

# PARISH OF DEVERILLS AND HORNINGSHAM

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# PARISH NEWS

## The Deverills & Crockerton



The Old Ford, Kingston Deverill by Pat Armstrong

# January 2016

## Look inside for local news & information

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**Please remember the deadline is the 15th of the month - Thank you**

**Benefice of Cley Hill Villages website:** [www.cleyhillchurches.org](http://www.cleyhillchurches.org)

Website contents: Parish News, Church services, Parish Register, Events

# FUTURE EVENTS

**Studio WINTER SALE - Bull Mill, Crockerton**  
**Saturdays 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th January + 6th February**  
 10.00 am - 5.00 pm - Lots of work at half price  
 Contemporary landscape painting by Nick Andrew  
 Unique wildlife paintings on weathered wood by Tanya Hinton  
 Tel: 07730 400784 [www.bullmillarts.co.uk](http://www.bullmillarts.co.uk)

**Art Workshops - Bull Mill Arts with Olivia Clifton-Bligh**  
**Saturdays 16th January & 6th February**  
 10.00 am-12.00 noon, drawing nature children 6-11 years £10  
 1.00 - 5.00 pm Lino & woodcut printmaking adults £20  
 Book your space with Olivia 212 716



**Wiltshire GOOD NEIGHBOURS**  **Community Coffee Morning**  
 Everyone welcome 10.30 - 12.00  
 Wednesday 13th and Monday 25th January  
**The Wylde Suite, the George Inn, Longbridge**  
 For more information please call Emma Curtis  
 your Good Neighbour Coordinator 07557 922033  
 or if you require transport call Bridget Beattie 844884



 **Longbridge Deverill Village Hall**  
 Invite you to a  
**BURNS NIGHT**  
**Saturday 23rd January 7.00 for 7.30 pm**  
 Traditional Dinner - Bring your own wine - Scottish dancing  
 Book early, tickets £11 from Sylvia Titt 214825



**MONTHLY PUB NIGHT - 'The Cricketers' Legs'**  
 Come to a relaxed pub night with other villagers, children/dogs welcome!  
 Firkin beer, wine, spirits, soft drinks, crisps - cheaper than a proper pub!  
**Where: Upper Deverill; Village Hall**  
**When: Friday 29th January 6.00 - 11.00 pm**  
**Burns Night - Wear a bit of tartan - whisky cocktail!**  
**Food: Jacket Potatoes & Chilli**  
**Raffle: Meat Voucher**  
 Facebook [www.facebook.com/groups/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/)




- **Pre-school children & parents group** Thursdays Longbridge Hall 10.00-11.30 am
- **Bull Mill Studio Winter Sale** Saturdays 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th January See p2
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- **Longbridge Deverill Parish Council** meeting Monday 1st February See p10/14
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- **Upper Deverills Pub Night** Friday 26th February
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- **Upper Deverills Pub Night** Friday 25th March
- **Upper Deverills Easter Egg Hunt** Saturday 26th March
- **Upper Deverills Queens Birthday celebrations** Thursday 21st April See p5

## LOCAL COUNCILS, SOCIETIES, GROUPS etc.

### Longbridge Deverill Parish Council

[www.crockertonlongbridgeandhilldeverill.co.uk](http://www.crockertonlongbridgeandhilldeverill.co.uk)

Richard Baxter 212918 (Chair)	Kevin Gray 841363
Graham Read 840296 (Vice Chair)	Brian Marshall 214789
Nikki Spreadbury-Clews 216660 (Clerk)	Caroline Sawyer 840585
Ian Bell 840514	Nigel Spreadbury-Clews 216660

### Upper Deverills Parish Council

[www.westwilts-communityweb.com/site/Upper-Deverills-Parish-Council](http://www.westwilts-communityweb.com/site/Upper-Deverills-Parish-Council)

Louise Stratton 844105 (Chair)	Richard Cousens 844970
Sarah Jeffries 213436 (Clerk)	Robin Greenwood 840743
Colin Hirons 845255	Bridget Beattie 844884

**Wiltshire Councillor** Fleur de Rhé Philipe 213193

**Member of Parliament** Dr Andrew Murrison 01225 358584

**Wiltshire Council 0300 456 0100**

**Sir James Thynne Almshouse** Karen Seymour 840196 (Steward)

### Longbridge Deverill Village Hall Committee

Julie Read 840655 (Chair) Anna Mead 212759 (Secretary) Sylvia Titt 214825 (Bookings)

