

# FOCUS

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ON THE COMMUNITY - What's On In Tisbury

SEPTEMBER 2021





WHAT'S ON IN SEPTEMBER			
1 wkend	TBC	Email for info: youngtnhs@gmail.com	Young Nature Watch Bird Ringing Demo
Thu 2 <sup>nd</sup>	7.30 - 9.30pm	Methodist Hall	Tisbury Community Choir - EVERY Thursday
Sat 4 <sup>th</sup>	10-11am	Victoria Hall	Tisbury Country Market
Sun 5 <sup>th</sup>	11am	Oysters Coppice, book: 871311 or debcarter311@btinternet.com	Oysters Coppice Workday
Tue 7 <sup>th</sup>	7pm	Tisbury Reading Room - book: tisburyrc@gmail.com or 01747 260088	Tisbury Parish Council Meeting
	6.30pm	Book: treasurer.tisnathist@gmail.com	Natural History Society Visit - Down Farm
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup>		Book: coordinator@tisbus.co.uk or telephone 07500 802525	Tisbus Outing to Weymouth
	10am	Dinton Village Hall	Dinton Womens' Institute
	10am-12 noon	Hinton Hall	Tisbury Memory Group
FRIDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER LAST DAY FOR OCTOBER COPY			
Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> & Sun 12 <sup>th</sup>	2-5pm	Hatch House	Open Garden
	2-5pm	Knighton Manor, Broad Chalke	CRESS Open Garden
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup>	1-5pm	The Close, Salisbury	Secret Gardens of the Close and Green Fair
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Details: Telephone 871105	Tisbury Footpath Maintenance Team
Tue 14 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Hinton Hall	Tisbury History Society Talk
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am - 12 noon	Hinton Hall	Move and Make Music
	7.30pm	Methodist Hall, book: rosaleenhandley@yahoo.co.uk or 871640	Tisbury Horticultural Society Talk
Thu 16 <sup>th</sup>	2.30-4pm	Victoria Hall. Call Marion on 870813 to book.	Afternoon Tea
	7.30pm	Victoria Hall	Victoria Hall AGM
	7.30pm	Zoom. Book: treasurer.tisnathist@gmail.com	Natural History Society Talk
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup>	9.20am	Book: tandcfordham@gmail.com or 873168	Tisbury Footpath Walk (Chilmark)
	10-11am	Victoria Hall	Tisbury Country Market
	11am - 7.30pm	Queen Elizabeth Gardens Salisbury	People in the Park Festival (Salisbury Transition City)
Tue 21 <sup>st</sup>	7pm	Tisbury Reading Room - book: tisburyrc@gmail.com or 01747 260088	Tisbury Parish Council Meeting
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10am-12 noon	Hinton Hall	Tisbury Memory Group
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup>		Book: coordinator@tisbus.co.uk or telephone 07500 802525	Tisbus Outing to Holme for Gardens, Wareham
	10.30am - 12 noon	Hinton Hall	Move and Make Music

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY			
2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	10-11am	Victoria Hall	Tisbury Country Market
3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	4pm	St John's Church Tisbury - book: cherubimtrust.org	Purcell Weekend Concert
13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10.30am - 12 noon	Hinton Hall	Move and Make Music
SUNDAY 10TH OCTOBER LAST DAY FOR NOVEMBER COPY			
12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	7.30pm	Hinton Hall	Tisbury History Society Talk
13 <sup>th</sup> Oct		Book: coordinator@tisbus.co.uk or telephone 07500 802525	Tisbus Outing: Members' Choice Pub Lunch
14 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	tbc	Victoria Hall	TAG Murder Mystery Comedy tbc
16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10-11am	Victoria Hall	Tisbury Country Market
	10-11am	Tisbury Reading Room	Wiltshire Councillor Surgery
23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	5pm	Wardour Chapel - book: www.cherubimtrust.org	Bach Flute Sonatas
3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov		Book: coordinator@tisbus.co.uk or telephone 07500 802525	Tisbus Outing: Clarke's Village, Street
6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	tbc	Victoria Hall	TAG / Rockforte Concert

Calendar details correct at time of printing but may have changed by the time you read them. Keep an eye on individual club websites and facebook pages for latest information and new plans.

**Front Cover:** The footpath maintenance team putting in gates on popular walking routes around Tisbury. (Photo: Ros Russell)

## WELCOME TO THE SEPTEMBER 2021 ISSUE OF FOCUS

I'm uncomfortable playing favourites. Knowing the communal effort that goes into every issue of Focus, I feel a bit guilty for liking some more than others. But it's hard to resist this one, it offers something for heart, mind, and soul. I spotted 'thanks' of some kind in ten different articles, including from Guy's Patch (p26), our wonderful Rubbish Collectors (p27) and talented folks involved in the Writing Competition (p34). (No prizes if you find more.)

I also love that it's full of promise: the local clubs' section is swollen with reports and programmes (p17 – 22), including the welcome return of the Memory Group (p19). There are invitations for afternoon tea in the Victoria Hall (p12) and at Hatch House (p36); entertainment ahead with a new film club (p37) and live-streaming (p35); more outings on Tisbus (p38); plus a wide range of opportunities to volunteer (p12-15). I appreciate the important planning updates from Tisbury Parish Council (p40 – 41), useful Surgery news on staff and flu clinics (p32 – 33) - and I feel empowered to help shape local climate strategy (p24).

So yes, I must confess that the September issue is one of my favourites – hope you enjoy,

**Monica**

# CHURCH DIRECTORY

updated April 2021

## NADDER VALLEY BENEFICE

### TEAM CLERGY

**Revd Dr Graham Southgate**, The Rectory, Shaftesbury Road, Fovant, SP3 5JA ☎01722 714826  
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**www.tisburyparishchurch.org**  
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### TEAM ADMINISTRATOR:-

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Churchwardens in each of the parishes can be contacted for help and are listed on the facing page.

## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

**PARISH PRIEST:-** **Revd Father Robert Miller**, Trellis House, Station Road, Tisbury SP3 6JR ☎01747 870228  
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**MASSSES:** **High Street, TISBURY, SP3 6JR, Sacred Heart** **WARDOUR Castle SP3 6RH**  
Sunday 9.00 am Mass (sung) and 6.00 pm Mass (said) 11.00am Mass (sung)  
Weekdays For weekday Masses and Confessions see porch notices

## TISBURY METHODIST CHURCH

**MINISTER:-** **The Revd Denise Binks**, 7 Ridge Way, Shaftesbury SP7 9HB ☎ 01747 854631  
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**SUNDAY SERVICES:** 10.30 am

## WEEKDAY SERVICES IN THE NADDER VALLEY (dependent on restrictions being lifted)

Ansty	Monday	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
Fovant	Tuesday	8.00am	Holy Communion
Hindon	Tuesday	6.00pm	Evening Prayer
	Wednesday	11.00am	Holy Communion
Dinton	Thursday	8.00am	Holy Communion
Tisbury	Wednesday	8.00am	Morning Prayer
		10.00am	Holy Communion
	Friday	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Albany House	Second Thursday	11.00am	Holy Communion

## NADDER VALLEY BENEFICE

Churchwardens can be contacted for help as follows

<b>ANSTY</b> , St James Mrs Lesley Simm – 01747 873068	<b>BARFORD ST MARTIN AND BURCOMBE</b> , St Martin vacant Contact Revd Elaine Brightwell - 01722 717883
<b>BAVERSTOCK</b> , St Edith <i>vacant</i> Contact Revd Elaine Brightwell - 01722 717883	<b>CHICKLADE</b> , All Saints with PERTWOOD <i>vacant</i> Contact Mark Hayter email: hindonchurch@gmail.com
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<b>HINDON</b> , St John the Baptist <i>vacant</i> Contact Mark Hayter email: hindonchurch@gmail.com	<b>SUTTON MANDEVILLE</b> , All Saints General Sir Jack Deverell – 01722 714898
<b>SWALLOWCLIFFE</b> St Peter <i>vacant</i> Contact Revd Dr Graham Southgate - 01722 714826	<b>TEFFONT EVIAS</b> (St Michael) <b>WITH</b> <b>TEFFONT MAGNA</b> (St Edward), <i>vacant</i> Contact Revd Elaine Brightwell 01722 717883
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NADDER VALLEY BENEFICE – CHURCH SERVICES – SEPTEMBER 2021						
Date	5 <sup>th</sup> September		12 <sup>th</sup> September		19 <sup>th</sup> September	
SUNDAY	Trinity 14		Trinity 15		Trinity 16	
Southern Area						
ANSTY	1115 M <sub>BCP</sub>	LAY	1115 PC	GS	1115 M <sub>BCP</sub>	LAY
COMPTON	0930 PC <sub>T</sub>	GS	–	–	1115 AAS Harvest	GS
FOVANT	0800 HC <sub>O2T</sub>	MH	–	–	1800 E <sub>BCP</sub>	GS
SUTTON MANDEVILLE	1800 E <sub>BCP</sub>	GS	0930 PC <sub>O2T</sub>	GS	–	–
SWALLOW-CLIFFE	1115 PC <sub>T</sub>	GS	1800 E <sub>BCP</sub>	GS	0800 HC <sub>BCP</sub>	GS
<b>Northern Area</b>						
BARFORD	1115 AAC	JN	0930 M <sub>CW</sub>	LAY	0930 HC <sub>BCP</sub>	MG
BAVERSTOCK	–	–	–	–	–	–
CHILMARK	1115 AAC	EB	0930 AAS	CF	1115 AAC	JN
DINTON	0930 AAC	EB	1115 AAC	JN	0930 AAC	JN
T. EVIAS	0930 Pet Service	TF	–	–	–	–
T. MAGNA	–	–	–	–	1115 AAC	MG
<b>Western Area</b>						
CHICKLADE	–	–	–	–	1800 E <sub>BCP</sub> Harvest	MH
HINDON	0930 PC	MH	0930 AAC	JN	1800 E <sub>BCP</sub>	JN
FONT’ BISHOP	1700 E <sub>BCP</sub>	JN	0800 HC <sub>BCP</sub>	JMH	0930 M <sub>BCP</sub>	JA
FONT’ GIFFORD	0800 HC <sub>BCP</sub>	JMH	1115 M <sub>BCP</sub>	JA	0800 HC <sub>BCP</sub>	JMH
TISBURY	0930 AAS	JMH	0930 PC 1800 RS	JMH/JA JMH	0930 PC 1800 Chor E	JMH JMH
BCP – Book of Common Prayer    CW – Common Worship    HC – Holy Communion (said)    PC – Order 1 Communion (with hymns)    M – Mattins or Morning Prayer HC (or PC) <sub>O2T/C</sub> – Order 2 Communion traditional / contemporary (PC includes hymns)    PC <sub>T</sub> – Order 1 Communion, traditional language (with hymns)    RS – Reflective Service PC <sub>O2T</sub> Order 2 Communion traditional language    AAC – All Age Communion    AAS – All Age Service    MPr – Morning Praise    E – Evensong or Evening Prayer CF – Colin Fox    EB – Elaine Brightwell    GS – Graham Southgate    JA – Judy Anderson    JMH – Juliette Hulme    JN – Jo Naish    MG – Michael Goater    MH – Mark Hayter    TF – Tina Fox						

# Focus Point

One of TV’s unlikely hits in recent years is The Repair Shop on BBC 1. The concept behind the show, which now attracts audiences of 6.7 million, is, on the face of it, a recipe for very dull TV: people bring their dilapidated old possessions and heirlooms to a barn, where a group of experts restore them. Then the owners come and get them.

But there is, of course, much more to it than that.

The reason behind the show’s success is that almost every item brought into the repair shop has its own very special, and often very moving, story to tell.

I remember one episode that I missed the start of, but joined towards the end. The team were putting the finishing touches to the restoration of a clock set into the side of a beautiful wooden ship with metal sails.

The clock had been given as a gift by a grandfather to his grandson when he was boy. Now, grown up and with a son of his own, the grandson returned to the barn for the big reveal.

The clock’s owner was deaf and communicated through sign language. His son interpreted as his father expressed his emotion at being reunited with the clock, now restored to its former glory. He said that he could suddenly see his grandfather more clearly in his mind, and that seeing the clock as it was when he had received it so many years ago made him feel like he had been reunited with his grandfather who died when he was just 10 years old.

As I watch the Repair Shop I often reflect that what the world really needs is an equivalent barn where broken people can turn up and share openly and honestly the stories behind how they came to be broken and to acknowledge our own part in that story; a place where, having shared the story, we can then ask to be carefully, lovingly, painstakingly restored to our former glory.

Imagine if we had the opportunity to be repaired, restored, re-created by our master craftsman creator, lovingly held in his hands as he removes all the dirt and stains, cracks and damage of our lives, restoring us to his original vision for us.

Well, the good news is that such a barn does exist.

Possibly the best known and loved Psalm is Psalm 23. It begins The Lord is my Shepherd. Written by a young shepherd boy thousands of years ago and often sung at weddings, baptisms and funerals it offers comfort, hope, and assurance of a better future. It offers a promise of restoration by God our Creator.

If we are moved by the restoration of a clock, imagine the emotion and power of seeing human beings restored. Now that’s a show I love to watch!

**Revd. Elaine Brightwell**

## WOULD YOU LIKE A PHONE CALL?

If anyone is lonely or anxious in the current situation and would like someone to talk to please call  
 Revd Juliette Hulme (01747 871957) or the Parish Administrator (01747 873142).

