

# Southwick Village News

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**SOUTHWICK ENTERTAINERS  
PRESENT**

# **DANGEROUS DOLLS**



**FRIDAY 14TH AND SATURDAY 15TH JULY  
7.30PM @ SOUTHWICK VILLAGE HALL**

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A light hearted look at what happens when Santa takes a well earned summer holiday and takes his eye off the ball.... The elves take over the toy shop and attempt to replace all the old-fashioned toys with clones of themselves! It is down to a group of rejected dolls to outwit them, and show Santa that they are worthy of a place in the front window.

Tickets £8.00 each or £28.00 for groups of four  
to include a two course ploughman's supper.

## Village organisations and Local Services

Southwick Parish Council has eleven elected members and meets on the third Tuesday each month in the village hall. Council meetings are open to the public and copies of the minutes may be seen on both PC notice boards, one situated by the bus stop outside Teeside and the other at the entrance road to the village hall.

### Members of the Parish Council

<b>Chair:</b>	<b>Mr. D.J. Jackson</b>	Mutton Marsh Farm, Southwick, BA14 9PE	07837 154517
<b>Vice chair</b>	<b>Mrs. K. Noble</b>	230 Chantry Gardens, Southwick, BA14 9QX	01225 352503
	<b>Mr. S.D. Carey</b>	Longfield, Frome Road, Southwick, BA14 9NJ	01225 764210
	<b>Mr. G.E. Clayton</b>	5 Blind Lane, Southwick, BA14 9PQ	01225 762447
	<b>Mrs. T.J. Curry</b>	Bramley Cottage, 26 Blind Lane, Southwick, BA14 9PG	07771807080
	<b>Mr. J. Eaton</b>	30 Blind Lane, Southwick, BA14 9PG	
	<b>Mrs. J.C. Jones</b>	28 Blind Lane, Southwick, BA14 9PG	01225 764223
	<b>Mr. F. Moreland</b>	Dead Maids Close, Chapmanslade, Westbury, BA13 4AD	07981 948348
	<b>Mr. E.G. Pomeroy</b>	14 Hollis Way, Southwick, BA14 9PH	01225 755541
	<b>Mr. B. Sansom</b>	19 Blind Lane, Southwick, BA14 9PG	01225 761928
	<b>Mr. L. Weeks</b>	2 Blind Lane, Southwick, BA14 9PQ	01225 760848
<b>County Councillor</b>	<b>Mr. H. Prickett</b>	2 Hawkeridge Road, Yarnbrook, Trowbridge, BA14 6AD	01225 767685
Parish Clerk	Currently vacant		

Organisation	Telephone Number
Wiltshire Council, Customer Services	0300 456 0100
WC All Planning Matters	0300 456 0100
WC Highways & Street Lighting	0300 456 0105
WC Dog Warden	0300 456 0107
WC Trading Standards	0845 404 0506
Trowbridge Town Council	01225 765072
Police (non emergency)	101
Police & fire emergency	999
Fire service Trowbridge (non emergency)	01225 756530
Fire & Rescue safety checks	01380 723601
Selwood Housing	01225 715715
Crimestoppers	0800 555111
National Benefit Fraud Team	0800 854440
Citizen's Advice Bureau	03454 040506
Good Neighbour Co-ordinator Lise Griffiths	07557 922031
Trowbridge Community Area Link	07969 347042

Dentists in the Trowbridge area	Telephone number
Colman & Starkey, Timbrell Street	01225 753198
Mortimer Dental Practice, Mortimer Street	01225 765116
Oasis Dental Care, Stallard Street	01225 777170
Dental Care, The Halve	01225 430545
My Dentist, Unit 2, Meadow Court, Staverton	01225 351333

Doctors & NHS	
Adcroft Surgery	01225 435757
Bradford Road Medical Centre	01225 435711
Lovemead Group, Roundstone	01225 759850
NHS Direct (Day & Night advice line)	111
Trowbridge Community Hospital	01225 711300
Widbrook Medical Practice	01225 757120
A & G Minibuses (Hospital Rover Service)	01985 212213

Opticians	
Boots Opticians & Hearing Centre	01225 719055
Carter & Harding, Fore Street	01225 752143
Haine & Smith, The Shires	01225 776871
Specsavers, The Shires	01225 775434
RD White, Roundstone Street	01225 753172

Chemists & Pharmacies	
Boots The Chemists, Adcroft	01225 774643
Boots The Chemists, Roundstone	01225 775543
Boots The Chemists, The Gateway (until midnight)	01225 752068
Cohen's Chemist, Wingfield Road	01225 775030
Cohen's Chemist, Bradford Road	01225 753104
Superdrug, The Shires	01225 777835
Tesco Extra, County Way (until midnight)	01225 572604

Primary & Junior Schools	Telephone number
Southwick CE Primary, Hollis Way	01225 763325
St. John's Primary, Wingfield Road	01225 752006
Busy Bees Preschool, Hollis Way, Southwick	01225 753262
Secondary Schools	
Clarendon College, Frome Road	01225 762686
St. Augustine's, Wingfield Road	01225 350001
St. Lawrence, Ashley Road, BOA	01225 309500
The John of Gaunt, Wingfield Road	01225 762637
Wiltshire College, College Road	01225 766241

#### Editor's bit

Please email, telephone or post any of your articles of interest and news for future issues to me, John Fox.  
My email is [williamjohnfox@hotmail.com](mailto:williamjohnfox@hotmail.com) and my telephone number is 01225 762930.  
My home address is 30 Fleur de Lys Drive, Southwick, BA14 9QH if you want to drop me a line.  
Please send me any items for publication by the 15th of the preceding month of publication, (ie 15th March for the April edition, etc.)  
Please keep your articles coming in and can we have some stories, poems, jokes, etc., anything to keep us entertained.

For all Village information, walks etc plus Parish Council news, minutes and planning applications please see our website.

**[www.southwickwilts.co.uk](http://www.southwickwilts.co.uk)**

A copy of this newsletter will be available to read at this website, every month I forward an electronic copy to the website for inclusion in the future. Some past editions can also be viewed there. So, if you have friends or relations that live away from Southwick, please tell them about the website and explain how they can keep up with local Southwick news.

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**Annual Report of the Parish Council**

The Chairman presented the Annual Report of the Parish Council thus:

We have had ten ordinary meetings this year and two extraordinary ones to discuss planning applications. We received 22 applications, two of which concerned large scale development of up to 250 new homes. Southwick Parish Council has responded to the Redrow application and our response to the Gladman one is imminent.

Another year has passed and despite Councillor's efforts we still haven't been able to resolve the parking problems at Arnold Noad Corner.

We now have a Parish Steward who visits the village two days per month to carry out minor works.

In June we had Wiltshire Council's agreement to a neighbourhood plan, together with a map defining the Civil Parish of Southwick. It was resolved in July to support the development of a neighbourhood plan. A briefing session to be arranged when the new councillors take office.

During the year, Cllr. Stephen Jones resigned and Cllrs. Doel, Master and West did not seek re-election.

Roger Coleman, our Clerk for the past 5 1/2 years resigned. In October, we appointed Leon Karas, who submitted his resignation in January, but kindly agreed to remain in office until a new clerk was appointed. We advertised a vacancy in the Wiltshire Times, Westbury News and WALC and received six applications and after interviewing all six Patrick Abrahams was appointed. Unfortunately, he too has now resigned so from this evening we do not have a clerk.