### Upper Deverills Village Hall

Caroline Davies 845335 (Chair) John Lea 844325 (Hall bookings)

**Crockerton Millennium Committee** Marion Thomas 213739 (Chair)

**Pre-School Children & Parents Group** Sylvia Titt 214825 Pat Wood 840535

**Deverill & Crockerton W I** Pat Wood 840535 (Pres) Julie Wallder 213142 (Sec)

**Deverills Cricket Club** Ed Read 840655 (Captain) Jamie Fagan 844123 (Secretary)

**Horningsham Youth Club** (inc Deverills) Ken Windess 845002 Caroline Dykes 844022

**Wylve Valley Tennis Club** Colin Singer 213696

**Wylve Valley Flower Club** Mrs P Martin 212476 (Pres) Mrs S Scott 216584 (Prog)

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**Rural Community Beat Manager** PC Vicky Howick 101

**Clarence** (pot holes) 0800232323

**Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator Upper Deverills** Bridget Beattie 844884

**Hospital Transport Link Scheme** 211655

**Mere Link Scheme** (covers Upper Deverills) 01747 860096

*Dear Friends,*

As usual I am writing this several weeks ahead of New Year so I have got to try to stretch my thinking beyond Christmas to January when I will probably be in a bit of a heap to be honest, having housed and fed varying family members over the festive period and taken quite a number of services. Also, trying to keep the peace between those who, whilst they love their nearest and dearest, nevertheless find spending an extended amount of time with them shall we say, a little challenging, is somewhat exhausting. All of this is an enormous joy too though and, of course, I shall be sad when the house is quiet once again.

I wonder what your thoughts are as you look back to not just Christmas, but also to the rest of 2015? I suspect that for most people the year has brought both joy and sorrow, the expected and the unexpected. Because of my role as a parish priest I have the privilege of spending time with people at times of transition in their lives; at a baptism when amongst other things we give thanks for new life, at weddings which is great fun, and when someone dies, at a funeral, which in my book is the greatest privilege of all. I wanted to say that those of you who have lost loved ones this last year, you are particularly in my prayers; we had a number of very tragic deaths in our Benefice last year and my heart goes out to those who begin 2016 without someone they have deeply loved.

So, in with the new as they say, what will 2016 bring? Who knows! Being a parish priest has given me a certain perspective on life that I did not have before and if you asked me what my tips (for want of a better word) are for this new year I would have to answer: give thanks for your life and for the opportunities you enjoy, for this beautiful peaceful place, for friendship and laughter. Give thanks for those around you with whom you share love because it is a gift and it is precious; tell them you love them, show them you love them, because giving and receiving love is the most important thing we can do in the short time we have on this earth. And if you are reading this feeling that there is no love in your life to be shared, then remember; you are passionately loved by God who knows all the secrets of our hearts and loves us still.

Happy New Year, Love and Prayers,

*Pauline*

Rev Pauline Reid - Tel: 841290 / revpauline@btinternet.com



## Epiphany - Sunday 3rd January

10.30 am St Peter and St Paul, Longbridge Deverill

Families are very welcome to join in the celebration of the Three Wise men who followed the star to Bethlehem to bring gifts to Jesus



### Candlemas - a candlelit service

Sunday 7th February at 10.30 am

St Peter and St Paul, Longbridge Deverill

The blessing of church candles for the coming year

Families are very welcome

Please bring your own candles to be blessed

### Commissioning Service - Lay Worship Leaders

Sunday 7th February at 4.00 pm

This is a special service at The Minster conducted by Bishop Ed commissioning our new Lay Worship Leaders

Robert Schuler, Keith Muston, Ian Buik, Phil Jefferson and Pat Ryan

Please come along and support them

Refreshments will be served after the service



### Longbridge Deverill Village Hall

### Come along to the delicious PANCAKE NIGHT

Tuesday 9th February 4.30 pm to 6.30 pm

Menu: Jacket potatoes and Pancakes with tea and squash

Price: Adults £3.00 Children £1.50

### Salisbury Theatre Club

Monday 15th February

Deathtrap - By Ira Levin



After organising the club for many years Mary Stewart-Cox is retiring, Members have enjoyed many theatre trips organised by Mary and are very grateful for all her hard work. Julia Williams will be taking over booking the coach and theatre so please contact her for tickets on

