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Sæærid Fætæ Flowær Show

Saturday 13th August from 1-5pm on the Lye Field and in the Community Centre

Be there!

August/September 2016

DIARY DATES FOR LATE JULY

- 30th Wessex Fuchsia Group Annual Show, Pavilion, 1-4pm
- 31st Benefice Service, Seend Church, 10am

DIARY DATES FOR AUGUST

- 1st-12th Partial closure of Seend High Street
- 3rd Seend Shuttle Shopping Trip to Salisbury (book by Monday 1st)
- 3rd Bulkington Village Lunch Club, The Well
- 5th Seend Ramblers, The George, Lacock, 6pm
- 6th Summer Saturday Breakfast, Community Centre, 8-10.30am
- 7th Vintage Garden Party, Millcroft, Mill Lane, Bulkington, 3.30pm
- 13th Seend Fete and Flower Show, 1-5pm
- 15th Historic Houses Club visit to Bowood
- 20th Summer Saturday Breakfast, Community Centre, 8-10.30am
- Mobile Library: 9.40am Seend The Lye; 10.05am Seend Cleeve phone box; 11.05am Well Inn Car Park, Bulkington
- 30th Seend Parish Council meeting, Seend Community Centre, 7.30pm
- 31st Brewery Inn Quiz, 8pm

DIARY DATES FOR SEPTEMBER

- 2nd 'Taster' event and BBQ, Seend Community Centre
- 3rd Summer Saturday Breakfast, Community Centre, 8-10.30am (last chance!)
- 4th Café Church, Seend, 11am
- 7th Seend Shuttle Shopping Trip to Salisbury (book by Monday 5th)
- 7th Melksham Area Board meeting, Community Centre, 7pm
- 10th 60s & 70s Night, Seend Community Centre, 7pm
- 15th Visit to Bletchley Park
- 15th Seend WI Craft Afternoon, Pavilion, 2pm
- 16th The Great Seend Pudding Event 2, Pavilion, 7pm
- 17th LAST DAY FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO OCTOBER SPOTLIGHT
- 18th Seend Ramblers, meet Brabazon Way, Bowerhill, 10am
- 19th Mobile Library: 9.40am Seend The Lye; 10.05am Seend Cleeve phone box; 11.05am Well Inn Car Park, Bulkington
- 27th Seend Parish Council meeting, Seend Community Centre, 7.30pm
- Nosh and Natter Lunch Club, Community Centre, 12 for 12.30pm
- 28th Brewery Inn Quiz, 8pm
- 29th Great Bulkington Open Day, 1-4.30pm
- 30th Macmillan Coffee Morning, Community Centre, 10am-noon

DIARY DATES FOR EARLY OCTOBER

- 1st WEA Day School on Edward Hopper,
- 1st Quiz Night, The Pavilion, 7.30pm
- 1st Wine Circle, Community Centre, 8pm
- 4th Auction of Promises and Silent Auction, Seend Church, 3pm & 6.30pm

Newcomer to Seend?

Call in at the shop/PO and ask for your copy of the **Welcome booklet**, which tells you all you need to know about the village.

Visit **www.seend.org.uk** and the Spotlight **facebook** page: www.facebook.com/seendspotlight

Welcome to August/September Spotlight

At the time of writing, the sun is shining, and we can report that summer breakfasts continue, Nosh & Natter returns in September, we have a 60s & 70s Night, BBQ, quizzes, rambles, tea and coffee drinking, puddings, a garden party, shopping trips, Great Bulkington Railway rides, trips to interesting places and more in the next two months. And most importantly we have **SEEND FETE & FLOWER SHOW!** Enjoy the rest of the summer.

Envelope Collection: Your Spotlight editorial team is currently going through a period of self-imposed sackcloth and ashes and general humiliation for forgetting to initiate the usual envelope collection with the June issue. We are therefore two months late, and asking at an inconvenient time of year for both donors and collectors, but hope you will be as generous as ever in supporting our efforts to bring this magazine free to all homes in our villages. We have just had to raid these funds to purchase an expensive new stapler/folder machine, so believe us when we say your contributions really count! An envelope is enclosed in the magazine and will be collected by your usual Spotlight deliverer. Should this arrangement break down, please leave your envelope in Seend Shop/PO. Many thanks.

Road closure: Closure of a stretch of Seend High Street between 1st and 12th August is going to be a great inconvenience, but we're sure the Dunkirk survival spirit will surface! It may be a bit more difficult to reach the Shop/PO during this time, but please make the effort and continue to support this vital community asset. Let's all hope the work is finished in time for Seend Fete and Flower Show as planned!

<u>Volunteer deliverer needed:</u> Could you find time to deliver Spotlight to about 30 houses in Seend High Street ten times a year? Debs Talmage expects to be moving later in August and would like to be able to show her replacement the round before she goes. Please call her on 827028. Thanks.

Spotlight Contacts: Contributions for the October 2016 edition (copy by Saturday 17th September) can be mailed to spotlight@seend.org.uk or delivered to Seend Post Office. Editors: Tessa Doe (01380 828617) and Sue Isaac (828461). Joanna Goddard (828488) organises printing Mondays. Juli Wilfort types up the items left at Seend PO. Fiona Johnson is the contact for delivery (828401) and Chris Brooker (828047) for advertising. Do let Joanna or Fiona know if you can help them.

<u>Lost emails</u>: Emails to Spotlight sometimes go astray for no obvious reason. If email correspondents <u>don't</u> receive an acknowledgement by the end of the Monday after the Spotlight deadline, please ring Tessa or Sue (see above) to check if all is well. And <u>please</u> note the following. **When sending emails to spotlight@seend.org.uk** please include the word **SPOTLIGHT** in uppercase as the first word of the Subject. This will help the editorial team sifting through all the messages stopped by the SPAM filter, which sometimes include genuine messages for SPOTLIGHT.

PDFs: We cannot normally use PDF files of posters etc as they require a specific shape and space. Word documents give us the flexibility to adapt your wording and pictures to fit the space available. Thanks.

Village events in August, September & beyond

(For Bulkington events see pp.10-12)



Summer Saturday BreakFasts

Just three More to enjoy!

6th & 20th August & 3rd September

from 8am-10.30am in Seend Community Centre

'Taster' Evening and BBQ

Friday 2nd September from 6pm in Seend Community Centre Your chance to meet people from village clubs and organisations – with a BBQ to enjoy!





Nosh & Natter is back!

Reinvigorated from their summer break, the N&N cooks and general dogsbodies are raring to prepare lunch for you on Wednesday 28th September - 12 for 12.30pm.

Please call Pauline on 01380 828638 to book.



60s & 70s NIGHT AT SEEND COMMUNITY CENTRE

LIVE MUSIC FROM POPULIER LOCAL BAIND

'THE HEARTBEATS'

Saturday 10th September at 7pm

...AND DINNER

Tickets: £15 including buffet-style dinner

available shortly from Seend Community Centre, Seend Shop/PO and from Steve & Karen on 01380 828423

Please book in advance

(Vegetarian and gluten-free options available)
Proceeds to Seend Community Centre

Brewery Inn Monthly Fun Quiz

Wednesdays 31st August and 28th September at 8pm All welcome!