We are happy to try to arrange people who will call you on the phone regularly on behalf of  
 St John’s church.



## FROM THE REGISTERS - AUGUST 2021

We commend to God's love

11<sup>th</sup> August Fran Lever, Funeral at St John's followed by burial at Tisbury Cemetery

### Tisbury Methodist Church

**Sunday Worship at the church at 10:30am**

You are most welcome to join us for worship  
every Sunday at 10:30am.

#### Zoom Church

For those who are not able to visit us -  
we offer various services and activities online  
please contact Reverend Denise Binks  
[denise.binks@gmail.com](mailto:denise.binks@gmail.com) 01747 854631  
for Meeting IDs and Passwords

#### Sunday Evening Worship

**Mondays - The Big Church Read (Bouncing Forwards)**

**Tuesdays - Notorious (Small Group Study)**

**Tuesdays – Prayer Meeting**

**Wednesdays – Notorious (Small Group Study)**

5.30pm for 6pm

2:15 for 2:30pm (from 13<sup>th</sup> September)

2pm for 2.15pm

7:30am sometimes we meet for a Prayer Walk

7:15pm for 7:30pm

### Notorious

Come and meet the rogues, scoundrels and scallywags  
of the Bible with Jeff Lucas as our guide.

We will meet on Zoom  
Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> August from 2:15 – 3:15pm and  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2021  
from 7:30pm – 8:30pm  
for 1 – 9 weeks (your choice!)

Open to all – please invite friends and family

To book please contact:  
Reverend Denise Binks 01747 854631 [denise.binks@gmail.com](mailto:denise.binks@gmail.com)



### The Big Church Read

[thebigchurchread.co.uk](http://thebigchurchread.co.uk)

Bouncing Forwards (Patrick Regan)

**Mondays @ 2.30pm**

**1 – 10 weeks from 13<sup>th</sup> September (Your choice!)**

## Sacred Heart Tisbury & All Saints' Wardour Castle

Trellis House, Station Road, Tisbury SP3 6JR

Father Robert Miller 01747 870228 [tisburyparish@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:tisburyparish@cliftondiocese.com)

Our weekly newsletter can be found at: <https://salisbury Catholics.org/tisbury-parish>

### Holy Mass times for Sacred Heart, Tisbury and All Saints', Wardour.

Please check noticeboard to confirm. **No booking required.**

Sunday Tisbury 9.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m., Wardour 11.00 a.m.

Monday, Wednesday and Saturday Tisbury 9.00 a.m.

Tuesday Wardour 9.30 a.m.

Thursday No Mass.

Friday Tisbury 6.00 p.m.



### Apostleship of the Sea (Stella Maris)

knitting hats, balaclavas and scarves for  
seafarers. We have begun meeting again, shown  
here in August, behind the Parish Room. Do come  
and join us.

Next meeting Thursday 2 p.m. September 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September** Tisbury 0900 Parish Mass & Blessing of school and college bags and  
instruments for the new academic year. Bring your school bag to be blessed- all welcome.

### Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September: Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

The word 'angel' is Greek for messenger. Archangels are those entrusted with an important  
message, (hence Archbishop or Archdeacon).

Michael 'who is like God?' He is our defender against the devil (*Jude 1:9*)

Gabriel, 'strength of God', Our Lady's messenger. (*Luke 1:11-38*)

Raphael, in Hebrew 'God heals', who hears our prayers and brings them before God. (*Tobit 12*)  
The 'el' is Hebrew for God. A fourth one, Uriel, was said to have control of Tartarus, the  
lowest point of the world.

Probably they are the 'four angels round my bed' of the children's bedtime prayer.

Matthew, Mark, Luke and John:

Bless this bed that I lie on,

Four corners to my bed

Four angels round my head

One to watch and one to **pray**

And two to guide me through the day.

### COME AND JOIN THE FRIENDS OF SALISBURY CATHEDRAL!

The Friends of Salisbury Cathedral is a charity that has been giving grants to Salisbury Cathedral since 1930. Recent projects have included the new level access to the cathedral and the installation of live streaming equipment, the latter enabling services to be broadcast live onto the cathedral's YouTube channel for those unable to attend worship in person and during the national lockdowns of 2020 and 2021 when the cathedral was closed. These grants have been made possible thanks to members' subscriptions, donations and legacies.

Annual subscriptions are £25 for a single membership and £40 for joint membership. Members receive a Friends' membership card, entitling them to visit the cathedral free of charge (excluding ticketed events, concerts or parking). They are sent newsletters and the annual report, and they receive invitations to events: musical evenings, talks, theatre performances, holidays and the annual Friends' Day.

This year's Friends' Day is on Saturday 25th September in the cathedral.

The AGM is followed by a lecture given by journalist and author Christopher Somerville, who will talk about his book *Ships of Heaven – The Private Life of Britain's Cathedrals*. Following the lecture, members can enjoy afternoon tea in the cloisters, a short organ recital and evensong.

For further details, contact the Friends' office on 01722 555190 or email [friends@salcath.co.uk](mailto:friends@salcath.co.uk).

### FUNDING GET TOGETHERS – BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER THROUGH FOOD

Grants of £150 are here to help you and your community take part in Cook and Share Month, running from World Food Day 16<sup>th</sup> October – 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

Whether you're dishing up dal, sharing a sarnie or passing round the pasta, food is a great way to break down barriers and bring people together.

The grant can be used for food, tools, and materials to bring your community together this autumn.

Find out more, visit <https://www.fflgettogethers.org/support/> Applications close 5pm 8<sup>th</sup> Sept 2021.



## Ansty PYO & Farm Shop





### Ansty Pirate Maize Maze

Open till Mid Sept  
Great family fun!

Follow the paths, walk the plank, play the quizzes, search for hidden gems, find the treasure!

£6 per pirate  
£3 for 3 - 4yrs



### Ansty Evenings - NEW THIS SUMMER!!

Keep an eye on social media for info on our evening dining events. Relax with family and friends and enjoy yummy food under the twinkling lights in our new stretch tent!

PIZZA MEXICAN FISH & CHIPS

### A great selection of fresh Fruit & Veg!

- +BLUEBERRIES
- +PLUMS
- +BLACKBERRIES
- +Raspberries
- +Yellow Raspberries
- +POTATOES
- +COURGETTES
- +SQUASH etc

### Tea Room

Barista coffee - Cake  
Sandwiches - light lunches



### Eggs Laying hens

Open Tuesday to Saturday: 10am - 5pm Sunday: 10am- 4pm  
Find us easily on the A30, 6 miles east of Shaftesbury  
[www.anstypyo.co.uk](http://www.anstypyo.co.uk) [anstypyo@hotmail.com](mailto:anstypyo@hotmail.com) 01747 829072



## A MONTH TO REMEMBER

### SEPTEMBER

Having just had a wonderful holiday in The Lakes, which included, however, the realisation that I could no longer gambol up Great Gable or even gavotte on Glarmara, I think it appropriate to provide the opening verses of this poem by Wordsworth.

#### September, 1819

*An aspect tenderly illumed,  
The gentlest look of spring;  
That calls from yonder leafy shade  
Unfaded, yet prepared to fade,  
A timely carolling.*

*No faint and hesitating trill,  
Such tribute as to winter chill  
The lonely redbreast pays!  
Clear, loud, and lively is the din,  
From social warblers gathering in  
Their harvest of sweet lays.*

*Nor doth the example fail to cheer  
Me, conscious that my leaf is sere,  
And yellow on the bough:—  
Fall, rosy garlands, from my head!  
Ye myrtle wreaths, your fragrance shed  
Around a younger brow!*

This September it will be twenty years since Al-Qaeda terrorists flew planes into the Twin Towers in New York. Sadly, this September looks like providing their Taliban brothers with the opportunity to return to the control of Afghanistan.

On a lighter note, one hundred years ago, the Government restored the right to serve alcohol in the evening at Pubs, restaurants and hotels. Sound familiar? It wasn't Covid or Spanish flu, but that the Defence of the Realm act of 1914 was finally rescinded. Fifty years ago, Concorde made its first transatlantic flight one day after the first legal same-sex marriage took place in the USA.

For those still itching to get out and about, 8 - 11 September should be Heritage Open Days when many attractions will be opening their doors with free entry. Then from 17<sup>th</sup> September to 2<sup>nd</sup> October it is British Food Fortnight - encouraging us to buy and eat home grown produce - especially organic as it is National Organic Month. And, finally, all eco-warriors should note that 22<sup>nd</sup> September is Car Free Day.

David Childs



## TISBURY COUNTRY MARKET

Visit us on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month at the Victoria Hall, between 10 - 11am, come and see for yourself what we have to offer.

This month we have free-range eggs; pork and bacon from outdoor bred Large Black pigs and, on the 3rd Saturday of September, organic Red Poll beef. A variety of organic vegetables and a selection of plants. Home-made cakes & savouries. Remember, if you would like something different, please enquire. We can cater for dietary requirements & often have gluten free produce. We will also have our wonderful array of handicrafts. If you don't see exactly what you require, just ask.

Orders for produce to be collected at the Country Market in September, should be telephoned to Dawn Wilton 01963 371232 (answerphone) or Tim Wilton 07720 345950, at the latest on the Wednesday before the market takes place. Remember to place an order in plenty of time if you need something for that special occasion.

**Don't forget, you can pay by card.**

We are always looking for new members. Have you started cooking, gardening or crafting during lockdown? If so, tell us what you can do and come & sell with us. Make 2021 the year your hobby makes you money! For further information e-mail Dawn@HardingsFarm.co.uk or telephone 07720345950.

We look forward to welcoming you all.



## AFTERNOON TEA PARTY

We were so grateful for the support we had for the Tea Party held in July and pleased to report that £180 was raised for the Victoria Hall.

We hope everyone had a happy afternoon, managed the quiz, and enjoyed the entertainment from Dave Milas.

We are planning to hold a similar afternoon on **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2.30-4pm** and do hope that you will join us. Please contact Marion on 870813 to book a table as numbers will be restricted.



## HELP! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you have extra time on your hands and looking for something new to do? At Alabare we have various volunteer roles available across all our services.

Perhaps you could help at one of our houses where we care for the homeless or look after adults with learning disabilities. You may be able to teach how to cook nutritious food. Do you like art? An afternoon painting with the clients can be a very

rewarding time. Are you a keen gardener? A few hours tending to flower beds and lawns can make all the difference - and if we encourage clients to get out and help weed then all the better!

Perhaps you would enjoy working in one of our shops? The Wilton Emporium is always looking for an extra pair of hands. "Volunteers really are a lifeline for us," said the Manager.

We may be able to create a role that would suit you and what you enjoy doing.

Do call us and chat through some volunteering roles or visit the website [www.alabare.co.uk](http://www.alabare.co.uk) to see roles available.

Call Claire Routh on 01722 344479 or Katrina Ffiske on 01722 344 470 or email us at [volunteering@alabare.co.uk](mailto:volunteering@alabare.co.uk)



## RSPB PIN BADGE VOLUNTEER

Could you help us by looking after and placing our charity pin badge boxes? It only takes a couple of hours a month and you would be doing something rewarding for nature.

We are looking for volunteers across Wiltshire who can place and check on our pin badge boxes in sites like cafés, garden centres and shops, restocking with our pin badges and banking any donations.

Managing the boxes is easy and flexible working around your lifestyle and everything you need will be provided by the Community Fundraiser who will support you in your volunteering.

If you are interested, please do **contact me for further information on [anna.canvin@rspb.org.uk](mailto:anna.canvin@rspb.org.uk)**

**Thank You**

**Anna Canvin – RSPB Community Fundraiser South West**

## NEW SOCIAL GROUPS FOR DEMENTIA CARERS

Alzheimer's Support has opened four new carers' groups to offer support and a social outlet for relatives and friends of people living with dementia.

New members are invited to join the groups which meet monthly in local eateries across Wiltshire. The informal get-togethers give carers the chance to spend time with others in a similar situation, learn more about dementia or to simply chat and make new friends.

The meetings are hosted by trained dementia professionals, who can answer any questions members have about dementia or signpost to other beneficial services.

To find out more and book a place, visit [www.alzheimerswiltshire.org.uk/carers-groups](http://www.alzheimerswiltshire.org.uk/carers-groups)



## YEW WOOD FOR WOODWORKING AND TURNING

**FREE !**

~ FOR A SMALL DONATION TO FOVANT YOUTH CLUB FUNDS ~

We have recently felled a large Yew tree and have had the timber slabbed, chorded, and saved the smaller branches too.

It is available to local woodturners and woodworkers, **free of charge**. A small donation to the Fovant Youth Club Funds, preferably Grant Aided, for this splendid wood would be appreciated.

Trunk Slabs are about 400/500mm diameter and approx 350+/- high. Chords are about 250/275mm diameter and from 600mm long. Branches are 150mm diameter down and about 1m+ long.

If you're interested in having some for your pursuits, please **Text** or **WhatsApp** me details and I will call you back to arrange matters.

Leslie

07940 728787

FOVANT



## SWALLOWCLIFFE FETE



*Thank you to the local community and businesses for your donations and support for the Swallowcliffe fete. It was a great success despite the weather!*

**Swallowcliffe Fete Committee**

## NEW SALISBURY HUB

A new hub for local charity Wiltshire Sight is coming soon for Salisbury, containing a charity shop, resource centre and consultation space for clients in the area to meet with our Community Sight Loss Advisor and try a range of products which can help people to manage their sight loss, including magnifiers, lighting, kitchen aids and technology solutions.