Tel: 840188 or email: [julia\\_william57@hotmail.com](mailto:julia_william57@hotmail.com)

Riversdale Cottage, Brixton Deverill, BA12 7EJ

Cost: £19.50 (theatre seat £14.50, coach £5.00) Performance begins at 7.30 pm

Please book early, payment in advance, (cheques payable to: Julia Williams)

Coach leaves Kingston church 6.10 pm collecting through the Deverills

New members are always welcome, tell your friends and neighbours

### Nature Notes

It looks as if we are set to achieve record high temperatures for this time of the year later this week. Nature is upside down; pictures of daffodils in full bloom in the papers and I have seen narcissi out together with snowdrops and primroses, but the roses are still in flower too! This morning I was listening to a song thrush singing his heart out, I would not normally hear this for at least another month. The grass is growing but the ground is too wet to mow, however, on dry days I have heard people mowing to keep their lawns under control. The meteorologists warn our winters will become warmer and wetter, this certainly seems to be happening.



I started feeding the birds again mid November when we had a colder snap (having stopped early October due to some infection), and it did not take them long to find the food. Since then I have had a good assortment of birds visiting. Goldfinches are the most numerous, I can often count over a dozen on and under the feeders without counting those in the trees and shrubs nearby. All four species of tits; great, blue, long-tailed and coal have come. The coal is the most timid and is easily displaced from the feeders and zooms in, takes a sunflower heart and flies



off again, often to stash the seed to eat later. I love watching and listening to the long-tailed tits who descend on the feeders in family groups. They appear to come early morning, midday and late afternoon.

We have robins and blackbirds, chaffinches, dunnocks, and house sparrows. One day when I strolled out to the feeders to top them up, I stopped in my tracks as there was a lovely nuthatch on the sunflower hearts. The peanuts have attracted a male great spotted woodpecker; I would expect the nuthatch to be more interested in them than the sunflower hearts. The best sighting on and around the feeders has been a male brambling, I first noticed it on the 24th November when it visited with another brambling. Since then I have seen it quite frequently; it appears to have joined the flock of goldfinches feeding at first with them on the ground under the feeders and now eating with them from the feeders. It is bigger than a goldfinch and has a dark head which makes it stand out.

Away from the feeders in the garden I have had sightings of tree-creepers working their way up and along the branches of the fruit trees looking for insects with their curved bill. They are well camouflaged against the bark, their white underneath is striking. Their call is a high, piercing and thin, "tsee, tsee tsit". We also had bullfinches visiting the garden, two males and two females were in the old cherry tree, the early morning sun picking out the contrasting black, pink and white of the male birds.



Several short walks around the village have resulted in good sightings. One day I saw four raptors in less than 20 minutes; buzzard, sparrowhawk, kestrel and red kite. Yesterday I sighted kingfisher, kestrel, little egret and buzzard within 15 minutes. We had a sparrowhawk hunting in the garden and quite often landing on one of the feeder stands. I am fairly convinced there are at least two individuals as I spotted a ring on one bird and the next I saw didn't appear to have a ring.

*Jane Trollope* (written 15th December)

## Kingston Deverill School Logbook – part 21

1961 Lady Helen Asquith continues her report on the school by commending the infant teacher and, with some reservations, the quality of the infants' work. She is particularly impressed with their reading *'in which attainments are above average'*, but her following comments concerning learning methods point up a perennial problem: *'the emphasis on phonetic work and the early introduction of cursive handwriting and of certain arithmetical processes usually delayed till a later stage may create difficulties for the less able children, but the abler pupils, of whom there are several in the present class, do not seem to take harm from this forcing of the pace.'* It is then fascinating to be taken back in time by her description of the use of the radio – rather than computers or television – for instruction: *'Music and Movement broadcasts are taken in the classroom, and some unusually nimble and active Physical Training was seen with the Headmistress in the playground'*. Mrs Newbury might have been on the point of retiring, but she was clearly still more than capable of prancing around with the 5 year olds. Lady Asquith then concerns herself with the Juniors, and both she and the school are seen in an especially admirable light in the following extract from the report: *'the Junior class contains one extremely retarded boy of 11 who is due to go to a Special School. Although he can achieve very little in school work, he is treated with the greatest patience and kindness and is never allowed to feel out of it, either by his teacher or his fellow pupils'*. She is impressed by the pupils' progress in History and Geography and *'particularly'* Religious Instruction. But is critical about the provision of appropriate books: *'the supply of books is quite generous in quantity but rather disappointing in quality. Textbooks are old-fashioned and there are rather too many cheap editions and abridged or simplified versions of story books which would be more profitably studied in their complete form ... in particular the children need more opportunities for reading poetry of real quality'*. The visit ends on a high note: *'some 21 children stayed to dinner on the day of inspection. The meal is sent from Mere and served by the Headmistress and the Caretaker, and the food on the day of the visit was plentiful and appetising. Although the dining space is extremely cramped and rather chilly, the meal was a gay and pleasant social occasion'*. The eminent, not to say aristocratic, 60 year old visitor then signs off with a final compliment: *'in spite of the limitations of material conditions, the children in this school make good progress in the skills of learning. They are happy and co-operative with their teachers, and friendly and courteous to visitors and they get admirable training here in the give and take of communal living.'*

