

# Enford Newsletter

## What's Happening In and Around Enford



REMEMBRANCE DAY  
*Left We Forget*



# 2020

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## USEFUL NUMBERS

### EMERGENCY SERVICES

#### DOCTORS

DURRINGTON	Avon Valley Practice Surgery	01980 652378
DURRINGTON	Cross Plains Surgery	01980 652221
UPAVON	Avon Valley Practice Surgery, Fairfield	01980 630221

#### HOSPITAL

SALISBURY DISTRICT HOSPITAL	01722 336262
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#### POLICE

POLICE	101
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#### OTHERS

ELECTRICITY	105
ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCY	0800 80 70 60
FLOOD LINE	0345 988 1188
GAS	0800 111 999

#### DURRINGTON LINK

LINK (Durrington & District)	01980 594857
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#### SCHOOLS

DURRINGTON, Avon Valley Secondary School	01980 652467
NETHERAVON, All Saints' C of E Primary	01980 670339
RUSHALL, Rushall C of E Primary	01980 630360
PEWSEY, Pewsey Vale Secondary School	01672 565000

#### WILTSHIRE COUNCIL

BIN COLLECTIONS	0300 456 0102
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<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/rubbish-collection-day>

HOUSEHOLD RECYCLING CENTRES (HRC)

<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/household-recycling-centres>

### **HQ SALISBURY PLAIN TRAINING AREA**

**999** MOD Police Control Room - **Crime in progress**

**01371 854444** - MOD Police Control Room - *Non-emergency crime on SPTA only*

**01980 674951** to call 24hour Range operations - *To report suspicious activities or dangerous issues.*

**01980 620819** Complaints Line - *The only way to make a complaint.*

**0800 022334** - Landmarc National Service Centre - *To report damage to training area or fly-tipping*

**Health & Safety reminder for all Military Training Areas & Ranges:**

Do not touch or tamper with Military debris.

Wash your hands before you eat.

Clean your footwear before you enter your car or home.

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**The next\*  
Newsletter deadline is**

**FRIDAY**

**20th November 2020**

**\*Double issue for December  
2020 and January 2021**

**Emails are preferred** but all items for inclusion, whether they are handwritten, typed or via e-mail,

**MUST be submitted by the  
deadline date.**

These articles may be handed in to any Newsletter Committee member.


**Please send e-mails to  
enfordnewsletter@gmail.com**


Enford Newsletter Committee reserves the right to reject or omit from publication any material that is considered by majority of Committee Members to be detrimental to any person or which is not in the best interest of the community as a whole.

All letters and articles must be signed, but the Committee will withhold the name of the writer if this is requested.

## **Messages from your Newsletter Committee**

 **YOUR NEWSLETTER NEEDS HELP. PLEASE SEE SEPARATE FLYER.**

 Given the current fluctuations in Government advice and because not all event/club organisers have confirmed whether they are continuing and, if so, what changes are in place, we strongly urge you to contact the organisers before attending any event advertised within these pages.

 The next issue covers both December 2020 and January 2021.

## A word from Gale Hunt our Team Vicar :

As we see the decay of Autumn all around us, we may long for the warmth and life of the Summer just passed. Yet as with nature things change and by that new growth appears in the Spring; so it is with other aspects of life. This year has seen many changes to the way we live that we could not have seen coming at the start of the year and it is unclear what further changes may come as we head towards the end of the year. However, we do not need to be afraid, for Jesus told us, 'I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'



November is the month for Remembrance, as we give thanks for all that our service men and women have done and continue to do; and remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice, by giving their lives for our freedom. As Jesus said in John's gospel: "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." However, as with everything else, Remembrance Sunday will be different this year.

**Due to Coronavirus restrictions the service of Remembrance at Enford Church Lychgate at 9am on November 8<sup>th</sup> will require everyone who attends to do the following, so as to keep us all as safe as possible:**

- **Social Distance in households (please follow directions on the day)**
- **Wear a mask, unless exempt (as per the one metre plus rule)**
- **No singing is permitted (so there will not be any hymns)**

We realise that some of you who usually attend may not want to under these circumstances or may not be able to, and so will be disappointed at not being able to pay your respects in the usual way, but we are living in extraordinary times. You may like to stand on your doorsteps or gateways to observe the 2 minutes silence at 11am or you may wish take the opportunity during the week to pause by the war memorial, if you are out for a walk, to pay your respects.

We will also be doing a video service for you to join in with if you wish on November 8<sup>th</sup>, which will be on our website ([www.avonriverteam.org.uk](http://www.avonriverteam.org.uk)) and on local facebook pages.

Best wishes  
Gale



### **ALL SAINTS CHURCH, ENFORD SERVICES**



The Avon River Team will be providing prayer and worship ideas for people to do in their homes. These will be found on our website:

**[www.avonriverteam.org.uk](http://www.avonriverteam.org.uk)**

together with Services in the 7 churches in the Avon River Team, and Minutes of PCC meetings.



## **CHURCH SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER**



### **NOVEMBER 2020**

1st	Holy Communion	9:30am
8th	Remembrance Service at the Lychgate	9.00am
15th	Informal Family Service	9:30am

### **DECEMBER 2020**

6th	Holy Communion	9:30am
13th	Evensong	6.00pm
20th	Informal Christmas Readings and Music	9:30am
25th	<b>Christmas Day</b> Holy Communion	9:30am

## **PARISH NEWS**

November brings us the Remembrance Service, traditionally held at the Lychgate, which will take place on 8th November 2020 at 9am. Do come if you are able – this is always a rather special and well attended occasion.

