

Southwick Village News

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SOUTHWICK PARISH COUNCIL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING HAVE YOUR SAY ON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING.

Dear residents,

On behalf of the community, Southwick Parish Council has, over the past two years, been working on what and how Southwick might look in the near future.

In this respect, consideration has been given to topics such as housing needs, traffic congestion (especially HGVs) and business & employment opportunities.

The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group would like to hear from stakeholders in the village, including residents, social organisations & clubs, church groups, schools, shops, businesses, etc.

The Neighbourhood Plan will reflect your hopes and needs for Southwick. This can only work if residents understand the changes that may happen, so we have arranged open days on Friday & Saturday 24th & 25th May 2019 commencing at 10am in the Village Hall. This is your opportunity to meet the Steering Group Members, to see what work has been done to date and to express your views and opinions. Maybe with your expertise / experience you could join the Group.

Please do come along.

Yours sincerely,

Cllr. Katherine Noble

Chair - Southwick Parish Council.

At the time of compiling this newsletter, the Village Hall awaiting the delivery of a new Clothing Recycling Bank, this will be a purple coloured metal container, proceeds from the recycled clothing will go to the charity SCOPE.

So, please bring any unwanted clean, wearable clothes to this new addition to the Village Hall car park and pop them in the purple bin.



If you are interested in helping to join in the Great British Spring Clean, please come along to the Village Hall car park and join the team that will endeavour to make the Village of Southwick "sparkle".

The date that has been chosen for our village clean up is Saturday 13th April, so please meet at 10.00am where you will be given your long handled "picker", bags, gloves, high visibility jacket, etc.

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

Chair:	Mrs. K. Noble	230 Chantry Gardens, Southwick, BA14 9QX	01225 352503
Vice chair	Mr. D.J. Jackson	Mutton Marsh Farm, Southwick, BA14 9PE	07837 154517
	Mr. S.D. Carey	Longfield, Frome Road, Southwick, BA14 9NJ	01225 764210
	Mr. G.E. Clayton	5 Blind Lane, Southwick, BA14 9PQ	01225 762447
	Mrs. T.J. Curry	Bramley Cottage, 26 Blind Lane, Southwick, BA14 9PG	07771807080
	Mr. J. Eaton	30 Blind Lane, Southwick, BA14 9PG	07818870098
	Mrs. C. McCaw	Pound Farm, Frome Road, Southwick, BA14 9NJ	01225 755359
	Mr. F. Moreland	Dead Maids Close, Chapmanslade, Westbury, BA13 4AD	07981 948348
	Mr. B. Pitney	30 Hollis Way, Southwick, BA14 9PH	01225 353269
	Mr. E.G. Pomeroy BEM	14 Hollis Way, Southwick, BA14 9PH	01225 755541

County Councillor	Mr. H. Prickett	2 Hawkeridge Road, Yarnbrook, Trowbridge BA14 6AD	01225 767685
Parish Clerk	Mr. Steven King	Churchmead House, Woolverton, Bath BA2 7QT	07872 183295

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	01380 722475
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
BUPA Dental Care, Stallard Street	01225 777170
Dental Care, The Halve	01225 430545
My Dentist, Unit 2, Meadow Court, Staverton	01225 351333



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

Doctors & NHS	
Trowbridge Health Centre	01225 435757
Lovemead Group, Roundstone Street	01225 759850
NHS Direct (Day & Night advice line)	111
Trowbridge Community Hospital	01225 711300
A & G Minibuses (Hospital Rover Service)	01985 212213

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

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
Vision Express, Tesco Extra, County Way	01225 614322

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 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 May for the June edition, etc.)
Please keep your articles coming in and can we have some stories, poems, jokes, etc., anything to keep us entertained.

Chemists & Pharmacies	
Boots The Chemists, Trowbridge Health Centre	01225 710119
Boots The Chemists, Roundstone Surgery	01225 775543
Boots The Chemists, The Gateway (until mid-night)	01225 752068
Cohen's Chemist, 68 Brook Road Trowbridge	01225 753104
Superdrug, The Shires	01225 777835
Tesco Extra, County Way (until midnight)	01225 572604

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

SOUTHWICK PARISH COUNCIL

For Parish Council meeting minutes, please visit the Southwick Community Website www.southwickwilts.co.uk or read them on the Parish Council notice boards at the entrance to the village hall or at the bus shelter at Teeside.