Julian Wiltshire



## Longbridge Deverill Ladies Social Group

The December get together at The George for a delicious Christmas meal was a great success and enjoyed by all. Our regular monthly get together will start again in the new year on **Tuesday 5th January** from 8.00 pm onwards so join us for a gossip and a drink. If you would like anymore information ring Audrey on 841183 or email: [asapearce@btinternet.com](mailto:asapearce@btinternet.com).



## Deverill Valley & Crockerton WI

Our next meeting will be on **Monday 11th January** when Andrew Frostick will speak on the **'History of the Athenaeum'**. This will be followed by tea, biscuits, a raffle and general conversation. To find out more about the WI in the Deverill Valley please contact Julie Walder on 213142. You are very welcome to join us.



## Wiltshire Wildlife Trust - Warminster Supporters' Group

Our meeting on **Monday 11th January** should take us along a somewhat different route, John Aitkin - aka 'The Bowler-hatted Turner' has entitled his talk 'Barking about Trees'. He will give a wood-turning display while talking about trees and their different properties plus up dates on their latest problems and diseases. He assures us by the end of the evening, he will have produced a worth while carving. Sounds intriguing - come and find out more! A word of warning, there will minimal quantities of saw-dust by the end of the evening. We meet at the Civic Centre at 7.30, cost £3 (under 18s £1)- includes light refreshments. For further information please contact Ann Jones 218928.



## Book & Dining Club

At our last meeting we chose to read **'My Brilliant Friend'** by Elena Ferrante. Our next meeting will be at 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm on **Monday 18th January**, at La Dolce Vita restaurant in Warminster. Please let Richard Munro 844385 know if you would like to come and join us.



## Cast on & Craft Group

If you like knitting, embroidery, tapestry, bead making or other crafts, this group is for you! We meet at someone's home once a month to share ideas and enjoy each other's company. This month's meeting will be on **Monday 25th January** 2.00 - 4.00 pm at Diana Abbott's home, Uppingham House, 29 The Marsh, Longbridge Deverill, call 840763 for directions. Everyone welcome.



## Upper Deverills Hall - Queen's 90th Birthday

Please make a note in your diaries that on Queen's 90th Birthday on **Thursday 21st April** we will be joining the national celebrations by taking part in the country wide lighting of beacons and enjoying a hog roast at the village hall. More details nearer the time.





## Police - Online warning

**Shop, shop, shop** If something seems too much of a bargain, it is probably poor quality or does not even exist. Always check payment pages are secure, log out when you have finished shopping online.

**Auction bargain or not?** When making a purchase from an auction website, use insured payment methods like PayPal and never do a bank transfer to people you do not know. Do all you can to check the seller or buyer are authentic. And look out for fake goods: they are illegal and cost livelihoods.

**Just the ticket** Buying gig or event tickets as a gift or for yourself? To avoid fraud, buy only from official sources, and never pay by direct transfer.

**Come fly away** If you are planning a break this year make sure the holiday or flight is genuine by researching it thoroughly, and check travel agents for an ABTA/ATOL number.

**Who's asking?** Scam emails, calls, texts and posts are getting cleverer, think twice before you are talked into anything

**Your Password is YOURS. Keep it that way!** Passwords that are easy to guess, which you use for more than one account or you share with others, are a NO-NO!

