

PARISH OF DEVERILLS AND HORNINGSHAM

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Please remember the deadline is the 15th of every month



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PARISH NEWS

The Deverills & Crockerton



The church of St Peter & St Paul

Longbridge Deverill

by Pat Armstrong

April 2012

Look inside for local information



ART STUDIO - OPEN DAY

Friday 20th April 10.00 am - 7.00 pm

MAGPIE Gift Shop, Tea Room, Artists' Studios
6 East Street, Warminster



Bricolage Art, Environmental Art, Fine Art, Local Artists Gallery

Collection in aid of HELP for HEROES

Information from Julie Read 840655 or Heather White 847584

QUIZ NIGHT *(in aid of churches)*

Saturday 21st April at 7.00 pm Longbridge Deverill Village Hall

Teams of eight players - entry £8 per head

Includes a simple supper e.g. fish and chips to be served at 8.30 pm

Please bring your own liquid refreshment.

Prizes for the winners plus booby prizes for the last team

There will be a RAFFLE, prizes gratefully received by Tim Young.

Why not get a team together and enjoy a fun evening

Names please to Guy Ratcliffe (840405)



Longbridge Deverill Village Hall

St George's Day Lunch Sunday 29th April 12.30 for 1.00 pm

Beef Stew and Dumplings, Apple Crumble and Custard, Bring own drinks

Tickets £10 adults £5 children Tickets from Sylvia 214825

Annual General Meeting Wednesday 18th April 7.00 pm

We need new committee members, new ideas to help raise funds to keep our Village Hall in good repair for residents of Crockerton, Longbridge, Hill Deverill. We put on 4 – 6 functions a year, with up to 6 committee meetings.

Come to the AGM if are interested in joining us or call Julie Read (Sec) 840655

NB: Parish Diamond Jubilee Tea Party on Monday 4th June



Salisbury Theatre Club

Monday 21st May

Epsom Down by Howard Brenton

Cost: £19.00 (theatre seat £14.00, coach £5.00)

Please book early to ensure tickets, payment in advance A S P,

(the theatre insists on payment 4 weeks in advance for groups)

to Mary Stewart Cox (tel 840877) at Longmead, Brixton Deverill,

Warminster BA12 7EJ

Coach leaves Kingston church 6.10 pm collecting through the Deverills

Performances begin at 7.30 pm



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- **Zumba Fitness** Tuesdays 6.30 pm Longbridge Hall Amy Strong (07830 119032)
- **Bell Ringing at Longbridge** Wednesdays 7.30 pm Richard Munro (844385)
- **Hearing Loss Lip-reading** Wednesdays Margaret Head (213259)
- **Thursday Group** Thursdays 10.00 - 11.30 am See p14
- **Ivy House Quiet Day & Lunch** Sunday 1st April See p8
- **Deverills Cricket Club nets** Sundays 1st, 15th, 22nd April See p5
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- **Book Club meeting** Thursday 12th April 7.00 pm Mark Edwards (840065)
- **Mere Bowls Club** start of season Saturday 14th April See p5
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- **Pre-School Bingo** - 7.30 pm Sutton Veny Hall - Thursday 31st May See p12

LOCAL COUNCILS, SOCIETIES, GROUPS etc.

Longbridge Deverill and Crockerton Parish Council

Karen Manfield 215285 (Chair)	Peter Whitley 841111 (Vice Chair)
Sarah Jeffries 213436 (Clerk)	Thomas Minter 216909
Bill Hurd 840023	Elaine Pidgeon 212878
Graham Read 840296	Brian Marshall 214789

Upper Deverills Parish Council

Louise Stratton 844105 (Chair)	Ranald Blue 841374
Sarah Jeffries 213436 (Clerk)	Robin Greenwood 840743
Paul Greaves 845042	Avril Cousens 844970