Finally, thanks go to John Fox for doing an excellent job producing the Southwick Village News, to PCSO Ellie Porter for her monthly reports and to my fellow Councillors for their work and support through what has been a rather traumatic year.

**SOUTHWICK SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB**

It is eighteen years since we started playing bowls in Southwick, in those days we played three times a week, now we only play on Tuesday afternoons at 2pm.

I would like to hear from anyone who would be interested in playing on a Friday evening, age is no barrier and anyone can play.

If you are interested, please give me, Kath Noble a call on 01225 352503.

## **Southwick Sports and Social Club**

**The Village Hall, Southwick, Trowbridge, BA14 9QN Tel 01225 753667**

The Club, which is based at Southwick village hall, is open to all whether you live in the village or not. We have a nice spacious club room with both table and bay seating; see the web site gallery for photos. We have Sky Sports and BT Sports, so you can enjoy the friendly ambiance while you watch various sporting events on the our big screen TV (HD projector). The football season is now come to an end, but you can still watch cricket, boxing, motor racing F1 plus many other sports along with various music video sites.

At the moment, membership of the Club is £7-50 which compares extremely well with other clubs in the area. Non-members can be signed in for 50p a visit, which is limited to 10 visits. With reasonably priced drinks, it means you can save the cost of the membership fee with one or two visits!

With regard to facilities, we have a pool table, which is only 50p per game, along with a pool team in the Trowbridge league. There is **free pool** on Monday & Friday evenings and Sunday lunchtime. Players meet on Monday nights and either play matches or practise. We also have a ladies darts team who play on Monday nights.

The skittle season is now nearly finished and the Social Club's team, who are in division 3, have finished up mid table this year despite a poor start to the season.

The Beehive cricket team, who are based at the club, have had a most excellent start to the season. Last week, Chris Warren hit a team best, getting 190 runs in just 136 balls as the Beehive battered local rivals Bradford-on-Avon by 176



runs. He scored 24 fours, 4 sixes and set the tone by hitting successive boundary's from 3 balls of the opening over and brought up his 50 on just 26 deliveries as the team hit 95 without loss from 10 overs. You can watch the team play on the playing field while relaxing with a beer on our balcony on a Saturday afternoon with good views of the Westbury White Horse as a bonus.

The crib season starts on the 30<sup>th</sup> May and the team who play on Tuesday nights will try and emulate last season where they excelled themselves by winning the league and three cups! Again, they wish to thank Shanleys of Trowbridge and the club for the support that has been given to them.

If anyone is interested in joining any of the teams you can get further information in the Club. Our recently purchased 'Table Football' game is still proving very popular with the younger element. The Club has run various events this year, including excellent quiz nights which are now being held on the **second** Sunday of each month. All our functions can be found on the Club web site. The weekly Sunday meat draw, has now ended for the time being.

So, if anyone is interested in joining the Club with its friendly, relaxed atmosphere and excellent value (families welcome), then either pop into the Club or contact any of the committee members, phone the above number on any evening or email us. We have a wide range of beers & spirits, a pool table, dartboard and are open Mon to Thu from 5pm to 11pm; Fri and Sat from 12 noon to 11pm; Sun 12 noon to 10:30pm.

Web site : [sssc.southwick.org.uk](http://sssc.southwick.org.uk) Email : [sssc@southwick.org.uk](mailto:sssc@southwick.org.uk) **H. Milburn, Secretary.**



### **Fathers vs Sons Annual Charity Cricket Match**



A wonderful nostalgic event for fathers who haven't played perhaps since their school days.

A great amount of fun and mickey taking when a father is bowled by his son, or of course, the other way around.

It is a contest between the generations. You don't necessarily need to be a father/son combination, and if you would like to take part as a single player we will slot you into whichever team most suits your age group best.

Our game is played as a genuine contest, but it is not really for adult club cricketers, although 12 – 14 year olds who regularly play in a team are most welcome.

Since its conception we have raised over £10,000 for various charities, many of which are local.

Come and join us for a great day's fun. You can play all day, morning only or afternoon only. It is entirely up to you.

This year's game will take place on a Saturday 8th July.

Please contact Roger on 01225 763537, 07782 106396 or email [rogergowen@hotmail.com](mailto:rogergowen@hotmail.com)



Villagers will have been saddened to hear of the recent deaths of Beryl Haydock, Peter Jones, Phil Allgood, Jenny Pinchin and Peter Simpson.

**Beryl Haydock** passed away earlier this year. Beryl formed the 1st Southwick Guide unit in 1979 and organised many camps and holidays for the guides including trips to Switzerland over the years until she retired in 1991. She was actively involved in creating the Southwick and North Bradley Scout and Guide Band and helped with fundraising for the band. She became a Venture Scout Leader in the village and enjoyed a special trip with them to Dominica. Although Beryl didn't live in Southwick, she encouraged so many young people from the village to try new things and particularly enjoy the out of doors. Rachel Cadby

**Peter Jones:** Formerly of Wesley Lane and who was for many years Chairman of the Southwick & North Bradley Scout Group and also the treasurer of the Southwick Seniors.

**Phil Allgood** of Hollis Way. Phil was born in Cambridge and grew up there, where he and Cathy met and married. They moved to Wiltshire in 1976 because, geographically, it was a more convenient place for Phil to work from as a Sales & Marketing Engineer. They moved to Southwick in 1980 and although he retired a number of years ago, they already considered Wiltshire as their home and decided not to move away. He was well known for his love of photography and was more than happy to take photographs of friends, families, children and pets and any events in the village. Cathy.

**Jenny Pinchin** of Hoggington Lane. Southwick lost one of its life long residents with the death of Jen Pinchin. Born at "SunnySide" Hoggington Lane she was the youngest of five children and lived in the same house all her life. She was a very popular member of the community and as a very keen gardener she was a regular exhibitor at the annual Southwick Show, winning many prizes and trophies but never accepting her prize monies. She was also a dedicated nature and animal lover supporting various charities. The community was well represented at her recent funeral where condolences sympathy went out to all her family. Contributed.

**Peter Simpson** of Southfields. Approximately 28 years ago Pat Simpson, Pete's wife wanted to start an amateur drama group in the village. Pete gave Pat £50 to start the group, this financed the first production. Pete was always heavily involved in the Southwick Entertainers and from then on supporting Pat, never on stage but always there with his camera, keeping a photographic memory of the shows. Pete was always an honorary member of the Entertainers, still being invited to each show after Pat became ill and sadly passed away. Pete was a loved friend of all of us, he was appreciated by the group for starting us on our way. He will be sadly missed but never forgotten. Jeff Bendell, Chairman of Southwick Entertainers

Condolences are expressed to the family and friends of Beryl Haydock, Peter Jones, Phil Allgood, Jenny Pinchin and Peter Simpson & also to those of any others of whom we are not aware.

Please let me know if there are any announcements that you may like me to include in future "Village News", such as births, engagements, christenings, forthcoming weddings, anniversaries, in memorium, etc. As long as they are for private individuals, they will be no charge. I will try to include any notices, but please be aware that this is a bi-monthly magazine, so make sure you give me plenty of warning.

