

# Chit Chat

Parish Newsletter for the  
residents of Chitterne, Wiltshire  
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## DEFIBRILLATOR REFRESHER COURSE



On May 10th the Village Hall Committee held its AGM and afterwards we were all invited to a refresher course in using the village defibrillator and just as important, a refresher on how to perform CPR when required. The evening was most informative and entertaining with a glass of wine and top rate nibbles provided free of charge by the committee. We also had in attendance Jane Turner from the British Heart Foundation who gave us a brief update into their ongoing research programs and was able to receive a cheque for £400.00 from the committee on behalf of all the villagers who had donated to the original fund raising request for the defibrillator.

Now would seem to be a good time to remind us of the sequence of events regarding the fund raising. Approximately £1400.00 was raised for the purchase of the defibrillator. This was before we were made aware of the "no cost" grant available from the BHF for applications from Parishes like ours. You might, correctly, ask what happened to that money. Having received the defibrillator, the VHC had to engage an electrician to provide constant electricity supply, not the coin meter supply, to the unit, as it is susceptible to both cold and heat and it is also illuminated at night. As the

cabinet is an "open" one with no security attached other than a very loud alarm it was decided to invest in a CCTV system to monitor the unit and also a new light was installed in the VH entrance. Once all bills were paid a small contingency fund remains that will service the replacement of pads and other maintenance issues. The BHF will not supply units in a secure case as a matter of policy and you wouldn't have much success trying to use your mobile phone in Chitterne to obtain the unlocking code!

A big thank you to the committee and especially to Erika and Beverly, our resident top notch nurses, who provided the training instruction to those who attended. To those who did not attend all I can say is do you know how to perform CPR correctly? If not, there are manikins and a CD to follow to help you brush up on your technique. Just contact any member of the VHC and they will be made available to you. This kit was also supplied by the BHF as part of the package.

On a serious note being able to perform CPR and use the defibrillator could be a life saver for a member of your family, neighbour or any one else who suffers a cardiac arrest whilst visiting the village. Think about it!

*Dear Murray,*

*It was lovely to meet you and other members of Chitterne village last week and to receive the generous donation of £400. Please pass on my sincere thanks to everyone.*

*It was great to see the defib and CPR training being embraced so fully. I know you plan to make this an annual event and I'd be grateful if you could let me know about future dates, as it's also a good opportunity for me to provide an update on BHF research successes and priorities.*

*Best wishes,*

*Jane Turner, Fundraising Manager - Wiltshire & Bath*



## CHURCH SERVICES in JUNE & JULY

Sunday 3rd June Trinity 1	9am HC (CW) Orcheston 1030 Family Communion Tilshead 5pm Bible Study & Prayers Chitterne	Elizabeth & Virginia Neal
Sunday 10th Trinity 2	9am HC (BCP) Shrewton 1030 Family Communion Chitterne	Elizabeth & Virginia Neal
Sunday 17th Trinity 3	6pm Evensong (BCP) Sung Tilshead 9am Morning Prayer Orcheston 1030 Holy Communion Shrewton 6pm HC (BCP) Tilshead	Elizabeth & Virginia Neal
Sunday 24th Trinity 4	9am HC (BCP) Chitterne 1030 Family Communion Orcheston 4pm Family Service Shrewton	Elizabeth & Virginia Neal
Saturday 30th	7.30pm Holy Communion Tilshead	
Sunday 1st July Trinity 5	1030 Ordination Salisbury Cathedral	Jane Harley & Lindsay
Sunday 8th Trinity 6	9am HC (BCP) Shrewton 1030 Family Communion Chitterne	Jane Harley & Lindsay
Sunday 15th Trinity 7	6pm Evensong (BCP) Tilshead 9am Morning Prayer Orcheston 1030 Holy Communion Shrewton 6pm HC (BCP) Tilshead	Jane Harley & Lindsay
Sunday 22nd Trinity 8	9am HC (BCP) Chitterne 1030 Family Communion Orcheston 4pm Family Service Shrewton	Jane Harley & Lindsay
Sunday 29th Trinity 9	1030 Benefice Service Shrewton	Jane Harley & Lindsay

## ARMY ACTIVITIES

### TRAINING

June is a busy period on the Plain will see a steady level of armoured and light role training throughout the month culminating in Exercise WESSEX STORM. Locally based Tidworth and Bulford armoured, armoured infantry, artillery and mechanised infantry units will conduct basic level collective training across the whole of the Plain which will include live firing on the Larkhill artillery ranges. The second week of June will see the Armoured and Armoured Infantry courses from the Land Warfare Centre conducting their initial tactical training on Exercise COMBAT TEAM followed by their final exercise TEAM SPIRIT in the third week of June. Both exercises will use the Imber and Larkhill ranges. The last two weeks of June will see the Exercise WESSEX STORM with 1 Royal Irish Regiment.