Wiltshire Councillor Fleur de Rhé Philipe 213193

Wiltshire Council 0300 456 0100

Good Neighbour Co-ordinator Andrea Llewellyn 07557 922033

Sir James Thynne Almshouse Mrs Sue Jackson 840322 (Steward)

Longbridge Deverill Village Hall Committee

Pat Wood 840535 (Chair) Julie Read 840655 (Secretary) Sylvia Titt 214825 (Caretaker)

Upper Deverills Village Hall

Richard Cousens 844970 (Chair) John Lea 844325 (Hall bookings)

Crockerton Millennium Committee Marion Thomas 213739 (Chair)

Pre-School Children and Parents 'Thursday Group'

Sylvia Titt 214825 Pat Wood 840535

Deverill Valley & Crockerton WI

Ruth Sutton (President) Julie Wallder 213142 (Secretary)

Deverills Cricket Club

Ed Read 840655 (Captain) Jamie Fagan 844123 (Secretary)

Wylve Valley Tennis Club Colin Singer 213696

Wylve Valley Flower Club

Mrs P Martin 212476 (President) Mrs S Scott 216584 (Programme Secretary)

Wiltshire Wildlife Trust

Elm Tree Court, Long Street, Devizes SN10 1NJ www.wiltshirewildlife.org

Rural Community Beat Manager - Police Community Support Officers

PC Vicky Pegrum - PCSOs Caroline Wright - 0845 408 7000

Hospital Transport Link Scheme 211655

Mere Link Scheme (covers Upper Deverills) 01747 860096

The Rev Norma Payne writes: - 3 -

Friday 16th March saw local people turn out in support of the 3rd Battalion, Yorkshire Regiment, as four hundred young soldiers marched through the town on the way to the Minster Church for a pre-deployment to Afghanistan service. The occasion had taken on a different feel because of the deaths of their colleagues already in Afghanistan as part of the advance party. The padre preached a 'cracking good sermon' and it was obvious to see the special relationship he had with the men.



One of the most moving parts of the service was the lighting of a lantern which was lit, with the promise that it would burn day and night until the return of the regiment, as a sign of the prayers of the town which would accompany the regiment.

As I reflected on the service, I was struck by its significance. In Lent, we journey towards the passion and death of Christ on Good Friday and his resurrection at Easter. The symbolism of 'light' is so strong within our Christian tradition, and it is embodied in our Easter celebrations. When we live in the light of the risen Jesus, we discover the possibility of transformation. God's love revealed in the outstretched arms of Christ on the cross has power to move us into a place of hope that things can and will be different. After the darkness of Good Friday, new hope and life comes as Easter dawns.

May that hope and life be real for all who have lost friends and colleagues. May it be real for families who wait for the safe return of those they love. May it be real for us as we celebrate the great festival and season of Easter. Happy Easter to you all!



Padre's Parcels

Rev John Duncan, deploying with the Battalion, has invited the people of Warminster and local areas to support the soldiers by producing **Padre's Parcels**. Our local coordinator is Maggi Ratcliffe, please contact her with enquiries by email ratcliffe637@btinternet.com or phone 840405. Parcels should be shoe box size or smaller and less than 2 kilos (5lbs). Items may include packets of sweets, chewing gum (no chocolate), crisps, pot noodles, nuts, marmite, cake and anything that has been smoked or cured; toiletries, magazines, stationery and socks etc. A short letter would be appreciated and may enable links to be established.