Stop Press: Great Seend Pudding Event 2 Friday 16th September, Pavilion, 7pm

Tickets £12.50 incl. main course from Seend PO. Len or Tina



Macmillan Coffee morning

Friday 30th September 10am-12noon Coffee - cake - games - bring and buy! Volunteer cake-bakers please call Pauline on 828638

WEA Day School

Paul Chapman on American painter Edward Hopper



Saturday 1st October upstairs in Seend Community Centre Please call 01380 828617 for further details

FUN QUIZ NIGHT

1st October, 2016 at 7.30 at the Seend Pavilion Michael Gamble's brilliant themed & visual guiz for all the family. Tickets (incl. light refreshments) £6.00 per adult (£3.00 for under 16s) from Maureen Allchin (01380 828931) or Phyl Yarde (01380 828116) Profits to the Friends of Christ Church, Bulkington

Seend Wine Circle

Saturday 1st October, 8pm in Seend Community Centre Call 07896 711764 for booking information



AUCTION of PROMISES and SILENT AUCTION

An evening for the whole family

To include the sale of surplus church pews and other exciting items of interest **Tuesday 4th October 2016** Viewing, and Silent Auction, from 3pm in Holy Cross Church Auction starts at 6.30pm - Refreshments available

North & West Wiltshire National Trust Association with speaker Dr Laura Mayer on

'Capability Brown in Wiltshire'

Saturday 15th October at 2.15pm in Seend Community Centre Admission £3 (£2 Association members)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please let us know of any births, marriages, deaths, special birthdays, thanks, information etc that you would like to see included here.)

Temporary Closure of A361 from the junction with School Road to the junction with Dial Close for the installation of vehicle activated signs

This work is expected to be completed between 1st and 12th August, subject to weather conditions. The alternative route will be via A361 (unaffected length) – A365 – A350 – A361 (unaffected length) and vice versa. Access will be maintained for residents and businesses but may be subject to delays because of the nature of the work. The full notice and map of detour can be seen on the Spotlight facebook page.

For further information please call Kirsty Rose on 01225 756182 during office hours or Steve Fish on 07703 751285 after office hours.

Would you be interested in signing up to receive a "<u>Village Newsflash</u>" email? This would be circulated to all those on the mailing list, with small news items that may be helpful, i.e. road closures, Neighbourhood Watch items, social events or anything you may feel it would be useful to alert the village about.

If so, please email the Parish Clerk on clerk@seendparishcouncil.co.uk

BRAVE THE SHAVE

Clare Bosson used to live in Seend (the Lye) and was very close to Ron Apted before and at the time of his diagnosis. Once diagnosed the Macmillan nurses were an absolute rock for Ron and his family. Clare decided 'Brave the Shave' would be a great opportunity to pay them back for their great work.

On Thursday 25th August at 11am she will have her hair shaved off, at Oare Village Hall, SN8 4JH. This is a sponsored event and donations can be made by searching on her name (Clare Bosson) through the 'Brave the Shave' website.

<u>Christian Aid Collection May 15th – 21st - Amendment</u>

Thanks to some late envelopes the amount collected has increased by over £20. The total cash collected in Seend, Bulkington and Poulshot is now £1462.60 (a nearly 30% increase on last year - 9% of which was from Seend and Bulkington). The amount Gift Aided is now £167-70 raising the total for Christian Aid to £1630.30.

Dick Church

THE CHURCH'S WATER PROJECT

As you will know the church is fundraising hard for its project to bring water to the church. One of the major events is an Auction of Promises and a Silent Auction to be held on 4th October in the church. We are looking for donations of promises or items to sell at the Silent Auction. If anyone has anything they can contribute to this major event please contact one of the members of the PCC or the Churchwardens as soon as possible.

Tina (tel 827139) and Anne (828557)

CHURCHYARD REGULATIONS AND TIDY UP

The diocese have recently issued new and updated regulations regarding headstones, memorials etc. Copies of the regulations are available in the church if anyone wishes to read them. Over the summer we will be tidying the churchyard and removing plastic flowers and other inappropriate items to ensure we comply with the regulations. Anything deemed to be of value will be left in the porch until the end of August when they will be disposed of. We would appreciate your co-operation in this matter so that we keep our churchyard a beautiful and peaceful place for everyone to enjoy and is easy for us to maintain.

Tina and Anne – Churchwardens

MELKSHAM AREA BOARD

The Melksham Area Board is meeting in the Seend Community Centre at 7pm on Wednesday 7th September. Many local residents may be interested in this important event but have not had an opportunity to attend. An agenda will be published on the village noticeboard and website.

SEEND FETE SATURDAY 13TH AUGUST 2016 - 1pm-5pm

This year's fete will be opened at 1pm by our Fete Princess, Caitlin Balnave and, in another first for Seend Fete, her Prince, Joseph Bowes, with the help of their attendants Martha Honeybone and Tatum Owen, they will be leading the Grand Parade aboard an Iceni Tricycle; when you see it you will want one!



Grand Parade and Fancy Dress

Come along to the arena for 12.45pm in your best fancy dress to win a CASH prize, classes for children, adults and groups.

Free Breakfast on Fete morning

Free Breakfast in a Bap, for all helpers: eggs, bacon and sausage, with tea or coffee. Be there between 7.30am and 8.30am to get yours, and don't forget Fantasy Radio will be with us in the morning.

Stall Donations

The Irene Usher Pavilion will be open Monday to Friday, between 7pm and 9pm, for donations of toys, plants, books, tombola gifts, cakes, bottles etc. We are not

collecting bottles door to door this year, but please still bring them on any of these evenings. All donations much appreciated.

Many thanks to all the stall volunteers, helpers, donations and visitors, we can't do this without you!

For more information on the day visit www.seendfete.co.uk, like us on Facebook and follow us on twitter.

Seend Fete Committee

SEEND FLOWER SHOW IS ON SATURDAY AUGUST 13TH 1 to 5 pm



Exhibitors: Previously there was a two tier fee system. Now it is a single £2 **for as many entries as you want** and all children's (16 and under) entries in all classes are free. Please let us have your entry form as soon as you can. Up until Friday the 12th you can drop the form off at the Post Office, Community Centre or direct to me at View Rosa, High

Street, Seend. On Friday the 12th – and the cut-off time is noon – only forms handed in at the Community Centre will be accepted; do not leave them at the Post Office. The fee will be collected when you come to lay out your exhibit(s) on the Friday evening (6.30-8.30) or Saturday morning (8.00 am start). Judging begins at 11am sharp. We will be asking exhibitors if they can stay on for an hour after the show closes to help us clear things away and tidy up. Such help would be much appreciated.

An important feature of the show is the spectator's' appreciation of the exhibits. This can be extended if, where relevant, the exhibitor labels their display with brief information such as the name of the vegetable or fruit variety, the flower(s), or the potted plants. There will be small cards available for this purpose. If you would like to prepare info cards before the show make them about 90x50mm (3.5x2 inches).

We hope that there will be a strong effort from the youngsters so do encourage your children to participate. **This year there is an additional feature for young children** (8yrs and under) which is extra to the more formal classes. In the show programme and on the website (www.seendflowershow.org.uk) there is a flower picture to be coloured in. We will display those brought to the show and invite spectators to choose the best. A voucher for £5 to the winner. Details are in the programme and website.

Spectators: A lot of effort goes in to putting on the show from the organisers and the exhibitors, and of course without both there would be no show. However the real success of the show depends on YOU, the spectator. We hope that you are entertained by seeing the products of hard work and artistry and consider that the Seend Flower Show is a most desirable feature of Seend life, even if it is only once a year (phew!). That is what we would like to think – is it right? We would like to have some feedback so do let us know (to me or any committee member) how you see the show and particularly if you think it can be improved or amended in any way.