The monthly service schedule for November and December is listed above. If you are unable to attend, but would like to join a service from home, a variety of resources, including pre-recorded services, video links and materials for home worship are available on Avon River Team website [www.avonriverteam.org.uk](http://www.avonriverteam.org.uk).

The church continues to be open twice a week for individual prayer and reflection – Thursdays 9am - 12noon and Sundays 1pm - 4pm. We welcome you to come and visit.

Thank you for cheering on the Enford Ride and Stride 2020. The team have raised £230 in aid of Enford Church and Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust. Amazing effort and well done to all who took part.

**Services in the 7 churches in the Avon River Team, and Minutes of PCC meetings, can be found at: [www.avonriverteam.org](http://www.avonriverteam.org)**

**Enford Outdoor Remembrance Service -  
Sunday 8th November -  
0900hrs at the Church Lychgate**

**Social distancing will be in practice - please do  
not attend if you are experiencing any of the COVID  
symptoms**

**Any updates will be posted on the Church noticeboard**



*Remembrance Day*

**VS**

**VICTIM SUPPORT Have you been affected by crime?**

Victim Support offers free and confidential help and support to anyone affected by any crime.

The charity is independent of the police and you can access services whether or not the crime has been reported and regardless of when it happened.

For support, contact: Wiltshire Office: **01380 738878**

Freephone: **0808 281 0113** Email: [wiltshire@victimsupport.org.uk](mailto:wiltshire@victimsupport.org.uk)

[As an independent charity, we work for a world where people affected](http://www.victimsupport.org.uk) by crime and traumatic incident get the help they need and the respect they deserve. To find out how you can help us help more people visit [victimsupport.org.uk/get-involved](http://victimsupport.org.uk/get-involved)

## **GARDENERS?**

### **Virtual Car-Boot Sale**

Fantastic end-of season one-off offers! All types of garden machinery and tools.

Just email: [GardVirBoot@btinternet.com](mailto:GardVirBoot@btinternet.com)

For a detailed list of equipment for sale.

**Don't Miss Out!**

## **FOR SALE**

Clearing out a shed and found c.20ft of Sheep-fencing - 80cm (h)/ 7 squares (15cm reducing to 9cm).

Excellent condition, surplus to requirement - bought a roll and this was left over.

**£15 ono**

Please call 0777 3056424

**Love Reading,  
Love Libraries**

**The Mobile and Other  
Library Services**

**Wiltshire Council**  
Where everybody matters

Wiltshire libraries have been working to find a way to operate safely and some libraries have now reopened (with limited hours). For the latest situation regarding Wiltshire Libraries (including the mobile library) please go to [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/libraries-news](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/libraries-news)

### **Do you have some time to spare to support local older people?**

Information about all our roles can be found:

- ⇒ on our website [www.ageukwiltshire.org.uk](http://www.ageukwiltshire.org.uk) or
- ⇒ by calling our office on 01380 727767
- ⇒ or emailing us at [volunteering@ageukwiltshire.org.uk](mailto:volunteering@ageukwiltshire.org.uk)

**Wiltshire  
ageUK**

### **The Enford Community Fund**

Funding is available to help projects/events in the Parish of Enford (which includes East and West Chisenbury, Coombe, Fiffeld and Littlecott).

Applications for awards must be made to the treasurer, Amanda Farrow, by email or letter, no later than the first day of the award month (March and September). [amanda.farrow@chisenbury.co.uk](mailto:amanda.farrow@chisenbury.co.uk) or 537 East Chisenbury.

The following guidelines will be followed in allocating funds:

1. Awards will be considered every 6 months in March and September.
2. Awards will be made for individual projects and are not designed to allow awardees to become reliant on the award on an annual/regular basis.
3. Awards will be made to causes that benefit the community and not specific individuals.
4. No awards will exceed £1,000.
5. For any award to be made, there must be agreement by at least 75% of the Committee.

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## ENFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Is pleased to announce that the Council meetings are again being held in person in the Village Hall.

Our thanks to the Village Hall's management team for their efforts in making the Hall a safe venue for the village.

A one-way system is in operation and hand sanitisers are available. Social distancing will be in operation as well as mandatory wearing of masks. Any members of the public wishing to attend meetings are welcome to do so however the Clerk must be notified of your contact details for track and trace purposes.

If you do not wish to attend a meeting but would like to raise an issue, you can do so by emailing or telephoning the Clerk at/on [eabh@btinternet.com](mailto:eabh@btinternet.com) or 01980 670034.

**The remaining meeting dates for 2020 are:**

November 10<sup>th</sup> and December 8<sup>th</sup>

All meetings start at 7.30pm at the Village Hall

Notice Dated August 2020.

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### ENFORD VILLAGE HALL

**Update** 24 September 2020



NHS Test and Tracelt is a legal requirement to collect customer data, to support NHS Test and Trace.

- From Thursday 24 September, all gyms and leisure venues in England must display an NHS QR code, and collect customer data to support NHS Test and Trace.
- If you deliver classes in a venue, please ensure that the venue is displaying a QR code. If it is not, you should provide one for your class.
- For children's classes, parents should scan the QR code.
- If you deliver classes outdoors, you should create your own QR code to enable customers to check-in to each class.
- Customers can check in to your venue or class by scanning the code using their phone camera.
- As an organiser you should keep a separate log of attendees for each class or event and keep this for 21 days.

There are exceptions where groups can be larger than 6 people with social distancing measures in place : These include: exercise classes, organised outdoor sport or licensed outdoor physical activity, and supervised sporting activity (indoors or outdoors).