This will help to expand the charity's local service provision, increase awareness of the support on offer, and raise much needed funds through charity shop sales. The shop will be equipped with accessible till systems to enable volunteers with sight loss to operate them, and there are plans to showcase products which can help people manage their sight loss within the shop as well as in the resource centre.

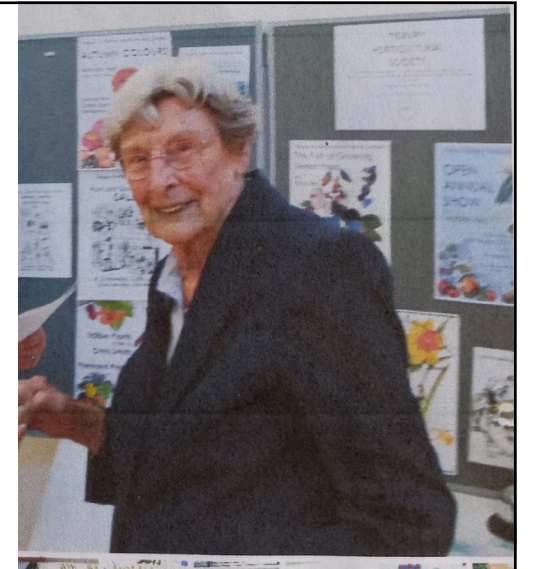
Volunteers are now needed to help in the shop, not only on the till but also in the backroom sorting and pricing of stock.

Contact [alison.richmond@sightsupportwest.org.uk](mailto:alison.richmond@sightsupportwest.org.uk) for more info and to volunteer for this great new support hub.

**WILTSHIRE**  
**Sight**

## VERA MEDLEY

Readers will be sad to learn of the death in July of Vera Medley. Vera was well known to many people in the area for her tireless and valuable contributions to Tisbury life. She was central to the success of the country market which is where many readers will have seen her. She and her husband, George were professional horticulturalists, valued members of the horticultural society and supporters of many wildlife and nature charities. In recent times, Vera wrote lively and useful articles of seasonal gardening advice for the readers of Focus. In the autumn Vera and George moved to Surrey to live nearer to their family but sadly, Vera did not survive to spend much time in her new home.



## TISBURY LIBRARY

The Library in the Nadder Centre is open and offers the following volunteer operated opening hours:

**Tuesday: 2 – 4 pm**

**Friday: 2 – 4 pm**

**Thursday: 10 am – 12 pm**

**Saturday: 10 am – 12 pm.**

We are currently looking for some extra volunteers to help. This is a great role if you have some time to spare each month, enjoy meeting people of all ages and have a love of books and reading.

Our volunteers provide a friendly welcome to all visitors and assist them with using the library services. This includes dealing with straightforward enquiries; assisting with the self-service machines; shelving the stock and helping customers to log onto the public access computers.

We are looking for volunteers who can be flexible about their availability and are able to do at least two sessions per month.

If you are interested in volunteering at Tisbury Library and would like further details about the Community Library Volunteer role, please contact Jane Hunt either on 01225 713792 or by email at [jane.hunt@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:jane.hunt@wiltshire.gov.uk)

## DO YOU NEED TO REHOME YOUR DOG?

Some years ago when we were looking for a rescue dog my wife noticed an ad in Focus. It had been placed by a woman who needed to move to a nursing home and was looking for a home for her dog. We answered the ad and thereby discovered the most extraordinary lab/german sheppard who came to live with us for 12 1/2 years. Now we are searching for a replacement for our dear boy.

**We are a mature couple living in the countryside near Tisbury and would like a quiet, settled and well trained dog who is in need of a new home. We prefer dogs of a fair size and gentle temperament, who is content to be the only dog in the house.**

**Please call John at 01747 873 170.**



## AN ENGINEER IN OUR COMMUNITY

Space will not allow me to tell the story of PJ Parmiters, agricultural engineers who occupied the Station Works site, now the subject of a controversial planning exercise, for about 100 years. However, I would like to tell you the story of David Boxall who worked there for 30 of those years.

David was brought up in West Sussex. The schoolroom at West Wittering, where David's father had been taught to write on slates, was one of the first buildings to be relocated at the Weald and Downland living museum at Singleton. A barn at the museum is now the location for the popular BBC TV series "The Repair Shop". Singleton is a short distance to the north of the Goodwood Estate where young David was an assistant shepherd. He was encouraged to attend evening classes at a local college. These included agricultural engineering. The farm manager realized that he had a natural ability in this field. He arranged for David to study engineering at the West of Scotland agricultural college. He also had contacts with Parmiters, no doubt through their being the largest manufacturers of chain harrows in the country. David attended an interview here and was accepted.

He started in the development department in 1974. They designed and experimented with new agricultural machines. One was a highly successful silage block cutter. David accompanied a prototype to The Royal Show where it won a silver medal. They tried out some of their experimental machines on Wallmead Farm.

David lodged in The Causeway, driving home at weekends to his family in his trusty Renault 4. In 1978 Janet Pitcher who lived at Ridge (her father was the building foreman on the Fonthill Estate) came to work in Parmiters payroll office. They were married in 1982.

David Young was the boss when David started and was followed by his son John. The firm became part of the Wolseley empire. The last managing director was Simon Wilcox who had started working in sales in 1981.

Parmiters sadly closed in 2005. It had been the largest employer in our village. The buildings had expanded to 120,00 sq feet and at its peak accommodated about 150 employees. There were many redundancies, but all staff found new employment. Several generations of local families had found work there.

By this time David had become the Service Engineer, responding to difficulties that customers were experiencing in working with the many types of implement which were being sold at home and abroad. David needed to understand them all and be prepared to rectify problems on the farms. His work took him all over Britain and Ireland, the continent and even to Nigeria.

Several of the machine tools were sold when work finished. A factory in North India acquired the machinery which made chain harrows from steel coil using a cold process. David and his team dismantled and boxed the machines. He and Simon Wilcox then flew out to Delhi for 3 weeks to supervise their installation. The vast factory made among other things thousands of Flip-flop style shoes. Simon and David stayed in the splendid Crown Plaza hotel in New Delhi. There were special visits to amazing Hindu temples and the Taj Mahal.

### Martin Shallcross

I can't resist a few stories about Parmiters in earlier days. Philip Parmiter started as a blacksmith making the first flexible harrows in a shed at Horwood farm on the A30 in Ansty. He employed 4 men: Messrs. Macey, Parsons, Grey and Edwards. In 1890 they moved to a small hut close to the old Tisbury gasworks opposite the station buildings. In 1896 they were exhibiting their harrows in the Royal Agricultural Show. In 1898 Philip commissioned a Leeds firm building steam traction engines to build him one of the first load-carrying road vehicles. Many years later elevators were built to lift hay and straw and a successful post driver was manufactured, followed in 1986 by the Shear Grab silage cutter. The gas works went in 1921 and eventually Parmiters occupied 3 acres of land.

PS For the uninitiated chain harrows are made by bending steel rods so that sharpened points scratch, either through pasture to aerate it in the spring, or across arable land to help prepare a seedbed and roll up weeds for destruction. They were dragged originally by carthorses and later by tractors.

## TISBURY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

### Hardy Plants!

The Committee would like to thank all our members, friends and supporters for making this a most successful year for the Society in spite of the difficulties we all have faced. Your support at our spring and summer events with the safety restrictions we've had to put in place has been much appreciated. We are especially proud of the link we now have with St John's Primary School and hope those enthusiastic children will carry their love of plants and the natural world through to adult life.

Readers could be forgiven for thinking that September is more or less the end of the gardening year. Wrong! This is the month when gardeners are busy lifting and dividing plants, finding space for new treasures, collecting seed, planting bulbs.... I could go on. So, it is exactly the right time to listen to a well-known grower, Rosy Hardy of Hardy's Cottage Garden Plants, talking about **Early Autumn Flowering Perennials**. At the time of writing, we plan that the talk will take place on **September 15<sup>th</sup>, 7.30 pm at the Methodist Hall**. This is sure to be a very popular event and as the custodians of the hall may impose a limit on numbers attending, members should contact the Secretary to be sure of a place. Non-members wishing to attend should do the same by email at [rosaleenhandley@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:rosaleenhandley@yahoo.co.uk) or by telephone on 871640.

Also at the meeting, members should be able to pick up 25%-off vouchers for bulbs from Castle Gardens.

And go to our website to get a full picture of what we do.

<http://www.tisburyhorticulturalsociety.weebly.com>



## TISBURY FOOTPATH CLUB

**Weekend Walks** – We have planned our weekend walks through to December 2021 and these are posted on our Club's website ([tisburyfootpathclub.org](http://tisburyfootpathclub.org)). If you would like to sample one of our walks, simply book onto a walk and come along. Newcomers always welcome.

**Weekend Walk – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September** – A 6.5 mile circular walk, through woodland and open countryside linking the villages of Chilmark, Teffont Evias and Lower Chicks Grove. A shorter separately led 3.5 mile walk starting on the same route is also available.

If you would like to join us on this walk, please contact the walk organiser Tony Fordham to book your place. Email [tandcfordham@gmail.com](mailto:tandcfordham@gmail.com) or telephone 873168. You can either meet in the Nadder Close car park at 9.20am to share cars to the start or alternatively you can go straight to the start in Chilmark for a 9.45am departure. We will assemble in The Street, Chilmark. Parking is available along Old Rectory wall up to the primary school. Grid ref: ST970326. Postcode: SP3 5AR.

**Footpath Maintenance** - Our next footpath clearing and maintenance session is on the morning of Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September, meeting at 9.30am. We welcome volunteers, whether occasional or more regular who want to get involved. If you would like to join us in September, then please contact Roger Walker on 871105 who will let you have details of our plans for this session.

During our maintenance session in August we had a team clearing vegetation from footpath TISB2 between the Oddford Brook and Rubies and another clearing vegetation along footpath TISB39 from Chicks Grove Road near Place Farm to Mill Farm and then TISB24 near Haredene Farm. A third team replaced the stile at Rubies with a pedestrian gate, which will make this path north of the Oddford Brook a lot more accessible for walkers. On a separate session, footpath TISB12 between Cuffs Lane and Duck Street was cleared.



## TISBURY HISTORY SOCIETY



During the holidays, readers may be interested in visiting Salisbury and using a new app for self-guided tours of the city. After the Novichok attack in 2018, there was an interest in looking at ways people could be encouraged to spend more time in the city centre. Terry Bracher and Ruth Butler from the Wiltshire & Swindon

History Centre were brought on board to create a culture and heritage app to do just this. The aim was to keep the app simple, with themed trails on its medieval heritage and in the style of 'horrible histories'. In addition, Salisbury Civic Society gave the inspiration for a 'Look Up Salisbury' section. The app was launched at the end of November 2020 and is available for Android at and iPhones at:

[https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.calvium.scwt&hl=en\\_GB&%20gl=US](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.calvium.scwt&hl=en_GB&%20gl=US)

<https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/salisbury-trails/id1528355551>

The Society's last meeting was in June, since when we have had a summer break. We are back again on **14<sup>th</sup> September with a talk by Martin Shallcross, "Can metal detecting relate to local history?"** about finds on his farm outside Tisbury (some of which he will bring along to the meeting). Martin moved to Wallmead Farm with his parents and sister Ros in 1949. The core of their farming business, run by his son Peter, is a 200 cow dairy farm but the acreage increased a few years ago to about 1000 acres, all in the Nadder Valley. Martin is a well-known writer for Focus, having written for over 20 years on topics based around farming. 80 of these were printed in a book a few years ago, although it's now sadly out of print. The meeting will take place at 7.30 p.m. in the Hinton Hall, next to St. John's Church, Tisbury.

For your diaries, our October meeting is on 12<sup>th</sup> October, on the "Follies of Wiltshire", presented by Jonathan Holt. Jonathan is a tour guide, author of books on Dorset, Somerset, Gloucestershire and Bristol, and most recently, "Wiltshire Follies" (Amberley Publishing). He will take members on a tour of Wiltshire revealing the stories behind the county's many architectural follies.

If you would like any further information about the Society please contact the Secretary, Judith Hassey on 01747 871105 or at juderoguk@btinternet.com.

**Tony Kent**



## MOVE AND MAKE MUSIC

Sessions are coming back to Tisbury, for people with memory issues and dementia. Creative music, movement and songwriting, suitable for all abilities. No music or movement experience necessary, everything is fully adaptable.

Wednesday mornings, 10.30 to 12, in the Hinton Hall. Dates for 2021 below:

**September 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>**

**October 13<sup>th</sup>**

**November 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>**

**December 8<sup>th</sup>**

For more information contact Jane Ebel by email on [Musecic@gmail.com](mailto:Musecic@gmail.com) or by phone on 07515 822479.



## OYSTERS COPPICE

**Next Workday is Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

In August, we volunteers were treated to a guided tour of Coombe Bissett Down, which has doubled in size, and where the new agricultural land is being reverted to grazed chalk downland with a butterfly bank, which is doing very well.

As a result, Oysters Coppice has become rather hairy and in need of attention.

We plan to cut some of the encroaching brambles and bracken back at the top and round the paths. There is a fallen tree to take off the path and a large branch blocking the bridge by the 5-bar gate. Also, an old hazel is hanging over the path by the lower kissing gate, so there is plenty to do. There are also new dormouse boxes to put up and raking on the Green, if we have enough volunteers.