Southwick Village Hall

Dear Resident,

You are invited to attend the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING to be held on Tuesday 9th April 2019 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

AGENDA

- 1) Apologies
- 2) Minutes of the A.G.M. held on the 10th April 2018
- 3) Matters arising
- 4) Treasurer's Report—Audited accounts
- 5) Appointment of Auditor
- 6) Chairperson's report
- 7) Formulation of New Committee

- Representative Members - Parish Council

St. Thomas' Church
Southwick Entertainers
Southwick Sports & Social Club
Southwick Short Mat Bowls Club
Southwick Seniors

- Election of ordinary members.

A meeting of the new committee will take place immediately after the A.G.M.

AGENDA

- 1) Signing of declaration
- 2) Apologies
- 3) Election of Officers - Chairperson
 - Treasurer
 - Secretary
 - Lettings Secretary
- 4) Representatives to Social Club (4)
- 5) Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 12th March 2019
- 6) Matters arising
- 7) Correspondence
- 8) Treasurer's report
- 9) Social club report
- 10) Maintenance report
- 11) Any other business

Look forward to seeing you,

Kath Noble—Secretary

An elderly man called Keith.
Mislaid his set of false teeth.
They'd been laid on a chair.
He'd forgot they were there.
Sat down, and was bitten beneath.

On the last page of this Newsletter you will find the Useful Contacts list. If you run an organisation & are not listed, or you are listed & your details are out of date, please let the editor know & I will update them. Please check to make sure your details are still correct as people and times do change and I would hate to be past my sale by date!

Also, due to many of the articles arriving in my inbox very late, I have struggled to get them in to a logical order or sequence, so please don't be offended if your article is near the end of the newsletter, or is after something that you consider of lesser importance, I have tried to arrange them as best that I can. So, sorry dad, yours is the last article despite being of interest and arriving on time. Please can everyone try to get their articles to me by the 15th of the month, otherwise I might have to set a strict deadline. Sorry to sound negative again, John Fox

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The Playing Field at Southwick

Notice of the Annual general Meeting to be held on Thursday
25th April 2019 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall

AGENDA

- 1) Apologies
- 2) Minutes of the A.G.M. held on the 26th April 2018
- 3) Matters arising
- 4) Chairperson's report
- 5) Treasurers' report - Audited accounts
- 6) Appointment of Auditor
- 7) Election of Officers -Chairperson
Treasurer
Secretary
- 8) Representative members
- Village Hall
- W.I.
- Parish Council
- Cricket Club
- 9) Election of ordinary members

Please do come along, your support is urgently needed.

Secretary

In the last edition of the Southwick Newsletter I made a bold claim that I would give a £1 donation to charity for every bird box kit that I sell as a result of advertising in the magazine.

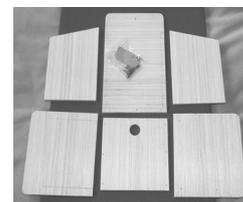
I can confirm that I have sold 30 bird box kits to a village organisation, so £30 is going to a local charity. If anyone has a good cause close to their heart that they would like me to give the money to, please let me know and I'll put the suggestions in a hat and get someone to draw out the winning cause. I'll let you all know who has benefitted from my kits in the next edition

I'm always making them, so if anyone wants some, please ask. They are made from recycled plywood and are easy to assemble. The bird boxes with a small hole in the front, ideal for blue tits, etc.

I can supply them ready made if you prefer, but half the fun is making the box up with children.

Thanks,

John the
Editor



The Sing - A - Longs

In response to the Editor's somewhat despondent note in the February edition, I am writing, as a new contributor, to inform Southwick folk of a musical (singing) group who rehearse in Southwick but entertain over all of West Wiltshire, (and Frome). We are "The Sing - A - Longs"

At present (Feb / March 19) we have 13 members who travel around nursing homes, Alzheimer's groups, meetings, parties, etc. We hand out word folders of songs from WW1 to the 1960s/70s and then provide the old-fashioned entertainment of a sing a long around a piano, (nowadays an electronic one!) At Christmas we provide Christmas folders.