However, as we all know, guidance can change at any time and at very short notice.

**If you do have concerns or queries please contact**

**[enfordvillagehall@btinternet.com](mailto:enfordvillagehall@btinternet.com) or telephone 01980 670501**

Updated information is sent to the Hall on a regular basis by Community First and ACRE.



## Enford Camera Club



The next meeting of Enford Camera Club will be held at 7.30pm on Thursday 5th November 2020. **Note the change of time.**



Photo: Snail by Anne Heath

Depending on COVID restrictions, we may hold a ZOOM meeting rather than face to face at the village hall. Please look out for emails nearer the time. If we do hold it in the village hall, we will be taking all necessary precautions to make the meeting as safe as possible.

**If you would like to attend please contact Martin Webb at [enfordcameraclub@btinternet.com](mailto:enfordcameraclub@btinternet.com) so you can be included on the special email for this meeting.**

This month we will holding the AGM where will need to elect a Chair, Treasurer and Village Hall Rep.  
The Show and Tell theme is Minimalist photography and Negative space.  
Please send Martin your photos by email beforehand.

We will also start looking at the 2021 Camera Club calendar.  
Finally, in preparation for November, please come along with any questions you have about transferring and archiving files.

**The camera club charge only £3 per evening. You don't have to join the club, just turn up for the night.**

**Contact [enfordcameraclub@btinternet.com](mailto:enfordcameraclub@btinternet.com) for more information.**

### WANTED

Barn, farm buildings or silos with access ideally with an acre plus for a new orchard in the Upavon/Enford/East Chisenbury area.

**Contact: Sam 07843556104**





## ENFORD GARDENING CLUB



The next meeting will be on **Thursday 12th November,**  
**6.45pm for 7.15pm in Enford Village Hall.**

We will be following the necessary regulations, the most important being that everyone is required to wear a face covering, and to follow social distancing rules please. We will also be taking details for the Track & Trace requirement.



Our November speaker is **Gillian Taylor** whose talk is called **My Greenhouse Year**. The talk covers her greenhouse interests and includes design, uses, over wintering plants, propagation, flower and fruit production etc.

Gillian is an experienced plants-woman and gardener, attending courses at RHS Garden Wisley and Great Dixter. She developed a garden from scratch. She is a member of the Historic Rose Group, Auricula Society, RHS (and on their speakers list) and belongs to local garden clubs and horticultural societies.

**Do come and join us. All are very welcome, but please remember to wear a face covering.**

Lifts can be arranged, please ask.

Cost £4.00

Coffee/tea/raffle.

As always, meetings are at **Enford Village Hall, SN9 6DD**

**Time 6:45 for 7:15 pm.**

Further details from Fanny Middleton, 01980 671645

email: [fannysurtees@btinternet.com](mailto:fannysurtees@btinternet.com)



### ENFORD CHURCH CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Due to the current situation with Covid 19, unfortunately there will be no Christmas Fayre in the church this year.

Thank you for all your continued support over the past years and hopefully, we look forward to seeing you all next year.

## **ENFORD PARISH COUNCIL Draft Minutes Abridged Draft Minutes of the meeting of 13th October 2020 Held in the Village Hall**

### **20/074 Police Matters and Neighbourhood Watch**

The September Police Report had been requested but had not been received. Cllr Clark who has taken on the Police and Neighbourhood Watch representation for the Parish Council, reported a call from a previous NHW member/liaison who does not have internet access and a discussion was had on the merits of re-establishing a network of people across the different areas of the Parish who might report incidents in their area, as against the evolved current system of anyone reporting an incident direct to the Police when it happened. The new NHW website is now open to everyone. The point was raised that not everyone has a computer or internet access and they rely on an NHW liaison as before. Cllr Roberts explained that some years ago NHW ran adverts in the Newsletter to recruit more people but there were no responses. Cllr Coulthard suggested running such advertisements again so as to share the responsibility held by Cllr Clark. There are now more ways to report crime or suspicious behaviour for example through Landmarc, PlainWatch, Police 999 or 101 etc

Cllr Roberts reported that at the latest Area Board Meeting it was announced that there would be a new Police Station built in Tidworth (ready in 2023), there are 41 more Police Officers in Wiltshire and 226 pandemic penalty notices had been issued in the area.

### **20/076 Unitary Council Matters**

WCllr Ian Blair-Pilling wanted to highlight a few points he felt were worth noting.

Following an aggressive rant caught on video received from the Speedwatch team, he is talking to the MoD about the unacceptable behaviour of a person in identifiable uniform. His car registration number also appears on the video.

- ii. Leisure centres across Wiltshire continue to open with safety restrictions in place and some Libraries will start to open from 20<sup>th</sup>.
- iii. In a briefing from the Public Health Officer for Wiltshire (from the WC Cabinet) it is confirmed that Wiltshire has some of the lowest numbers of infection in the country. Wiltshire Track and Trace are reaching 80% of people involved. 18 schools have been disrupted by the virus (a total of 590 children), it is thought these are house-to-house transfers as there are no recorded hot-spots in the county. WC are saying 'no' to Wardens or Marshalls and are leaving matters up to the Police to deal with. There has been good compliance in the county.
- iv. Financially WC's situation is looking better now with approximately £5 million of reserves being used. Although the collection and refund rate over the next three years is unknown making it difficult to balance the budget, WC is doing alright and they have more confidence in their predictions.