The Labyrinth

What is a labyrinth? It is a meandering path with no dead ends or junctions unlike and often confused with a Maze. They were widely used in the middle ages, inlaid into the floors of naves in cathedrals across Europe for pilgrims to walk in contemplation. In England they were incorporated in roof bosses and other forms of building decoration. Two medieval examples remain, a roof boss at St Mary Redcliffe and one in the Mappa Mundi in Hereford Cathedral. During the revival of church building in the Victorian period several labyrinths were inlaid into the floors of chapels and churches but the only one designed to be walked was in Ely Cathedral. In recent decades several modern examples have been constructed, most notably Batheaston (1985) Norwich Cathedral (2000) and St Michael's Abingdon (2008). The recent revival of interest is based on findings of the therapeutic effect walking a labyrinth has on people. There are now mobile ones available for placing in halls, schools and public places and many groups are creating permanent ones in parks. Anyone can gain from taking a few minutes to step out of their daily rushed lives and allow their mind to release control and let the path guide them to a central place of calm. They can and are used in pilgrimage. To walk a labyrinth takes one on a journey. The literal path becomes the symbolic path of life, a path of destiny, to God. As one steps on to the path you can shed all the daily clutter and worries. With each step you can turn it on bringing you closer to a place of calm, reflecting on the turn of

THE VINTAGE NOSTALGIA SHOW

Stockton Park 25th-27th May

Submerge yourself in yesteryear and live life through 'rose tinted glasses' for the weekend.

Whatever your interest come and celebrate.

On Saturday night 'Obscuritones' are playing live 50's rockabilly.

Go on put on your dancing' shoes, best vintage frock, come and joins us!

See www.vintagenostalgiashow.co.uk or call 850970 or 07771 643227



CROCKERTON VILLAGE COMMITTEE TRADITIONAL STREET PARTY CELEBRATE THE DIAMOND JUBILEE SUNDAY 3RD JUNE from 3.00 pm



To be held in Broadmead Lane, Family and Friends welcome
Please bring a plate of food to share, a chair, and any alcohol you require
We will supply tables, decorations, music and a Royal welcome drink
Hot drinks and children's drinks supplied, Children's Entertainer
Competition for the best Jubilee hat, children and adults
Information: Tracey 216939, Marion 213739, Trish 846613

Sir James Thynne House, Longbridge Deverill

A self-contained flat is now available in this charming old building:
Bed/sitting room, kitchen, bathroom with easy access shower, garden area
Applicants should be aged 50 years or over and resident locally
For further information please contact Sue Jackson on 840322



The Black Barn Gallery - Boyton



The Gallery is run by local artists and crafts persons offering
paintings in oils, water colours and pastels
stoneware and ceramics, jewellery & silversmith
stained glass & print making, leather goods
needlecraft & quilting - millinery & hand beaded bags
fountain pens & wooden board games - shaker boxes & wood turning
gothic mirrors - sheep skins & woollen knitwear - photography
2 spaces available for local artist/crafts persons - call Bernard 840973

Nature Notes

Looking out of the window first thing these last few mornings you could be forgiven for thinking that it was September rather than March; mists, heavy dew and cobwebs showing up like necklaces on the hedges. I'm sure the plants and animals are getting just as confused as we are with the weather. At least the daffodils are right on time and giving us a lovely show, and this morning I noticed more blossom in the hedgerows as I drove over to Heytesbury for my Pilates class.

Last weekend the gorgeous warmth of the sun encouraged lots of bumble bees out to forage for nectar. We had 2 or 3 at a time working their way around the patio. About a fortnight ago, walking near Shearwater, I saw a brimstone butterfly. We've also had ladybirds waking up on warm days; most appear to be the harlequin variety.

The birds are all in their stunning breeding plumage now. This afternoon I caught sight of 4 gorgeously glossy starlings on the top of the beech hedge, they were just shining in the sun as if they had been polished. The male chaffinches look very smart and I have been mistaken several times recently thinking that we had a male bullfinch in the garden, but no sadly just a chaffinch. The birds are becoming increasingly territorial. I often look outside to see a pair of cock pheasants sparring and I am always seeing male birds of other species chasing one another sometimes with disastrous consequences when one hits a window. Several chaffinches have come unstuck in this way, luckily most have survived with mild concussion. Nest boxes are being viewed with more purpose now. I don't think any are taken yet, and one in particular has been viewed by tree sparrow, great tit and blue tit.

