

## MILITARY BINGO NIGHT

The military bingo night in the village hall on 21st September was a huge success. We were supported by over 60 members of the village, some in compelling uniform (and some in rather moth-eaten combats). We were sustained by a delicious buffet, Chitterne's trademark puddings, plenty of beer and wine, and of course bizarre bingo calling that put all the on-line sites to shame. Our thanks to all those who organised the evening, the chain of command was led by Murray, Pam, Erika, Andy and Barry. We are particularly grateful to Kevin whose display added a truly atmospheric aspect to the evening. We raised over £1200 for the Chitterne 100 tree appeal which is a fantastic effort. A final word of thanks must go to all those who came and found that Bingo is a very effective way to empty our pockets!

*Nick Parker*



*Thank you Barry for the photos*



### CHURCH SERVICES in OCTOBER

Sunday 7th Trinity 19	9am HC (CW) Orcheston 1030 Family Communion Tilshead 5pm Bible Study & Prayers Chitterne	Christine, Lilian & Jackie
Sunday 14th Trinity 20	9am HC (BCP) Shrewton 1030 Family Communion Chitterne	Christine, Lilian & Jackie
Sunday 21st Trinity 21	6pm Harvest Evensong (BCP) Tilshead 9am Morning Prayer Orcheston 1030 Holy Communion Shrewton	Christine, Lilian & Jackie
Sunday 28th Last after Trinity	6pm HC (BCP) Tilshead 9am HC (BCP) Chitterne 1030 Family Communion Orcheston 4pm Family Service Shrewton	Christine, Lilian & Jackie

Should anyone wish to contact the Rector, The Rev Eleanor Rance, please phone 01980 620580

## ARMY ACTIVITIES

### TRAINING

October sees the start of a high level of training activity on Salisbury Plain. The Land Warfare Centre, Warminster, are running courses throughout the month culminating with a very busy week, during which the second largest armoured exercise TEAM SPIRIT comes onto the Plain, together with the Brigade

Reconnaissance course final exercise BADGERS STRESS. Three large Signals units are training throughout the whole of SPTA, setting up Brigade and Battle Group Headquarters. 7 Para RHA are conducting a regimental exercise with Light Gun firing into the impact area. Three Recce squadrons and 2 Armoured squadrons are also conducting low level training. The number of armoured vehicles and heavy wheeled vehicles that will be using the training area during the whole of the month, day and night, will mean that the public are advised to restrict their recreational activities to the public rights of way and privileged tracks. If moving off the public rights of way on foot, then additional care should be taken to avoid disrupting military training and placing themselves at risk. Motorists are advised that the tank crossings on all major public roads transiting the Plain will be in regular use and that mud sweepers will be operating on the roads if the weather turns wet.

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

## Important news from Roger Watkins Garden Machinery

**From 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018, open by appointment only**

I need to cut down on my commitment to this business, so I will no longer do general service and repair work to machinery.

I will continue to sell my existing stock of new mowers, garden machinery, hand tools and accessories, and carry out warranty work, service and repairs to machinery I have sold, for the warranty period. I will be continuing to sell Aspen fuel and MOBacter, at least until another local supplier is established.

So from 1<sup>st</sup> October I will be available, by prior arrangement, for:-

- Sales of new machinery from selected manufacturers,
- Sales of hand tools, accessories and consumables,
- Warranty work on those brands I supply,
- Servicing during the warranty period, for machines sold by me.

I will not be carrying out general repairs and servicing for any other machinery. Call me on 07932 214251

Luckily there are very capable hands nearby in Corton, where Stewart Penny will be taking over the servicing and repairs that I am unable to do. Stewart can be contacted on 07714 212806

Alternatively I would recommend Oakley Machinery in Frome, 01373 467712



## PUB NEWS

What a mix of weather for September - sun, wind, rain and even chilly nights and frosty mornings.

It was nice to see so many people in for the Quiz on its return to the pub. The October Quiz is on Friday 19th with an 8.30 start.

Darts are still on Tuesday evenings and are well supported which makes a fun evening.

There is a jar on the bar in aid of the British Legion, so if you have any change, please drop it in, to help support Andy, Lorna and Jim, on their run along the Imber Range Path, in November.

Hope to see you soon

*Kenton & Sue*

## RUSSIAN CHOIR COMES TO EDINGTON

Have you ever wanted to hear a full-voiced Russian choir live? Well, the Voskresenije Choir from St Petersburg is the next concert at Edington Priory Church, on Saturday 13th October, starting at 7.30pm.