Cllr Coulthard asked WCllr Blair-Pilling about the recent CATG meeting as he was unable to log into it. The relevant item was whether or not the CATG had made a decision on funding for the potential limiting of speed through Enford. It had been discussed and agreed that funding would be available and a report is hoped for by January 2021.

### **20/079 Matters Arising**

i Parish Council website – All Cllrs had received a copy of the proposal/quotation from Eyelid Productions to supply and host the Parish Council only website. Cllr Clark proposed it was accepted and Cllr Coulthard seconded the proposal with all other Cllrs agreeing.

ii 1696 Enford warrant. The Village Hall have confirmed that they would be happy to display the Warrant. Cllr Roberts has been in touch with the Wiltshire History centre who would be happy to store the original document. There would be a small charge (£10-20) to provide us with a stick from which we could then make prints. Wessex Print in Pewsey have said they could then print on to 260g off-white linen 'card' or a Conqueror 300g paper in either light oyster or cream. It was agreed that an off-white linen card should be used and also the cost of a suitable frame (circa £50-£80) before presenting it to the Village Hall for display. Further copies could be taken from the stick as required.

iii Due to the theft of the masks and the money box from the Bus Shelter, the new 'mask shop' has been relocated to Jane Young's garage. This has been a very successful venture raising over £6,000 in total (between Enford and Netheravon) and a further £1,000 plus has been raised by the limited edition 'Poppy' masks which have now sold out.

iv Remembrance. The latest reports suggest that a full Remembrance Service will go ahead on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November. It was suggested that the main mask makers, Ramona, Shona and Sharon be invited to lay the wreath. If they are unable to do so Cllr Pat Holdway offered to take the honour. Cllr Waight asked about putting up the Enford Poppies around the Village and offered to help do this. Cllr Roberts will gather more assistance from others nearer the time.

v Christmas tree. Whilst this is a little ahead of schedule it was agreed to go ahead with the purchase of a similar sized Christmas tree to be put up in the first week of December. Due to the miseries of the year it was suggested that more should be made of the 'tree and lights' arrival – a mince pies and mulled wine celebration by the tree (socially distanced) with children making decorations, the winner of whom would then turn on the lights. The suggested date being Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December - see November's Newsletter for exact details.

#### 20/080 Resident's issues Raised.

i Rubbish on roadside at New Buildings. This has now been cleared.

ii The Old Mink Farm site. This has raised many potential issues with rumours of someone living on site, a stray (nuisance) flock of geese wandering the valley and an Application to the Govt for a Goods Vehicle Operators Licence for two vehicles. Both Netheravon and Enford Parish Council have been in touch with Wiltshire Council. Since the application for a Traveller site was refused on Highways safety issues, there should be no-one living on the site. It has been 'tidied' and some rubbish removed, re-fenced and some animals are being kept. WC's Enforcement team have *"visited the site on several occasions over the last couple of months in order to investigate concerns of people living at the site, along with other potentially unauthorised development taking place. It was noted during these visits that a new mobile home had been placed on the land and that additional hardstanding had been laid. In order to progress the Enforcement file, a Planning Contravention Notice(PCN) was served on the site on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September"*. A notice in the Salisbury Journal for an application for a Goods Vehicle Operators Licence for two vehicles operating from the site has been spotted. The licences do not come from WC but from central Govt who do not know the area. It is proposed and agreed that a letter of objection be sent to the Licence issuer by the Parish Council as the entrance to the site has not changed and would be as dangerous as the movement of Traveller caravans etc on and off the A345.

#### 20/083 New Playpark

With the previous approval to get quotations to re-fence the Playpark area, Cllr Young had approached the Enford Community Fund. In principal a contribution from them could assist with the final cost. The Fencer's quotation was received only today (Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Sept) at a cost of £3,877.90. Due to the cost which was higher than expected, a discussion was had as to whether some parts (in reasonable condition) could be retained. Cllr Waight said he would take a look and see what could be done. Cllr Young also reported problems with the bin attached to the fence. She has been emptying this herself for years. It is an awkward size to get bags for and as there is no lid, it also fills with water when it rains. This means a delay in emptying as it also needs to be drained. The Clerk was asked to source a more suitable bin.

#### 20/084 Parish Hall

Cllr Cliffe-Roberts was unable to attend but reported that he was still waiting to hear from WC on his pre-Application. WCllr Blair-Pilling will assist with trying to speed up this process.

#### 20/085 Roads and Highways

Cllr Coulthard reported that Gabriel, the Parish Steward, has sorted out the pothole outside Mr Heroy's house. He is able to sort minor potholes on the minor roads so please keep reports coming in to get them dealt with. He also asked who was responsible for the East to West Chisenbury bridge which is requiring attention. Cllr Roberts reported the bent sign at the top of B1 crossing.

### **Next meeting:**

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2020 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.**

## **"THE PLAIN"**

For Nature Lovers, Dog Walkers and Ex- Soldiers

*"The present for Christmas and a life-time."*

Melanie Friend's photographic book of The Plain that crowns our parish.

The full-page colour photographs capture the eerie and ambiguous beauty of Salisbury Plain, the largest training ground in the UK. Since 1897 a conservation haven to larks and corn buntings, wild-flowers and rare forms of wildlife lost to most of the rest of our sprayed and built-over countryside.

**Contact: Pat Stacpoole at [patstac@btinternet.com](mailto:patstac@btinternet.com).**

**<https://melaniefriend.com/newproducts>**

**Hardback 96pp, 43 colour plates £30. Free delivery.**

### **Have your donation doubled for Prospect Hospice this Christmas**



Prospect Hospice is excited to announce that it has been selected to take part in

**The Big Give's Christmas Challenge 2020**, the UK's largest match funding campaign.

This campaign gives you the chance to have your donation to your local hospice doubled this Christmas.