Thanks,  
The Editor

# Southwick and North Bradley Scout Group

Charity No. 279324



Beavers continue to enjoy evenings of "Fun and Friends" taking part in activities both indoor and outdoor. Highlights being a walk in Clanger Wood.

**BEAVERS**

A new term and better weather sees the Cubs spending much time outside during pack meetings; We followed a Woodland Trust Interactive Trails and Leaf Detection Activity in Clanger Wood, Revised out Compass work in the Country Park and Look forward to Geo Caching Hikes and Camp Craft Activity.



**cubs**

This Term Scouts working on their Expedition Challenge Award. Hopefully By the end of the Term all of our Scouts will have achieved it. We have also been enjoying the better weather. We are looking forward to Caving, Archery and Kayaking/ Canoeing before the end of term.



**SCOUTS**

## CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Jack Wills who has received his Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award, which is to be presented in Edinburgh in July. Jack has been in scouting since age six. Moving through the sections & continuing into his University years.

### Spring Quiz

Many thanks to everybody who took part in what was another very enjoyable evening. Congratulations to the overall winners "The Hybrids" a team from North Bradley consisting of Wendy Armitage, Pat Darling and Celia & Gordon Russell who are regular competitors at the quiz evenings.

Sections meet at Southwick & North Bradley Scout HQ.

Tuesday:

**SCOUTS**

Thursday:

**cubs**

Friday:

**BEAVERS**

### Contact Us:

If you would like to contact us about joining the group or volunteering our contact information is available via our website:

<http://sandnbscoutgroup.wixsite.com/snbgroup>

Or

Email: [contactsnbgroup@gmail.com](mailto:contactsnbgroup@gmail.com)

**JULY 8<sup>th</sup> - FAMILY FUN DAY at HQ,**

**11AM – 4 PM.**

**Full details will be available soon,  
so keep an eye out!**



## **FAMILY BINGO EVENINGS**

AT SOUTHWICK VILLAGE HALL

**on Wednesdays**

May 9th

June 13th

July 11th

Aug 8th

**ADMISSION: 50p**



**BOOKS: 80p**



Southwick & North Bradley Scout Group  
Charity No. 279324

## **FAMILY FUNDRAISING BBQ**



With a variety of stalls and music including the Annual Charity Draw

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

From 5pm – 9pm

at

Pound Farm, Frome Road, Southwick

\*\*\* Bring your own drinks \*\*\*



**WE COULDN'T DO IT  
WITHOUT YOU!**

FOOD AVAILABLE  
Hot Dogs £2  
Burgers £2.50  
Cheeseburgers £3.50



# 1<sup>st</sup> Southwick Guides



The guides enjoyed a visit to Legoland with the Brownies and Rainbows, and despite all the queues had an amazing day. The guides have been busy with Easter activities, team building games and planning their activities for this summer term. This will include their own "Race for Life event" and taking part in an archery competition.

The guides visited the Southwick Church to give it a "Spring Clean" and polish the brass. The guides are now learning skills for our Summer Camp, including knots, fire safety and cooking out of doors on wood fires. Camp this year will be at Foxlease in the New Forest.

We have welcomed Alice as a new member to the unit and several of the guides are planning to make their guide Promise at the trampoline park.

Thank you for donating your Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers to the guides. Any remaining 2017 vouchers can be left at the Southwick Scout HQ until 5<sup>th</sup> June.

Sparky (R Cadby) Guide Leader



## Southwick School



It is difficult to believe that we are so close to the end of another year in school. The Y6 children have done their SATS, have been on their residential visit to Barton Hall, had a visit from a member of staff from their next school and are now preparing for their end of term play. The Y2 children have also been busy with their SATS tasks but were still able to go swimming each week. At the start of the sessions, there were several children who did not want to get into the water but they have persevered and some are now able to swim a width. Well done to them all!

During terms five and six, the learning focus has been linked to Design and Technology which has included topics on castles, chocolate, clothing, giants, space and refugees and migrants. As well as designing and making, the children have also thought about the processes needed to make or carry out tasks such as how chocolate is made, or how to make parts of a castle. They have used different texts and stories as a stimulus for their English and cross curricular writing and leaflets, instructions and explanations have been produced about a variety of things, including sweat shops in India and the rights of the child.

The PTA have organised a fun run around the school grounds for June 8th and the proceeds will be used to develop our outside learning curriculum. They will be running for 30 minutes and having their lap card stamped after each circuit. Will some parents be keen and take up the challenge and run with their children? I wonder who will achieve the most?

The Summer Fayre will also be happening soon so watch out for posters around the village and come and support us. Let's hope the weather is kinder to us than last year!

## Island Diggers Adrian Harris Tel: 07880 552588

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## NOMADS BRIDGE CLUB

We meet at the Southwick Village Hall every Tuesday @ 7pm  
Play Duplicate Bridge  
Guests pay £2 each

For more information, please contact me by Email: [caroline.edmondson@gmail.com](mailto:caroline.edmondson@gmail.com)  
Or telephone me on 01225 436183



## **Southwick Playing Field Management Committee**

The following report was given by Mr. Ted Pomeroy, Chairman, Southwick Playing Field Management Committee:

During the past year, the Committee which now meets on Thursdays has held 5 meetings all of which have been well attended with the members endeavouring to ensure that the field is maintained to the best of their ability. Once again, the provision of well maintained play equipment has been given top priority. This has included the provision of new baby swings and repairs being carried out to the cradle swing following severe vandalism although sadly the ever popular climbing frame had to be removed. Continuing the need for overall safety, major work has been carried out to the trees bordering the Southfield Estate. Here we must thank the residents for their co-operation in ensuring that the work was completed satisfactorily and I must also thank Chris Rowe for supplying the hedging plants need to fill a large gap and also thank Dave Aland and Ian for doing the work.

Once again, the continued lack of responsibility by some dog owners continue to cause concern not only for the committee but also some villagers.

This year the "Fades" Football team have been using the pitch on Sunday mornings but with too many blank weeks, this has not been too successful. The field has also been used by the Southwick Beehive cricket teams, Trowbridge Town youth football teams and Southwick & North Bradley Scout Group, the Southwick Show and several smaller groups.

Regular maintenance has been carried out by Richard Dent, Jackson & Sons and J.L.Pethers. Special thanks go to Cllr. Doel who has given invaluable help when needed and also to Southwick Parish Council for their continued financial support.

Finally as Chairman, I must thank all the Committee members for their support and also to the small number of villagers who help from time to time when needed so that between us, we try to ensure that the field which is our War Memorial remains an asset for everyone.

## **Southwick Village Hall Committee : Chairman's Report 11th April 2017.**

In my report at last year's AGM, I referred to the splendid way in which our Secretary Kath Noble and Treasurer Brian Johnson brought order out of potential chaos, following my sudden and totally unexpected "hospitalisation". I had previously carried out the duties of Lettings Secretary for several years and we have been continually indebted to Kath for taking on that role in addition to being our secretary. Prior to last year's AGM and the failure to elect a new chair to succeed Chris Parnell I had chaired meetings in my role as vice chair but subsequently resumed the formal chairmanship on the understanding that I was not to be so deeply involved in the day to day running of the hall.