We are now not restricted to numbers providing distancing is maintained and volunteers bring their own food for the barbecue and implements to cook with, gloves and hand gel.

We would be grateful if you could let us know if you are coming so that we can plan tasks.

**For more information contact Andrew or Debbie on 01747 871311 or email [debcarter311@btinternet.com](mailto:debcarter311@btinternet.com)**

## TISBURY MEMORY GROUP

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September**

- put the date in your diaries

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>** let's just get back together and we will have a session of brain games.

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>** Johnny Mac is back, so dust off your dancing shoes and be ready for action.

Yes, we are back!! It seems such a long time since we were able to meet up but, at last, we can begin again. Fill out your calendars - you are busy every alternate Wednesday up until December 15<sup>th</sup>. Make a note we resume our group at Hinton Hall, every alternate Wednesday between 10 and 12.

In the coming months there are some old favourites booked to entertain you- Johnny Mac, The Creature Teachers, The Ukulele band, Salisbury Museum, Art with Henrietta, handicraft with Sue and Mary and it wouldn't be the group if Ann-Marie didn't produce a few of her brain games.

The group will run as before, and sessions will be totally compliant with government regulations regarding meeting indoors. Masks will be optional, if you feel more comfortable with one then wear it. Hand sanitiser and wipes will be available.

We will resume our provision of tea, coffee and home baked cake but please bring your own cup and take it away with you or we will provide disposable cups.

We will have opportunities for everyone to chat, make friends and have a laugh.

TMG is a mixed group of all ages and is open to everyone from Tisbury and all its surrounding villages who is living with any form of memory loss, or to anyone who would just like to take a trip down memory lane with a group of fun-loving people. Family members and carers are also welcome.

Why not come along and see if the group is for you. There is no paperwork to be filled out, no membership fees and no obligation or commitment. We will however be making a charge of £5 per session to cover our extra expenses ensuring that we follow all covid protocols.

If you would like to join the group or just come along to an occasional activity or want more information about our programme of events contact Ann-Marie on 07704783742.

## TISBURY COMMUNITY CHOIR

**"SINGING ONCE MORE"**

It was a real joy to meet up again for our first rehearsal in two years on Thursday July 22<sup>nd</sup> facing the challenge of public performance at the Catholic Church, Sacred Heart Community Fayre on the following Saturday. Initially, we were not confident that one rehearsal would be enough to respond to the invitation to perform and, because of prior commitments, the number of members available was limited. However, with the exceptional leadership and enthusiasm of our director, Graham Dalby, we were able to prepare two items – "Nella Fantasia" by Ennio Morricone from the film "The Mission" and "The Hills are Alive" from the film "The Sound of Music" both of which were very well received. The day of the Fayre was blighted by inclement weather which meant that the event took place in separate venues – The Hinton Hall (Stalls and Refreshments) and the Catholic Church (Community Choir) and consequently we were very fortunate to have had good audience in the church. It was very uplifting to be working and singing together in front of such an appreciative audience and we are very grateful for being given the opportunity and invitation.

Our first focus now will be on extending our repertoire to include a medley of songs from "The Sound of Music". The last phrase from "The Hills are Alive" is particularly appropriate - "My heart will be blessed with the sound of music and I'll sing once more"

The principles of making music accessible to all, working as a team, developing skills and, above all, having fun remain paramount.

- Our rehearsals take place 7.30pm to 9.30pm on Thursdays at the Methodist Church Hall. (Note our change of day from Fridays to Thursdays)
- We still intend to meet through the summer and we are planning to prepare for a performance in December
- Membership is £20 per month

If you would like to join us, come along to a rehearsal and try us out. For more details or information please contact us:

Phone: 01747 870906

Mobile: 07810 185007

**Roger Hooper – Chairman of "Friends of Tisbury Community Choir"**



## FONTHILL PARK CRICKET CLUB



After that one week of intense heat we had a month of much cooler temperatures and a lot of heavy rain showers, with the result that some games were interrupted and others were cancelled. However August kicked off with a win against a Yeovil Hospital XI and our first chance to enjoy a proper cricket tea since 2019! It was also the first game where visitors were able to take advantage of some new seating on the top boundary. These are three giant logs provided and delivered by the Fonthill Estate and fashioned with chainsaw and plane into rustic benches by Jonnie Power and Dave Roberts. Nicknamed the Tait gallery, they were installed to mark the retirement of Chris Tait after over twenty-five years service on the Fonthill Estate, and were revealed to his complete surprise at a surprise retirement party held in the pavilion.



Another good game followed away to Coombe Bissett midweek with Fonthill turning in excellent bowling and fielding performances to limit the home team to 124-8 off their 20 overs with catches taken securely and Ed Hobbs finishing with 4-23 after he was hit for 6 off his first ball. Youngster Ferdie Spicer took a low catch and a stumping, keeping wicket to Ashley Major. Mr Hobbs then hit a controlled and stylish 75 not out, ably supported by Charlie Nicoll and Ed Spicer to win the game with 9 balls to spare.

On 8 August we played The Cricketers Club of London and having had the covers on for about four days, uncovered to start the match on time. Four balls later and a downpour sent everyone scurrying to put them back on again! Our visitors managed 185 and kept us down to just over a hundred with some very tight bowling and some good fielding.

Suddenly we realise that another summer season has flown by, after what seemed like a very long winter, and now our thoughts turn to doing the usual post-season renovation of the square to prepare it for next year. The work done over the last few years has certainly paid off with the ball bouncing pretty consistently and carrying well to the wicket-keeper, which is good for both batsmen and bowlers. We have our annual charity match against The Boot to play on Bank Holiday Monday and are hoping for as good a turnout as we had last year.

Monday 30 Aug The Boot Inn Charity Match  
Saturday 4 Sep Dorset Wanderers  
Saturday 11 Sep Captains' Match & Presentations

For further information about fixtures and contact details, please visit the website and get in touch.  
<https://www.fonthillparkcricketclub.co.uk/>

**Mark Mikurenda, Club Secretary**



## TISBURY BOWLING CLUB

September will see the end of another season at Tisbury Bowling Club. We know that bowling has given pleasure to our increasing membership this year particularly at a time of restrictions related to Covid. We look forward to an active bowling calendar next year starting in the first week of May. The green has to be carefully maintained through the autumn and winter if it is to be playable next spring. Any assistance with the green would be very welcome. In the meantime, a big thank you to members and the committee who have been supportive of the club this year.

A big thank you as well to all those in the 100 club who have re-joined for the next 12 months. Your continued support is much appreciated. If you know someone who would like to help the club and enjoy a little flutter (just £12 a year) please email our secretary as below.

### Results of the 100 Club for August 2021:

1st	25	Richard Platts
2 <sup>nd</sup>	13	H Selby
3 <sup>rd</sup>	78	Fred Perry

Any enquiries regarding the club should be made to the Secretary, Susie Ladbrook (sueladbrook@hotmail.com)



## TISBURY AND DISTRICT NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

For the about the last ten years whenever we cut grass for silage or hay, within minutes we are joined by red kites looking for a quick meal. Their eyesight is truly incredible. Andrew Graham opens up a window to these beautiful birds.

"The red kite is a magnificent bird of prey becoming increasingly common in this part of Wiltshire. It is unmistakable, with its rufous brown body and distinctive forked tail which it twists to use as a rudder in flight. In the 1930's the UK population declined to two pairs which clung on in mid Wales, but the species was saved from national extinction by a major protection programme. Since then, birds from Spain and Sweden have been successfully re-introduced to England and Scotland. Red Kites now breed over an expanding area of the UK and non-breeding and wintering birds may be seen across most of the country.

The birds we will see are almost certainly part of the expanding reintroduced population rather than from the surviving native population in Wales. Males and females are essentially similar but in bright sunshine their strongly marked plumage is striking. The white primary feathers of the wing contrast with black wingtips, the yellow beak and eye stand out against the grey head while, in the right light, the tail may look positively orange. Its call is like but distinct from that of the buzzard – less mewling and more quavering - and will often be heard when several birds are together. Indeed, as numbers of birds in an area starts to grow, they may gather in communal woodland roosts where they can be seen dropping in from the surrounding countryside at dusk.

They were common birds of the town in Shakespearean times where they lived on carrion and offal and served an important role in clearing up human waste. When birdwatching in Europe, rubbish dumps were often a good place to find them. Their diet remains mostly carrion, roadkill and worms which they can often be seen collecting in recently ploughed fields. As scavengers, they are particularly prone to poisoning from illegal poisoned baits and pesticides. They will occasionally take small mammals given the chance and will gather around harvesting operations on the lookout for a meal.

Red kites' nest in woodland in a scruffy nest often on top of an old crow's nest. They hunt widely over mixed countryside, wooded valleys, and pasture,

will stray over towns and can be seen flying over Tisbury on occasion. Urban areas near the successful reintroduction in the Chilterns now regularly see numerous (double figures) kites overhead. This is partly because people took to putting out scraps to attract this impressive bird to close quarters. Unfortunately, this has resulted in a developing problem akin to that of herring gulls at seaside resorts where emboldened birds, used to being fed, start to pinch food from humans. This can be very alarming for children, so such feeding is not recommended. Nothing like that has been reported hereabouts so hopefully we can enjoy more views of this handsome bird in years to come without encouraging them to become a pest. Then our summer lunches won't be subject to the warning: "red kite in the morning; put out the awning".

On **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September** there is an evening visit to Martin Green's farm at Sixpenny Handley. Farm conservation and archaeology will make for a very interesting visit. On **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September** there is the first of our indoor meetings with Simon Smart talking from **7.30pm** about **wildlife conservation on the MOD land in the Salisbury Plain**. Contact Dick Budden (treasurer.tisnathist@gmail.com) for bookings, updates and instructions.

On a September weekend to be confirmed (weather dependant) the **Young Nature Watch** branch will be doing a **bird ringing demonstration**. For more info and bookings, email youngtnhs@gmail.com. This new branch for young naturalists may accept adults on any activities depending on availability of spaces, but priority will be given to young people under 21 years old. For further information on our society, visit our website [www.tisburynaturalhistory.com](http://www.tisburynaturalhistory.com). Also, follow us on our Facebook [www.facebook.com/tisnathist](https://www.facebook.com/tisnathist), Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/youngnaturewatchwilt> and Twitter <https://twitter.com/youngnaturewat1>. We always welcome new guests and members. The price for attending an event is £2 for guests (free for members and young people) and membership for the year is just £10 (free for young people!). You can become a member at any of our events or by contacting Dick Budden at treasurer.tisnathist@gmail.com.

**Peter Shallcross, Chair**





## TISBURY ARTS GROUP



A quick update on what TAG will be up to for the rest of this year. By the time this month's issue of Focus is printed, Volpone hopefully will be a major success.

A Murder Mystery comedy is in preparation, for performances on October 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>. Because of Covid and lockdown the usual process of play selection, audition and rehearsal have not been possible, so a small group has been working on the script for this. Every drama group has experienced the horrors of what can go wrong on opening night, and the ladies of the F.A.H.E.T.G. Dramatic Society (Farndale Avenue Housing Estate Townswomen's Guild) are no different, with the possible exception that almost everything that could happen does! The scenery collapses, cues are missed, lines forgotten, and the sound effects take on a strange note at times, as the ladies present their ambitious evening's entertainment with the cunning whodunit, "Murder At Checkmate Manor."

There will be a joint TAG/Rockforte concert on November 6<sup>th</sup> and plans for a Tiz the Season event on December 4<sup>th</sup> are also underway.

There will not be a Junior TAG show this autumn but we are hoping to put on a production in the Spring.

Auditions and rehearsals for the Pantomime will be in October with performances in late January.

TAG are also keen to put on a Passion play at Easter, April 17<sup>th</sup>.

We had started rehearsing Pygmalion before the lockdown in March 2020 and are hoping to re-schedule the play for late April/early May 2022 with the same cast.

We are always looking for new people onstage and off. If you don't fancy the bright lights, you can join the backstage crew.... Set design, painters, scene-shifters, costume, make –up – basically anything creative. Contact us at [tisburyartsgroup@gmail.com](mailto:tisburyartsgroup@gmail.com)

Dave Milas

TAG Chair

## DINTON WI



Another successful meeting of our WI. We held, what has become over the years, our Annual August Lunch. This started to give Members the opportunity to get together during the month when there was no meeting. The numbers attending has gradually grown until this year only two were not there - one was caring for her husband and the other was away from home.

We visited The Barford Inn where we were welcomed to a long table so as to be together. We felt sorry for other guests (not many, fortunately, from our point of view) as our noise level was quite high. Fortunately for us we were not given black looks or requested to temper our enthusiasm. We took a long time choosing our food, some having a starter and a sweet, some just a main course and some going for the full works! The staff coped admirably and did not mix up orders. We caught up with news, learned more about our new members and just thoroughly enjoyed ourselves.

On September 8 we resume our meetings in Dinton Village Hall at 10.00am and will welcome both Members and Visitors to a fascinating talk about Horatio's Garden at Salisbury District Hospital, which was the first one to be created. Now 7 out of the 11 proposed gardens are either complete or under construction.