You will have the chance to bid in a silent auction for a desirable stone trough, courtesy of Windsmere Stone & Granite, and a lovely framed floral print courtesy of Altfield. There will be a wide selection of first class plants for sale, and of course there will be the raffle.

I do hope that you will visit and enjoy the show; and if you are 'just' a spectator this year maybe you will be an exhibitor next year - it's fun.

Brian Jaques

CHURCH AND CHAPEL NEWS

Maureen's Ramblings

I was challenged following my July "Ramblings" to define what I mean by the concept "God". I used to rise to this challenge a lot when I was teaching "A" Level religion and philosophy to often sceptical students and know it be a HUGE subject – but here goes, in 500 words - my "soundbite" definition of God.

Hang on — in which way shall I define God? Shall I do it in a minimalistic, non-specific way which seeks to define the necessary characteristics that God displays? If I do this, I will say that I believe God is an entity that is above and beyond the universe and is not subject to the laws of the universe. In addition, he (it is anthropologically necessary to use the limited term "he" or "she" as "it" does not work at all!) created the universe and the physical laws that govern it, however that happened - be it over millions of years or through a "Big Bang" etc. (Genesis was never meant to be a scientific text-book but a story for people seeking to understand their world). God exists eternally and infinitely, which is why he has no cause for his existence and no beginning or end. If we ask "who created God" then whoever created God must be God and so on....

Over the centuries, there have been many attempts by philosophers to prove the existence of God, and a canon of classic arguments has been developed which are continually revised and defended afresh. Whether any of these arguments for the existence of God are successful, of course, remains controversial. Maybe "Google" Pascal's Wager, the Ontological Argument, the Cosmological (the first cause) Argument, the Teleological Argument (the argument from design), the Moral Argument, and the Argument from Religious Experience – all affirming that belief in God can be rational even if it cannot be supported by evidence. Are you still awake???

Or, shall I define God as understood through the prism of the Christian faith? If I do this then I believe that God has all of the aforementioned characteristics, as well as many others. He is omni- benevolent (all-loving), omniscient (all-knowing), immutable (unchanging), interested in human beings and involved in human life. He is also omnipotent (all-powerful), is perfectly just, and is the basis for all morality. In fact, he created a moral code, which is imbedded within all humans. Maybe my next "Ramblings" should be on how I believe in a loving, all powerful God when there is so much suffering and evil in the world? Oh no! I hear you shout!!

So did these definitions (in the scores of books I have read and the discussions I have had) lead me to believe in God? Not really! I looked at the life and teaching of Jesus and decided that he makes more sense of the world and of my life than anything else or anyone else I have encountered. As I wrote last month, I can't prove the existence of God. But I know that the enrichment, fulfilment (including intellectual) and wholeness I have found in my life through my developing faith in God (and its inevitable ups and downs) has become integral to who I am.

The Revd. Maureen Allchin. Rector

CHURCH SERVICES IN AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2016

The Benefice of Holy Cross, Seend, Christ Church, Bulkington and St. Peter's, Poulshot

You are welcome to worship at any of the services in any of the churches in the Benefice. There is something for everyone!

Sunday 7th August 2016. Trinity 11

8.00 am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Seend.

A short and reflective traditional service

9.15 am Parish Eucharist (Common Worship) at Poulshot.

A modern language communion service.

11.00 am Morning Praise at Seend.

A lively service, without communion, for all the family.

6.00 pm Evening Prayer (Traditional) at Bulkington.

A gentle, reflective, traditional evening service.

Sunday 14th August 2016. Trinity 12

9.15 am Parish Eucharist (Common Worship) at Seend .

11.00 am Parish Eucharist (Common Worship) at Bulkington

6.00 pm Evensong (Traditional) at Poulshot.

Sunday 21st August 2016. Trinity 13

8.00 am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Seend

9.15 am Morning Praise at Bulkington

11.00 am Parish Eucharist (Traditional) at Poulshot

6.00 pm Evensong at Seend

Sunday 28th August 2016. Trinity 14

9.15 am Matins (Traditional) at Poulshot

11.00 am Parish Eucharist (Common Worship) at Seend

6.00 pm Parish Eucharist (Common Worship) at Bulkington

Sunday 31st July 2016. Trinity 10

10.00 am Benefice Eucharist at Seend

Sunday 4th September 2016. Trinity 15

8.00 am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Seend.

A short and reflective traditional service

9.15 am Parish Eucharist (Common Worship) at Poulshot.

A modern language communion service.

11.00 am Café Church at Seend.

A lively service, without communion, for all the family.

6.00 pm Evening Prayer (Traditional) at Bulkington.

A gentle, reflective, traditional evening service.

Sunday 11th September 2016. Trinity 16

9.15 am Parish Eucharist (Common Worship) at Seend .

11.00 am Parish Eucharist (Common Worship) at Bulkington

6.00 pm Evensong (Traditional) at Poulshot.

Saturday 17th

6.00 pm Cluster Praise at Christ Church Worton

Sunday 18th September 2016. Trinity 17

8.00 am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) at Seend

9.15 am Morning Praise at Bulkington

11.00 am Parish Eucharist (Traditional) at Poulshot

6.00 pm Evensong at Seend

Sunday 25th September 2016. Trinity 18

9.15 am Matins (Traditional) at Poulshot

11.00 am Parish Eucharist (Common Worship) at Seend

6.00 pm Parish Eucharist (Common Worship) at Bulkington

Every Tuesday at 9.00 there is a short Benefice service of Matins (BCP*) at Poulshot church

Every Thursday at 9.00 Morning Prayer will be said at 4 Northfields, Bulkington. All are welcome.

From the Benefice records

Weddings.

OUT TO LUNCH

We celebrate with:

Alistair Artault & Camilla Garton who were married at Seend on 18th June Lee Tregelles & Sarah Cains who were married at Seend on 25th June

The church -hosted Bulkington Village Lunch Club takes place on Wednesday 3rd August and 7th September, 2016 at The Well. Contact Jane Coles in advance for the menu (828145).

New people from the Benefice and friends are always welcome to

join us. It is a good social event and a great lunch for the entire village and area.



The Benefice BUZZZZ Group will take place on 3rd August and 7th September at 4pm at 4 Northfields, Bulkington. An opportunity to discuss aspects of the Christian faith in a fun and informal setting.

THE BENEFICE TEA AND CHAT SOCIAL GROUP

will meet on the Mondays 1st August and 5th September, 2016 from 2.00 – 4.00pm.



Bring your own craft item or leave it at home and just come and chat! Please contact Anne Saywell on 828931 for venues.

Café Church on Sun. 4th September 2016 at 11am at Seend

Cake, singing, stories and activities for all the families of Seend, Bulkington and Poulshot.

The theme is about boats and storms!

CLUSTER PRAISE SERVICE is on Sunday, 17th September at 6.00 at Worton Church.

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All are welcome.

SEEND METHODIST CHURCH

Services for August and September 2016

14th August 10am Mrs Michelle Gard 28th August 10am Joanne Williams

11th September 10am Please see chapel noticeboard

25th September 10am Harvest Festival with Rev Wendy Tucker

Everyone welcome at any service.

Thank you, Anne Salter

BULKINGTON NEWS

THE TEA AND CHAT SOCIAL GROUP

will meet on the Monday, 1st August, 2016 at The Old Stables, Bulkington (Andie Elliott: 828277) from 2- 4pm and Monday 5th September at 15 Chestnut Drive (Janet Rawlings). Bring your own craft item or leave it at home and just come and chat!