During the past year the main hall floor has been restored, the badminton court re-marked and the lobby & meeting room re-decorated. The Social Club has redecorated and refurbished the upstairs toilets at it's own expense. A decision has been made to replace the folding partitions between hall and annex and this will be accomplished during the current year.

Following much discussion, the hall letting application form and hire conditions were thoroughly revised and a new scale of charges introduced from the beginning of June.

There have been vacancies on the committee for several years and were are delighted to co-opt Georgia Hall in June and Carole McCaw representing Southwick Seniors and David Watson the Social Club in December. Stephen Brown, the Entertainers' representative resigned. A major loss was the resignation of our vital treasurer Brian Johnson, He had done a superb job since joining us in 2014 and, as the accounts for the year ended 31.12.16 show, their presentation has been well attested by independent examiner, Anne Crawford. The small loss on the years working (a surplus before depreciation of assets) is due to the expenditure of the hall floor and redecorating. At the end of the year our secretary reported the splendid news that applications for the hall to benefit from the community provisions promised by the two solar park developers in the parish had both been successful and would provide a very welcome boost to the hall's finances.

As ever, I conclude by thanking all, by their continued support for the hall, have enabled us to prosper and play a vital role as a community asset. I must again especially thank Kath & Brian for steadying the ship when the waters became somewhat turbulent.

Roy Butt.

## A Neighbourhood Plan for Southwick

Although in the past elected as a Parish Councillor, this time I became a Parish Councillor because only 11 candidates stood for the 11 vacancies and hence there was no vote. As a Council we will need to be very mindful of the needs of the whole village, as I note that 6 of us live in Blind Lane.

Luckily an initiative of the previous Parish Council succeeded in getting the whole of our Village designated for a Neighbourhood Plan. North Bradley for example was not so successful and large chunks of village land bordering Trowbridge will be excluded from their plan.

The next steps in the development of our Southwick Neighbourhood Plan will involve lots of public meetings, consultation and engagement, to ensure that all villagers have a say in the future shape and development of our Village. Eventually after the Plan is approved by Wiltshire Council it will become the key planning document, guiding the future shape and development of our Village.

Stephen Carey – Parish Councillor

### SOUTHWICK STROLLERS Spring 2017

A have a walk planned for Saturday 17th June.

We meet at the Village Hall at 10am to start the walk. We take a short break half way round for a rest, drink and snack.  
Do join in, why not give it a try?

Do join us if you want to:

- Get trim and fit for the summer
- Don't feel safe walking by yourself
- Need new routes to walk your dog
- Would like to get to know some of our less used "Rights of Way" of which we have over seventy within Southwick
- Enjoy walking and /or meeting others
- See our two solar farms
- Walk cross country to our neighbouring villages of Wingfield, Rudge, Rode and North Bradley.

Well behaved dogs and or accompanied children that need exercise are most welcome.

Saturday 17th June	5 miles	Hoggington, Wingfield, Tellisford pack horse bridge & Chancefield Farmhouse
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Stephen Carey 01225 764210

Parish Councillor with Special Responsibility for Rights of Way.



### NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



Well here we are well into Summer and the clocks have changed. Already talking of drought conditions with a lack of rainfall throughout April. The village has remained quite quiet crime wise which is surprising considering how much goes on in Trowbridge and some of the surrounding villages. Even something we all consider virtually unheard of in the town, a murder.

Crimes notified to me by the Police for the past two months are:

4 x Domestic violence	2 x Theft	3 x Burglary
2 x Anti Social Behaviour	1 x Arson/ Criminal damage	
4 x Road traffic accidents	1 x Concern for a person's safety	
1 x Assault	2 x Sexual Offences	

There are still the ongoing concerns and problems of poor inconsiderate parking throughout the village. Speeding in Blind Lane combined with people cutting the corners at both ends where Blind Lane and Wesley Lane meet the major roads. This appears to be worse at school times on drop off and pick up. The Saturday park run at the Southwick country park is also causing major concerns with participants now parking from almost outside the Farmhouse Inn to the church at the turn for Silver St Lane. The bend now has a restricted view of oncoming traffic and anything large such as a lorry or bus has great trouble squeezing through. I have over a few weeks noticed quite a few broken wing mirrors but still they park there. The Police and organisers are aware and are apparently working on a solution. I think the event is a victim of its own success.

You will all have seen recent news reports on cyber crime especially involving the NHS. This type of crime is now on the increase and the Police are becoming more aware and involved in dealing with it. Cyber crime is now becoming the nation's most reported crime and we are all becoming victims. Be very aware of what you are being asked to do with computer messages especially any that require you to put in a password. I have even had one from my bank with nearly all my details correct including the phone number of the bank hoping that I wouldn't ring them but I did and the bank who confirmed that it was a con and under no circumstance put in my passwords.

For the co-ordinators reading this I have managed to fix a few dates with the Police for meetings and they will be as follows: Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June, Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November. All at the usual location and time so please note them on your calendars.

Jim Jilbert 763314

email: [wjjilbert@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:wjjilbert@hotmail.co.uk)



## Can You Help Us To Build A Better Future For Your Air Ambulance?



Wiltshire Air Ambulance has been saving lives for over 27 years and work has begun on our new airbase at Semington, near Melksham. The new airbase will bring together our helicopter, aircrew and charity team onto one site for the first time.

The central location of our new airbase will mean our helicopter will be able to reach all parts of Wiltshire within 11 minutes, as it currently does now from its base in Devizes.

Our fundraising appeal for the new airbase has got off to a flying start, but we still need to raise just under £1 million to complete the building and equipping of it.

Can you help us raise the vital funds for our Airbase Appeal? There are lots of different ways you can get involved, such as holding a cake sale, organising a challenge event or uploading a photo for our helicopter mosaic.

We also have fun ways for schools and businesses to get onboard and support our appeal.

Find out more by visiting our special website [www.wiltshireairbaseappeal.co.uk](http://www.wiltshireairbaseappeal.co.uk), call the Charity Team office on 01380 739453 or email [hello@wiltshireairambulance.co.uk](mailto:hello@wiltshireairambulance.co.uk)





## 1<sup>st</sup> Southwick Brownies

This term we welcomed Violet and Chloe to our unit and we hope that they enjoy their time with us. Moonlight Owl completed her adult leadership qualification and her award was presented by our District Commissioner Lighting (Anne Aland).

During this term we went to the Southwick Country Park and had a picnic where the girls made their own sandwiches. Also we had a fab evening playing human hungry hippos and table football which the Brownies really enjoyed. We also had a water evening where we made bubbles using washing up liquid and sugar. The girls made soap boats where they had races to see who's boat was the fastest. We look forward to the West Wilts Division Brownie day which is in July.

Brown Owl, Snowy Owl, Moonlight Owl, Butterfly and Dragonfly



## 1<sup>st</sup> Southwick Rainbows

At the end of last term we had an amazing visit to Legoland along with other Guiding units from our district. Although there was lots of queueing the girls really enjoyed the rides and had a fantastic day. We said good bye to Violet who has moved on to Brownies.

We hope she has a great time.

This term we are celebrating 30 years of Rainbows, we have lots of exciting activities involving 30. We started the term thinking about 30 things we love about being Rainbows. We have had a visit from members of the Trefoil Guild, who told us what it was like to be in guiding 30 years ago. Thanks go to Mary Pomeroy, Jean Bowers and Pat Macey for sharing their time and memories with the girls. Over the half term holiday the girls will be completing a matchbox challenge – fill your box with 30 small things, we look forward to seeing what unusual things they can find.