Do come and visit us, we are not all Jam and Jerusalem, cake makers or craft fanatics. We enjoy a diverse programme and there is always a cup of coffee/tea, laughter and friendship. See our website [www.dintonwi.weebly.com](http://www.dintonwi.weebly.com)



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## PLANT SNIPPETS

As you might have heard, Chelsea Flower show this year is in September, rather than the usual date of late May. This is exciting, as it has never been held at this time of year before and probably never will be again; (Covid allowing) it will go back to May again next year. I am lucky enough to be part of the team mentoring the horticultural students at Sparsholt college, who are putting together the College Show Garden in the Floral Marquee. The theme this year will be celebrating the Tricentenary of Gilbert White, the renowned naturalist and author who published the world's first natural history book: **The Natural History of Selbourne**.

White, born in 1720, grew up and spent most of his life in the Hampshire village of Selbourne and from a young age was a keen gardener. He took a wide interest in the natural world around him and was keen to experiment with growing traditional and novel fruit and vegetables; he was the first person in the area to grow potatoes! This fascination with horticulture led to Gilbert writing his first book the **Garden Kalendar** which meticulously recorded sowings, harvesting, weather, temperature, and other details. He went on to keep over 30 years of diaries, observing all that went on in the surrounding countryside -the comings and goings of migratory birds, the behaviour of animals and insects and the progress (or not) of the plants in his garden. These journals culminated in his writing of '**The Natural History of Selbourne**' which was published in the form of letters to two eminent naturalists at the time, Thomas Pennant and the Honourable Daines Barrington.

The students have been following plantings familiar to White to recreate a fabulous version of his garden, including the wildflower meadow, hot bed melon frame and beds packed with flowers, herbs and vegetables. Despite it being put together for the autumn they have kept true to the plan and shown real horticultural skills to keep the plants looking their best for the show.

It is rather apt, when dealing with the extremes of weather over the past few months, the invasion of tortrix moths on Kale and other general day- to- day dramas in running the nursery, that we look to Gilbert White's own entries into the 'Kalendar':

*1769 September 4<sup>th</sup>: Hop picking begins.*

*1772 September 7<sup>th</sup>: Peaches Begin to ripen.*

*1773 September 10<sup>th</sup>: Rain damages the walled fruit*

*1779 September 9<sup>th</sup>: My kidney beans are much withered for want of rain.*

*1784 September 21<sup>st</sup>: Gathered in the early pippins, called white apples: a great crop*

*1785 September 15<sup>th</sup>: the dripping weather has lasted this day nine weeks, all thro haying and harvest; much hay also soiled of the second cutting: so that men, having lost both crops, will in many parts be very short of fodder, especially, as turnips have missed in many parts.*

*1790 September 16<sup>th</sup>: Cut 100 cucumber, Sweet Autumnal weather.*

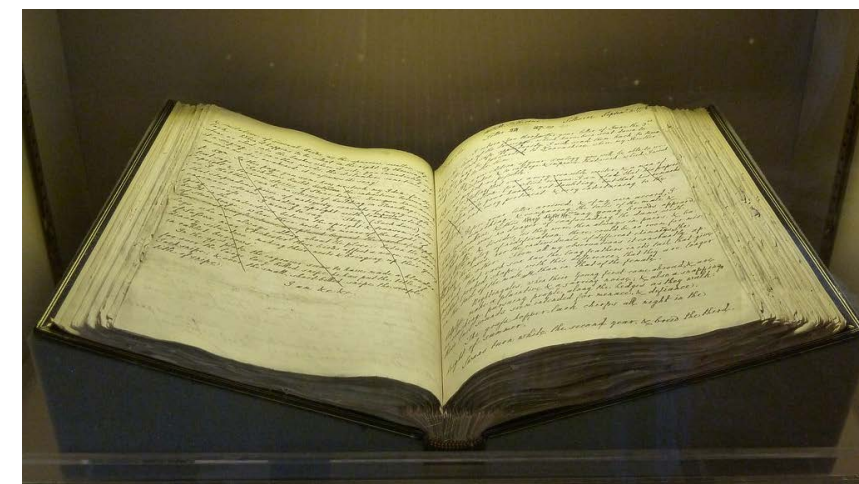
Let's hope for some sweet Autumnal weather this year and many bountiful crops!

Happy Gardening

Alex Graham

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*Manuscript of The Natural History of Selborne. Copyright Rob Farrow*





## NADDER COMMUNITY ENERGY

### Help shape Wiltshire's climate strategy

We've all seen the havoc that extreme weather driven by global warming is causing around the world. And we're only too well aware of the dire warnings of global catastrophe if governments fail to commit to deep cuts in carbon emissions over the next few decades.

But what are we doing about this closer to home? How can we play our part in helping to save the planet?

Compared to many other parts of the country, people in and around the Nadder Valley are fairly green-minded and sustainability-aware – perhaps because we're lucky enough to live so close to such beautiful nature.

We know the actions each of us can take as individuals if we're so minded and have the resources to make the changes. Better insulation for our homes, solar panels on our roofs, replacing old boilers with heat pumps, cutting back on air travel, switching to electric cars, eating less meat, choosing local produce, planting trees, even down to replacing old light bulbs with low-energy versions.

But, just as important, we can use our voice, individually and collectively, to influence local and national policymakers whose big decisions can have such an impact on all our lives. And in the case of climate change, not just our lives, but the lives of our children, grandchildren and future generations.

Hence the crucial importance of having your say about Wiltshire Council's upcoming Climate Strategy.

The Council earned plaudits for being one of the first to declare a climate emergency and to set itself a target of net zero carbon by 2030. In May it published a thorough background analysis of the current state of play in a discussion document which you can read on the WC website, under 'climate'.

However, the absolutely key document will be the Council's Climate Strategy Consultation due out on 1st September. This is the one each of us can influence by having our say and helping to shape Wiltshire's climate-related policies over the next four years.

**Alert!** We'll only have a few weeks to respond – the consultation closes on 17<sup>th</sup> October – so we'll need to get our skates on. Let's make sure that every one of our community groups, parish councils, chambers of commerce, schools and colleges, and other special interests, knows about the consultation, picks up on it, makes time to consider it, gets their response in in time, and holds Wiltshire Council to task in committing to meaningful actions, with urgent time frames and proper funding to back things up.

Ambitious enough. Soon enough. Funding enough.

And just space to let you know that Nadder Community Energy will be participating in Salisbury Transition City's People in the Park festival on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September from 11am to late afternoon. Lots of stalls, music and assorted happenings in Queen Elizabeth Gardens, Salisbury. Hope to see you there!

**Alan Maryon-Davis**

Chair, NCE



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## SALISBURY EDUCATION & BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The Partnership has been setup between all local secondary schools and local business organisations including Salisbury Chamber, Salisbury BID and Sarum Rotary. Its key aims are to create closer links between secondary schools and businesses and to develop and retain more students locally.

'Investing in our talent', the Partnership's first initiative, needs your support. Over the first half of 2021, a comprehensive list of activities for the next academic year needing support from businesses or individuals was collected from local secondary schools. These have been summarised to 7 areas common to all schools including helping with mock interviews, providing work experience, helping with workshops & projects, judging competitions and giving careers talks.

Full information, along with a short survey through which you can pledge your support, can be found at [www.sebpartnership.org](http://www.sebpartnership.org)

Local business owner and representative of the Partnership, David Clayton, said 'By supporting and interacting with schools at an early stage, we know from personal experience that this will help to develop and grow their ambitions and hopefully retain their talent locally, rather than lose them elsewhere.'

## STONEHENGE A303 TUNNEL UPDATE

Opponents of the scheme were relieved and delighted when the judge in the case brought against the scheme by Save Stonehenge WHS ruled that the permission granted by the Secretary of State for Transport was invalid. This was because:

- The Secretary of State had not properly considered the degree of harm to the Stonehenge landscape, and it was not legally sufficient for him to say that in his opinion the benefit outweighed the harm.
- The Secretary of State had not considered other options for improving traffic flow.

As well as the harm to our wonderful prehistoric landscape, this scheme is extremely unpopular, with over 200,000 signatures to the petition against it, 2/3 from the UK, and £80,000 raised to fight the legal battle in a few weeks.

The economic case rests entirely on a survey of fewer than 4,000 people in 2016. They were asked how much increased income tax they would be willing to pay to have the road removed - but they were not shown images of the cuttings, only of the stones with and without the road. Believe it or not, the entire case for spending £2bn on this scheme rests on multiplying this figure by the country's driving population and claiming that is what the tunnel would be worth to the nation! (with a lot of statistical manipulation, of course). An entertaining webinar is here:

<https://stonehengealliance.org.uk/presentation-by-professor-phil-goodwin/>

Since 2016 a few things have happened: the reality of climate change is starkly evident, and there are probably more important ways to spend £2bn than on a road which is blocked for only a small proportion of time. How about a 30mph speed limit that would double the capacity of the road, and investigate clever lane design.

Of course it is to be expected that the Government and Highways England will fight back against this judgement. It is like some horror movie where just as we think it is safe to relax, a horrible arm appears from under the ground yet again!

What to do: write to Dr Murrison, our MP and for Stonehenge; write to the Prime Minister; write to Baroness Charlotte Vere, Minister for Roads.

**Suzanne Keene**

### GUY'S PATCH – TISBURY COMMUNITY GARDEN.

By all accounts the Tisbury Community (Sensory) Garden has been a godsend during the pandemic as a place of peace, tranquillity, and brightness. Increasing numbers of people have taken the time to enjoy it as the seasons change. It has become a place that people feel comfortable to meet outdoors.

We continue to enhance the garden. You may have noticed that several dead trees have been removed and numbers of new annuals and perennials have been planted. There has been a marvellous band of volunteers who have worked tirelessly to keep the garden under control for all to enjoy. I would like to personally thank Dave for coming down with his manual mower and strimmer keeping the grass tidy, to Julian and Paul for all their work shifting heavy loads, keeping the path weeded and keeping the garden clear from rubbish. Jan and Janie have been my gardening rocks over the last 18 months, digging, weeding and spending time with garden visitors - thank you. There are others who come down bringing plants and helping with the weeding. This is an endless task, and we would love to have some more volunteers. If you can spend an hour every so often that would be great.

We have a new sign - thank you Charlie.

The gardening team has great plans for 2022, so if you would like to have your say and become involved with our planning, fundraising and work please contact Ann-Marie by email [ann\\_marie\\_dean@hotmail.com](mailto:ann_marie_dean@hotmail.com)

Local author Barrie Shore has written a compelling story about memory, love, loss and forgiveness. A Book at Bedtime is a moving but darkly funny novel that explores how dementia holds a mirror up to an old couple's lifetime of marriage, revealing deep flaws and unresolved stories now being lost forever.

Barrie has recently moved back to Tisbury, and has lived in either Ansty or Tisbury for nearly forty years. She is a former actor, BBC radio presenter and writer for television, including scriptwriting for EastEnders. She also wrote the Tisbury Passion Play which was performed by the Tisbury community every other Easter for over twenty years.

Since completing her novel, Barrie has been diagnosed with macular degeneration and, though no longer able to read, intends to continue writing. A Book at Bedtime was released on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021 – you might spot it on sale at Beatons.

### The Lord Arundell of Wardour Charity

The Lord Arundell of Wardour Charity covers the residents of Wardour, Tisbury, Ansty, Semley, Donhead St Mary and Donhead St Andrew. Its aims are:

- **For the Relief of Need:** Grants can be made for a variety of situations due to sickness or infirmity, including heating and hospital visiting or the supply of medical or other needs.
- **Education and Training:** Grants may be made for the provision of tools, books, etc. so as to earn a living.

The Trustees for this charity are Lord Talbot of Malahide, Mrs J E Carter, Mr P Dalton, Mr S McGrath and Mr S Davison.

We hold three meetings a year in January, May and September.

Applications should be made in writing to the secretary  
Mrs P Chave: 25 Weaveland Road, Tisbury, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP3 6HJ  
Or by email: [thearundelltrust@outlook.com](mailto:thearundelltrust@outlook.com)

### **General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)**

The Lord Arundell of Wardour Charity handles personal data in accordance with the requirements of GDPR. Anybody requiring further information on this matter should contact the Secretary.

### NEW CLIMATE CHANGE FUNDING PROGRAMME

A new upcoming UK wide small grants programme will support communities across the UK to take action on climate change. The UK Government's Together for Our Planet initiative has been created to engage people with the 26<sup>th</sup> UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26) in Glasgow and is supported by National Lottery funding.



The National Lottery Community Fund

- Applications open Wednesday 1 September 2021 and close at 5pm on Thursday 18 November
- Projects should reflect what matters to your community and can be small in scale
- Grants between £1,000 -£10,000
- Funded projects will have up to 12 months to deliver their activities from award

Visit the website to find more details about the programme, priorities and criteria <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/together-for-our-planet> and email [togetherforourplanet@tnlcommunityfund.org.uk](mailto:togetherforourplanet@tnlcommunityfund.org.uk) if you have any questions.

### TISBURY RUBBISH COLLECTORS UPDATE

Having started in our bid, in May 2020, to rid our lovely village of as much discarded rubbish as possible, a regular group have been meeting on a monthly basis to continue the good work. The council provided us with Hi-Viz jackets, gloves and litter pickers to make our job easier and safer and many of you will have seen us around the village, usually between 6 and 7pm!

We stopped during the coldest months of the winter and again when lockdown prevented us from meeting in a group. A few hardy members continued the job on their own, or in couples, which helped in some of the worst areas.

We had a very successful evening on July 28<sup>th</sup> when we were joined by three young families, who were all appropriately equipped, and we collected the usual selection of paper, plastic, discarded face masks, cans, glass, dog poo bags, cigarette ends, crisp packets etc. Over 11kg of rubbish was collected by the council after that, and a follow-up communication from them said that they hadn't known any group in the County meet so regularly and be so persistent!