The four men and four women, all internationally trained at the world class St Petersburg Conservatoire, and conducted by the choir's founder, Jurii Maruk, will sing a programme divided between sacred music and folk songs.

If you're interested in coming, don't delay contacting either [sue@edingtonarts.org](mailto:sue@edingtonarts.org) or Chrissy on 01380 831256 to reserve your tickets. They are priced as always at £20 for the front nave and choir stalls (very few remaining), £15 for rear nave and raised sides and £10 sides. 18 and under come free.



## BLOODY FIGHTING ON THE EDGE OF EUROPE

Reflections on the conflict in Ukraine from 2014

General (Retd) Sir Nick Parker  
UK Representative  
Ukrainian Minister of Defence's  
International Defence Reform Advisory Board



Tickets: £12 per head\* available on the night

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Drinks: 6.45pm Talk: 7.15pm

Chitterne Village Hall

\*Price includes a glass of wine and small eats.

All proceeds in aid of:

EVERY ONE REMEMBERED Chitterne 100 years on



## CODFORD APPLE JUICING

BRING YOUR APPLES TO THE COMMUNITY APPLE JUICING DAYS AT CODFORD VILLAGE HALL

SATURDAY 15<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER AND SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER STARTING AT 10AM

There will be a small charge

DON'T WASTE APPLES MAKE JUICE! MAKE CIDER!

FURTHER INFORMATION FROM ALEC THOMSON (0800) OR TIGGY THORNTON (0800)

Please note that the above talk is in the church not the Village Hall



## VILLAGE HALL NEWS

On Tuesday 18th, a band of Village Hall Trustees, plus a couple of 'extras', gathered at the Village Hall for the annual deep clean. It was decided to do this on a non-Breakfast Club day, as we felt we would have more energy.

Cups of coffee, delicious cakes & Reeves's pasties, helped to keep us going!

Cupboards were cleared, sorted and reorganised; toilets were 'attacked' and left gleaming; tables & chairs washed; anything above head height was cleaned; everything was counted and written down, and any gaps noted; weeds were zapped & drains cleared. By 3 o'clock it was decided to call it a day as we were exhausted.

As Trustees, it is part of our remit to keep the hall in a state fit for purpose but we would appreciate your support in this as well. Please remember, if you hire the hall, to read the notes as to what to do at the end of your event. It is all too easy to rush off. Many thanks.



On the eve of Armistice 2018 a local running Trio (Lorna & Andy Cameron & Jim Fetherstonhaugh) will set off on their final WW1 Centenary Challenge in aid of The Royal British Legion.

They aim to complete an overnight circuit of the Salisbury Plain Imber Range Path (48 km / 30 miles) in order to return to Chitterne for the Centenary of the WW1 Armistice at the 11th Hour of the 11th Day of the 11th Month.

If you are able to support this fund raising endeavour, please contact Andy directly at [cameron657@internet.com](mailto:cameron657@internet.com) for details of their Justgiving site or visit their collection jar in The King's Head.

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Lest We Forget



## Learn how to... Crochet a Poppy!

Saturday 29th  
September

Pop-up Crochet Workshop, Village Hall please join us anytime between 10.30am - 3.30pm

Whether you're a complete beginner, a bit rusty, or accomplished in the cool art of crochet, we'd really appreciate your help to create 100 poppies in support of the WW1 Armistice Day centenary event on 11th November. Crochet, Chat and a Cuppa - what's not to like?

All equipment provided. Pop-in for just an hour or stay for the day. We'll put the kettle on...

RSVP: [rachel.wilkinson1@icloud.com](mailto:rachel.wilkinson1@icloud.com)



FLAG POLE

Yes, it finally happened; we are now the proud owners of a flag pole. On Saturday 8th, during Breakfast Club, the 'grand unveiling' or should that be 'unfurling' happened. The funds for this were raised through a variety of events, so thank you for attending and contributing.

At present the Union flag is flying but the Village Hall Trustees would like to have other flags to fly, especially on Saint days. So, if you feel you would like to 'donate' a flag, please contact Paul Pike (VH Chair) and he will explain what to do.

## Date for diary for all tree pruners, strimmer and chain saw operatives and pyromaniacs:

Saturday **October 6th** we will be having our annual **Cut clearing** session immediately after Saturday Breakfast Club.