We have welcomed 4 new Rainbows – Seren, Amelie, Isla and Millie, we hope they will enjoy their time at Rainbows.



## Friends of Southwick Country Park

All through the year events are held in the Country Park organised by the Wiltshire Council Countryside Team and helped by the Friends and volunteers. The events are very popular especially those held within school holidays. On Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July during "Love Parks Week" there is a chance to Help Your Garden Wildlife, encouraging children to make bug hotels and bird feeders.

A second activity held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August is a Nature Trail/Treasure Hunt. Both these events running between 10.00 am and 3.00 pm are drop-in sessions, with a charge of £2.00 per child and adults free.

One of the most popular events and often over-subscribed is "Into the Wild". Held in the Easter and Autumn Half Term, children and adults can learn new skills in the art of den building, fire making and simple campfire cooking. A firm favourite with the Friends there is never a shortage of volunteers. Leo, Senior Warden with Countryside Team organises these sessions and he will be sorely missed when he moves on in the summer.

Recent work has involved blocking some pathways along the lower hardcore path and the Blackthorn Tunnel. This has been necessary to protect some of the old oak trees and hopefully the detours are not too inconvenient. More on that in a later report.

As always, the Friends welcome any volunteers to come along on twice monthly work parties. We meet on the second Wednesday and last Tuesday of the month in the Main Car Park at 9.30 am.

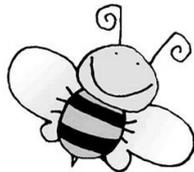
Sarah Marsh



Photos from Dave Galliers. These were taken on one of our "Into the Wild" sessions.



## Busy Bees Southwick



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The children have been exploring stories & books this term. "A bear hunt" cave has arrived and they are growing "Jasper's Beanstalk" in the garden. Busy Bees are proud to announce that they have achieved a new Ofsted rating of GOOD in all areas.

The report is available for all to read and quotes that "Staff provide exciting activities that motivate children to learn" " Staff are always positive with the children and successfully promote their emotional wellbeing, which helps them feel confident and secure "

"Children are confident and happy" "Communication with parents is positive and effective"

This term always ends on a happy but sad note when we say goodbye to our graduates of 2017 who are going on to "Big School". Of course we will miss them all greatly, but we know a job has been well done when we see their happy smiling faces going to "Big School" as they share their photos of their new uniforms.

If you wish for your child to attend any sessions, please don't hesitate to contact us or pay us a visit. Places this side of September 2017 are now limited but we will do everything we can to accommodate your wishes.

Our sessions are 09.00am to 12.00 noon, 12.00 noon to 3.00pm or 09.00am to 3.00pm

We can also offer 08.30am to 09.00am at premium rates, there are spaces available.

### Early Birdz/Carers Toddler Group

Early Birdz is a mother and baby/toddler group run by Carolyn Bendell and Diane Ellis every Tuesday morning (term time only) from 10 to 11.30 am in the Old Baptist Chapel in Wytomsome Street, Southwick.

The children are able to play with various toys and are able to make crafts with adult supervision. The group gives parents and carers the opportunity to talk and mix with friends and are able to enjoy a coffee or tea and biscuit. The children are provided with a drink and biscuit before they go for a singing/activity period.

We pride ourselves on being a very happy and group and would welcome anyone who would like to attend. We charge £1 for an adult and 60p for any children over 6 months old.

Please feel welcome to attend. You will be very welcome. If you need any information please ring 01225 761315



It's a shame you can't appreciate the vibrant & bright yellow colour of the Easter eggs made by the children in the Group as one of their activities to celebrate Easter.

# St. Thomas Church, Southwick



A friendly and welcoming church,  
The services are as follows and start at 11am:

- 1st Sunday - Morning prayer
- 2nd Sunday - Parish Communion
- 3rd Sunday - Parish Communion
- 4th Sunday - Family service
- 5th Sunday - Details available from the Vicar when applicable.

Vicar: Revd Julian Parker, 62 Church Lane, North Bradley (01225 752635)

## St. Thomas Coffee Mornings

With bring and buy.

Everyone is invited to join us on the **second Tuesday of the month** for coffee and a chat from 10.30am until 12 noon on May 9th, June 13th & July 11th at St Thomas Church, we look forward to meeting you.



## St Thomas Church flowers

Yet again I must thank all the ladies and Gerald who gave up their time to decorate the church for the Easter festivities with lovely displays of daffodils and tulips after the long period of lent it was so good to see the church full of beautiful flowers so thanks to Ans Nichols, Barbara Vincent, Dorothy Burnett, Jill Laing, Jenny Ayrton, Kate and Gerald Harden, Mary Burroughs and Rosemarie Blanchard.

Villagers and your families are always welcome to come and see the displays at any of the festivals our next will be Harvest so come and have a look there's no charge it's free.



HELP is there a kind gentleman in the village who would help us cut the grass in the church yard just once or twice a year more hands make light work we would be most grateful thank you.

Thank you from Patricia Doel,

## St. Thomas' Tea Party and Mini Fete



You are invited to a tea party & mini fete at St. Thomas' church



on Saturday 8th July,

from 2.00pm to 5pm in the church and churchyard.

All are welcome, let's hope for some sunshine!

# SOUTHWICK BAPTIST CHURCH



Everyone Welcome



## SUNDAY SERVICES

Our **Sunday morning services** are held at the Chapel and start at 10.30 a.m. At these services we share in contemporary worship, led by our own speakers and music group, with regular support from visiting local speakers. We end the morning with refreshments and fellowship.

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> **Sunday at 4.00 p.m.** we hold a traditional **Communion Service** at the Chapel followed by refreshments.

We are always very pleased to welcome visitors to any of our services and meetings.

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No Limits (special needs group) meet 1<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays 7.00-9.00 p.m.  
Harmony Ladies' Group meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 7.30 - 9.00 p.m.

For more information check our website - [www.southwickbaptistchurch.org.uk](http://www.southwickbaptistchurch.org.uk)  
or phone **Donia** on 01380 870279

We are planning to put an information board on the railings by the Baptistry in Wynsome Street. Very few people seem to know about its use. It is very important because there are very few outdoor Baptism Pools like this in Britain. People are often stopping to look at it, and it has been known for people to travel to Southwick to visit this historic site. The board will inform people what it is used for and make it a more recognisable site in the village. Watch out for the new board.



Women's Institute

## Southwick Women's Institute



Women's Institute

President:	Secretary:	Committee:
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Date	Topic	Speaker
21st June 2017	Found as a Toddler in a Bush	Anthea Ring
19th July	Dogs Trust, Salisbury	Lucy Hopper
7th August	Outing to Denman College	
20th September	Taste of Turkey	Linda Dowsett
18th October	Birthday Meal	
15th November	Ghosts of the West of England	Graham Harding
13th December	The Singalongs & Buffet	
17th January 2018	Kingdom of the Ice Bears	Eddy Lane
21st February	Wiltshire Air Ambulance	
21st March	AGM Ploughman's & Quiz	

Monthly Meetings are held every third Wednesday from 7.30 to 9.00pm in the Village Hall.