Please report all concerns to the Complaints Help Desk on 01980 620819 in the first instance.

### RANGE FIRES

Range Fires become a problem in dry weather and may endanger plantations, buildings and standing crops if there are strong winds, and can cause excessive smoke. On Salisbury Plain the MoD put in a vast amount of fail safes to ensure surrounding communities are safe and do not endure too much nuisance as a result of the military training that is conducted throughout the year. In order to prevent and control range fires occurring the following measures are in force:

- 5 day weather forecast in order to mitigate the future effects of the prevailing weather.
- A grazing programme agreed with local farmers in order to keep the grass short during the summer months.
- Control of firing incendiary ammunitions during extreme dry conditions.
- A fire watch scheme in order to ensure fires are constantly monitored.

## EMMA'S TREATMENT ROOM

How many of us have a fraught journey to work every day. Emma Cole, our resident acupuncturist, amongst other things, no longer has to sit in traffic jams on her way to meet clients. Emma can now just step out of her back door, walk down the garden and go to work. She, and I suspect Kevin had a little something to do with it, has now got her own treatment room.



01985 850928 - Acupuncture & other Chinese therapies

Saturday 7th July

### The Australian Badge Cleaning Day

Come and spend the morning in a beautiful spot with a great view, helping our Australian visitors to maintain a special WW1 memorial which is a unique local landmark and part of our local history. Meet at Codford Village Hall at 8.45am, bring weeding and grass cutting/raking tools and wheelbarrows. Lunch is provided for all helpers afterwards at 1pm in the Codford Village Hall.

Unfortunately these days The Badge Committee have to state that you take part at your own risk and that all children must be supervised by a responsible adult. Further information: Tom Thornton 850560

That was a bit of a squeeze! It's as well I like doing jigsaw puzzles! Please remember there is no Chit Chat in July - even I deserve a break!

### POP UP QUIZ NIGHT

Friday night in the Village Hall, saw a dedicated group of villagers pit their wits against each other, to see which team would be victorious. The Cameron's set the quiz and Paul and Erika organised the food and drink. It was such a success that another night has been planned for Friday 8th June - see back page for further details.



Laura Ashley single bed frame - steel, with pretty ivory finish and sprung slats - £50.

Please contact Jane: 01985 851245



## RECYCLING CHANGES - WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

From 30 July 2018 you will be able to recycle more materials at home!

A new waste and recycling contract will start from 30 July and from this date you will be able to recycle a wider variety of materials including food and drink cartons, as well as plastic pots, tubs and trays.

### BLUE-LIDDED BIN

You will be able to recycle the following items in your blue-lidded bin: plastic bottles; plastic pots; tubs & trays; cardboard; food & drink cartons; shredded paper.

**Black plastic and plastic films cannot be recycled**

### BLACK BOX

You can continue to recycle the following items in your black box: paper; glass bottles & jars; tins & cans; clean foils; empty aerosols; bagged textiles & clothes.

**Your collection day and time will remain the same and collections will be fortnightly.**

Until 30 July, please continue to use your waste and recycling bins and boxes as normal, and put them out on your current collection days.

- You will keep the same containers for your rubbish and recycling.
- You will still be able to recycle all of the same items that you currently can, but will also have the opportunity to recycle a wider range of items.
- We will still collect non-recyclable household waste. We will continue to collect garden waste and to charge for this service.
- Collections will still happen fortnightly.

### WILL I BE GETTING NEW BINS?

No – we have designed the new services to use the same containers that you already have.

However, you will be able to order additional recycling bins nearer the time if you think your current recycling bin won't be big enough for the increase in materials you can recycle.



**On 16 June I am joining 35 cyclists to complete The SSIT Big Bike Challenge – 200 miles in one day!** The route starts and finishes in Salisbury, visiting Cheddar Gorge (66 miles), Burnham on Sea (81 miles), Mulchelny (112 miles), and Christchurch (173 miles). It is a 5am start! Donations can be made via

<https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/jeremymajor>

**We are raising money for The Southern Spinal Injuries Trust which purchases specialist equipment for those with spinal injury enabling independence and quality of life.** We can make the difference between a single bed provided by the NHS and a double bed to be shared with a husband or wife. We have provided funding for specialist IVF treatment that resulted in a wonderful outcome of twins, a cross country-wheelchair that allowed one man too walk his dog, covering over 700 kilometres in the first 9 months!