Our audiences join in and many times we have been honoured to see the therapeutic effect that singing older songs has on so many folk. To mention a few: A mute elderly lady left her room, put on one of our boaters and sang along with us, ie she facéd her fellow residents all of whom assumed she was a mute and an isolate.

Another memorable occasion was when a lady with a Zimmer frame came "up front", was handed a boater and drum stick - so she could tap along on her Zimmer. Instead, she stood in front of us and conducted with impeccable accuracy for the whole session.....an hour!

One of our most touching moments was when an elderly man, again with a Zimmer frame, asked a lady to waltz to "Edelweiss". This they did beautifully and appeared to balance each other as his Zimmer was momentarily discarded!

These are just a few of our very meaningful moments which show how music / singing is such a valuable, yet free & personal therapy.

We wear a simple costume of black & white, a boater, waistcoat and name badge. Several percussion instruments are used and we have basic props. These are either donated by friends or bought from charity shops. Petrol is self-funded. We do however, have a kitty for copier inks & paper etc. As we rehearse in a member's home, we have no hall rental to pay. We take nothing for ourselves but we take donations, all of which go to the Wiltshire Air Ambulance.

We began collecting for them in January 2016 and our last total, November 31st 2018 was £10,613.70. Since then we have collected a considerable amount which will be presented to Wiltshire Air Ambulance at the end of March.

Generally we have 5 - 8 members present at a booking, so attendance at all bookings is unnecessary - except for the pianist. In 2018 we had 79 bookings and this year we are fully booked until 2020. However, our summer bookings can be difficult to honour, due to holidays etc. So we would welcome a few members who can sing in a group (unison!) and also cope with singing with and to our various often vulnerable audiences. You would need to be free in daytime hours and have a very caring attitude to our groups in West Wiltshire.

If interested please phone Judy Pritchard on 01225 766517 or Sue Brown on 01225 767343.

What do they shout out at Pantomimes? *He's Brie-hind you!*

What do you call a dinosaur made of cheese? *Gorgonzilla*

Why was the cheese monger lopsided? *because he only had one Stilton*

Did you hear what happened when the cheese factory exploded?

De-Brie went everywhere!

St. Thomas Church, Southwick

As time takes us from March into April and then May, this is an important time during our church year. We are currently marking Lent – the time that Jesus spent without food in the desert – and we began it with pancakes in church on the Sunday before Lent. During Lent, a Bible study group is meeting in church on Friday afternoons (14.30 on the 5th and 12th April) and anyone is welcome to join us. Lent leads to Palm Sunday (14 April) when Jesus dramatically entered Jerusalem and we are planning to re-enact this with worship based on a walk from Southwick to North Bradley. The following weekend we remember Jesus dying on the cross on Good Friday (19th April) and we celebrate his resurrection on Easter Sunday (21st April).



Our future services, including these very special days are –

31st March – 1100 – Informal Communion for Mothering Sunday	
7th April – 1100 - Family Service	5th May – 1100 - Family Service
14th April – Palm Sunday walking service – Southwick to North Bradley (see Church notice board for times). Additional services take place during this week at St Nicholas Church, North Bradley, and St Mary’s Church, Steeple Ashton	12th May – 1100 - Parish Communion
19th April – 1200 – Quiet service for Good Friday	19th May – 1100 - Morning Prayer
21st April – 1100 – Easter Communion and Baptism	26th May – 1100 - Parish Communion
28th April – 1100 – Parish Communion	30th May – Ascension Day – 1900 - Holy Communion at St Nicholas Church, North Bradley

Everyone is always welcome at our services and at our very sociable coffee mornings on the second Tuesday of each month from 1030 (9 April and 14 May). Thank you to everyone who maintains our churchyard, bringing out the springtime colours, and everyone who decorates the church interior so beautifully.

Our Vicar, Rev Fr Oliver Learmont, can be contacted about baptisms, weddings, funerals, or any other matters at The Vicarage, 62, Church Lane, North Bradley (01225 774845). Springtime wishes to all the village.

Richard Havergal (Licensed Lay Minister)

And the lord said unto John, "Come forth and you will receive eternal life". John came fifth and won a toaster.

Event at Southwick Allotments

Plant Sale

We hold a small plant sale every year in May at the allotment site, with flowering annuals, perennials, fruit bushes and vegetable plants for sale at very good prices. We also have tea and cakes on offer and lots of growing advice.