The hospice launched an appeal earlier this year to bridge the £2million gap in income that the charity expects as a result of Covid-19. While Prospect Hospice has had a brilliant response to this appeal, raising over £1million already, the local charity still has nearly half of the money to raise. The Big Give's Christmas Challenge is an excellent and easy way to help toward this.

**For more information visit [www.prospect-hospice.net/thebiggive](http://www.prospect-hospice.net/thebiggive) or call 01793 813355 and to donate.**

### **ENFORD DEFIBRILLATOR**

The defibrillator is in a yellow box on the wall of

**Hill House, 9 Longstreet, SN9 6DD**

**Grid Ref SU142515.**

**It is located in the centre of Enford 25m north of The Swan next to the parish notice boards.**

**If you think you need to use the defibrillator call 999.**

**The Emergency Service will give you the code to get into the cabinet.**

**YOU CAN READ MORE ABOUT IT AT [WWW.ENFORDNEWSLETTER.ORG](http://WWW.ENFORDNEWSLETTER.ORG) WHERE YOU WILL ALSO FIND A LINK TO A SHORT VIDEO SHOWING YOU HOW TO USE IT.**

# EAST CHISENBURY

The tall trees danced in the wind, waving their branches side to side. The bright delicate flowers watch the world go by whilst the birds are flying across the sky. The crickets jump high amongst the deadly stinging nettles. In the clear blue sky a glider skims across the clouds. Hay bales are piled up like a castle in a beautiful field of wild flowers. You can smell the flowers and feel the cold air touching your back.

Big green hills are everywhere as if leading to another world. Buzzards are flying in the sky hunting down the poor innocent little brown field mice.

You can hear the crickets laughing to one another with their chirps.

In the distance you can see a city of trees, right in the middle is a track leading you to somewhere.

The long green grass blows in the wind's direction.

When it's night, the stars are flashlights in the sky, lighting up the dark spooky night. Trees look like tall giants, standing, watching their surroundings. The bats come out of their hiding place and flood the sky, darting place to place to find their supper for the evening.

Then it comes to morning, the sun wakes up and comes above the tall green hills waking up all the people in the village below.

Down a muddy track, behind a fence live two muddy pink pigs, scoffing down anything they can smell or see.

In the village, you see beautiful houses with thatch roofs looking down towards the rushing river that is home to elegant swans and scaly fishes. You can hear the woodpecker pecking at the wood making a home for him and his family.

You can hear children of all different ages paddling and swimming in the river. Three ducks fly and land in the river. Quack the ducks went. The strong stream pushes the three ducks to the other side of the riverbank.

Over a crumbling bridge, is a field full of sheep. Wherever you look you see fluffy clouds with coal black legs either running or laying down under the warm yellow sun. Every once and a while you can hear a chorus of Baas.

## Isabella Lofthouse Age 12

*Isabella lives In Jersey and had to do a piece of descriptive writing for school. She chose to write about East Chisenbury. It is where her Granny lives.*



# Village Christmas Tree Lights

## Big Switch On!

11 December 2020



There will be a grand lights switch on held at **6.15PM** by the bus stop where the tree will be placed again.

Everyone is welcome and mulled wine and mince pies will be available. There may also be a few Christmas Carols

There will also be a Children's Christmas Outdoor Decoration Competition.

All who enter will receive a treat and the decorations will be used to decorate the bus stop and tree. Bring the decoration on the evening by **5.45PM** to enter the competition. The winner will officially switch on the lights.



### **SPTA NEWS**

For Salisbury Plain Training Area News, giving times of live firing, current and upcoming exercises go to

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/salisbury-plain-training-area-spta-newsletter>

## Gardening Tips from Tony Archer at Superior Plants

Here at Superior Plants we are coming to the end of the planting season and getting ready to welcome our Christmas Trees onto the nursery. The nights are dark and the summer seems like a lifetime ago. What can we do in the garden?

Coming into the colder months of the year there are still lots of things that can be done on a crisp and cold day which will set you up for the coming year.

- ◆ Take all of the old leaves off of your Hellebores now, the old leaves can attract black spot and by taking the old leaves off you are reducing the chance of disease and encouraging the plant to re-produce. This means loads of fresh flowers from December onwards and don't worry the new leaves will come in the spring. You will get a much better display by removing the old leaves.
- ◆ Rhubarb loves the cold, if it is not really performing then dig it up and check for Vine Weevil larvae which eat the roots. Then just chuck it on top of the ground and let the frost really get into the root through the winter, plant it again in the spring in a nicely dug spot with lots of well-rotted compost and BOOM! It will be like a teenager again....
- ◆ If it's raining then why not build an insect hotel? All you need is a few canes cut into short lengths a few cones and some sticks, put them in a box with both sides open and leave it in the greenhouse and this will provide a safe home for beneficial insects which will benefit you in the spring.
- ◆ Make sure that Geraniums, Dahlias and Begonia corms are now inside and dry away from the cold, give the geraniums a well ventilated area and remember to give them a little water (not too much) but no feed through the winter.
- ◆ Protect soft plants like Banana plants by wrapping them with fleece and they will thank you again in the spring with a fresh new growth to enjoy.
- ◆ Plant pots with Pansies, Violas, Ivy, Thyme, Rosemary, Hebe, Conifer, and bulbs which will give you some colour through the winter and bulbs will pop up when you most need some colour in your life.
- ◆ Wash all your pots and trays and leave them in a warm sunny spot, we use Jeyes Fluid which is cheap and does a good job of cleaning and sterilising the pots and trays for the coming year
- ◆ Most important enjoy the garden in the winter, it is amazing how you can waste an hour or so just pottering in the garden. It's good for the soul.