We started the charity in 2006 when my secretary broke her neck. She had been sitting on a hammock one sunny evening in June. The next thing she remembered was her husband telling her to get up off the ground. But she could not move. In a split second and the flip of a hammock, she became dependent on others for the most basic things. Sally's injury changed her life and the lives of those around her in an instant. But her tragic accident inspired the creation of The Southern Spinal Injuries Trust, which we are here to support and of which she is now a trustee.

*Jeremy Major*

## THANK YOU

**I would like to say a huge thank you for the wonderful weekend away John and I had in Wales.**

We really enjoyed our stay at Oxwich Bay, which has a long sandy beach which we walked on in the sunshine the first day we were there.



The weather deteriorated somewhat the next day but we took a wonderful long and bracing walk along the coast at Rhossili. I am so glad that I have finally visited the Gower Peninsular, it was as beautiful as I had imagined and quite strangely everyone there seemed to own at least one French Bulldog!

*Virginia*

## THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

**A huge thank you to everyone who came to the Plant Sale again this year. We managed to miss the thunderstorms and made the staggering sum of £737.00.** This means we will give St Thomas a Becket PTFA a cheque for £368.50. I know that they will be thrilled with this generous contribution towards their wildlife garden. The Church fund will also receive £368.50.

We could not raise this sort of money without the wonderful work and generosity of many people so a big thank you to everyone who grew the plants to sell, made the delicious cakes and jams and donated to the raffle. Also thank you to the helpers and to everyone who came and made it such a successful morning by donating so generously. It was particularly lovely to see some new faces from Tilshead.

Thank you so much again,  
Emma



## THANK YOU, THANK YOU

**Once again our Village Hall Committee put on a fantastic event to celebrate Harry's and Meghan's marriage.**

The hall and tables were beautifully set out, complete with jaunty menu and confetti and tasty nibbles and sparkling wine to set the mood. We were then presented with three tier cake stands filled with dainty sandwiches, scones, jam and cream, as well a lovely selection of cakes not to mention the scrumptious meringues!

A huge amount of thought and effort goes into these events, and for a mere £5!

The atmosphere was tremendous, what a shame that so many of these events are so poorly attended.

*Lilian*



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# JUNE & JULY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



## Breakfast Club

Saturday 2nd  
0930 - 1130  
Village Hall

Come along for a bacon butty, toast, or an egg butty and a mug of tea or coffee. If you are new to the village, this is a great place to meet your fellow villagers.



## POP UP QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 8th  
7pm for 7.30pm

## VILLAGE HALL

Food will be served at a small charge

We miss our quizzes, so let's do it again! There will be the usual donation bar with beer & soft drinks but if you want anything 'more exotic', BYO.



## CHITTERNE CRICKET CLUB

Saturday 7th  
Lambeth Wanderers XI  
Sunday 29th  
Oxymorons XI



## CHITTERNE CRICKET CLUB

Saturday 2nd  
Bill Twiston-Davies XI  
Sunday 17th  
Erlestoke XI  
2pm start

## GREEN BIN

Monday 9th & 23rd



## GREEN BIN

Monday 11th & 25th



## BLACK BOX & BLUE BIN DATES

Thursday 14th & 28th

## PC MEETING

Monday 9th  
7pm  
Village Hall



## DARTS

### King's Head

Tuesday 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th  
8pm for 8.30pm start

## WOOLSTORE CODFORD

Wednesday 6th

3 Billboards outside Ebbing, Missouri (15)

Tickets - £6 - on sale at the Post Office counter in Budgens, Codford

Doors open 7pm with the film commencing at 7.30pm



## LIBRARY VAN

Friday 22nd

Outside the Village Hall from 1140 - 1200.



## BLACK BOX & BLUE BIN DATES

Thursday 12th & 26th

## LIBRARY VAN

Friday 20th

Outside the Village Hall from 1140 - 1200.



## JULY DATES

## WOOLSTORE

### CODFORD

Wednesday 4th July

THE POST (12A)



## HOUSEHOLD WASTE

Thursday 5th & 19th July

## WOOLSTORE CODFORD

Wednesday 1st August

PADDINGTON 2 (PG)

Tickets - £6 - on sale at the Post Office counter in Budgens, Codford

Doors open 7pm with the film commencing at 7.30pm



## HOUSEHOLD WASTE DATES

Thursday 7th & 21st June

## STITCHING GROUP

Friday 8th & 22nd  
1030  
Village Hall



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Friday 6th & 20th  
1030  
Village Hall



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Saturday 7th  
0930 - 1130  
Village Hall



## Chit Chat next issue

All contributions for the August issue by **Tuesday 24th July** by hand or email to: [chitchat.39@gmail.com](mailto:chitchat.39@gmail.com)  
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