At the beginning of March we had a male siskin visit the feeding station, always the one at the front of the house. He must have been around for about a week but then moved on. Hopefully he will be back with a mate in tow. I have seen a lovely song thrush in the garden several times recently. We have had one singing for a while but the only view I have had has been a singing silhouette in the tree. The recent sightings have been much clearer; washing in the birdbath, pulling up worms and foraging for grubs along the bough of the tree just outside the kitchen window. There have been mistle thrushes in the garden recently too. I am hopeful that they may be considering building a nest nearby. They are much bigger than the song thrush, more the size of the fieldfare.



The pond in the garden of our house in the village has a pair of mallard; I think they have been attracted in by the frogspawn. There was a good amount but the ducks have been eating it, their equivalent of our caviar! Hopefully the frogs will mate again and produce another batch. When walking over the bridge in Sand Street this afternoon I caught sight of 5 little egrets all fishing in close proximity, and I thought afterwards that you never see herons fishing so close together. Not so long ago it was an event to see a little egret around here, now you see them daily. Yesterday just after mid-day I heard one of my favourite bird calls, the burble of a curlew, the first time this year. It came from the fields opposite the farmhouse.

Sight Loss Information Desk

The desk has now closed but advice on sight loss will be available at Warminster Library on Friday mornings 9.30 am - 12.30 pm from a qualified nurse. The NHS Drop-in Centre is open during library hours for written information.



Sutton Veny Pre-School

www.suttonvenypreschool.co.uk

The Pre-School held its second Open Morning of the school year on Tuesday 31st January. We are delighted that more children have joined or will be joining us as a result. We currently have 22 children on the roll, our highest attendance number in recent years, and our numbers are set to rise again after Easter. The decision to reduce the intake age to 2½ is proving to be successful as children in the 2½ to 3 age range now make up a good proportion of the group. It also means that the Pre-School will have healthy attendance numbers going forward into the 2012/13 school year. The final Open Morning of this school year is on **Tuesday 15th May** between 9.00 am and 12.00 noon. Parents and children are welcome to drop in at any time during the course of the morning.



During the last two terms, the Pre-School children have enjoyed the story of the Three Little Pigs, and been involved with various activities around the story and a lot of huffing and puffing! They have taken part in 'Show and Tell' mornings and have been exploring 2D shapes. The 'Show and Tell' mornings allow the children to choose an item from home according to a theme set by staff and to bring it into Pre-School to share and discuss with the other children. The 'Something Smelly' morning was particularly memorable as the children brought in items ranging from parmesan cheese and garlic to sausage! During our focus on 2D shapes, the children learnt to identify and name different shapes and were encouraged to talk about the shapes and their different properties. Our 'shape themed' snack of crumpets and toast (cut into shapes) proved very popular with the children and we have been out and about 'shape spotting' on our welly walks around the village.

During March, the children were busy preparing for Mother's Day. To raise funds for Sports Relief 2012, we asked all our mums to provide a photo of themselves when they were Pre-School age, these were added to our 'Guess the Mum' competition. The children and staff also raised funds for Sports Relief by arriving on Friday 23rd March dressed in sports gear. We will end the current term with a very exciting flurry of Easter activities.

If you have any queries about the Pre-School or the forthcoming Open Morning or if you would like to arrange a visit, please contact Mrs Gay Woods (Pre-School Leader) on 840057. You can also visit our website for further information.

Finally, the Pre-School will be holding its Summer Bingo fundraiser with great themed prizes on **Thursday 31st May** at Sutton Veny Village Hall. Doors open at 7.30 pm, eyes down at 8.00 pm. So if you fancy a friendly, fun and informal evening out, we would love to see you there!

Cast on Club

The next meetings of the club will be on **Wednesdays 4th and 18th April** from 2.00 - 4.00 pm at Mary Royall's home, 3 Hindon Road, Monkton, tel. 844038. Come and join us, bring your knitting with you! We look forward to seeing you.