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### Wiltshire Council "We're Targeting Fly-tippers Campaign"

Wiltshire Council has launched a reward campaign to reduce fly-tipping throughout the county. They are urging anyone with any information about fly-tipping in Wiltshire to report it to them with as much information as possible, and any successful prosecution will earn a voucher of up to **£200** for the person who reported it.

**IMPORTANT:** Do not try to rummage through or disturb the waste, as this could affect the scene and put people in danger. It is also essential that people do not attempt to confront anyone who is fly-tipping or put themselves in danger in any way.

To report fly-tipping in Wiltshire, or to find out more about the campaign, including terms and conditions, go to:

**[www.wiltshire.gov.uk/community-environment-wtf](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/community-environment-wtf)**





## Prospect Hospice's Annual Remembrance Service, "Light up a Life"...



...is a time in the calendar that many in our local *Remembrance Day* community look forward to. It is a time for us to collectively reflect on the year and think about those people who are no longer with us. For us to come together as a community and share the joy of their memory – and, importantly, to support each other as we mourn their loss.

**On Sunday 6 December**, Prospect Hospice will be holding their first ever virtual Light up a Life service, so everyone in our community can watch through smart TVs, tablets, PCs or smart phones. The event is open to everyone as we share a ceremony of favourite readings and Christmas carols at this special time of year. The highlight of the event, as always, will be the switching on of the tree lights – each light shining brightly in memory of someone special.

**To find out more about the service this year, sign up and see how your support at this time of year helps Prospect Hospice care for those in our community, visit [www.prospect-hospice.net/lightuplife](http://www.prospect-hospice.net/lightuplife).**

### Sophie Waight "Swim The Channel Challenge for Aspire"

Sophie (from Compton) was selected as one of a 6-strong all-female relay team "Possum" to swim the Channel, one of the busiest shipping channels in the world – maybe in the dark and probably with jelly-fish – in only a cossie, hat and goggles (wetsuits not allowed).



In her words "all that silliness was in aid of a wonderful charity called "Aspire" who support people with spinal injuries. Every 4 hours someone in the UK is paralysed by a spinal-chord injury. Aspire provide practical help, supporting spinal-chord injured people to independence.

"Our crossing got brought forward due to a weather window and the uncertainty of everything at that moment. Team Possum crossed to France on 6th August in a time of 13 hours 52 minutes. It was a long but amazing day."

**Huge congratulations and well done to Sophie for raising over £2,700.**

### COVID19 (Coronavirus) - Wiltshire Council

For the most up to date information on Council services that may be affected by COVID-19 and health advice and information, please visit

<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/public-health-coronavirus>. This will be regularly updated for all Council services and will hold all information in a central place.

Please feel free to contact **Ian Blair-Pilling** if you have concerns or questions, which you would like him to pursue.

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## A Taste of South America Episode 7 - From Peru to Bolivia

The next day we set out by public bus to Desaguadero, the border separating Peru and Bolivia and where we bid a sad farewell to our wonderful guide Desi. After clearing border control, our luggage checked we boarded back on the bus to continue our journey on to La Paz, Bolivia.



Wow La Paz! I don't think we have ever entered a city which has left such an impression. La Paz is located in a steep canyon, surrounded by snow peaked mountains and dramatic land formations carved by giant, melted ice glaciers. The city centre, Plaza Murillo is located at 3636m above sea level, some 400m below the altiplano with and the sprawling city of El Alto perched precariously above this on the canyons rim. La Paz has a population of 1.3 million a scene quite easy to see with the vast expanse of buildings, houses, apartments stretching for miles. To accommodate this number of residents, and those in the surrounding cities including El Alto with a population of

1.2 million. The steep canyon sides and cities are joined by a network of 10 cable car systems. Fantastic, something more cities/countries should adopt to help with growing populations, reducing emissions and enabling quicker and easier access for all. The cable cars are also a great way to see the city and give you that awe-inspiring view of the cast city below and surrounding countryside.

Our first full day in La Paz we moved hotels, out to a quieter more residential area. A decision we made before we left in view that after spending a month travelling with others we may want some time on our together. This is now turned out to be our honeymoon after all (I still feel cheated about that!)

The next day we took a challenge only one side of the family knew we were contemplating doing, cycling the death road. I wasn't going to let my family in on that secret, especially knowing how accident prone I am! What an adventure it was and one we can both safely say done that, got the t-shirt! The death road was built in 1930 linking La Paz to the Yungas region.



This infamous narrow dirt road is cut precariously into the side of the mountain and descends 2,000m (6,500 feet). With 1,000m+ (3,300 feet) sheer drops, rock overhangs and cascading waterfalls. Because of the lack of guardrails, rain, and fog, the road was considered dangerous, claiming more than 300 lives per year. Nowadays the road is used mostly by tourists, completing the 64 km long road, 3500 m descent by bike. Kitted out with our bikes, helmet, gloves and clothes we were ready to accept the challenge! The journey started with an hour's drive to La Cumbre (4,700m/15,400 ft), with views of snow-covered peaks, including Huayna Potosí (6,088m/19,973 ft). After a safety briefing and ritual of tipping sugar cane alcohol on the road, bike wheel, taking a small sip and asking Patchama to look after us we set off for a 22km downhill ride on asphalt, the first part being on the new road built to replace the death road. My only complaint about this section was my bike didn't go fast enough! We then had an optional 10km of 'undulating' road to the start of death road. The sensible ones chose the scenic option in the van, Dallas rode! Now it was time for safety briefing #2. We now had to ride on the left side of the road, ledge side, giving way to oncoming traffic coming up the death road. This is the rule of the road because those driving mountain edge can then gauge and position their wheels as close to the edge as safely possible! There was an exception to this when cycling past waterfalls, landslides and narrow strips of road where there are no safety barriers! Not that safety barriers were a common theme!