So a really big Thank You to all who give up their time - just think of all that plastic which won't end up in the ocean!

If you would like to join our group look for Tisbury Rubbish Collectors on Facebook, message Margaret Thomas or call on 01747 870325.





Childcare for working parents is a very big issue for Tisbury and the surrounding areas so we have worked with PH Sports, who presently run our sports in school, to organise an after-school club. They are OFSTED approved and provide a range of quality activities. They also run holiday provisions too.

Here are the details from PH Sports:

*"We at PH Sports are delighted to inform you that we will be running an After School Club at St John's Primary School from September.*

*To book your child onto a session you will need to visit our booking page at <https://phsports.co.uk/online-bookings/> and following the link. You'll also find a video tutorial there to support you with the registration and booking process.*

*Payments can be made by either card or childcare vouchers (CCV), and details of how to pay by CCV can be found on our website.*

*We are extremely excited to be working with St John's Primary School for the new academic year. If you have any questions or queries about the provisions or how to book, then please feel free to give us a call on 01225 701830 or send us an email at [admin@phsports.co.uk](mailto:admin@phsports.co.uk)."*

We look forward to welcoming our new Reception children in September. We will have 20 new little Dragons, so this is very exciting!

We also wish our year 6 children the very best of luck on their adventures at Gillingham, Shaftesbury and Bishops!

**Lisa Portch**

**Headteacher**

## COMMUNITY SERVICES

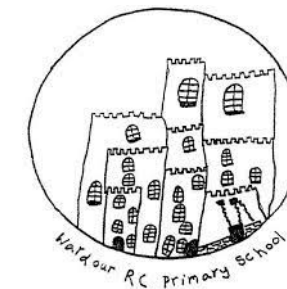
### Transport Contact Numbers

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**Tisbury and District Link** 07484 284670

transport service run by volunteers for people needing to get to hospital or appointments.  
[Tisburylink@gmail.com](mailto:Tisburylink@gmail.com)



We have come to the end of another unusual academic year and a very busy end of term. Sports Day was moved to the penultimate week and we managed to have a wonderful day with beautiful weather and spectators! We split the event in to two parts which meant the younger and older children ran in different sessions and we were able to spread the spectators out. It ended up being a much calmer day and the younger children certainly enjoyed having more focus on them. The event finished with the traditional round the field race which is always exciting to watch as the whole class race each other!



The younger two classes walked up to Wardour Castle as part of their history topic and on their return, discovered a banquet had been laid out for them outside. They wore the crowns they had made in celebration - we are so lucky to have the castle on our doorstep.



Our Year 6 leavers had a good send off. St Patrick's class performed 'Joseph and his Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat' and the last song was accompanied by everyone playing the ukuleles - it was wonderful to hear such lovely music and singing. They have been a truly amazing group - both resilient and patient throughout the uncertainties of the last two years. We wish them well as they start their secondary schools at Gillingham, South Wilts and Godolphin and look forward to all the children who will be joining us in September.



**Emma Dixon, Head Teacher**



# YOUNG NATURALIST: WILTSHIRE BUTTERFLIES

Wiltshire is a county with various different habitats, from grassland to woodland which are perfect for lots of different butterflies. One of my favorites is the beautiful Painted Lady, which I often spot on the flowers in my garden. The Painted Lady is a long-distance migrant: each year it spreads northwards from North Africa, the Middle East, and central Asia, recolonising in mainland Europe and reaching Britain and Ireland.



Large Skipper

In the woodlands, I often see Speckled Woods basking in the sun. With dark brown wings and speckled cream dots, Speckled Woods are the only British Butterfly that are able to hibernate through the winter as either a caterpillar or chrysalis.

The UK has 59 species of butterfly, 57 resident species and 2 regular migrants. Five species of butterfly have become extinct in the last 150 years and the State of the UK's Butterflies 2015 report found that 76% of the UK's resident and regular migrant butterflies declined in abundance, occurrence or both over the last four decades.

However, we can make small changes to prevent losing anymore species.

*Donating* – by donating money to the Butterfly Conservation Trust, you can help buy essential items like seeds and plug plants that are needed throughout the year, help develop ways to engage families and young people and help continue to support farmer and landowners to manage their land for butterflies.

*Gardening* – by simply growing a few plants and providing butterflies with a garden refuge, you can make a huge difference. Butterflies will visit any garden, however big or small, if they can feed from nectar plants. Butterflies are valuable pollinators that need our help, so it is vital that we make homes for them, providing plants and flowers where they can drink nectar and also find spaces to lay their eggs.

*Volunteering* - Butterfly Conservation relies on the support of thousands of volunteers, and they are always looking for more help inside the office and in the field. Whether you want to volunteer at a local branch, record, monitor or fundraise, get outside and help manage nature reserves or help with one of the events, there is something for everyone, so get involved! Your time can make a real difference.

Izzy Fry, aged 15 Photographs copyright Izzy Fry



Painted Lady

I have also spotted many Skippers in the grassland clearings around the farm, my favourite being the Large Skipper. They favour grassy areas, where plants grow in damp, sheltered places where the grass is tall and uncut. It is also a species of urban habitats and can often be found in parks and other places with long grasses.



Speckled Wood

# FLAVOURS OF FOCUS FROM FORTY YEARS AGO

Welcome to this recollection from the September 1981 edition of Focus on the Community.

Early on we had a report from Judith Kirby entitled, “We Were There”. “Where was ‘There’?” you may ask. It seems that Judith, together with her husband Idris and daughter Sarah, chose to set off by train from Tisbury one Tuesday evening late in July 1981. Their intent was to witness the procession to and from St Paul's Cathedral of the wedding of Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spencer.

Arriving at Waterloo, they walked along the Strand and then the Mall, across Green Park and onto Hyde Park where they saw the firework display. Later they returned to the pavements of Fleet Street to settle down circa 1.15 in the morning and begin the long wait until the ceremony at 11.20. The traffic flowed continuously until the streets were cleared some three hours later. Sleep was impossible, mostly because of the circumstances but also because of a very loud relay system presenting the voice of Tony Blackburn.

Soon after 8.00 the guests began to arrive as did Beefeaters, policemen, celebrities, foreign royalty and, to much amusement, some grit lorries. At 10.20 the Royal Procession appeared. Happily, the relay system then switched to a broadcast of the service itself. The service ended with the National Anthem at which point everyone stood and, as the procession progressed on its return to Buckingham Palace, much cheering and flag waving was to be observed. Judith concluded, “What a tremendous thrill to be part of that glorious happy day.”

Meanwhile back in Tisbury, the community was preparing for the September Carnival including a dog show, a band concert, skittles, an Old Tyme Music Hall, the Village Race, folk dancing, escapology, fire eating, a Romany dance, the Coles' Fun Fair, and of course the Children's and Evening processions.

With autumn approaching, several afternoon and evening classes were on offer; these included typing, spinning, weaving and dyeing, dressmaking, lacemaking, upholstery and, if all that wasn't 'fitting', there was 'Keep Fit' as well.

News from local organisations included the two Tisbury Brownie packs, the Tisbury Cubs, the Tisbury Youth Club, Tisbury Local History Society; Tisbury Wives Group; Tisbury Women's Institute; Newtown, Hatch and Tuckingmill Women's Institute; and Tisbury Bowling Club - and Tisbury Arts Group who were seeking recruits for roles on and behind the stage for the Christmas Pantomime, “Dick Whittington”.

Speaking of cubs, reporters from Tisbury Primary School, in an article entitled, “Landlubbers Ahoy”, recorded their reactions to visiting HMS Dolphin, the submarine base at Gosport and, in particular, the submarine HMS Finwhale lying shark-like at its moorings. Descending the conning tower was like 'entering its stomach'. Inside it was hot, cramped, narrow, greasy, and stuffy with the smell of diesel fumes. Endless metal steps, closely stacked bunk beds, and arrays of dials, switches, buttons, gears and other controls occupied the narrow passages. The fresh air on disembarking was most welcome.

After last month's excursion into Grottoes, Mollie Thorne, in her series, “For the Gardeners”, returned to more conventional gardening matters and especially the graciousness, abundance, modesty and gentleness of white roses.

What a soothing note to finish on. More from **Mike Neal** next month - maybe!





## TISBURY SURGERY

We will all miss Laurence and Jane immensely when they retire. Their contribution to the surgery over the past 28 years has been extraordinary and we wish them a very happy retirement.

As this article is written we are interviewing for new reception and administrative staff as our practice list and workload levels continue to increase, so we will update on non-clinical staff members next month. However, in the meantime, we thought it would be useful to give some detail of our clinical staff – both current and those whom we will welcome shortly.

After Dr. Carter’s retirement Dr. Adam Smith will lead the G.P. team and be joined in October by Dr. Tom Marshall. Many of you will already know Dr. Maggie Carson and we were delighted that Dr. Hannah Bintcliffe joined us in June. Although sad to say goodbye to Dr. Sophie Win, who successfully completed her G.P. training in August, we now welcome our new G.P. registrar - Dr. Laura Strachan – who will be with us for the next year.

The nurse team is led by Sister Victoria Smith. Mrs. Tracy Slater works alongside her (and is our diabetes specialist) and their team is completed by Mrs. Sarah Clarke and Mrs. Sharon McGookin – who is also our carers' lead.

Along with staff changes, our minds once again turn to flu vaccination time!

We will be holding two main flu clinics at Tisbury Surgery on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September** and **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**. We will have a new system for booking flu vaccinations this year. Patients will be able to follow a link sent to their phone by text message which will enable them to book their own flu clinic appointment.

**IT IS ABSOLUTELY VITAL** we have patients’ correct mobile phone numbers. We have learnt when trying to contact patients for covid vaccinations that many have not been updated and this will be the first method by which we try to contact you. The new system will allow patients to choose their own convenient appointment and should ensure that the surgery telephone is not constantly engaged by patients trying to book flu clinic appointments. This should also reduce the wait for those who do not have a mobile phone and therefore need to telephone the surgery.

The eligibility for flu vaccination clinics this year as defined by NHS England are:

people aged 50 years or over (including those becoming age 50 years by 31 March 2022); those aged from 6 months to less than 50 years of age in a clinical risk group such as those with chronic (long-term) respiratory disease, such as asthma (requires continuous or repeated use of inhaled or systemic steroids or with previous exacerbations requiring hospital admission), chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) or bronchitis, chronic heart disease, such as heart failure, chronic kidney disease at stage 3, 4 or 5, chronic liver disease, chronic neurological disease, such as Parkinson’s disease or motor neurone disease, learning disability, diabetes, splenic dysfunction or asplenia, a weakened immune system due to disease (such as HIV/AIDS) or treatment (such as cancer treatment), morbidly obese (defined as BMI of 40 and above) and all pregnant women (including those women who become pregnant during the influenza season) plus household contacts of immunocompromised individuals, specifically individuals who expect to share living accommodation on most days over the winter and, therefore, for whom continuing close contact is unavoidable, those who are in receipt of a carer’s allowance, or who are the main carer of an older or disabled person whose welfare may be at risk if the carer falls ill – plus health and social care staff.

Parents of 2–3-year-olds and younger children at risk will be contacted when we have received notice of the availability of appropriate vaccinations. Older children up to age 16 will be vaccinated at school.

Currently the Government has still to clarify any plans for covid vaccination boosters this autumn, but as/when/if these happen, the plan is that patients will once again be invited to the Michael Herbert Hall in Wilton – again initially by text message.

**Dr. Adam Smith**

## HINDON SURGERY - WINTER VACCINATIONS AND NEW SURGERY

The ‘flu infections are predicted to come sooner and be more common this winter. ‘Flu is highly infectious and caught in the same way as Covid-19. Last year there were almost no cases as we all took personal infection control really seriously and had the highest uptake of ‘flu vaccination ever. We saw far fewer cases of other respiratory infections and our patients with chronic respiratory illnesses (asthma and COPD) had very few exacerbations.

Now we are mixing more there are more respiratory infections including Covid-19 and it is even more important this year to have a high uptake of ‘flu vaccinations. We have enough vaccine arriving in early September for all adult at risk patients.

The bulk of the vaccinations will be at the drive-through and walk-through clinics:

The **drive-through clinics** will be on Saturday and Sunday 18/19 and 25/26 September between 0900 and 1700 at Berwick Farms on the Fonthill Estate, SP3 5SN (as last year).

The **walk-through clinic** will be at Hindon Church on Monday to Thursday 20 – 23 September between 0900 and 1200. This is ideal for anyone who can walk from their home to the church.

Please ring reception to book your appointment (if impossible at the large clinics we will fit you in at the surgery when you are able to come and will do at home for the totally housebound). These clinics will mean the surgery can work completely normally during the vaccination campaign and your infection risk is minimised.

We will contact parents of the children aged two and three and older children at increased risk about their ‘flu vaccination (nasal drops) as soon as we can order the vaccine through central NHS supplies (sometime in September). Most children will be vaccinated at school by their vaccination provider.

We have not had any recent information about the Covid-19 boosters but they will not be done at the same time as the ‘flu vaccinations or in general practice (apart from care homes and the housebound). The GP-led vaccination clinic in Wilton will re-open and we will contact all eligible patients when able to book appointments.