Deverill Valley & Crockerton Women's Institute

Our Meeting this month will be on **Monday 16th April** 7.30pm at Longbridge Deverill Village Hall. The speaker will be our Community Police Support Officer who will talk and answer questions on Rural Policing. A fish and chip supper and a raffle will follow. If you would like to know more about the WI in the Deverills please contact **Julie Walder** 213142. You are very welcome to join our meeting.

Upper Deverills Village Hall

Please make a note of the summer events organised by the Hall:

Monday 4th June Diamond Jubilee evening event

Friday 15th June Rounders evening, **Saturday 7th July** Duck Race

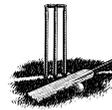
Saturday 14th July Summer Fete and Dog Show

Look forward to seeing you at these events.



The Deverills Cricket Club

We are looking for new players to join us for our coming season. All ages and abilities welcome. Come to our friendly matches on the pitch in Kingston Deverill. Meet us at pre-season nets. Call Ed Read 840655 or Oliver Mead 212759 or 07836 249310. Indoor nets sessions at Warminster Cricket Club are as follows:



Sunday 1st April 4.00 - 5.00 pm, Sunday 15th April 4.00 - 5.00 pm

Sunday 22nd April 4.00 - 6.00 pm

For further details please contact Jamie Fagan on 844123.

Wiltshire Wildlife Trust - Warminster Branch

Monday 16th April: 7.30 pm Sutton Veny Church Hall (NB change from usual venue). An update on the Wessex Chalk Streams project and its positive benefits to Wiltshire's flora & fauna - speaker David Kelly of WWT. Cost: £2.50, under 18 £1 includes refreshments. Non-members are very welcome.



Saturday 21st April: A morning outing to Langford Lakes Nature Reserve for some bird spotting with expert Frank Lowe. Meet at the Reserve Car Park to start our walk at 10.00 am sharp. No charge - everyone welcome.

Mere Bowls Club

The new season begins on **Saturday 14th April** at 2.30 pm, new members at 3.00 pm. The bowls coach will be on hand to take newcomers through the basics of bowling - please remember to bring a pair of flat shoes. For information contact Alan Inwood 844215, Jeff Vigars 01747 860976, Don Butchers 01747 860775.



Wylde Land/Penhill Valley threat of new Pumping Station

For most of us the character of Monkton Deverill is defined by the unspoilt views towards the village from Penhill and its setting in the open valley. This character is important to all of us who live here and the many people who use the roads, bridleways and footpaths through the Deverill Valley.



Wessex Water are proposing a major upgrade of their water grid to improve water supplies to Salisbury and they have identified a c1.5 acre site at the bottom of the Penhill Valley to build a 240 metre square building, one and a half storeys high with associated parking that would be used as a pumping station.

Their preferred site is just off the Hindon Road, the lane that runs down to Monkton Deverill from the A350 in the east corner of the field known as Pub Ground named after the former use of Monkton House.

They appear to have identified this site in the course of a desk exercise purely on the basis of engineering and cost and with no consideration to the impact it will have on the landscape and its underlying archaeological interest.

It is hard to imagine a more visible and damaging location for such a major development anywhere in this unspoilt valley. This huge site and planned major building would lie immediately adjacent to the intersection of a road, a bridleway and a footpath. It would be impossible to landscape such a facility into obscurity as it lies at the focal point of the valley and will always be seen from the village and from the many public vantage points which surround this beautiful downland.

Pub Ground itself has significant archaeological interest and is currently managed under a Higher Level Stewardship Scheme which has seen arable operations ceased in order to protect the underlying archaeology with a well established flower rich meadow on which birds and insects now thrive.

Simply put, Wessex Water's current plans would devastate this open and timeless downland landscape and the historic setting of Monkton Deverill village itself.

Wessex Water have offered to attend a meeting with our community to answer questions on the scheme and hear local views. Details of this meeting are set out below. We believe this meeting is essential to allow the community to let Wessex Water know its feelings on this issue as the first stage in what may be a protracted campaign to save our landscape.