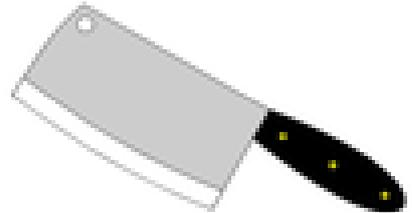
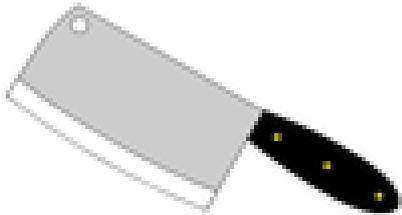
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### The Importance of Naming Photographs

Dedicated to the one I love.

There's a boy who stands at the bottom of  
the drive,  
Whos height is about five foot five,  
with hair so fair and eyes so blue,  
He always has a smile for you.

When I shout Bill he turns round quick,  
And is across the road in just a tick,  
He murmurs Sweetheart can it be true,  
That I am now so near to you.

We go to the flics and find a good seat,  
Then in a minute our two comrades we meet  
Were sat side by side, then he changes his place  
Because its embarasing to look Ken in the face,

The clock goes round its half past nine,  
I must go now for I keep good time,  
So I say good night to the one I adore,  
Before the Matron locks the door.

Now Bill as gone and here I'm stood,  
With the moon and the stars shining up above  
The drive bottom is empty so I say a prayer  
That soon I'll see my lover stood there

Whilst I was sorting out some of our old paperwork and photographs, I found this hand written poem on a tatty piece of paper. Next to it was this beautiful photograph with the wording "To Billy with love from Minnie"



The sad thing is, neither my wife or I know anything about Minnie or Billy and probably never will.

There is a date on the back of the photograph, 31st March 1944. That made the hair on the back of my neck stand up. Was Billy at war, did he return? We will never know.

We also have a whole album from the same period, some photos have Christian names in pencil on the back, but most are anonymous, so sad to think these living, laughing people are all probably gone now and no-one will ever know who they were. If only they had put their full names on the back of the photos, we could put their names to the faces and perhaps even re-unite the photos to living relatives. Hope this hasn't bored you, but I did want to share this little story with you.

John (the editor)

# Southwick Seniors



The Village group for Senior Citizens has been in existence for 43 years. We hold regular fortnightly meetings on Thursdays with speakers, meals and outings.

**New members always welcome.**

The programme for the next few months is as follows:

June 8th	Outing to SS Great Britain
June 22nd	Memories of George Formby with Graham Harding
July 6th	Summer Buffet & Bingo
July 20th	South West England with Michael Gamble
Aug 3rd	The Magic Circle with Stephen Wells
Aug 17th	Afternoon tea & Quiz
Aug 31st	Royal Mail Guards with Michael Horler

Programme subject to change.

## Annual General Meeting

The 43rd A.G.M. of the Southwick Seniors was held at the Village Hall on Thursday April 13th and at which there was an excellent attendance of members all of whom were welcomed by the chairman Mrs Stella Allen.

Various reports were given which outlined some of the past events and also the future programme.

The group treasurer Mrs McCaw reported on the financial situation which despite rising costs, particularly speaker's fees, still showed that the club still has a health balance.

The existing committee were all re-elected to serve another year and thanks were given to them for their work throughout the past year.

Following tea, members enjoyed an excellent quiz which had been prepared by Paul Nicholls.

Meetings are normally at Southwick Village Hall on alternate Thursdays at 2.30pm (except meals at 1.00pm).  
Subscriptions – £5 due on 1st April. Meetings – £1 per session

Members need to book in advance for the meals with the Chairman and ideally please bring their own cutlery.

Further information from the Chairman Stella Allan on 01225 767780.

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## Park Run "Funky Leggings and Socks"

"It was Southwick's 300th parkrun on Saturday and the runners and their families turned out in large numbers. Perhaps you are wondering what all the fuss is about and why the popularity continues to rise; well here are some of the thoughts and feelings we thought were worth sharing, I'm sure you'll agree with such a lot of bad news in the world, it's nice to have such a positive story so close to home" -Eloise Nice



"I like parkrun because anybody can take part. It doesn't matter if you are an accomplished athlete or somebody just trying to keep fit, everyone is treated just the same and it is a very welcoming atmosphere. We all have different stories and reasons to attend but all for the same goal, to improve our health and meet great and friendly people. The events are well organised and it is free, how wonderful is that. Of course there is the added benefit at Southwick of having the Squirrels cafe, a great place to socialise afterwards and support a wonderful charity to help young adults with learning difficulties, who serve us with a friendly smile :-)"  
Stephen West

"Even though I do struggle with parkrun, I keep returning due to the friendly faces and encouragement. We maybe all in different shapes and sizes but we are all there to achieve the same thing..... to run 3 miles and to get fit. "  
Macey James



"Might give you a slightly different perspective. I ran 001 although it was a while before I started doing the photos. I got involved as I wanted to improve my photography skills, but it's turned into so much more. It has been a privilege to bear witness to some incredible personal journeys and hopefully document the achievements. I get fantastic personal satisfaction in looking through the photos each Saturday and seeing the emotions captured every week in all weathers, then watching the various pictures used as profile pictures on social media till the next week. Each parkrunner at Southwick has their own story and I am truly humbled to be allowed to see a small part of the current chapter."  
Martin Pearce (Our super photographer)



"When we were looking to move to the area a couple of years ago, the main two criteria for the towns we considered were 1) having a train station and 2) having a parkrun. It's how we ended up in Trowbridge. I knew I would be able to turn up to a new place and feel welcomed by going to parkrun and that's exactly what happened."  
Leanne Curtis



# SOUTHWICK SHOW 2017

Bank Holiday Monday  
28th August

On The Playing Field  
Starting at 1.00pm

Including the Vegetable and Flower Show.  
List of Vegetable and flowers etc. to grow for the Show. No Entry Fees

- 1 Plums, 6
- 2 Bowl of any other soft fruit
- 3 Apples Dessert, 4
- 4 Apples culinary, 4
- 5 Vegetable Marrow, Table 2
- 6 Courgettes, 2
- 7 Potatoes, uncooked, 4
- 8 Tomatoes, 4
- 9 Tomatoes, cherry, 4(35mm max)
- 10 Peppers, 3
- 11 Runner beans, 6
- 12 French Beans, 9
- 13 Onions, 4
- 14 Shallots, small (30mm max), 9
- 15 Shallots, large, 9
- 16 Carrots stump rooted, 3
- 17 Carrots long rooted, 3
- 18 Cabbage, 1only,
- 19 Beetroot, 3
- 20 Rhubarb, without leaves, 3 stalks
- 21 Any other vegetable.
- 22 Cucumber, greenhouse, 1
- 23 Cucumber, ridge, pair

### HEAVIEST & LONGEST

- 24 Heaviest Marrow
- 25 Heaviest Potato
- 26 Heaviest Apple,
- 27 Heaviest Tomato
- 28 Longest Runner Bean
- 29 Longest Carrot
- 30 Heaviest Pumpkin

### COLLECTIONS

- 31 Coll. of 5 different salad veg.
- 32 Coll. of 5 different vegetables
- 33 Coll. Of 2 Tomatoes, 2 Beetroot, 2 Runner Beans.