‘Flu vaccination is free and recommended for everyone who will be 50 and over on 31 March 2022 plus younger people who are informal carers, front-line health and social care staff, live in the same household as a shielded person, or have a medical condition that increases the risk of severe ‘flu – pregnancy, obesity, diabetes, asthma, COPD, immunosuppressed (by illness or medication) and chronic heart, liver, kidney or neurological disease).

**If you have not already booked your ‘flu vaccination with us or are unsure if you are eligible please ring reception (01747 820222).**

Plans for the Hindon Development Plan including the new surgery are available to view at [www.cgfryhindon.co.uk](http://www.cgfryhindon.co.uk), where you can also provide feedback. We encourage all our patients to do so and if you want to be more involved, please apply to join the surgery Patient Representative Group. This will be your surgery for decades to come and your idea may get put into the detailed planning. In the past 20 years we have found all the best ideas that have improved your care have come from our patients or staff.

**Patrick Craig-McFeely and Sally Hayes**

A RECIPE WITH...GARLIC AND HONEY

Another fermentation recipe this month. This heavenly concoction packs a serious punch as far as anti-viral properties go. The honey must be raw otherwise no fermenting will take place.

Honey-fermented garlic

2-3 bulbs garlic, the bigger the cloves the better

1/2 -3/4 jar raw local honey

Chilli flakes/ thyme/ grated ginger

A little olive oil

Peel garlic and partially slice each clove so that the honey penetrates. 2/3 fill a sterilised jar, adding chilli, thyme or grated ginger if you wish. Pour honey over the top, making sure that each garlic clove is covered, add extra honey to make sure it's all covered but leave a gap of 2.5 cm before running a smear of olive oil around the rim of the jar, to stop the lid from sticking. Leave in a dark place for two days and open lid carefully to release the gas. Do this every 3-4 days, oiling the rim each time you open the jar, for about three weeks so that the flavours develop, by which time the garlic will have sunk to the bottom. It will bubble away quickly if the weather is warm so keep an eye on it.



Eat it however you like: on toast, with grilled meat, with mature hard cheese or add to a salad dressing!

Christabel Hunter

TISBURY WRITING COMPETITION 2021

The judging committee has now deliberated and produced the following decisions:

- Winner of the prose section in the adult category: "Fly Pass"
- Winner of the poetry section in the adult category: "Nature's rainbow" by Flora.

Both winners will receive an award for the value of £50.

Unfortunately, we did not receive sufficient submissions in the children and young categories, but the following works within those categories are receiving special mention (awards of £25 each) due to their merit:

- "Saving Danny" by Hecuba Capulet
- "The year through a lens"
- "Seasons"
- "Jamie the blue tit"

Winners: All awards will be given as a cultural voucher of the winner's choice (book tokens, theatre tickets, library credit...).

We are hoping to have an event in October (part of the TisArts festival) in the Victoria Hall in which the participants who wish to may show or read their submissions - or have them read by an actor from Tisbury Arts Group - and in which we can announce the real names of the winners and special mentions and give them their prizes.

Both the awards and the event are generously sponsored by the Tisbury Parish Council and the Alice Combes Newtown Trust, to which we are extremely grateful.

Thank you to everybody who took part (both participants and judges) and congratulations to the winners!

Inés López-Dóriga

TISBURY'S NEW VIC GOES LIVE

WOW team Tisbury, you've done it! THANKS to all our generous donors in the community who have helped us raise a phenomenal £32,000. The New Vic@Tisbury (aka The Victoria Hall) now has a seriously impressive state-of-the-art digital audio-visual and live-streaming system which went live last month with a viewing of Verde's La Traviata opera from Glyndebourne as well as two Saturday Night- Live @The New Vic music and cabaret events in June and July.



In providing vital income to keep our village hall open, streaming at the New Vic brings the very best regional, national and international theatre, music, dance and entertainment to local audiences of all ages and interests both at an affordable price, and in a socially-distanced, safe environment. What's more, it's also helping to create opportunities for actors, musicians and artists to stay in paid work.

Events for your diary

The New Vic's Autumn/Winter Events Programme is taking shape as the arts and entertainment world gets back on its feet and we look to offer live-stream productions as they become available. From September to Christmas we are hoping to stage an eclectic mix of excellent events from our monthly Saturday Night - Live @The New Vic showcasing live music and entertainment from talented local acts, the Rockforte cabaret and Tiz the Season entertainment, to Last Night at the Proms, War Horse, Cirque du Soleil, and a Christmas Nutcracker ballet.

We're also in talks to stream Global Citizens Live, an international climate change and world poverty fundraising concert featuring mega-pop artists such as Billie Eilish, Ed Sheeran and Metallica. On the film side, die-hard Rocky Horror Picture Show fans can look forward to a dress-up, audience participation event, and during school half term, we hope to screen some family favourites such as Mary Poppins, Home Alone, Harry Potter, Star Wars and The Lion King. It's all happening at the New Vic!

You can find The NewVic@Tisbury's 2021/22 Events Programme and book tickets online at [www.newvictisbury.com/events](http://www.newvictisbury.com/events), or email: [newvictisbury@gmail.com](mailto:newvictisbury@gmail.com), telephone 0300 302 3090.

Liz Coyle-Camp

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## HATCH HOUSE OPENS THE GARDEN ONCE AGAIN

2-5pm Saturday & Sunday 11th & 12th September 2021

In aid of Salisbury Hospice Charity

Idyllic Hatch House in the heart of the Wiltshire countryside, by the kind permission of Sir Henry and Lady Rumbold, will once again hold its annual Open Garden. They are thrilled to be able to announce that this year it will be over two days for the first time, Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September. This is a great event for all the family and a chance to see the 17<sup>th</sup> Century walled Dutch garden with amazing views over the Vale of Wardour, enjoy cream teas with family and friends and browse a wide variety of stalls with cakes, books, gifts and collectables. Lady Rumbold & Mrs Vernon's famous clothes stall is always packed with amazing finds and this time will be bigger than ever, it's a magnet for bargain hunters. All proceeds will again go to the Salisbury Hospice Charity. Over the years this event has raised thousands of pounds to help the charity continue its valuable work – the charity is celebrating 40 years of care in 2021 - [www.salisburyhospicecharity.org.uk](http://www.salisburyhospicecharity.org.uk)

Admission per person: Adults - £5 Children - £1

Lady Rumbold of Hatch House Supports Salisbury Hospice Charity with a variety of fundraising events including the annual Open Garden:

*"We badly need the support of local volunteers for Salisbury Hospice Charity, which caters for young and old alike. The fund-raising events are enormous fun as well as charitable. Younger blood is needed to continue the important work of supporting patients with terminal illnesses and their families. In the old days community service was part of school education. We implore the Tisbury community to please assist us in recruiting dynamic folks from local schools, youth clubs, sports facilities, the churches and elsewhere, to give some time helping the cause of Salisbury Hospice Care, which does crucial humanitarian work in support of the NHS and this year celebrates its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary".*

If anyone is interested, please contact: Tamsin Murley, Community Fundraiser, Salisbury Hospice Charity

T: 01722 416353 E: [tamsin@salisburyhospicecharity.org.uk](mailto:tamsin@salisburyhospicecharity.org.uk)



## MAGIC LANTERN FILM CLUB

We are starting a film club at the Victoria Hall in Tisbury. We aim to screen the best in classic films, cult movies and independent cinema from all around the world. Our programme is chosen by our members and will consist of at least 10 films in a year. Members are encouraged to nominate films which will then be voted on by all members.



Join us. Membership is available at <https://www.newvictisbury.com/film-club> or call 0300 302 3090. Email [newvictisbury@gmail.com](mailto:newvictisbury@gmail.com)

- Membership for a year will cost £30 for 6 films.
- Additional films can be viewed at a cost of £5 per film.
- Non-members will pay £8 per film.
- Films are shown on a regular basis on the second Sunday of the month at 7pm.
- Pre-film introductions are encouraged as well as post-film discussion.
- Purchased DVD/Blue-ray discs will be available for loan to members.



Celebrating everything creative in Tisbury.

## UPDATE

visit [www.newvictisbury.com/tisarts](http://www.newvictisbury.com/tisarts) for info and to register interest.

Pottery, Painting, Photography, Jewellery, Video, Stories,  
Poetry, Craft, Design, Music, Sculpture, Textiles ...

With so much going on now, we are struggling to find a date when we can have the hall for the whole weekend, so we have decided to hold something a little smaller during Tiz the Season in early December and focus on a more major event next spring. Visit the website for the most up to date info.

Ros

## TISBURY HALL HIRE

Please contact the halls direct for any available facilities and Covid-19 security recommendations and requirements

### HINTON HALL

Bookings – Lynne Dominy 07885 064701

*Ideal for your family party, business meeting, community gatherings. Main Hall, Small Hall. Parking on site.*

### METHODIST HALL

Bookings – Joy Aylen 01747 870 247

*Ideal for children's parties or club meetings and includes a large new well-equipped kitchen, toilets and disabled access.*

### VICTORIA, ELIZABETH HALLS

Bookings – 0300 302 3090, [newvictisbury@gmail.com](mailto:newvictisbury@gmail.com), [www.newvictisbury.com](http://www.newvictisbury.com)  
*The only hall with a stage and balcony! Great atmosphere for a special event. Plus meeting room.*

### PARISH ROOM

Bookings - Patricia Coopman 01747 870615  
*Suitable for small meetings and small groups Facilities for making hot drinks.*

### NADDER CENTRE

Bookings – 01747 434240



## TISBUS MEMBERS STORM THE BEACHES

Three minibus loads of TISBUS members had a blast on their long-awaited day out to sunny Swanage in August, the first in the exciting schedule of 2021 member outings. Expertly ushered to their destination and home again by volunteer TISBUS drivers Steven Beaumont, Susie Ladbrook and Ros Russell, there was no stopping these intrepid TISBUS members!

Frequent flyer Raymond Tuffin of Tuckingmill said *"After such a long time in captivity in our homes it was time to let our hair down. We set off on the train from Corfe Castle to Swanage, had a lovely lunch, paddled in the sea and even had an ice cream. Everyone was so happy. We had a wonderful day."*

The only problems reported were some hairdos being disturbed by open windows on the steam train ride and several members over-indulging on the seaside fish and chips.



1: Swanage on our way all masked up: TISBUS members wear masks and follow Covid safety protocols on the buses.

2: TISBUS members (l-r) Olive and Raymond Cope and Wendy Powell stroll by the seaside.

3: Raymond Tuffin and Vivian Wallum take in some sun at Norden Railway Station.

4: TISBUS members Nick and Daphne Hutchings enjoying some fish and chips.

Photos by Ros Russell and Dave Milas

The second August outing for TISBUS was on the 25<sup>th</sup>, to Wilton Shopping Village with lunch at The Pembroke Arms. Our next seaside trip is to Weymouth on September 8<sup>th</sup> when, hopefully, we will still have some summer sunshine. If you aren't already a member why not join to enjoy the members' outings and the regular shopping trips?

Here are the planned outings for the rest of the year. Please do join in.

<b>8<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Weymouth Seaside
<b>29<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Holme for Gardens– Gardens and Farm Shop, Wareham
<b>13<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Members' Choice Pub Lunch
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> November</b>	Clarke's Village, Street
<b>24<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Bath Shopping and Sightseeing
<b>8<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Salisbury Southampton Road Christmas Shopping
<b>15<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Lunch at the Wyndham Arms, Dinton

TISBUS also provides regular shopping runs to popular destinations including Shaftesbury, Salisbury, Gillingham and Warminster, picking up members at their door and returning them home afterwards:

Salisbury – Tuesdays (weekly)

Shaftesbury - Thursdays (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> week of the month)

Gillingham - Thursdays (weekly)

Warminster – Fridays (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the month)

For the latest information, see [tisbus.co.uk](http://tisbus.co.uk), and to book your seat contact the TISBUS Coordinator

**Dave Milas**

**Phone 07500 802525**

**Email [coordinator@tisbus.co.uk](mailto:coordinator@tisbus.co.uk)**

## CHERUBIM TRUST CONCERTS IN OCTOBER

**This October Cherubim Music Trust offers two exciting concerts to local music lovers.**

Sunday 3 October at 4pm in St John's Tisbury we welcome an audience to enjoy a choral feast by the great Restoration composer Henry Purcell with soloists and chorus accompanied by the Cherubim String Ensemble and Michael Maxwell Steer on harpsichord and organ.

The Sunday concert is the culmination of our third weekend for choral singers conducted by Greg Skidmore (Tallis Scholars). All singers with basic music reading are welcome at this. There are three sessions of choral coaching starting 10am Saturday. For singers the cost is £70. For audience £12. See [www.cherubimtrust.org/tkts](http://www.cherubimtrust.org/tkts)

Saturday 23 October at 5pm in Wardour Chapel we are presenting England's leading harpsichordist Trevor Pinnock in a programme of Bach Flute Sonatas with Anna Kondrashina. The concert is rescheduled from April, when it was near to selling out when Covid forced its cancellation. So early booking advised. Prices are £20-44. [www.cherubimtrust.org/tkts](http://www.cherubimtrust.org/tkts) Children are free at both events.