If you are concerned about this issue and/or would like in principle to attend this meeting to listen to Wessex Water and to make your views known, please do contact one of the following for further information: James Williams jwill31@gmail.com or telephone 844900; Allison Dufosee ajduf@me.com or phone 07885 388404; or Alison Rymell on alisonrymell@yahoo.co.uk or on phone 844819; or Charlotte Bevan on charbevan@hotmail.com or phone 07508 716725.

The Upper Deverills Parish Council will be holding a public meeting on **Wednesday 16th May 6.30 pm** at Kingston Deverill Village Hall. A member of Wessex Water will present their proposals in the parish and answer any questions. All members of the public are welcome to attend.

Maiden Bradley Community Shop & Post Office

New shop opening hours & New Look:

Monday - Friday 8.00 am - 6.00 pm. (late closing 7.00 pm on Thursday)
Saturday 8.00 am - 1.00 pm Sunday 10.00 am - 12.00 noon

Post Office opening hours:

Mon 9.00-1.30, Tues 1.30-4.30, Wed 9.00-12.00, Thurs 9.00-12.30, Fri 9.00-1.00

The shop has been undergoing a face lift in recent weeks and we are now able to offer a much wider range of goods alongside our 'Bradley Basics'. An exciting new venture is a Veg Bag Scheme giving you exactly what you want and not a random box of what might be available. Details are in the shop. Our excellent fruit and vegetable supplier delivers fresh from the market every Thursday afternoon. Apart from our well known daily baked pasties we now offer freshly baked croissants and pains au chocolate every Saturday morning. We have an excellent range of fresh meats, cold meats and pates delivered twice a week from the well-known Wincanton butcher, Andrew Barclay. We are happy to take orders if you require something special for the weekend. We continue to stock the popular Thorners meats, quiches and pies which are also delivered twice weekly. So a large choice of meat products for the customers! We have a new range of good quality and affordable wines/beers.

We run a second hand DVD scheme along with all our other services. We aim to use local suppliers as much as possible so let us know if you know any you would like us to use. Come and see what we do. Being a Community run shop we always welcome some volunteer help! Contact us: e-mail: maidenbradleyshop@gmail.com Tel: 844206, Website: maidenbradleyvillageshop.posterous.com



Recipe of the Month - Organic Beef Pie

Sponsored by Maiden Bradley Community Shop (844206)

Ingredients for 4 Portions

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| 400g organic Aberdeen Angus beef shin, diced | 500g self-raising flour |
| 1x local, dirty carrot, peeled and diced | 1 tsp salt |
| 250g fresh beef suet | large onion peeled, diced |
| 1 x sprig of thyme | 300ml water |
| a little plain flour for coating beef | 50g unsalted butter |
| 1 x glass of red wine (a rich Bordeaux) | 50ml rapeseed oil |
| 4 parsnips, peeled and chopped | 1 ltr very rich beef stock |
| Method | Maldon salt and pepper |

The day before, in a casserole heat the rapeseed oil, fry beef and add a little plain flour, onion and carrot and fry until a lovely caramelised colour appears. Add thyme and red wine and reduce, then add the stock, season with salt and pepper and slowly braise for 3-4 hours. Allow to cool.

The following day heat the oven to 200° C (piping hot). Make the suet crust by adding self-raising flour to the suet and salt and trickle water in a bit at a time. Roll

Should I stay or Should I move

Deciding to move or stay put is a difficult decision to make as you get older.

Why might you need to think about moving?

Is your house too big? Is it difficult and expensive to heat? Are you worried about repairs/updating – perhaps you need to replace old windows or the roof? Are you finding it difficult to manage the stairs or use the bath because of ill health? Is it difficult to keep the garden looking as good as it used to? Have you found it more difficult to get out and about since giving up your car? Perhaps you miss some of the social activities you used to enjoy.

But what are the options?