The Mobile Library will be visiting the Well car-park in Bulkington on Mondays, 22^{nd} August & 19^{th} September from 11.05-11.30am . Please support this.

VINTAGE GARDEN PARTY

with entertainment by 'The Keevil Singers'
(Vintage attire would be good but optional!)
Sunday 7th August at 3.30pm at Millcroft, Mill Lane, Bulkington
By Kind Permission of Mr & Mrs N. Boulton

Tickets £8 Available from Seend Post Office, Jane Coles 828145, Liz Futter 828485, Sue Noad 870343 and Anne Saywell 828931

BULKINGTON VILLAGE HALL

Saint Swithin's Day — and it has rained, again. All our systems are coping well with our soggy summer, and if the saying is correct, will have to continue for forty days at least. The interior paintwork is looking immaculate, making a welcome retreat for the party people to enjoy their tea. The Bulkington Ladies were able to have their BBQ supper, between train rides, out of the chilly breeze, in the relative warmth of the Hall. Refuge or referendum, we provide it all, in or out — pun intended! Tai Chi was our only disappointment as only two turned up. Mr Crook was happy to give us a class and may be able to re-visit with a talk for the Bulkington Ladies. He is a man of many parts, literally: actor and circus performer to name but two. Omniart continue to provide interest with a colourful selection of their paintings. St. Swithin, do your worst, our Hall will always provide shelter from the showers — for everyone.

Angela Read, Chairman.

(We shouldn't tempt fate, but the weather has picked up somewhat - including a brief heatwave - since Angela wrote this! Eds.)

BULKINGTON LADIES' GROUP

At the beginning of July we enjoyed a belated BBQ in Thelma & Neville's garden. It had been postponed from the previous week due to bad weather. Thelma had prepared a big salad, potatoes and fruit for the meal, and Neville did the cooking. We then had several rides on the train and some of us even got to drive it! We thank them very much for an enjoyable evening.

At the end of July we are having an evening on the canal, with a fish & chip supper and musical entertainment.

Our meeting in August is on Thursday 25th at 7.30pm in the Village Hall when Ian Crook will be giving a talk on the benefits of Tai Chi. I'm sure there will be some participation in this gentle exercise for those wishing to do so. There will be the usual light refreshments and raffle.

The September meeting will be on Thursday 29th at 7.30pm in the Village hall when the speaker will be giving us the history of pub signs. This promises to be a very interesting evening. Again there will be the usual light refreshments and raffle.

We hope you will be able to come along. Visitors are always welcome.

Liz Futter 828485 Angela Read 828925

GREAT BULKINGTON OPEN DAY 29th August, Bank Holiday Monday

The sit-on-and-Ride Great Bulkington Railway will be offering rides on 29th August, Bank Holiday Monday, from 1300 to 1630 hours to the general public.

Rides cost a pound (twice around). We expect that the good ladies from Christ Church in our village will be serving teas and cakes in the gardens and Village Hall. We have two private children's birthday parties this month (July) and a grown ups' family party in August–All in aid of Wiltshire Air Ambulance. Due to farm traffic, please park on one side of Mill Lane only.

01380 828101 Nev Boulton Station Master GBR.

P.S. You can see a video of the BGR on:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mED47puXf-w&feature=youtu.be - a thousand feet of 5 inch gauge track, a forty foot long tunnel and a signalling system. We are located next to Bulkington Village Hall, near Seend at SN10 1SW.

BULKINGTON '100 CLUB'

Bulkington "100 Club" draw took place at the Village Lunch in The Well Inn on Wednesday, 6th July, and the winners were:-

1st prize	£50. No. 12	Sue Noad
2nd prize	£30. No. 54	Jessica Streeter
3rd prize	£20 No.57	Steve Keslake
4th prize	£10 No. 22	Amanda Bennett

Congratulations to the winners! Thank you to everyone who renewed their membership and to all the new members who joined his year. Thanks to you all, we now have 62 members - hence the rise in the first prize up to £50!

Phyl Yarde

SEEND CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

SEEND SHUTTLE COMMUNITY BUS

Salisbury Shopping Shuttle Trip Wednesdays 3rd August and 7th September

To book a seat on the next shopping trip, please ring Rex or Jan Gudge on 01225 706526 by Monday 1st August for the August trip and by Monday, 5th September for a seat on September's shuttle.



Thanks, Rex

The Seend Shuttle scheduled services timetable (Monday to the village shop, Tuesday to Melksham and Thursday to Devizes via Bromham) can be found on: www.seend.org.uk

HISTORIC HOUSES CLUB



Visit to BOWOOD HOUSE AND GARDEN Monday 15th August 2016

Several members have already signed up for this trip which is close by and it should be an enjoyable and interesting day.

The charge for the house and garden is £8:50 for Seniors and the guided tour is an additional £5:50 pp. The latter has been arranged for 11.30am to be followed by lunch in the Stables restaurant at 13:00 hrs.

New members are always most welcome.

DAY TRIP TO BLETCHLEY PARK on THURSDAY 15th SEPTEMBER 2016 www.bletchleypark.org.uk

N.B. BOOKING by FRIDAY 26th August at the latest is ESSENTIAL as numbers and payment are required by Bletchley by the 31st August. It will not be possible to add further names after this date.

This annual trip which welcomes all villagers and friends within our benefice is extremely popular and this year we are visiting Bletchley Park which was the central site for Britain's codebreakers during World War II.

Run by the Government Code and Cypher School (GC&CS), it regularly penetrated the secret communications of the Axis Powers – most importantly the German Enigma and Lorenz ciphers. The official historian of World War II British Intelligence has written that the "Ultra" intelligence produced at Bletchley shortened the war by two to four years, and that without it the outcome of the war would have been uncertain. [1]

Located in Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire, England, Bletchley Park is now a flourishing heritage attraction and is very popular. The entry fee is £13:50 plus travel expenses which are yet to be confirmed but will be around £12:00 per person and hopefully we will be able to have a guided tour. There is both a licensed cafe where hot and cold food is available and a Costa coffee shop in the visitor centre. If you would prefer to bring a picnic there are picnic benches located throughout the site The coach will leave from the Lyefield, High St, Seend (opposite the Manor) at 0800hrs and the journey will take just over 2 hours. Facilities are available on the coach.

We will depart from Bletchley round about 4.30 - 5.00 pm

For those of you who have already booked, payment of £13:50 per person would be appreciated. Please make cheques payable to Seend Historic Houses Club. The coach fare will be payable on the day and confirmed at a later date

For further information please contact Tina Yockney on 01380 827139 or tinayockney@btinternet.com

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

IN MEMORIAM

This month we remember:

Thomas Burbidge 1st Bn Coldstream Gds 15 Sept 1916 They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old, age shall not weary them nor the years condemn, at the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them.



(Please see information about Seend Bell Ringers WW1 remembrance on p.25. Eds)

Drumhead Service

This was held on the Lye Field on Sunday 26th June 2016 and in spite of the rain was well attended by 30 people. On completion a delicious tea was enjoyed in the Pavilion and over £100 was made in aid of the Royal British Legion through the collection and tea contributions.

Dates to Note:

AGM and Committee Meeting: The AGM will be held on Wednesday 19th October 2016 commencing at 1930 hrs. (Note – this is changed from Thursday 27th.) This will be immediately followed by a Committee meeting. Both meetings will be held in the Kennet Room in the Community Centre.

STANDARD BEARERS COMPETITION: This will take place in the Michael Herbert Hall, Wilton on Saturday 3rd September 2016 commencing at 1000hrs. Kevin Toft will be taking part and would be very grateful for some support. Anyone can turn up to spectate so please support him if you can and help him to reclaim his title.