The ride was great, hairy at times due to the loose gravel, tight corners and larger rocks in the road to avoid, affectionately termed 'baby's head' due to their size! The views were amazing, surrounded by steep lush green mountains, the road snaking down in front and finally in the distance to a small town nestled amongst the trees. Our ride came to an end at

Yosola (1,100m/3,600) where we had lunch at a wildlife rehabilitation centre, joined at the table by a baby monkey. We then took the 3hr ride back to La Paz via the new death road, much less hair raising and safer than the original road!

We had another free day in La Paz before the start of final adventure our 'Bolivian highlights tour'. We spent this time just relaxing, soaking up the sights and sounds of the city, riding the cable cars to once again be mesmerised by this vast magnificent city stretching out below us. We also spent one afternoon doing a food with altitude tour. This took us round several local markets where we got to savour some local cuisine. We tasted two soups, sopa de mani, peanut and potato and chairo, a local soup made with rehydrated potato, beans, peas, local herbs, pork and crackling. Delicious. We had deep fried karachi and mauri 2 types of fish found and caught from lake Titicaca (40% of lake Titicaca is in Bolivia, 60% Peru). Our tour also included eating fruit salad and tasting some of Bolivia's finest chocolate, again delicious.

During the tour we also wandered the streets and through the local cemetery. As odd as this may seem it was an amazing sight. The cemetery is located in the heart of the city, cable car running above. Graves are stacked horizontally, up to 5 high and stretch in rows 30m long. Each grave can be hired for up to 15yrs. The coffin sits behind a front window, sometimes glass enclosed and decorated with pictures, photos, flowers. Offerings of food, drink, coca leaves, anything friends or family wish to leave and favoured by the deceased. We visited a few days after mothers' day where grave fronts also contained small musical boxes, filling the air with faint, musical tunes. A sad but touching gesture. Catholicism is the main religion in Bolivia, with many holding strong beliefs in reincarnation., one's soul being released and continued in a new after life.



We also visited the local cocoa museum. An interesting insight to its history, uses, benefits and cultural importance. A traditional that continues daily with many chewing coca leaves and drinking tea to help with altitude sickness and assist with working long shifts!

Now the start of our Bolivia adventure begins. We have a new group of 6 completing this trip with us: 1 Brit, 1 Kiwi, 3 Aussies and our good friend Adrienne, a Canadian, who we had the pleasure of meeting and travelling through southern India with and has joined us for this trip. Super great to see her - a fellow nurse who one day I hope to find myself working and travelling with, possibly on a mercy ship - my turn to earn some pennies whilst Dallas plays handyman or pool boy! Our journey started with a bus trip from La Paz to Uyuni, in southwest Bolivia. Uyuni is home to the world's largest salt flats and for what would be the start of our 3 day 4-wheel drive into Salar de Uynui and the Andean dessert and salt flats.

Setting off in 2 vehicles and joined by an Australian couple, we first headed to the train cemetery. A backdrop of old, disused trains, carriages, engines and old cargo trailers, rusting in the salty plains. A spectacle to photograph and an adventure playground to climb around. Next stop was at a local salt packaging plant. I use the word plant in the loosest of terms! A back yard with three ground chimneys on top of which the salt is dried, then put through a hand machine to be crushed, iodine added and then finally a lady bags by hand, then seals the bag on an open flame with a hot iron rod! We then headed off into the salt plain. A bizarre sight of bright dazzling white and what looks as if it's snow or ice covering for miles. It may not have been snow but believe me it certainly felt like it, freezing cold, ice cream headache in the toes!



Our first mission was off to find some water to capture the surrounding mountain scenery, perfectly reflected in the water below.

The first night's accommodation was salt hotel, a homestay made entirely from salt. Salt blocks for walls, carved to form benches, bedframes and granulated salt creating a rather crunchy, unique floor. Very cool and somewhere we are never likely to experience staying again. Our next day took us further into the salts...(sorry - that's next month! Ed.)

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In Wiltshire, we are trying to increase our reach to the public with a number of initiatives to make our communities more aware of our service and encourage its use. We are also looking for volunteer 'Ambassadors' within individual parishes to help us stay aware of local issues and promote the use of the service.

Public reporting of crime and anti-social behaviour using 999 or 101 is sometimes inhibited through fear of identification, and thus also of recrimination or reprisal. In providing a 100%-guaranteed anonymous reporting system through Crimestoppers using the number 0800 555 111, we hope to overcome those fears and thus make our communities safer for all. In the last year alone, anonymous reports of crime to Crimestoppers in our county have led to a number of convictions.

One of our objectives this year is to make more people in Wiltshire, especially the more vulnerable members of our communities, aware of the Crimestoppers reporting service through the parish magazines of the County. We hope, for example, to keep the Crimestoppers logo and contact details constantly in the public eye through regular placements in publications such as these.

Finally, as a volunteer Committee we are always looking for people to help our cause and kindly give us their time to make our communities safer; if you know of anyone who may be interested please do let me know.