Before making a decision about moving you need to know your options. Staying put with some help? Home Improvement Agency? Adaptations? Equity release? Rented? Leasehold? Purchased? Sheltered housing? Extra Care? Abbeyfield? Close care? Retirement village? Where – nearby, near relatives/friends, near shops, social activities? There is a lot to think about!

Want to talk about it?

Your local Good Neighbour Coordinator can put you in touch with services to advise you and find information about housing options. If you would like a visit contact **Andrea Llewellyn** gncarea24@communityfirst.org.uk / call 07557 922033



Where have you been?

**The George, Church Street, Nunney, BA11 4LW
(01373 836458, www.thegeorgeatnunney.co.uk)**

I am grateful to Ann Jones of Longbridge Deverill for this review:

A friend of long-standing came to stay for a few days at the end of January. She has visited several times and I'm always on the look-out for new places to show her. So this time I took her to Nunney, where we wandered through the charming village, visited the ruined but very interesting remains of the castle, and the lovely church - same era (1200s) but in a slightly better condition!

Then we took ourselves to the George where we had an excellent lunch in congenial surroundings. It was a cold, windy day so the cheerful fire and friendly faces were most welcoming. Rather unimaginatively we both chose burgers which came with generous helpings of chips and salad. As I could not eat the roll (gluten-intolerance), I was given an extra portion of chips, which I struggled to finish. The menu offered a wide choice and we were rather sad not to have room for the delicious-sounding desserts.

A very good day out, especially if time is short - just half an hour's drive from Longbridge Deverill. In case anyone is not familiar with the village, take A361 towards Shepton Mallett; at the Nunney Catch roundabout go to the 4th exit and follow the road down to the village. The Pub has its own parking, for patrons, plus there is a large parking area, clearly signposted, at the top of the village.

I am always grateful for your recommendations so please keep them coming. If you have any suggestions or comments to pass on, send them to me by email at

Longbridge Deverill and Crockerton Parish Council

Councillor Vacancy

Notice is hereby given that by reason of the resignation of Julian Algar a vacancy has occurred among the members of the Longbridge Deverill & Crockerton Parish Council. Any person willing to fill this vacancy should apply to the Clerk for an application form on or before the **30th April 2012**.

The applicant's name must appear on the current register of the Voters List or the applicant should during the whole of the twelve months preceding the relevant date resided in or within three miles of the parish or the applicant's only place of work during the whole of the twelve months preceding the relevant date is in the parish. The applicant must not be debarred from standing as a Councillor. **Public** elections cannot be held until 2013 but for the interim period election to the aforesaid Council will be voted for by the present sitting number of Councillors.

If you feel passionate about your parish and would like to join the team of Councillors looking after it, then please contact Mrs Sarah Jeffries MILCM, Parish Clerk, 9 Beech Grove, Warminster, Wiltshire BA12 0AB or phone 213436 or email longbridgedeverillcrockertonpc@o2.co.uk confirming your interest and requesting an application form which asks for a brief outline of yourself and your reasons for wishing to join the team of Councillors.

Flooding

The Environment Agency have a warning system for those parishioners who are likely to be affected by Flood water. The flood warning service gives a possible three day flood risk forecast for local rivers. You can receive these warnings in the form of a text to your mobile phone or an email to your computer, alternatively if you have an app enabled hand held device the app is just called flood alert and can be downloaded free. You can add up to two postcodes to watch for possible flooding. If you are unsure of your property's history with flooding or the locality visit www.environment-agency.gov.uk/homeandleisure/floods/31618.aspx, you can search by town postcode or area to bring up maps and sign up for warning alerts on the same page. Environment Agency contact details are 03708 506 506** (Mon-Fri 8.00 am - 6.00 pm), Minicom service, for the hard of hearing, 03702 422 549** Floodline Type talk number is 0845 602 6340; email: enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk (not for reporting incidents)

The next Council meeting will be on **Monday 21st May** at 7.30 pm in Longbridge Deverill Village Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Collection of Waste