The event is held outside so is weather dependent and is currently planned for Saturday 11th [May](#) but may be a week later. Watch out for the signs at the entrance to the allotments.

Q. Why was the Easter Bunny so upset?
A. He was having a bad hare day!

Q. How does the Easter bunny keep his fur neat?
A. With a hare-brush!

SOUTHWICK BAPTIST CHURCH



Everyone Welcome



Sunday Services

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

Our **Sunday afternoon service** is held on the **second** Sunday of every month **at 4.00pm**. Being a more traditional service compared to our weekly Sunday morning service! we enjoy traditional hymns played by Mr David Davis and we celebrate Communion. You are invited to join us and would be made very welcome. Tea and coffee is served after the service.

YOUNG PEOPLES' GROUPS

Meet at the Chapel on Sunday mornings from 10.30am.

Activities for all ages

Theatre Group—Crafts

Interactive Bible teaching

Family Services

Faith, Friendship and Fun

MID WEEK MEETINGS at the Chapel:

No limits (special needs group) meet 1st, 3rd and 4th Tuesdays from 7.00 — 9.00 pm

Harmony Ladies' Group meet 2nd Tuesday from 7.30—9.00 pm

For more information check our website—

www.southwickbaptistchurch.org.uk

Or phone **Donia on 01380 870279**

During a recent discussion with some local people I discovered that they did not know that Southwick Baptist Graveyard is available for any village residents. The graveyard can be used by anyone resident in Southwick as well as members of the Baptist Church. We are very grateful to our Young People and their leaders for all the work they do to keep the graveyard in a good condition. It looks very good at present with the daffodils in bloom and provides a peaceful place for relatives and friends to relax and remember their loved ones. I can be contacted for further information.

Jacky Newman

Graveyard Superintendent
Southwick Baptist Church

In the last edition of this Newsletter, I don't quite know how it happened but I completely messed up the February article that Howie gave me to put into the magazine. I do apologise and hope that it never happens again. Hopefully, this one is correct, sorry Howie.

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. The football season is well under way and most important league and international matches can be seen at the club. We have Sky Sports which show Premier and other football games and BT Sports which have the Championship and other matches, So, you can enjoy the friendly ambiance while you watch various sporting events on our big screen TV (HD projector). The F1 season has now started and all the races can also be seen in the club during opening hours along with many cricket matches. For dart lovers, we are currently showing some of the latest matches. We also show other sports along with various music video sites.

The 2019 membership of the Club is now due at £7.50 for renewals and new members. This compares extremely well with other clubs in the area. Non-members can be signed in for £1.00 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, Tuesday & Friday evenings and Sunday lunchtime. Players meet on Monday nights and either play matches or practise.

The Social Club's skittles team having been promoted to division 2 are currently sitting third with 55 points having played 14 and won 9 matches. S Moon one of their players shares the best division 2 average score of 38.21 and shares the best number of spares with 8 scored. We also have two other skittle teams using our alley. The Rising Sun who are currently top of division 1 with 77 points having played 14 and won 17. They also have best div 1 team score, best average score, top of the spares won with 36 and S.Ivin with the most individual spares of 8. The Wanderers are in division 3 and are sitting in mid table having played 14 and won 7 with 52 points. They are also top of the spares having 31 and Dave May with the most individual spares of 8.

The crib team after a very poor start have now found their form and finished second in the league which has now finished. They also won one cup match and lost the other.

If anyone is interested in joining any of the teams you can get further information in the Club.

Don't forget we now have a 'Table Football' game which is still proving very popular with the younger element at only 10p a go!

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.

After the success of the discos we had last year, we are having another in in the near future for members and their guests. There will be a Country and Western themed night in April with a draw as well. Look at the web site for dates of future discos

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 & Tues from 7pm to 11pm; Wed & 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

Email : sssc@southwick.org.uk

H. Milburn, Secretary.

Q: What do you get if you pour hot water down a rabbit hole?

A: Hot cross bunnies!

Q: What kind of jewellery do rabbits wear?

A: 14 carrot gold.

Q: What did the rabbit say to the carrot?

A: It's been nice gnawing you.

Q: How does the Easter Bunny stay fit?

A: EGG-xercise and HARE-robics!