<u>60s & 70s DANCING AND DINNER:</u> Unfortunately, for reasons beyond our control, this fundraising event scheduled for Saturday 10th September will now not be run by the British Legion. But it <u>will</u> go ahead as planned. Please see 'Events' section and 'Happenings!' for details.

Roger Brind

SEEND WI



In July a group of us visited Beggar's Knoll Chinese Garden in Westbury. The garden was stunning and we had a wonderful evening exploring the many different areas with our hosts Colin and Penny. The weather was perfect and the tea and cakes delicious!

Our next meeting is on the 14th September when we will be having a talk about the origin and work of Fairtrade. Visitors are always welcome.

We are not holding a Craft Afternoon in August. Our next one will be on 15th September at 2pm.

All meetings take place in the Pavilion, Rusty Lane, Seend at 7.30pm on the second Wednesday of the month unless otherwise notified. For more information please contact Gill Acornley on 01225 707218 or check the website www.seendwi.weebly.com



WESSEX FUCHSIA GROUP

Tuesday September 27th – Members evening, talking and discussing what we should be doing with our fuchsias at this time of year. 7.45pm in the Pavilion.

SEEND COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS

www.seendcommunitycentre.com – bookings 07703 814111 Please see the copy of 'Happenings!' that should be enclosed in this magazine to find out what's been going on – and what's planned. See also the Events section of the magazine and find us on facebook.



SEEND & DISTRICT RAMBLERS

On Sunday, 17th July, 16 ramblers commenced their walk of 6 miles, from the crossroads on the Box / Ditteridge Road. We followed the valley along to the village of Box. Crossing the main Box Hill road we followed footpaths overlooking the end of Box Tunnel, eventually coming into the grounds of Hazelbury Manor. Again, following the footpaths through the valley and eventually crossing the main Melksham /

Bath Road, up around Washwell and back towards our cars. The walk was of an undulating nature with spectacular views throughout. Many thanks to Denise and Colin for their organization.

<u>Friday evening</u>, 5th <u>August</u> – 6p.m. start from "The George" in Lacock (please park in the over-flow car-park at the back) This will be a gentle walk in this vicinity for approximately one hour. A pub meal of "Fish and Chips" (an alternative for vegetarians) will have been ordered in advance. Please contact Wendy 01249 652422 to confirm a meal.

<u>Sunday</u>, 18th <u>September</u> – meet on Brabazon Way, Bowerhill for a 10 a.m. start (from Seend, make for the Tescos supermarket, Bowerhill. Passing the supermarket on your right, continue straight onto the road curving round to the right at the bottom – park on side of road.

This circular walk is of a gentle nature and approximately 5 miles, covering canal towpath and field walking. Leaders Terry and Sheila (01225 704800)

Lin Salter - 01225 706451

SEEND SCHOOL NEWS

The school year has been rounded off in a fitting style; some amazing SATs results again this year, a brilliant performance of Ye Ha (our best summer production yet apparently) and a moving yet uplifting leavers service in Church as we bid farewell to 18 year 6 children and 2 members of staff. The last day of term consisted of a junk

percussion activity day and a special treat for the year 6s straight after school – Zorb football!

Yet already we are looking forward to next year. The new reception children, after just two taster sessions, look like they have been here a while so we are confident that when they actually start in September, there won't be any tears (well not from the children at least!). Mrs Hugill, the new year 5/6 teacher has spent a week at the school getting to know the staff and children so should be able to hit the ground running in September.

An after school club (night owls) running until 5 o'clock will complement our existing breakfast club (early birds) and a new range of extra-curricular activities will be on offer from street surfing to dance to Systema, so something for everyone. With lots to look forward to in September, no one is going to mind returning to school!

Jackie Chalk, Headteacher

SEEND PLAYGROUP NEWS

A great time was had by all at our annual outing to Woodland Adventurers. The mud kitchen was very popular as was den making, feeding the animals and toasting marshmallows at the camp fire.

On 5th July we visited Trowbridge Fire Station. Again great fun was had with squirting water from the fire hoses.

That evening we held our AGM at the Community Centre. The turnout was very disappointing. We are very grateful to Stacey Vaux who offered to be our new chairperson. She rushed in from a Fawlty Players' rehearsal dressed as a pregnant Edwardian housemaid, and saved our bacon! I think we now have the minimum number required to form a new committee, and keep our Playgroup going. With being a community- run group we cannot legally function without a committee and the relevant officers.

This week we have had two visits from County Hall. On Thursday our Childcare Officer visited, and on Friday it was the turn of our Leading Teacher, who hadn't been before. Both said what a lovely atmosphere there was, and how happy and engaged the children were in what they were doing. We were greatly encouraged by these remarks.

We have spaces available for September, so if you know anyone interested with a child from age two years, please get in touch. We are open Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri mornings from 8.45-12.45 and on Wed from 11.45-2.45 after our Toddler Group. We welcome visitors at any time. We start again on Thursday 1st September. All children from age three are entitled to up to 15 hours of free education, and some children are entitled to funding from age two.

We are running the "Name the Teddy" game at the Seend Fete. Someone has kindly donated a lovely cuddly bear, so please come and choose his/her name. While you are there don't forget to visit the Flower Show in the Community Centre. Every Playgroup child has done a fruit and veg picture which will be displayed on the wall. They are all mounted and look really attractive.

Finally, we wish everyone a happy holiday. We hope those starting school will all settle quickly and be excited by their new beginnings, and those returning will enjoy being the "big" ones.

Liz Futter (Playleader) 828485

SEEND PARISH COUNCIL

N.B. These notes are from the draft minutes of Parish Council meetings, and may not yet have been ratified. Full copies of Parish Council meeting minutes can be found on www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk

The meeting held on **Tuesday 28th June 2016** was attended by seven Councillors with Mr T Murch (Chairman) in the chair. Apologies received from Mrs A'Bear, Mrs Heatley & Cllr J Seed.

The Chairman opened the meeting by saying that Councillors will know that **Cllr Joan Savage** suffered a stroke a few days after the last Parish Council meeting, and died on 11th June. He said it had come as a shock, as Cllr Savage had been a member of the PC for a long time. She had also worked for Wiltshire Council, and was diligent about how the PC conducted its work. The funeral will take place on 8th July at 1.15pm at St Peter's, Devizes. The Chairman also paid tribute to Mrs Carr and Mr & Mrs Heatley, who helped to organise matters after Mrs Savage was taken ill. The Chairman then asked for a few moments silence in remembrance.

The Clerk had received complaints about the number of cars now **parking in Spout Lane**, including blocking the entrance to fields, despite notices. It was acknowledged that there are three areas of the village that are blighted by parked cars – by The Barge in Seend Cleeve, Bollands Hill and Spout Lane, and these all relate to the K&A Canal, as there are now a large number of boats with people resident on the canal rather than using the moorings, as they were intended, as visitor moorings. It was agreed to investigate a number of things:-

- To contact Cllr Seed to see if he has managed to speak with Claire Perry about the responsibilities of the C&RT.
- Whether herring-bone parking could be installed on land at The Barge a site visit to be requested with the C&RT at all three sites.
- To contact Highways to discuss the possibility of double yellow lines to restrict parking (next CATG meeting 21 July).