**Enquiries to MMS [mms@cherubimtrust.org](mailto:mms@cherubimtrust.org)**



## FRIENDS OF SALISBURY CATHEDRAL – SECRET GARDENS OF THE CLOSE AND GREEN FAIR

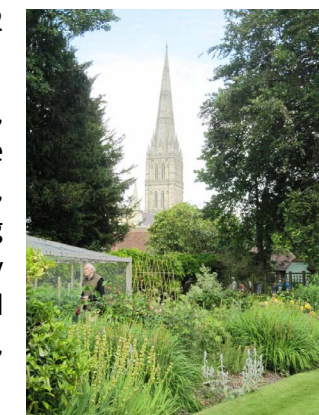
The Friends of Salisbury Cathedral's Secret Gardens of the Close event returns in September and this year there's a new attraction. The event, which enables the public to visit gardens in Salisbury Cathedral Close that are normally hidden from view, will include a green fair comprising a dozen stalls with an eco-friendly theme.

Secret Gardens of the Close & Green Fair takes place on Sunday September 12 from 1pm to 5pm.

As well as touring some of the larger gardens in the Close and De Vaux Place, visitors can enjoy tea and cake on the lawn of South Canonry, the home of the Bishop of Salisbury. The green fair stalls include Harnham Water Meadows Trust, Plantlife and Wiltshire Wildlife Trust, whose representatives will be explaining what they do and how the public can get involved. Salisbury Florilegium Society will be hosting an exhibition of members' botanical paintings in the Medieval Hall and musical entertainment will be provided by recorder group Close Consort, whose members will be playing in a number of the gardens.

Tickets for Secret Gardens of the Close & Green Fair are £10 (under-16s free), and are available at the event.

For more details, contact the Friends' office on 01722 555190.



*Flashback to 2019 'Secret Gardens of the Close'.  
@Katharine Shearing*



# TISBURY PC NEWS UPDATE – AUGUST 2021

Contact details: [www.tisbury-wiltshire-pc.gov.uk](http://www.tisbury-wiltshire-pc.gov.uk); 01747 260088 / 07388 376240

**PLANNING MATTERS** – the Parish Council now has a new email address for all residents’ comments about planning proposals:  
[planning@tisbury-wiltshire-pc.gov.uk](mailto:planning@tisbury-wiltshire-pc.gov.uk)  
 Please make sure that you put the Wiltshire Council reference number and/or a property name in the subject heading.



## Upcoming applications are:

**Tisbury Motors Ltd – PL/21/04262** - Demolition of the existing garage site and construction of residential block on the existing site comprising 10 residential units (ranging in size from 1 bed to 3 bed) with parking provision and access from existing private lane on the site.

A final parish council view will be made at the meeting on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

**South Western Hotel** – no reference number issued by Wiltshire Council at the time of writing – this building is being refurbished for use by the Co-op.

*Please remember that if you wish to object to any planning application, then you must register your objection with Wiltshire Council; either on-line or by writing a letter – but don’t forget to put the reference number!*

## Planning decisions made at the 3<sup>rd</sup> August meeting:

**Footpath 83** - Town & Country Planning Act 1990 – Section 257; The Wiltshire Council Tisbury 83 (Part) Diversion and Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order 2021

Councillors had no objection to the diversion of this route, but did express continuing concerns with the proposed height of the fencing being used.

**PL/2021/05668** – 1, Hill View, The Quarry, SP3 6HR - Erection of garden room at the rear of 1 Hill View  
 Councillors had no objection to this proposal.

## Other news in brief:

- Councillors have agreed to fund another Speed Indicator Device.
- Bicycle racks are now available adjacent to the public toilets.

## Dates of next meetings – both at 7pm; please book a place if you wish to attend in person

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2021

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# STATION WORKS DEVELOPMENT - AUGUST NEWS

By the time you read this the situation may have changed – please check social media if you can to get updates. The Parish Council has its own facebook page – Tisbury Village News.

As previously reported, a company called Tisbury Community Homes owns the station works site and through their agents, Intelligent Land, have published a draft "Design and Access Statement", which we take to be a draft ‘Masterplan’. They had informed us that they were intending to apply for outline planning consent – but we have heard nothing from them for several weeks. They also promised to share the findings from their public consultation but haven’t done so yet.

Tisbury Parish Council, in partnership with West Tisbury Parish Council, held its own public consultation and has had a huge response from the community. We have received over 300 emails and comments, the majority of them opposing the proposed plans.

It must be pointed out that most people agree the site should be developed, but there is alarm at the scale of the development and the problems with access – specifically the proposal to pedestrianise one arch of the railway bridge and install traffic lights.

We are aware that there is a strong feeling of concern and frustration that nothing is apparently being done. In fact, the Parish Councillors have been devoting a huge amount of their time in trying to find a solution that is satisfactory for the village. But we also have a duty to remain neutral and in no way pre-judge the developers’ proposal. We should also say that the legal situation is hugely complex and we have to be very careful.

As a measure of the complexity let me give you this example: Wiltshire Council do not currently have a five-year land supply for future building. This means that our Neighbourhood Plan, which we laboured over for five years, may be redundant in November because it is more than two years old. This situation is happening across the country and developers are using it as a loophole to push through plans against the wishes of councils. This has happened in Malmesbury for example.

There are many other aspects to the situation – defining housing density, defining traffic flows, the effect of being in an AONB. All of these are far from established or clear, and even planning departments are giving incorrect advice.

So please be patient – by the time you read this the situation may be resolved. But rest assured, the two Parish Councils and many volunteers from the community are working hard to make sure we get the best outcome possible.

Finally, we should be clear that the parish councils only have an advisory capacity: our view of the planning application is taken into account (backed up by the Neighbourhood Plan) but the final decision is taken by Wiltshire Council. If the developers do put in a planning application the ONLY way to have a personal say is by going to the planning website.

**Simon Davison**

**Chair, Tisbury Parish Council**





WILTSHIRE COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Over the last few weeks, many of you will have noticed the change to LED lighting for our street lamps. This is part of Wiltshire Council’s programme to reduce energy consumption from street lighting. The LED lights also demonstrate a significant reduction in UV content and less heat generated as waste energy, in this way the threat to insect life and bats is also reduced.

I attended the Full Council meeting a few weeks ago which included the Council’s latest six-monthly update on its response to the climate emergency. The detailed report includes the significant investment in zero carbon homes for its council house new build programme and the second year of the Amenity Wildflower meadow trial with reduced cutting at 12 sites across the county to better support biodiversity.

Locally, I have been continuing to handle case work and consider planning applications, attended a site visit at Tisbury Pool by contractors to assess the pool surround and was happy to join the Tisbury Rubbish Collectors again to help keep the village free of litter. As we all know the condition of the surface of some of our roads continues to be an issue and I have, and will continue to report potholes and continue the dialogue with Wiltshire’s Highways team to work to a long-term solution.

I have also launched monthly Councillor Surgeries, although there is not one in September, the next being 16 October. Do come along 10-11 am in the Reading Room on Tisbury High Street, you can make an appointment by email or just turn up. Get in contact if there is something you want to discuss.

Nick Errington  
nick.errington@wiltshire.gov.uk

**The Alice Combes Trusts**

Three local charities for the residents of Tisbury and West Tisbury

**1. For Relief in Need**

Grants may be available for a wide variety of situations, for example, towards heating bills, extra expenses incurred due to ill health or a change of circumstances incurring hardship, etc.

**2. For Education and Training**

Grants may be given towards, for example, books for university, travel to interviews, specialist tools or uniforms for training, school expeditions, etc.

**3. Alice Combes Newtown Trust**

Grants to clubs, societies and organisations established for charitable purposes which are dedicated to the promotion of their care, educational, recreational and cultural needs. (Not intended for individuals.)

You can look at more details about the individual trusts and apply using our new website [www.alicecombestrusts.com](http://www.alicecombestrusts.com)

**All applications should be made to:**  
*Alice Combes Trust, c/o Sean Moran. Email: [alicecombestrust@gmail.com](mailto:alicecombestrust@gmail.com) or telephone 01747 871258*

*Trustees will meet regularly by telephone whilst the Coronavirus restrictions are in place.*

General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR):

The Alice Combes Trusts handles personal data in accordance with the requirements of GDPR. Anybody requiring further information on this matter should contact the Secretary.

CLICK OR CALL: YOU HAVE THE POWER TO SAVE POLICE TIME

With most COVID restrictions lifted, many people are starting to enjoy more freedoms than we have been afforded since the start of the pandemic in March 2020. For the Police force, this means they are likely to see a spike in demand and increases in calls for their service.

But – do you click, or do you call?

Every year, Police receive almost 100,000 999 calls and more than 50% of these are ‘not urgent’ meaning 999 was not the right method of contact. There is also the non-emergency 101 number, but Police receive almost 300,000 calls on this number each year, in addition to the 999 calls.

Remember: for urgent crime, call 999. For everything else, start online – and save police time.

FARM WATCH AND HORSE WATCH

Detective Sergeant Greg Fergusson of the Rural Crime Team says: “Rural crime has fallen during the lockdown periods over the past year. However, what we have seen is a shift of theft of larger equipment such as livestock, tractors and loaders to smaller items such as GPS systems and quad bikes that can more easily be transported. Livestock theft is still a problem but it has been harder to move animals around the country as there have been fewer vehicles on the road.”

“We need everybody to be alert to rural theft particularly now Covid rules have been relaxed. You can report on the Wiltshire Police website or by calling 101. In an emergency situation always call 999.”

Rural crime is not limited to theft but includes heritage crime and wildlife crime such as animal cruelty, poaching and hare coursing.

As we enter the harvest season, Wiltshire Police expect to see an increase in hare coursing and are asking members of the public who see activity they believe to be hare coursing - groups of men with running dogs in large open fields for example - to report the matter as soon as possible.

LOCAL IMPACTIVE CRIMES

Please find below a summary of local impactful crimes, considered suitable for public dissemination, within the Tisbury Community Area.

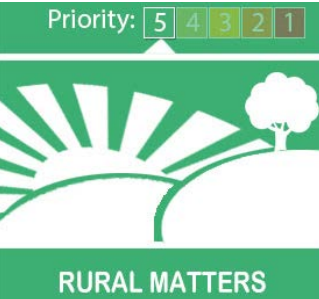
If you can provide information for any of the crimes, please call Wiltshire Police on 101 quoting the relevant reference number.

Emergencies/Crimes in progress must be reported using 999. Non-emergency police matters can be reported using 101.

**54210077277**  
Reported time 07/08/2021 15:41  
Occurrence between 06/08/2021 13:00  
A303 Fonthill Bishop A303 - As driver of V002 attempted to merge with the traffic on the nearside, driver of V001 drove into the space - scraping V001 along the nearside of V002, causing slight damage to V002. Driver of V001 initially FTS (failed to stop) then refused to pass details to driver of V002.

**54210074769**  
Reported time 01/08/2021 20:01  
Occurrence between 01/08/2021 20:01 Fonthill Gifford - Unknown male has called stating that someone was trying to run him over

**54210068049**  
Reported time 14/07/2021 15:09  
Occurrence between 14/07/2021 12:00 HIGH STREET – Reporting person was driving to Shaftesbury and slowed to a stop to allow oncoming traffic to pass on a single width Lane. A learner driver on a red scooter failed to stop and drove into the back of the Reporting person’s vehicle. The scooter driver fell off her vehicle, but on being helped up by the Reporting person and the driver of the car behind her, insisted she was fine. The Reporting person got back in her vehicle and was a little shaken. When the Reporting person arrived home, she realised they had not exchanged details and so decided to report the incident.





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**Current Rates for Advertising**

6 month rate \*

12 month rate

1/8 page 90mmx60mm landscape	£ 30	£ 50
1/4 page 90mmx130mm portrait	£ 45	£ 80
1/4 page 185mmx60mm landscape	£ 45	£ 80
1/2 page 185mmx130mm landscape maximum	£ 75	£ 150

**\* Only available for November issue**

**Submission of Copy**

- Text copy should be prepared in Microsoft, Adobe or as pdf.
  - Logos and artwork or composite advertisements must be original for Focus scanning, or may be tif or jpg or Adobe pdf.
  - Resolution should be 300 dpi or better.
  - Only sizes listed above can be accepted.
  - Focus cannot carry out artwork or design work on advertisements. Introductions can be made to suitable agents to carry out this work.
  - Copy e-mail to [advertisinginfocus@gmail.com](mailto:advertisinginfocus@gmail.com) and must reach the Advertising Manager by 28<sup>th</sup> February (for May) and 31<sup>st</sup> August (for November)
  - Payment must be received by 30<sup>th</sup> March (for May) and 30<sup>th</sup> September (for November)
- Visiting Cards and Business Cards are not acceptable as copy.**

**Local and Charity Announcements.** (These include schools, registered charities, village societies)

1. These are not considered as commercial advertising and do not incur any charges.
2. They are published in the editorial section of the magazine.
3. They are published at the discretion of the Editor, who is sole arbiter for acceptance.
4. They must be submitted to the Editor at [focustisbury@gmail.com](mailto:focustisbury@gmail.com), or to the Parish Office in the Hinton Hall, by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month.

**Late Copy or Single Issue Advertisements and Local Announcements**

At the Editor's discretion single advertisements and local announcements that have been submitted after copy deadlines may be accepted for publication as '**flyers**' i.e. Half Page inserts placed in the magazine after compilation. We need notice to insert a flyer in the magazine – please contact the Editor. A charge may be made for this service as follows:-

- Community and Charity Leaflets A5 supplied ready for insertion - FREE
- Commercial Leaflets A5 supplied ready for insertion - £15

**Casual Advertisements**

At the Editors discretion a commercial advertisement can be included in the main body of the magazine for a maximum of **2 editions** only, size 1/4 page. Cost £15 per month. Copy to be in 'word' format only. Copy and payment must be submitted by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the previous month.

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