Villagers will be pleased to learn that we have not been made aware of any human deaths in the village since our last edition. However, it is with a sad heart that I must announce the passing of my family's dear old cat "Eclipse", or as I called her, "Grey One". She was born in 1999, the year of the solar eclipse and leaves several surviving sons and daughters, one of which "RP" still lives with the Fox family. Her brother Mickey sadly had a heart attack many years ago and was called to the kitty graveyard in the sky (well a plot next to the pond). When she was young, she used to sleep in bed with my daughter, under her blankets, that is probably why she eventually went deaf.

In her life, she had several boyfriends but never married. One grey tomcat used to call, (usually on Sunday lunchtimes) or should I say meow at the top of his voice until she graced him with her company. He was a rough, tough he man of a cat, bent ear, blind in one eye and a meow that make by blood run cold. But, despite his scruffy appearance, he certainly knew how to father kittens, or at least how to make them. Between this randy old tom and Eclipse, they had many beautiful, strong and loving sets of kittens, all greys.

In her latter years, Eclipse spent most of her life sleeping on the sofa and occasionally getting down to eat, have a drink of water, (nothing any stronger as she was teetotal) and perform on the litter tray. When she was really comfortable, sometimes she didn't even bothering to get up to use the litter tray, she would just give a contented grin and turn over, leaving my wife to do the honours!

Her final resting place was to be buried in the garden on a very wet, miserable and windy day, it was family only at the burial, she made it clear that she didn't want a big fuss, her son RP (short for RingwayParkman.....don't ask) saw her off, by glancing at her coffin, a Huggies cardboard box, turning over and going back to sleep. There was no love lost between them. The house is already smelling sweater!

RIP Grey One, we will miss you.

John & Marilyn Fox

Elizabeth Snell & Family

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Elizabeth Snell DipFD LMBIFD



Keith Snell DipFD MBIFD



Marcus Reid DipFD MBIFD



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

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Well here we are again into March already and speeding towards Easter. Where does the time go? Everything has recently been taken over by Brexit, or blamed on Brexit.

I am pleased to say that the problem horse mentioned in Feb issue on Goose St has sorted its self out and the horse has gone and a new gate fitted to the field.

Crime wise we read nearly every day that someone, somewhere has been stabbed, beaten up, robbed or killed by a dangerous driver. I know I am now getting older and tend to reminisce on the past but what has happened to modern society? The world is supposed to be improving with better living conditions and modern technology. Successive governments over the past years have enforced cuts to public spending on the NHS. Although still a wonderful service it is being pressurized from all sides and the Police force is becoming ineffective with manpower shortages which the criminals in the community will not hesitate to exploit. I am still trying to keep this organization going in the village but I am afraid the Police liaison side of it is now basically non-existent.

The major worry with the police at the moment and headline grabbing news are the young people who take to carrying weapons to so called, "protect themselves" as they are constantly being bombarded with gratuitous violence from the TV and video games it is no wonder that they accept the use of violence so readily. There are very few youth clubs they can attend due to lack of volunteers, finance and H&S regulations, and these days perhaps not even interested in leaving their X box's to attend.

In Southwick if there was a suitable club I think most youngsters would benefit from learning something useful and interesting. For instance, basic every day car maintenance, changing a tyre or light bulb. Even self defense/unarmed combat. Something has to be done collectively as a community to stop young people being bored and retreating into their own worlds of gaming. Ultimately it comes down to parents to engage in providing and joining community events and encourage children to become involved in community activities and to always know what your child is doing and where they are at any given time. Roaming the streets in gangs, bored and causing trouble is an avoidable option which ties up a lot of valuable police time and resources which could be utilized on other more serious crime prevention. In the same context, youngsters getting drunk and sustaining minor injuries necessitating a medical response also use valuable resources. Would they still abuse the system if they were billed each time for the call out?

I am not saying that this village has a problem at the moment as we remain reasonably crime free but that is surprising considering what regularly occurs a few miles away in the centre of Trowbridge and we must therefore all remain vigilant as to what goes on in our local area. The Police remain stretched and therefore rely more than ever on local information and intelligence passed to them. Don't feel guilty that you are telling tales, I am sure you would feel a lot worse if you did nothing and a young person in your neighborhood was stabbed to death and you had to live with that guilt. It seems to me that knife crime and drugs appear to be linked with more dealers spreading out into rural areas. Again this can only be thwarted by passing information on. Never forget this can be done anonymously via Crime Stoppers on 0800 555111.