Installation of VAS signs. Temporary closure notice of the A361 for installation of VAS on 1st August had been received. The closure and diversion route will be clearly indicated by traffic signs. Access will be maintained for residents and businesses. Signage for business and diversion route for HGVs from Semington roundabout had been requested by the Clerk from Mark Stansby. He had responded that there will not be specific instructions for HGVs are there are already permanent signs in situ which divert HGVs via A365 and A350. However, the diversion signs for all vehicle

categories will be clear. Signs will be placed to deter vehicles from using Bollands Hill and Spout Lane. Concern was expressed because HGVs tended to ignore the current signage. The Clerk to write to Mark Stansby to request flashing sign to alert HGVs of the road closure.

SHLAA site, Persimmon Homes. An email had been sent to Chris Minors, Senior Planning Manager at Persimmon Homes Wessex on 2nd June – no response to date. A further email had been sent to an alternative contact, Keith Roberts, on 22nd June. He has responded to say that he has forwarded the email to Chris Minors, so no progress has been made with regard to a site meeting.

High Street crossing. Response received from Mark Stansby, and email sent to Rhys Schell to ask about applying via Area Board/CATG. The Clerk to write to Worton PC to ask about the dropped kerb installed in Worton High Street. Mr Wiltshire pointed out that the work could be undertaken as two separate projects, installing the dropped kerb, and then installing the footpath on the south side of the High Street.

Queen's Birthday Celebrations. The Clerk had investigated the costs of tree seats which ranged from £227 to £837. A budget of between £4-500 was agreed. The Clerk to obtain brochures/illustration. Mr Manning would also investigate. Mr Wood proposed that a tree should also be planted, seconded by Mr Rigg, unanimous to approve. Councillors to think of a suitable location.

Bollands Hill. Mark Stansby had forwarded an email from Spencer Drinkwater, explaining that Bollands Hill is being considered as part of the request to look at freight movement on the A365. They will not consider any further measures until the results of this assessment are published.

Lay-by at The Stocks / A361. Email from Mark Stansby to advise that this matter was submitted to the Area Board in December 2014 (Issue 3740). Following a site inspection, no particular concerns were identified by officers and the recommendation of the CATG to the Area Board was for no further action. Given that any work here will require funding, he thought that it was unlikely that a new request would be successful. The Clerk to write to Mark Stansby to request a site meeting.

Street lighting, Cooks Close. Mr Wood had delivered letters to all residents of Cooks Close. There have been 5 responses (18 properties listed in Cooks Close), 2 in favour, 3 against on the grounds of security and pedestrian safety. After discussion, it was agreed that the lighting should remain on for the current hours. However, the Clerk to contact Wiltshire Council, to see if the direction of the street light could be changed to reflect downwards.

Defibrillator project. Mr Wood had investigated the defib project in Keevil, where Community Heartbeat Trust had installed a unit in a disused telephone box. This was a managed package including insurances. They were full of praise for the way that their project had been managed by CHT. Mr Wood said that it was also possible to apply for a donation of £400 from the British Heart Foundation. Another company called Heartsafe sold defib units. Mr Wood proposed that the PC moves forward

with the project and obtain quotes from CHT, BHF and Heartsafe, and undertook to obtain the quotes. It was also necessary to look at the electrical supply and cost of installing that.

Parish Steward service. Mr Wood had attended the presentation at County Hall on 9th June, and he gave a résumé of the information. Wiltshire Council now invites PCs to go back with any questions they have on the Parish Steward service or the MyWiltshire App. At the presentation there seemed to be some confusion about how the new service would work as a combined system. There was concern that the Parish Steward would pick up any unfulfilled request which may not be a PC priority. The Clerk to ask Adrian Hampton, Wiltshire Council how they envisage the system working; also, can the MyWiltshire App items be referred to the Parish Council for comment?

Parish Action Plan & Councillor roles. The Chairman explained that he was keen that the PC should have an Action Plan, to give a vision of what the PC wants to achieve in the coming year. The Chairman will draw up a draft plan. The following roles were allocated:

•	CATG (meeting every 3 months)	Mrs Carr & Mr Manning
•	Area Board	Mr Murch & Mr Wood
•	Lye Field Representative (bi-monthly)	Mr Rigg
•	Highways Liaison	Mrs Carr & Mr Manning
•	Police Liaison	Mrs Heatley
•	Planning sub-committee	Mr James, Mrs Heatley & Mrs Carr
•	Community Centre Representative	Mr Murch
•	Precept Committee (November meeting)	Mrs Heatley, Mrs A'Bear, Mrs Carr,
		Mr Murch, Mr Wiltshire and
		Mr James
•	Neighbourhood Planning	Mrs A'Bear, Mr Murch, Mr Rigg
		and Mr Manning

Neighbourhood Plan update. The Chairman reported that a Neighbourhood Plan meeting had taken place last week. The Housing Needs Survey was almost ready to publish. The Highways consultation was open until September. There were more businesses in the Parish than at first thought. Mrs Raymond had indicated that Regulations published in 2010 limiting the time for cutting hedges, but also for clearing paths. The Clerk to write to Mrs Raymond to ask for clarity on the legislation.

Sandridge Solar Agreement. The Clerk had contacted StJohn Hughes to enquire whether there was any leeway on negotiation of the percentage that Seend would receive, but he had indicated that this had been fixed at the start of the negotiations. It was noted that Seend will receive 2.12% of £1,000 per MWp of installed capacity (46.96 MWp); Bromham to receive 1.57% and Melksham Without 26.69%. Mr Manning proposed that the agreement should be signed, seconded by Mrs Carr,

agreed unanimously. The Chairman then signed the Agreement on behalf of the Parish Council, witnessed by the Clerk; the Agreement to be returned to StJohn Hughes, and the percentage allocation to be put into Spotlight.

Application Ref: 16/04797/FUL

15 The Lye Two storey rear extension. Councillors voted unanimously to approve

Application Ref: 16/05482/FUL

The Bungalow, Little Thornham Farm, Trowbridge Rd

Proposed new second floor accommodation, including four new dormer windows and one gable window.

Councillors voted unanimously to approve

Application Ref: 16/06055/TCA

11 Dial Close Remove 3 Elm trees and 1 Pear Tree.

Councillors voted unanimously to approve.

Comments: Suggest that the Pear tree is replaced with another fruit tree, and something suitable planted to replace the elm trees.

Application Ref: 16/05319/FUL

Toad Hall, Park Lane, Seend Cleeve

Erect timber frame outbuilding as garage and log store.

Councillors voted unanimously to approve

Bradley Lane. This bridleway had become rather overgrown; it had been cut previously by the Parish Steward. It was noted that the bridleway is owned jointly by the Community Centre and three Dial Close residents. There is also a problem that the Spiderweb Paddock hedge has now grown so tall that it is no longer possible to enjoy the view from the seat in Bradley Lane. The Clerk had asked Jamie Hiscocks to cut the grass along the bridleway, however, it was agreed to formally record that the owners of the bridleway are responsible for its upkeep. The Clerk to write and thank Jamie for cutting the bridleway, and Mr Murch agreed to organise payment of the work by the bridleway owners.

Bell Inn. It was noted that nothing much appears to be happening with renovations at The Bell, and that the louvres have been taken down from the adjacent building. The Clerk to write to Wadworths, and also Planning department, as The Bell is a listed building.

Aster Homes. Mr Wood suggested that the response from Aster Homes should be discussed, and it was agreed that there would be an extraordinary meeting of the PC once the Housing Needs Survey was published, in order that the Neighbourhood Plan Group could discuss the Aster proposals; a public meeting with the village could then take place. It was hoped to have the Housing Needs Survey available by the end of July; the document to be made available on the PC website. Mr Wood agreed to draft a letter to The Lye residents, the Clerk to get it copied and help to circulate.