**Securely connected?** Secure Wi-Fi is vital for your privacy. At home, check your router security settings. Out and about, never use free Wi-Fi hotspots when what you are doing is private.

**Great offer or subscription trap?** Do not sign up for 'free' or 'low-cost' trial goods without thoroughly reading the small print. You could be signing up for massive direct debits.

**Avoid those nasty viruses** We do not mean coughs and colds! Always have internet security (antivirus) software and apps switched on and updated (including those new phone and tablet gifts).

## Police - Fraud - protect yourself against fake police officers

There have been a series of incidents where fraudsters either phone or attend the home address of elderly members of the public, claiming to be police officers. The fake officer/s will claim that they are investigating a fraud which they believe the elderly person to be a victim of. They will then request the bank cards and personal identification numbers (PIN) of the victim and claim these are needed for investigation purposes. If the first contact was made by a phone call, they will tell the victim that someone will be over to collect the evidence. Before letting anyone into your home who claims to be from any law enforcement agency, ask to see their identity card and check it by calling 101. Ask if they can attend at a pre-arranged time when a family member or friend can also be present. If you receive a phone call from a police officer, ask for their name and force and tell them you will call them back. Wait a few minutes and then use 101 to call them back through their force's switchboard and verify their identity. The Police will **never** ask for your PIN or passwords. Do not give this information to anyone.

If you believe that you have been a victim of fraud you can report it by telephone to 0300 123 2040 or online [www.actionfraud.police.uk/report\\_fraud](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk/report_fraud)



## Upper Deverills Parish Council - Planning

The parish council only comments on planning applications that affect their area, it is Wiltshire Council who determine the outcome of a planning application as they are the statutory body and legislation only gives them the authority to determine the outcome and not the parish council. It is important to appreciate when the Upper Deverills Parish Council make their decision to comment on a planning application, (Town and Country Planning Act 1990, schedule 1 paragraph 15 gives the legislation that allows the parish council to comment) the UDPC can only take into account national and local planning policies and 'material planning considerations'. The planning legislation is outlined in the National Planning Policy Framework (2012), which provides a balanced set of national planning Policies for England. To clarify what 'material planning considerations', they are:

- Residential amenity – living conditions (considering the impact of a proposed development on quality of life of existing residential properties and occupants. Appreciating there is always some impact, the test is if it is significant.)
- Traffic and parking issues
- Noise, contamination
- Design, materials, windows etc.
- Harm to the natural and historic environment

Personal circumstances are often a factor that is highlighted during the application process. This is not normally a factor which can be taken into consideration purely because the planning consent applies to the land and property and should that land or property be sold, the consent passes with the property. The planning application has to have regard to this wider and longer term consideration. There may be some exceptions to this general rule, where an application is to accommodate the needs of a person with a disability. In such circumstances, the advice of Social Services is taken to establish whether special circumstances might apply by the planning authority, this would be for Wiltshire Council to consider. The council is aware of the importance of public perception in planning and the critical need to avoid any appearance that the council is conducting secretive negotiations or colluding with applicants. The policy of the council is not to hold private meetings with applicants unless there is a necessary and compelling reason that could be justified to the public.

All meetings and discussions take place in the public domain hence any applicants are welcome to attend the start of a meeting to speak. The Upper Deverills Parish Council recognises that pre-application discussions play an important role in planning applications, and welcomes the desire of many applicants to consult both the council and the public more widely; this is stated in its policies, these discussions are always to be held in the public domain. (If Wiltshire Council refuse a planning application, the applicant has the right of appeal with Wiltshire Council on that application.)

The Parish Council hopes this provides some assistance in clarifying the way in which planning decisions should be made and the limitations and restrictions within which the authorities have to operate; including the UDPC.

Next Parish Council meeting: **6.30 pm Wednesday 20th January**, all welcome.

## Longbridge Deverill Parish Council

The Full Parish Council meeting took place on 7th December when the Council discussed the precept request for 2016/2017, reported on the road improvements due to take place in 2016 to the A350 in Longbridge Deverill and commenced planning for 'Let's clean for the Queen'. For the full minutes please see village notice boards or Parish web site [www.crockertonlongbridgeandhilldeverill.co.uk](http://www.crockertonlongbridgeandhilldeverill.co.uk)



The Councillors would like take this opportunity to wish everyone a happy and healthy 2016. The next Full Parish Council meeting will be held in Longbridge village hall on **Monday 1st February** at 7.30 pm.