As part of the disposal of waste connected with my building company, I am offering a collection service within the Deverills for items that are not suitable for the household bins supplied (within reason)! This is aimed towards 'senior citizens' who struggle to transport certain items for disposal. There is no charge. However, any donations kindly received would all go to the Parkinson's Society in memory of

SERVICES PARISH OF DEVERILLS & HORNINGSHAM

Sunday 1st April	Palm Sunday Kingston 8.00 am Longbridge 10.30 am Horningsham 6.00 pm	Holy Communion 1662 Morning Worship Evening Service
Thursday 5th April	Maundy Thursday Longbridge 7.00 pm	Holy Communion
Friday 6th April	Good Friday Brixton 11.00 am Brixton 12.00 noon	Stainer's Crucifixion Good Friday Service
Thursday 7th April	Easter Eve Longbridge 6.00 pm	Paschal Ceremonies
Sunday 8th April	Easter Day Kingston 10.30 am Horningsham 11.15 am	Holy Communion Holy Communion
Sunday 15th April	Easter 2 Longbridge 8.00 am Brixton 10.30 am Longbridge 5.30 pm	Holy Communion 1662 Holy Communion Evening Prayer & APCM
Sunday 22nd April	Easter 3 Longbridge 10.30 am Horningsham 11.15	Holy Communion Morning Prayer
Sunday 29th April	Easter 4 Chapmanslade 10.30 am	Benefice Service
Sunday 6th May	Easter 5 Brixton 8.00 am Longbridge 10.30 am Horningsham 6.00 pm	Holy Communion 1662 Morning Worship Evening Prayer

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday Longbridge 8.30 am Prayers
Wednesday Longbridge 10.15 am Holy Communion
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Longbridge 8.00 pm Reflection & Compline

Parish Fund Raising - dates for your diaries:

Sunday 3rd June Diamond Lunch in Manor Farm Barn, Kingston Deverill
Saturday 21st July Jazz on a Summer's Evening in George's Barn, Brixton Deverill
 More details in future editions of the Parish News

Ivy House St Deny's Retreat Centre

Sunday 1st April - Lunch & Quiet afternoon for Palm Sunday with Rev David Hayes
Tuesday 24th April - Felt Making & Prayer with Emily Bradbury

SERVICES PARISH OF CORSLEY & CHAPMANSLADE

Sunday 1st April	Palm Sunday Corsley 9.30 am	Holy Communion
Thursday 5th April	Maundy Thursday Corsley 7.00 pm	Agape
Sunday 8th April	Easter Day Temple 9.00 am Chapmanslade 10.30 am	Holy Communion Holy Communion
Sunday 15th April	Easter 2 Chapmanslade 9.30 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 22nd April	Easter 3 Temple 9.00 am Corsley 10.30 am	Holy Communion 1662 Parish Service
Sunday 29th April	Easter 4 Chapmanslade 10.30 am	Benefice Service
Sunday	Easter 5	

The Deverills & Horningsham Register
Burial of Ashes
 Kitty Elfreda May at Longbridge Deverill on Wednesday 7th March
 Vera Kathleen Major at Longbridge Deverill on Wednesday 14th March

Funeral
 Yvonne Berry at Horningsham on Tuesday 20th March

6th May **Corsley 9.30 am** **Holy Communion**



Church Cleaners for April
Kingston - Mandy Martyn & Trish Shuler
Brixton - Georgina Hammick & Julia Abraham
Longbridge - Monday 2nd April 9.30 - 10.30 am - all helpers please

Church Flower Arrangers for April

	Kingston	Brixton	Longbridge
1st April	Lent	No	Flowers
8th April	Easter	all	Helpers
15th April	Mrs Stratton	Mrs Sutton	Mrs Budgen
22nd April	Mrs Royall	Mrs Hammick	Mrs Honley



Parish Prayer Group Meeting - Deverills and Horningsham