
Sun 6th:	Paws in the Park walk, Dorothy House Hospice, Winsley, 10am for 10.30am
	Sunday Afternoon Jazz, Little Cheverell Village Hall, 1-3pm. Tickets £5, children free
Fri 11th:	Cheese and Wine Evening, Little Cheverell Village Hall, 7.30pm
Sat 19th:	Britten Sinfonia Wind Trio concert, Edington Priory Church, 7.30pm. Tickets £11-£25
Sun 20th:	Devizes Town Band Concert: Greatest War Themes, Corn Exchange, Devizes 2.30pm. Tickets £10, U16 £5

Christmas Country Fair - Saturday 16th November

An early date for your November diary - the thirteenth Christmas Country Fair in aid of The Soldiers' Charity will be held on Saturday November 16th at the Market Lavington Community Hall from 10am to 2pm.

As ever there will be lots of stalls selling handmade crafts and produce with lots of ideas for Christmas decorations and presents, plus refreshments and a tombola!

Thanks to your support, over the last twelve years our Fairs have raised nearly £13,000 for the Soldiers' Charity to help serving and retired soldiers and their families. We hope to see you there!

For more information, contact **Sue Bonney** on **01380 812757** or email suejbonney@gmail.com

REGULAR MEETINGS OF VILLAGE GROUPS

Art Group: Thursday mornings, Giles Room, WL Village Hall, 9.30am - midday.

Cafe Scientifique: first Monday of the month, 7.30pm, The Bell Inn, Great Cheverell

Cheverells Garden Club: second Tuesday in the month, 7.30pm, GC Village Hall

Dauntsey's Choral Society: Monday evenings, term time, Old Hall, Dauntsey's School
7.30-9.30pm

Easterton Sewing Bee: Wednesday evenings, 7pm in Easterton Village Hall

Friendly Fridays, Old School, Market Lavington 10am to 1pm, all ages

Gt Cheverell Book Club: last Tuesday of the month, 2pm

Gt Cheverell Friends and Neighbours: first Wednesday in the month, GC Village Hall 3pm.

Home Group: Tuesdays in term time, 46 High Street, West Lavington, 6.30 - 8pm

Kennet Quilters: second Monday in month, ML Community Hall, 1.30 - 4.30pm.

Knitting Club: Baptist Church hall on third Wednesday of the month at 10am.

Lavington Community Choir: Thursdays, ML Community Hall, 8pm for 8.15pm.

Lavington and District Swimming Club: Sundays 4-5.30pm, Tuesdays 7.15-8.15pm,
Thursdays 6.30am-7.30 am, Dauntsey's School Pool.

Lavington and District Garden Club: third Wednesday of the month, 7.30pm,
WL Village Hall, £2 per meeting, £15 per year

Mothers' Union: second Monday of the Month, 2.15pm at 54 High Street, West Lavington,
unless otherwise advised.

Tuesday Club: for 60+, Tuesdays, ML Community Hall 10am - 2pm

West Lavington Friendship Club: second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, Baptist
Church Hall at 2.30pm, unless otherwise advertised.

West Lavington WI: second Thursday of the month, Giles Room WL VH, April-Oct 7pm,
Nov-March 2pm.

West Lavington Youth Club: Tuesdays for Years 8+, Wednesdays Years 4-6,
Thursdays Year 7, WL Village Hall. 6 - 8pm

Whist Drive: Every Friday, Great Cheverell Village Hall 2pm

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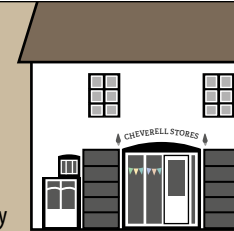
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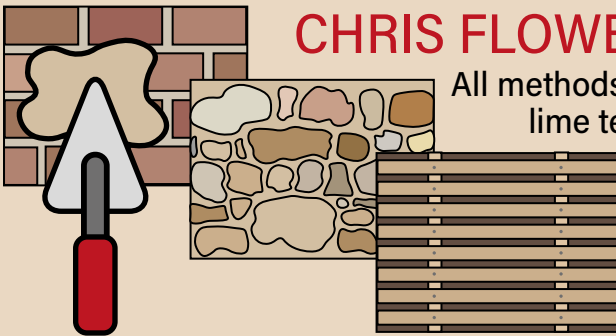
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