**Matt McGinn****Chairman Wiltshire Crimestoppers.**Email: [matthew.mcgin227@mod.gov.uk](mailto:matthew.mcgin227@mod.gov.uk)

## Christmas Gift Wrapping



Prospect Hospice is once again planning its annual Christmas gift wrapping service for December 2020. The gift wrapping, which has been kindly sponsored for a second year by Marlborough based business, Soft Options, is entirely manned by volunteers and will take place at the Brunel Shopping Centre in Swindon.

For dates, times and more information, visit  
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Thursday	Camera Club	8.00pm – 9.00pm 1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday in the month	Martin Webb 01980 670537 <a href="mailto:webb14@btinternet.com">webb14@btinternet.com</a>
Thursday	Gardening Club	7.00pm – 9.00pm 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday in the month	Fanny Middleton 01980 671645 <a href="mailto:fannysurtees@btinternet.com">fannysurtees@btinternet.com</a>
Saturday	Enford Junior Football Club	10.00am - 11.00am Recreation Ground	Ollie Stagg 01980 670634 Steve Todd <a href="mailto:stodd@qinetiq.com">stodd@qinetiq.com</a>
Sunday	Salisbury League Durrington Football Club	11.00am – 1.00pm Check dates with organiser	Scott Jackson Mob 07854 284451 <a href="mailto:scott3a@hotmail.co.uk">scott3a@hotmail.co.uk</a>

### Private Parties

**The Village Hall is the perfect venue for Weddings and special Anniversaries or Birthdays. It is also ideal for Children's Parties and Christening Celebrations – or for any other excuse for a celebration!**

## VILLAGE COMMITTEES

### PARISH COUNCIL

<b>Chairman</b>	Richard Roberts	671055
<b>Vice Chairman</b>	Mark Hiskett (PROW)	670955
<b>PCC Representative</b>		
<b>Public Rights of Way</b>		
<b>Planning</b>	Peter Cliffe-Roberts	671676
<b>Parish Clerk</b>	Elizabeth Harrison	670034
<b>Playpark/Village Amenities</b>	Jane Young	670532
<b>and Youth Representative</b>		
<b>Neighbourhood Watch/</b>	Charlotte Clark	670276
<b>Police Liaison</b>		
<b>Tidworth Area Board and</b>	Anthony D'Arcy Irvine	670501
<b>Village Hall Representative</b>		
<b>Flood Warden</b>	Bruce Waight	670113
<b>No specific role</b>	Pat Holdway	671792
<b>No specific role</b>	Vick Exley	07870 189235
<b>Steward contact</b>	Rob Coulthard	670967

### NETHERAVON SCHOOL

<b>Chairman of Governors</b>	Mr Richard March
<b>Head Teacher</b>	Mrs Gillian Durrans

### NEWSLETTER

<b>Chair</b>	<b>Vacant</b>
<b>Vice Chair &amp; PC Rep</b>	Jane Young
<b>Secretary &amp; Advertising</b>	Jeni Scott-Dalgleish
	Roz Perry
<b>Treasurer</b>	Jacqui Elkins
<b>Village Hall Rep</b>	Sue Cosgrove
<b>Compiler:</b>	Gay Monk
<b>Committee Member</b>	Ann Houghton
<b>Committee Member</b>	

### PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

<b>Church Wardens</b>	Tim Edwards
<b>Treasurer</b>	Tom Hunter
<b>Secretary</b>	Tom Hunter
<b>Council Members:</b>	Mary Burdick
	Sue de Candole
	Anastasia Dubovik
	Venetia Field
	Fiona Leakey
	Fanny Middleton

### VILLAGE HALL

<b>Chairman and</b>	Judy D'Arcy-Irvine
<b>Booking Officer</b>	<b>(670501)</b>
<b>Vice Chairman</b>	<b>Vacant</b>
<b>PC Rep</b>	A D'Arcy-Irvine
<b>Secretary</b>	Hamish Scott-Dalgleish
<b>Camera Club</b>	Jane Young
<b>Newsletter</b>	Jacqui Elkins
<b>Property Officer</b>	David Spencer
<b>Grounds Officer</b>	Hamish Scott-Dalgleish
<b>Gardening Club</b>	Rosemary Cox
<b>Short Mat Bowls</b>	David Spencer
<b>Junior Football Club</b>	Ollie Stagg

<b>YOUR DIARY November 2020 (For regular Village Hall dates, see page 30)</b>		
1st	Sun	Holy Communion, 9.30am Enford Church
2nd	Mon	
3rd	Tue	
4th	Wed	
5th	Thu	<b>Household Waste</b> /Camera Club, 7:30pm Enford V Hall or ZOOM - check with organiser p8
6th	Fri	
7th	Sat	
8th	Sun	Remembrance Service at the Lychgate, 9.00am Enford Church
9th	Mon	
10th	Tue	<b>Black box, Blue bin</b> /Parish Council meeting 7:30pm Village Hall
11th	Wed	
12th	Thu	Gardening Club, 6:45pm for 7:15pm Vhall
13th	Fri	
14th	Sat	
15th	Sun	Informal Family Service, 9.30am Enford Church
16th	Mon	
17th	Tue	
18th	Wed	
19th	Thu	<b>Household Waste</b>
20th	Fri	
21st	Sat	
22nd	Sun	
23rd	Mon	
24th	Tue	<b>Black box, Blue bin</b>
25th	Wed	
26th	Thu	
27th	Fri	
28th	Sat	
29th	Sun	
30th	Mon	