### Flowers and Herbs

- 34 Herbs, collection
- 35 Cactus or succulent
- 36 Bowl or vase of cut garden flowers
- 37 Pansies. 6 blooms
- 38 Asters, single, 6
- 39 Impatiens, 'Busy Lizzie' in pot
- 40 Gladioli, 1 spike
- 41 Sweet peas, 9
- 42 Roses, 3
- 43 Rose, special bloom
- 44 Antirrhinums, 6
- 45 Marigold, 6 blooms
- 46 Echinacea inc. Rudbeckia, 6
- 47 Annuals, 3 different stems

### Plants and Flowers

- 48 Fuchsia, 1 any variety
- 49 Plant in pot, foliage
- 50 Plant in pot (flowering)
- 51 Planted container inc. Hanging Basket
- 52 Dahlias, Vase of six any variety or size
- 53 Chrysanthemum, any one special bloom.

### Country Kitchen Classes

- 54 Any six eggs
- 55 Jam, jar of stoned fruit
- 56 Jam, jar of new season's soft fruit
- 57 Marmalade, jar of
- 58 Lemon Curd, jar of
- 59 Any other preserve

### New Class – Afternoon tea for two.

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I would just like to say that thanks to a couple of new volunteer distributors, we now have a full quota. Thank you to the new people and also to those who help deliver the newsletter every two months, I really do appreciate your work. Having delivered some myself, I realise the time and effort that you put in. Thanks again, John the Editor



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### **In aid of Guide Dog – Max**

Thank you so much to all who contributed to the success of the Coffee Morning held at my house on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> May. The magnificent amount of £250.00 was raised in two hours from sales and a significant donation from Joyce Rowlands who has supported me throughout my quest in giving a life back to as many blind persons as I can.

The running total for MAX has reached **£2005.00p**

Please could you kindly support my next event?

## **‘Wimbledon Cream Tea Extravaganza’.**

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Homemade biscuits will be available for sale.  
Guess the name of the ‘Large’ Fluffy Dog pyjama case  
Cake stall and other competitions.

In memory of Gordon Dowsett.

Thank you. Linda xx

### **Events at Southwick Allotments**

#### **Plant Sale**

We held a very successful plant sale on Saturday 13th May at the allotment site. The event was well attended with lots of chat over tea and cake. Our flowering plants sold out very quickly so next year we will endeavour to produce more to meet the demand.



Volunteers from Southwick Allotment Association Limited ready for the start of the plant sale

#### **Talk on showing vegetables**

Every year in August we have a Vegetable Show for our members to enter their allotment produce (vegetables, fruit and flowers) in a wide number of classes. Some of our members go on to enter their produce in the Southwick Show. Our experienced show judges, Brian and Angela Messam will be giving a talk at 7.30pm on Wednesday 7th June at the Village Hall to our members with hints, tips and how to gain points and this is open to the public for a nominal £1 entry.

Ceri Lambdin  
Director - Secretary  
Southwick Allotment Association Limited

### **Open Gardens Scheme.**

I’m sorry to say that there not been a very good response for the open gardens scheme. I have been informed by the two ladies who came up with the idea, Betty & Linda, that it was not viable to run with the idea this year, so there will be no gardens to visit this June as hoped.

Betty and Linda have made the decision not to go ahead as there is not enough interest but will have a meeting later in the year to decide the best way to attract more interest and perhaps try again in 2018.

John (The editor)

# Elizabeth Snell & Family

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I am always delighted to see this traditional cast iron sign, at a Y junction in Somerset, on my way back from the Mendips. Can you name the Village where it is located? Stephen Carey



Answer in next edition

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## The Hope Nature Centre

The Hope Nature Centre is a unique charity based on the Frome Rd in Southwick which provides work placements for 40 adults with learning difficulties. The adults work both in our tearoom as well as in and around the Animal Park where the focus remains on actively promoting their life skills, building confidence and self-esteem. The Hope Nature Centre provides them the opportunity to move into mainstream employment in the hope that they will be able to live independently. The interaction between them and the general public raises awareness of learning disabilities, breaks down barriers and challenges perceptions of special needs by promoting inclusion.

We are always looking for volunteers especially gardeners and a Land Train Driver during School Holidays, or a Pianist for our Choir.

The Animal Park is open 7 days a week and costs just £2.50 for adults and £1.50 for children with a family ticket [2 adults and 2 children] available for just £7. We have a range of animals within our 15 acres like, Pigs, Sheep, Goats, Alpacas, Emus, Chipmunks and many more. You can also feed some of the animals for just 50p a bag! The goats appreciate this the most!!

As the charity is not government funded all money raised is used to sustain the maintenance and upkeep of the facilities. Our Squirrel Tea Rooms are also open 7 days a week 8.30am to 4.30pm. We serve an array of homemade food and cakes including our top rated gluten free breakfast! Other Gluten Free food is available.

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[www.facebook.com/HopeNatureCentre](http://www.facebook.com/HopeNatureCentre) Instagram "hopenaturecentre" page for cute pictures of our animals!



**PS. We always need Volunteer Gardeners for a few hours a week to help with watering and such duties. If you can help, please contact me Anya on 01225 759075.**

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**Anya**

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## Southwick Residents Association (Wilts).

We take great pleasure in announcing that the Southwick Residents Association (SRA) is live!!!

At the first formal meeting of the existing members of SRA on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April, the groups constitution, executive committee and other roles responsibilities were ratified. This means that Southwick now has its very own, legally recognised Residents Association. And this is just the beginning.



### PLAN

Southwick is home to around 900 households & welcomes many more people in association with the schools, clubs, sports & family members. Fast-pace living can mean Village Life is forgotten. We need volunteers to stage social events, reach out to the lonely & vulnerable residents of Southwick and encourage cohesion between all village groups. Please get involved to be part of a strong, vibrant village community. Please email us your events suggestions.



### PARTICIPATE

SRA is a new group, formed in response to an increasing sense of loss of rural village identity. The group will host a welcoming, friendly, monthly forum to discuss ways to enrich our environment. There are committee posts available, but we are hoping that as many people as possible attend to share their ideas and suggestions. Next meeting will be in June (date tbc) Fundraiser refreshments served. Sign up below to receive further info.



### PROTECT

An early priority for SRA will be the formation of a task group working in partnership with the Parish Council to create a 'Neighbourhood Plan'. This will outline the strengths & weaknesses of Southwick in terms of its amenities, demographics, natural habitats, infrastructure etc. Councils refer to these plans when making important decisions on issues of development, funding & other factors which may impact on village life. Imagine the village you'd like to live in, then work together to help achieve it for yours! SRA invites all input & suggestions to enhance & protect the village of Southwick for future generations.

**Join SRA Mailing List today by emailing us:  
[southwickresidentsassociation@gmail.com](mailto:southwickresidentsassociation@gmail.com)**

Our principal aim is to safeguard and promote the interest of residents in Southwick on matters concerning housing and the environment. We will strive to help to improve living conditions, community facilities and services in Southwick representing the views of residents as we go.

We have an initial membership of 24 and membership numbers are growing daily. However, the door is always open for new members to join the group and anyone who lives in the Parish of Southwick is encouraged to join. The nominal cost of individual membership is great value at only £7.50pa. For family membership it is just £10pa.