The plan is to tackle the worst areas of vegetation, mainly above West Farm up to Townsend, and overhanging trees that might impede water flow and our verge mowing gang. This work is an essential element in our flood prevention work and after last year's efforts the strong flow was noticeable and kept the water on the move and out of our area. Please help us keep it that way.

See you on the 6th.

*Murray Kent*



## WELCOME

To anyone who has recently moved into the village, may I extend a huge welcome on behalf of all villagers. One of the best pieces of advice we were given when we moved here was, for the first year, to go to everything and then decide what we enjoyed, rather than take the advice of others.

We have an excellent email system which keeps us up to date with day to day life in the village. If you wish to be included in this, please contact Pete, aka Hawthorn Pete, at [jp\\_monte@btinternet.com](mailto:jp_monte@btinternet.com)

## ROADSIDE GULLIES

If you notice any gullies that are not taking water away please try to clear it yourself. This is the time of the year when these problems start to appear with leaf fall etc.. If you feel unable to do so please notify Pete Emmerson at - [emmerson856@btinternet.com](mailto:emmerson856@btinternet.com) making sure you identify the location to him. Pete is our Parish Councillor liaison contact with the village steward.

An Evening of  
**Indian Block Printing**

theWI **Across the Plain WI**

theWI **NOVEMBER** Live a little + Laugh a lot + Do some good +

Supporting villages from across Salisbury Plain Wilms [www.wilms.org.uk](http://www.wilms.org.uk)

**Tuesday 2nd October 2018**  
7.30pm Chitterne Village Hall

Come and join us for some creative fun & frolics.  
WARNINGS: This activity can be addictive and a little messy.  
Non-Members Welcome (1st visit FREE, £4 Guest for thereafter)

## IAN CUTLER

**KINDLING & SEASONED LOGS FOR SALE**



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# OCTOBER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



## Learn how to.....Crochet a Poppy!

Saturday 29th September  
Pop-up Crochet Workshop  
Chitterne Village Hall  
Please join us anytime between  
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## Breakfast Club

Saturday 6th  
0930 - 1130  
Village Hall

Come along for a bacon butty, toast, or an egg butty and a mug of tea or coffee. Our very own Mary Berry may have made some delicious cakes, if you don't fancy breakfast! If you are new to the village, this is a great place to meet your fellow villagers.



## QUIZ NIGHTS

Friday 19th  
King's Head

8.00pm for 8.30pm start

A good fun evening



## GREEN BIN

Monday 1st, 15th & 29th



## CUT CLEARING

Saturday 6th  
after Breakfast Club

## HOUSEHOLD WASTE DATES

Thursday 11th & 25th

## ACROSS THE PLAIN WI

Village Hall  
Tuesday 2nd (see inside)  
7.30pm

## STITCHING GROUP

Friday 12th  
1030 in Village Hall



## FUTURE DATES



## CHURCH WINTER CLEAN

Saturday 3rd November  
1030 after Breakfast Club



## DARTS

King's Head  
Tuesday 2nd, 9th,  
16th, 23rd & 30th  
8pm for 8.30pm start

## BONFIRE & FIREWORKS

Sunday 4th November

Gluwein, soft drinks,  
hot dogs & soup for  
sale



## WOOLSTORE CODFORD



Wednesday 3rd  
THE GUERNSEY  
LITERARY &  
POTATO PEEL PIE  
SOCIETY (12A)

Doors open 7pm, film commencing  
at 7.30pm

Tickets £6 from Budgens

## LIBRARY VAN

Friday 12th  
Outside the Village Hall  
from 1120 - 1140.

This is a great asset for our village and is well worth a visit. There are books for everyone, including children. There is a lift for those of us who may find stairs a bit of a problem and a hearing loop. You can easily join. Just bring along one form of ID with your name and current address, and it's FREE!



## CHRISTMAS PARTY



Friday 14th December

7.30pm to midnight

*Fun, food & festivities*

## BLACK BOX & BLUE BIN DATES

Thursday 4th & 18th

## BLOODY FIGHTING ON THE EDGE OF EUROPE

Friday 12th

Drinks: 6.45pm Talk: 7.15pm

Church (please note change of venue)

Tickets £12 available on the night

## Chit Chat next issue

All contributions for the November issue by **Tuesday 23rd October** by hand or email to:

chitchat.39@gmail.com

To download Chit Chat from the village website: [www.chitterne.com](http://www.chitterne.com) click on the Village Life link on the home page, then click on Newsletters and the monthly issue you want. You will need Adobe Reader.