Dates of next meetings: The dates of the next meetings are Tuesdays 26th July, 30th August and 27th September 2016, at Seend Community Centre at 7.30 p.m.

Mrs Rosemary Fisher, Clerk

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This month's Seend Parish Councillor profile: THELMA M CARR

Born in Trowbridge, married with two children and two grandchildren. I spent 22 years in the Far East Singapore/Hong Kong. Returned to England in 1992, moved to Seend in 1995, I was elected to Devizes Town Council in 1996 and became a Governor of Down Lands School and I served as treasurer of Friends of Devizes Hospital for several years. I was elected to Kennet District Council for four years in 2000 after which I left to live in France for nearly three years. Then, on my return, was re-elected to Seend Parish Council.

I feel very lucky to live in such a lovely village as Seend and to be a member of the Seend Parish Council.

WILTSHIRE COUNCIL NEWS FROM JONATHON SEED

I write this month's news with a heavy heart. Last week I attended the funeral of a great friend and stalwart local Seend resident Mrs Joan Savage. When I first met Joan, nearly ten years ago, I was a Kennet District Councillor and Joan was the Chairman of Seend Conservative Association so she invited me to speak at a fund raising lunch in the Irene Usher Hall. A couple of years later I put myself forward for selection as the unitary Councillor for the area. Joan approved and was a great help in my selection process. However I was warned by Party officials that I should learn all I could from Joan as we would soon fall out; in fact we remained firm friends and political allies for the ensuing years until her untimely death last month.

I often used to call in and have a cup of tea with Joan on my way back from County Hall and her sound advice was second to none. Joan's was a forthright character but a very wise local politician. This wisdom was gained through many years experience of local government and politics at all levels. Joan was a long serving County Councillor (where she chaired the Highways Committee) a former Mayor of Swindon, former Chairman of Seend Parish Council and a great local activist. Not everyone agreed with her and we some times disagreed between ourselves but she always had a view - and was not afraid to make her views known.

Sadly Joan died without any living relatives and so it was especially gratifying that St Peters Church was so very well attended for her funeral. Joan loved her village, her life, her animals and especially her cat. Sam the cat now has a new home with my family and has settled well.

Joan's passing was recognised by a silence in the Council Chamber at the last Wiltshire Council meeting and I was privileged to be able to say a few words in remembrance of her service to her community to the Council. Joan will long be remembered, missed and respected by all that knew her.

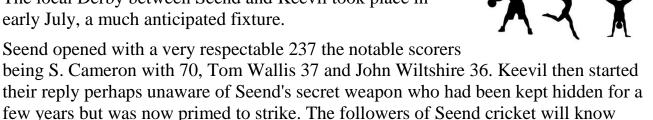
RIP Joan Savage 1929 - 2016.

Jonathon Seed, 07770774463

SEEND SPORTING AND DRAMATIC NEWS

Cricket: Chairman Brian Hunt.

The local Derby between Seend and Keevil took place in early July, a much anticipated fixture.



Kevin bowled eight overs taking four wickets for just 17 runs leaving a disconsolate Keevil, struggling to reach half of Seend's score, finally collapsing to 118 all out.

grandfatherhood but a few months ago but is still able to teach the younger members

who I am speaking of, none other than our own Kevin Waylen who celebrated

The next match was more of a pantomime than a cricketing contest. The fixture on 17th July was to be away to The Golden Fleece. Coincidentally that was the same date that Grittleton were also due to play a Sunday match and they likewise turned up at The Fleece! The three teams combined to select two teams, with a few players taking an afternoon's rest. I only hope that there was enough tea to go around.

Tennis: Chair Elaine Davies.

of the team a trick or two.

Sadly the league fixtures are nearly at an end.

The mixed team has held its own under the captaincy of Susie Meharg with the experienced duo of Elaine Davies and Mark Newman guiding the team to safety and avoiding any possibility of demotion.

The women's team has not had such a good year with a likely drop to a lower division beckoning.

After a slow start to the season the men's team have now hit their stride and are performing competitively and impressing all they come up against. There will be no promotion this year but if they put their minds to it they could easily have two or three seasons of being repeatedly promoted ending up where their natural talent demands. The pairings of Louis Ball and Tom Collins plus Richard Boote and Harry Waylen have been very effective with support from Jack Churchill and Matt Wordsworth. We are going to arrange a few friendly matches over the coming months for the men's team in anticipation of next season.

Short Mat Bowls: Captain Colina Waldepova.

It has been a memorable season for the boys, albeit for entirely the wrong reasons. As we have all learnt just this last week the team will not be going to Rio for the games although the lifetime bans have I understand been rescinded. Colin tells me that that Vodka he purchased on the way back from his Baltic cruise was guaranteed free of any additives, save for the herbal barrier against hay fever, and he only put together that cocktail to help relax the team before that last home match. Well that is what the match referee's report has concluded.

We have also discovered that that vote has apparently resulted in the boys being excluded from the European Championships, although again an appeal has been lodged.

What else could go wrong you ask. Unfortunately too much for this edition but we are saving those details for next month by which time we will know whether or not the match Colin has arranged in Reykjavik has proved to be the diplomatic triumph he has been hoping for.

Athletics and Running:

Congratulations to Matt Wordsworth on his coming 19th in the Bishops Cannings 5000m Dash on 9th July in a time of 28.19.

The Turf:

Another subdued month for locally connected horses as we await the St Leger at Doncaster in September by which time I trust that our village tipsters will have a few suggestions for the punters. For an each way 50p bet I quite fancy Harlequeen trained by former Southampton and England footballer Mick Channon. Watch this space!

Skittles:

Our reporter Josh Hamblin tells me that all is relatively quiet at the moment probably because he and the entire Hamblin household are frantically preparing for their multiple entry foray into the Seend Flower Show on 13th August. An example to us all. I will be looking out for entries with a sporting note...

There will be no Sporting and Dramatic news report now until the October edition but please let me have your news by September 12th.

Frankie Goddard, 828488

PERSONAL ADS

(Small personal ads - not from businesses - can be left at the Post Office or delivered to Tessa Doe at 6 New Buildings with payment of £2 please.)

FREE TO GOOD HOME – Bagged pony poo can be collected from outside Juli Wilfort's house at 108 Seend Cleeve.

BITS AND BOBS

THE SEEND FUND

Remember the Seend Fund is your local fund. Anyone living in or closely associated with Seend can apply by e-mailing the secretary (anitashea@hotmail.co.uk) or writing to her at 34 Seend Cleeve, Melksham SN12 6PY. If you find yourself in financial difficulties the fund might be able to help with anything from school uniforms to heating bills. Don't hesitate to send details, saying how much you need, what it is for and when you need it by. Even if the fund has helped you before, your request will be sympathetically and confidentially considered. Although the fund is intended to help individuals, if there are any organisations or groups who need support to include someone with special needs in an educational activity, or who know of members who are struggling financially, the Fund may be able to help.

Stand up and be counted!

Put yourself and the support you lend to your local community on the new Wiltshire Roadmap for Dementia.

Are you a volunteer driver? Do you pop into your neighbour's just to see if they're ok? Do you walk a friend's dog? Do you run a small business such a mobile hairdresser that goes the extra mile to support customers with special needs? If you are one of those unsung heroes of our communities, please step forward and let us know. The roadmap aims to recognise all the very local support that is outside the officially provided services. The roadmap is being created by a team from local charities Alzheimer's Support, Alzheimer's Society, AgeUk Wiltshire, Healthwatch Wiltshire and Wiltshire Council. It's free to be included. To get on the map please email roadmap@alzheimerswiltshire.org.uk or call 01225 776481.