Going forward, SRA will become heavily involved with serious issues like helping the Parish Council produce a Neighbourhood Plan for Southwick, and working alongside SOS to defend the village against unwarranted large-scale developments. But we also want to have some fun, arrange social events and help engender a true community based environment within the village.

So it is well worth becoming a member of SRA. The more members we have the greater our voice will be for the village.

The next SRA meeting is being planned for early June where everyone will be welcome. Refreshments will be available and we hope to see you there. So watch this space for further details.

In the meantime if you would like to join SRA please email us at: [southwickresidentsassociation@gmail.com](mailto:southwickresidentsassociation@gmail.com)

Many thanks for reading.

For and on behalf of Southwick Residents Association.

John Eaton - Chair

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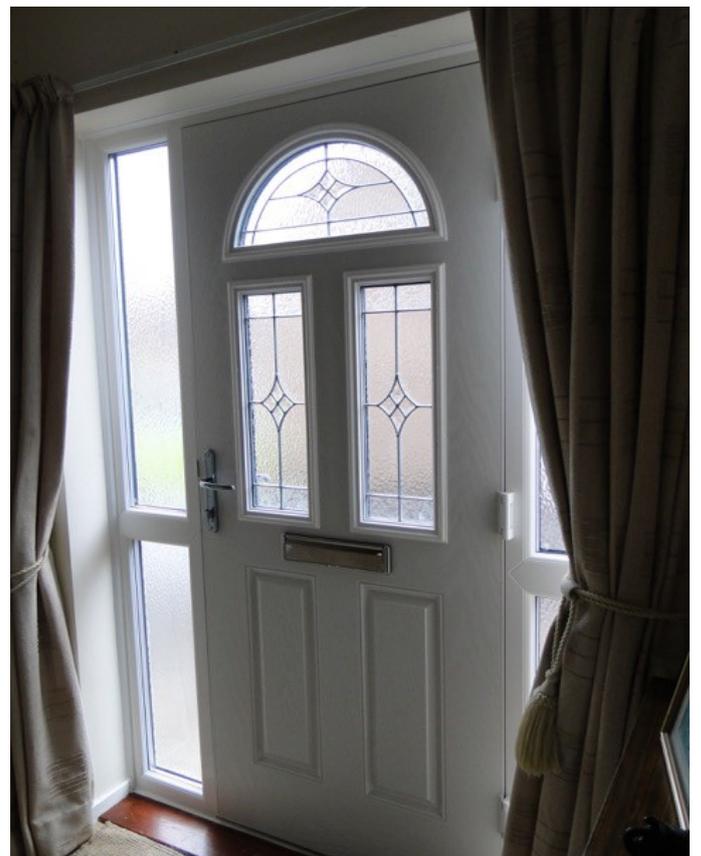
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# Useful Contacts

Organization	Meeting Place	Operating Times	Contact	Telephone or email
Southwick Rainbows	Scout Headquarters	Tuesday 5.30 – 6.30pm	Mrs C Addley Mrs J Rowe	1stsouthwickrainbows@gmail.com
1st Southwick Brownies	Scout Headquarters	Wednesday 6.00 – 7.30pm	Mrs S Kingwell	01225 767671
1st Southwick Guides	Scout Headquarters	Monday 6.30 – 8.15pm	Mrs R Cadby	01225 767671
1st Southwick Senior Section Unit	Scout Headquarters	Monday 8.15 – 9.30pm	Mrs R Cadby	01225 767671
Southwick Allotment Association Ltd.	Village Hall	Evenings & Weekends	Mrs Ceri Lambdin	01225 761026 Email:southwickallotments@hotmail.co.uk
Badminton Club	Village Hall	Thursday 8.30 – 10.00pm	Mrs Linda Coles	01225 761470 E: linmc@live.co.uk
Baptist Church	The Chapel	Sunday 10.30am	Donia Ceato	01380 870279 Email:hughanddonia@btinternet.com
Beehive Southwick Cricket Club	Village Hall, field & Social Club	All year round	James Taylor	07780 782058 Email:earthworks60@yahoo.co.uk Club Website: http://beehivecc.webs.com/
Busy Bees Pre-School	The Hive, Hollis Way	Weekdays 8.30 am – 3pm	Mrs K Gray	01225 753262 Email: busy_bees@tiscali.co.uk
Early Birdz Parents & Toddlers	Baptist Chapel	Tuesday 10.00 – 11.30am	Mrs C Bendell	01225 761315
Entertainers	Village Hall	Monday 7.30 – 10.00pm	Mr J Bendell	01225 761315
Family Bingo	Village Hall	2nd & 4th Wednesday 7.45pm	Mr E Pomeroy	01225 755541
The Farmhouse Inn			Adam Glass Janet Harris	01225 764366
Friends of Southwick Country Park	Village Hall	As required	Mrs J Jones	01225 764223
Harmony (Ladies Group)	Baptist Chapel	2nd Tuesday 7.30 – 9.00pm	Annie Horspool	01225 761789
Hope Nature Centre	Squirrels Tearooms	Daily 8.30am – 4.30pm	Mrs Hazel Jackson	01225 759075
Neighbourhood Watch	Village Hall	Quarterly	Mr Jim Jilbert	01225 763314 Email: wjjilbert@hotmail.co.uk
No Limits	Baptist Chapel	Tuesday 7.00 – 9.00pm	Mrs J Newman	01225 762337
Playing Field Committee	Village Hall	Thursday 7.00pm quarterly	Mrs K Noble	01225 352503
Save our Southwick			John Eaton	www.saveoursouthwick.com
Short Mat Bowls	Village Hall	Tuesday 2.15 – 4.30pm	Mrs K Noble	01225 352503
Skittles (Sports & Social)	Village Hall Annexe	Friday 8.30pm	Mr J Bygraves	01225 766393
Southwick & N Bradley Scout Group	Group Headquarters, The Old School	Tuesday, Thursday, Friday – times various	Mr E Pomeroy	01225 755541 Email:contactsnbgroup@gmail.com Website: http://sandnbscoutgroup.wixsite.com/snbgroup
Southwick School Parent Teacher Association	Southwick School	Monthly as required	The School	01225 763325
Southwick Seniors	Village Hall	Alternate Thursdays 2.30pm	Mrs Stella Allan	01225 767780
Southwick Show Committee	Village Hall	As required	Mr Chris Rawlings	01225 344258 Email: chris.rawlings@blueyonder.co.uk
Sports & Social Club	Village Social Club	Mon to Thur 5pm–11pm Fri and Sat 12 noon–11pm Sunday 12 noon–10.30pm	The Club	01225 753667
St Thomas Church	St Thomas Church	Services as listed	Rev J Parker	01225 752635
Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club	Village Hall	1st & 3rd Wednesday 8.00pm	Mr Ian Carter	01225 864698 (evenings & weekends) Email:tdarc@btinternet.com
Village Hall Lettings & Bookings			Mrs K Noble	01225 352503
Whist Club	Village Hall	Thursday fortnightly 2.30pm	Vacancy	01373 464642
Women's Institute	Village Hall	3rd Wednesday 7.30pm	Mrs S Huscroft	01225 766551

Any errors, omissions or amendments in the above listings, please notify the Editor, or if you would like your organisation added to this list, or your number above has changed, please let me know. My number is 01225 762930. Thanks from the Editor.