## Update on Broadband for the Upper Deverills

Since last month's update BT engineers and their contractors have been seen working in Kingston Deverill and Longbridge Deverill on the two new street cabinets that will have fibre connections to the Maiden Bradley and Sutton Veny exchanges.



At the time of preparing this note (15th December) Wiltshire Council have advised that the improvements for Kingston Deverill and Monkton Deverill are still scheduled for completion by 31st December 2015. However the Council were still awaiting an update from BT Openreach in relation to the service for Brixton Deverill. I will continue to give further updates as soon as I have more information.

**Richard Kitson** - richard.kitson@virgin.net 844803

## Warming up Wiltshire!

Do you struggle to keep your home warm or worry how you will afford your energy bills this winter? Contact **Warm & Safe Wiltshire** for free, impartial advice about keeping your home warm, using your heating system, understanding your energy bills and making energy saving improvements. Advice can be given through home visits as well as over the phone. Home fire safety checks can also be organised in partnership with Fire and Rescue for eligible residents. Homeowners or privately-renting tenants in Wiltshire with a suitable property can now have cavity wall insulation installed in their home, free of charge – helping to make your home warmer and cheaper to heat. (All offers are subject to survey, funding availability and property suitability.) If you or someone you know, would benefit from speaking to a trained energy advisor, then get in touch. Call 0300 003 475 or email [warmandsafe@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:warmandsafe@wiltshire.gov.uk)



## Need a Wheelchair?

We have a large modern wheelchair that may be useful to borrow for short periods. It belonged to Richard Yates and Jane, who has now moved, has left it with us for use by the local community. If you would like to borrow it please ring Nigel and Mari Poole on 840902.



## Your Parish News - Donations



As usual in January we are asking for an annual donation towards the production cost of the magazine. Many people in the valley tell me they find it is a good way of keeping in touch with what is going on and a source of useful information. You will have noticed this year the magazine has been produced in colour, for which I have received many favourable comments. The quality of printing and service from the new printing company has been consistently very good. Inevitably the cost has increased slightly but is still very competitive. Therefore, may I ask you to be generous in your donation this year and would like to suggest £8-10 per household. **Your contributions are vital** to ensure the continued production of the Parish News. Enclosed is pale blue envelope for your donation, if you are a UK tax payer please complete the relevant section for reclamation of tax. Some financial assistance is also received from the PCC and 2 Parish Councils. Thank you for your support. **Please take envelopes to: Longbridge Deverill Garage**, or put them into the collection at Church, give to a Church Warden or Robert Steptoe, PCC Treasurer (see pack page), or give to Judy Munro (Editor) Whitepits Lodge, Kingston Deverill, BA12 7HD. **THANK YOU.** (*Donations by cheque payable to: 'PCC The Deverills and Horningsham'*).

**I would like to say a very special thank you to everyone who contributes and helps to deliver the Parish News throughout the year.**

**Judy Munro** - Editor



## Upper Deverills Children Christmas party

Children from Brixton, Kingston and Monkton attended a lovely event in the beautifully decorated hall. The party was lots of fun with musical games and a delicious tea. Santa Claus broke off his Christmas preparations to pop in and give every child a gift. On behalf of the parents and grandparents of the children who attended, I would like to say a big thank you to Caroline Huntley and Lou Hillier and the many others who helped to make it such a lovely party.

**Alison Rymell**



Is your new year's resolution to do something you have never done before or maybe to give something back to your local community? Then volunteering may be what you are looking for. **Wiltshire Sight** volunteers help keep the organisation running, from website maintenance to assisting the fundraising team. There is an opportunity for everyone, any skill you have can be put to good use. We need the support of more volunteers as the organisation continues to grow. If you would be interested in volunteering or know someone who would please call us on 01380 723682 or email [info@wiltshiresight.org](mailto:info@wiltshiresight.org) or for more information and to view the available positions go to [www.wiltshiresight.org](http://www.wiltshiresight.org).

Volunteer Coordinator for Wiltshire sight, Tina Stone, said: "We have a variety of different roles ranging from admin assistants to supporting one of our activity clubs. No matter what your previous experience, you will be able to assist Wiltshire Sight, which will allow us to continue support local people living with sight loss."