Edington Music Festival



Edington Priory Church from Sunday 21st through to Sunday 28th August. Leaflets which contain all necessary information are available in the church and Bratton Stores. (More info was in last month's Spotlight, available on seend.org.uk)

STEEPLE ASHTON FILMS

Steeple Ashton Films has been running for almost two years now and has an atmosphere conducive to an all-inclusive audience, but particularly for those who are on their own and wouldn't choose to go to a public cinema and sit alone. It offers the opportunity to see a wide range of good films in a friendly environment at the Village Hall. There is a bar and the doors are opened half an hour early to enable people to have an opportunity to socialise. Tickets are £6 sold from the Village Shop and can be reserved in advance and

Tickets are £6 sold from the Village Shop and can be reserved in advance and collected on the night. Particular attention is paid to special needs and there is assistance to wheelchair users and anyone who needs a little help. There is an e-mail

publicity list; if you would like to be added or need more information please contact Alison Wilson on 01380 871345 or alisonwilson9@hotmail.com.

The next film is Florence Foster Jenkins starring Meryl Streep and Hugh Grant on Saturday 22nd October, doors opening at 7 pm for showing at 7.30 pm.

Alison Wilson, Steeple Ashton Films



Lavington Community Choir would like to thank everyone who supported their Summer Concert on Saturday 9th July at the Community Hall Market Lavington. The evening was a huge success raising £718 for Cancer Research UK.

We shall restart on Thursday September 8th at 8 for 8.15pm. If you would like to add your voice please come along and join us, you will be enthusiastically welcomed.

More information from paula@paulaboyagis.plus.com or our website https://lavingtoncommunitychoir.wordpress.com/

Christmas Concert: Thursday 15th December in Market Lavington Community Hall.

Universal Peace Federation seminar on the role of leadership in the 21st century Cleeve House, Seend, 10am-5pm Saturday 6th August. Lunch provided.

Contact Joanna Hartl – 07852 341123 or joanna.c.m.hartl@gmail.com

Seend Bell Ringers WW1 Remembrance

Seend Bell Ringers will ring quarterly through until early 2019, to commemorate those who fell during WW1 from within the Benefice of Seend, Bulkington and Poulshot. A list is on display at the entrance to the vestry in the Church of the Holy Cross in Seend showing all 67 names, military service detail, cemetery and where possible, information on local family connections.

This quarter they will ring on Sunday 14th AUG at 5.30pm in remembrance of:

GINGELL, George Henry Lewin Lance Corporal, 1st Bn., Wiltshire Regiment.

Age 31

WILTSHIRE, Herbert Jesse Private, 2nd Bn., Wiltshire Regiment.

Age 28

BURBIDGE, Thomas Private, 1st Bn., Coldstream Guards.

Age unknown

And finally:

A couple of splendidly wrong answers given on TV quiz shows:

Q: What is the name of the court at Wimbledon where the finals are played?

A: Earls Court.

Q: Which of the Marx Brothers did not speak?

A: Karl.

USEFUL CONTACTS: Please tell Spotlight if your group's contact details change)

Church: Priest in Charge: Revd Maureen Allchin 01380 828931. Benefice Administrator: Mrs Sue Taylor 01225 709360. Churchwardens: Holy Cross Seend: Mrs Anne Ewing, 01380 828557, Mrs Tina Yockney 01380 827139; Christ Church Bulkington: Mrs Liz Futter 828485, Mrs Anne Saywell 828931; LPAs: Jane Goman 827121, Liz Futter 828485, Rosie Forsey 828843, Len Murray 828513, Sue Noad 870433, Sue Rose 871665 & Tina Yockney 827139. Bell Tower Captain: L Murray 828513.

Irene Usher Memorial Hall (The Pavilion) Bookings - Richard Walker on 828250

Bulkington Village Hall - Nev Boulton 828101 or Roger Futter 828485

Bulkington Playing Field: Chairman Jamie Streeter - 828835 - jamiestreeter@hotmail.co.uk **Seend Community Centre/Club** - 828796 (7.30-11pm only). Bookings: 07703 814111.

Website: www.seendcommunitycentre.com and find us on facebook

Seend Shuttle: Bookings and drivers: Alison Cobbing 07951030491 or 01380 850511

Seend Parish Council Clerk - Rosemary Fisher 828281 www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk

Seend's Wiltshire Councillor - Jonathon Seed 01380 850695 jonathon.seed@wiltshire.gov.uk

Seend Website: www.seend.org.uk - Neil Yockney 827139. Seend School - 828334

Bulkington Website: www.bulkington.org.uk

Rights of Way Warden – Paul Millard, 01225 712821

Community Beat Manager for Seend PC Emily Thomas. Tel: 101, or e-mail

melkshamruralsouthnpt@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk.

Seend Fund (village charity): 01380 828757

MP Claire Perry, 01380 729358 (M-F 9.30am-1pm) claire.perry.mp@parliament.uk

MEP - Graham Watson 01458 252265. Melksham Area Board - 07917 721371

100+Club Draw - Karen & Steve Cubberley - steven@cubberley.com - tel: 828423

Book Clubs - the original: Sylvia Ewin 828325 - the other: Frank Teasdale 828617

Bouncy Club - Paulette Pardoe 07944 300350

Brownies - Helen Hook 828477

Cricket Club - John Wiltshire 07791 144248

 $\textbf{\textit{Fawlty Players}} \ \textit{Panto Group - Tessa Doe} \ 828617\& \ \textit{find Seend Village Pantomime on facebook}$

Fete – Nick Vaux - seendlrf@gmail.com (www.seendfete.co.uk)

Flower Show – Brian Jaques 827137

FoSS (Friends of Seend School) Mel Steel 07739 899741

Historic Houses Club - Mary Warren 01225707357 or Neil Yockney 827139

LINK Scheme - 075320 55560

Lye Field Committee – www.seendlyefield.org

Neighbourhood Watch - Brian Hunt (Seend) 828581; Cavan Moroney (Sells Green) 828606;

Owen Burton (Seend Cleeve) 828820; John Scott (Bulkington) 828026.

Preschool - Liz Futter 828485

Poetry Group - Tessa Doe 828617

Ramblers - Gerald Salter 01225 706451

Royal British Legion - Roger Brind 828830

Seend Singers - Bob McCulloch 828508

Short Mat Bowls Club - Colin Waldeck 828946

Tennis Club - Ric Ellinger 828687

Theatre Club - Sylvia Ewin 828325; Marion Whitehead 828612

WEA – Tessa Doe 828617

Wheelchairs to borrow - Sue and Graham Jones in Seend Cleeve, tel: 01380 828354

WI - Fiona Johnson on 828401 and Gill Acornley 01225 707218

Wine Circle - Steve Parsons 07974 347487 or Simon McManus 07896 711764

Seend Post Office & Village Store

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Mon	9.00 - 5.30	9.00 - 5.30
Tues	9.00 - 5.30	9.00 - 5.30
Wed	9.00 - 5.30	9.00 - 4.30*
Thurs	9.00 - 1.00	9.00 - 1.00
Fri	9.00 - 5.30	9.00 - 5.30
Sat	8.30 - 1.00	9.00 - 1.00
Sun	9.00 - 10.30	Closed
Bank	9.00 - 10.30	Closed
Holidays		
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