### SERVICES PARISH OF DEVERILLS & HORNINGSHAM

<b>Sunday</b> 3rd January	<b>Epiphany</b> Kingston 8.00 am Longbridge 10.30 am	Holy Communion BCP Morning Worship
<b>Sunday</b> 10th January	<b>Plough Sunday</b> Horningsham 11.15 am	Plough Sunday service
<b>Sunday</b> 17th January	<b>Epiphany 2</b> Brixton 10.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday</b> 24th January	<b>Epiphany 3</b> Longbridge 10.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday</b> 31st January	<b>Candlemas</b> Kingston 10.30 am	Benefice Holy Communion
<b>Sunday</b> 7th February	<b>Next before Lent</b> Brixton 8.00 am Longbridge 10.30 am	Holy Communion Morning Worship

NB Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays at Longbridge 8.00 am Morning Prayers

#### Register

#### Wedding - Congratulations to

David Wardle & Lucy Moore at Horningsham on Tuesday 22nd December

#### Church Cleaners for January

Kingston - Judy Munro & Sarah Fagan

Brixton - Caroline Huntley & Frances MacDonald

Longbridge - Monday 4th January 9.30 - 10.30 am - All helpers please

#### Church Flower Arrangers for January

	Kingston	Brixton	Longbridge
3rd Jan	Alice Stratton	Dr McBride	Jo Steptoe
10th Jan	Alice Stratton	Mrs Burrigde	Jo Steptoe
17th Jan	Judy McCulloch	Mrs Burrigde	Jo Steptoe
24th Jan	Judy McCulloch	Lady Walker	Maureen Hinton
31st Jan	Judy Munro	Lady Walker	Maureen Hinton



#### The Deverills, Crockerton & Horningsham 50/50 Club

November's winners: Elizabeth Diacon £35 & John Whatley £20

The 50/50 Club You is open to everyone, so please think about joining, we are always keen to recruit new members.

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### SERVICES PARISH OF CORSLEY & CHAPMANSLADE

<b>Sunday</b> 3rd January	<b>Epiphany</b> Corsley 9.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday</b> 10th January	<b>Plough Sunday</b> Chapmanslade 9.30 am Temple 11.00 am	Holy Communion Morning Prayer
<b>Sunday</b> 17th January	<b>Epiphany 2</b> Temple 9.00 am Corsley 10.30 am	Holy Communion BCP Morning Worship
<b>Sunday</b> 24th January	<b>Epiphany 3</b> Chapmanslade 9.30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday</b> 31st January	<b>Candlemas</b> Kingston 10.30 am	Benefice Holy Communion
<b>Sunday</b> 7th February	<b>Next before Lent</b> Corsley 9.30 am	Holy Communion

#### Recipe of the month - Seville orange marmalade

##### Ingredients

500g/1lb 2 oz Seville oranges 50ml/2 fl oz lemon juice  
1kg/2lb 4 oz white sugar: regular, no added pectin Soft dark brown sugar, optional

**Method - Cooking time** over 2 hours **Makes** 3-4 450g/1lb jars

Cut the oranges in half and squeeze out the juice, remove pips from juice and any remaining with peel, set aside covered in water. Chop peel into shreds (0.25cm / 1/8 in across) and place in a bowl with juice and water to cover. Leave both overnight.

The next day, place the peel and water in a saucepan. Sieve pips, place their soaking water (which will have jellied slightly) into the saucepan, tie pips in muslin and drop into pan. Bring to boil then simmer for 2-3 hours, topping up with water so fruit stays covered, until peel is soft. Alternatively, cook in pressure cooker for about 30 minutes.

Strain juice from the peel and measure it. Whatever the original weight of fruit was at the beginning, you want double that in cooking liquid. If you began with 500g / 1lb 2 oz fruit, try to have roughly a litre / 1 3/4 pint (1000ml or 1000g) of cooking liquid. If you have more, boil it down in a saucepan, if you have less top it up with water.

Add sugar (double the weight of oranges), plus 1-2 tbsp brown sugar to make the colour darker. Add strained peel, plus 50ml / 2 fl oz of lemon juice. Bring to the boil, skim off froth and pips rising to the surface, boil until temperature reaches 105C/220F.

Turn heat off and leave for 10 minutes. Using a jug fill clean, warmed jars leaving 0.5cm / 1/4in gap at the top. Screw lids on tightly, leave until cold.

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