Keep safe until the next edition when I will be scratching my head for something to write again. For my coordinators, I have not yet got any dates for meetings sorted with Melissa but will keep trying. You know where I am if you have any problems.

Jim Jilbert, village co-ordinator.
01225 763314



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Southwick and North Bradley Scout Group

Charity No. 279324



If you would like contact details for sections to enquire about joining or volunteering please contact the group at: contactsnbgroup@gmail.com
Or visit the website <http://sandnbscoutgroup.wixsite.com/snbgroup>

The Sections meet at Southwick & North Bradley Scout HQ

Tuesdays:

SCOUTS

Thursdays:

BEAVERS

Thursdays:

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Scout Group Recycling Scheme.

Very many thanks to everyone in the village and the surrounding area who have continued to support the group's various recycling schemes, once again during the past year we have seen a big decrease in the number of tonnes of waste newspapers, magazines and directories which have been brought to us for recycling. We are however, pleased to report that there has been an increase in the number of aluminium cans, scrap metal and aluminium foil which has been received.

The income from the sale of all these materials help towards providing activities and materials for our young people and also helps towards the maintenance of our headquarters which is used by so many groups of young people and also many adult groups as well.

We look forward to everyone's continued support in the months ahead also to take this opportunity to thank all our sorters and loaders especially the members of the Beehive Cricket Club who are regular helpers.

Scout Group Lottery

Many readers of the Southwick Village News are members of the Group Lottery Scheme and the annual end of year numbers were drawn at the Family Bingo which was held at the Village Hall on Wednesday 27th February and the result was as follows:

1st Prize	£100	No. 16	Mrs V Beaven of Southwick
2nd Prize	£50	No. 7	Mrs E Davidson of Southwick
3rs Prize	£10	No. 63	Mr P Hillier of Trowbridge

Existing members have been re-newing their membership for another year for which we are very grateful. There may be some vacant numbers and new members will be most welcome.

Please contact Mr. E Pomeroy (01225 755541) for further details of either the recycling schemes or the Group Lottery.



SOUTHWICK VILLAGE BINGO CLUB

FAMILY BINGO

SOUTHWICK VILLAGE HALL
at 7:45.pm

WED: APR 10th
WED: APR 24th
WED: MAY 8th
WED: MAY 22nd

ADMISSION: 50p BOOKS: 80p

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1st Southwick Brownies



We began last term with starting to introduce the new program, the girls designed socks puppets and made their own stories in groups and the Brownies made fashion accessories using newspaper and had a fashion cat walk which the girls really enjoyed. We celebrated Chinese new year and made a craft relating to the year of the pig. The girls also made puff pastry tarts which were very yummy!

In February the new Brownies made their promises and we celebrated the evening with having a PJ evening having hot chocolate and making chocolate brownies. This term we have had an animal theme evening where the girls made animal masks and we played animal games. We look forward to having an Easter craft evening in a few weeks.

Snowy Owl and Moonlight Owl



1st Southwick Rainbows



This term the Rainbows have been trying a variety of activities from the new Girl Guiding programme. We have learnt about staying safe while crossing the road, using money to buy fruit, wearing the right clothes for different environments and how to make a great tent. At the end of the term we will make some special thank you cards for mums and traditional Easter goodies.

The girls have all been enjoying the new activities and we held a meeting to explain the new programme to parents, which was well received.

On the 24th February we gathered with other Guiding units from the District at Southwick school to celebrate World Thinking Day. Our theme for the morning was recycling. The girls took part in a variety of craft activities all using recycled materials. At the end of the morning we all renewed our Guiding Promise.

At the end of last term, we said goodbye to 6 girls – Sophie, Amy, Lily-Rose, Isla, Lily and Poppy as they moved up to Brownies. However, we welcomed 6 new girls – Millie, Amelia, Amelia, Molly, Freya and Berry and we hope they will enjoy their Rainbow experience as much as those who have just left did.



1st Southwick Guides



This term the Guides have been completing their own patrol activities based on the new guide programme. These Skill builder activities were based on a theme of “Feel Good” which included creating warm up routines for fitness, cooking with healthy ingredients, activities about friendship and stress management etc. The guides enjoyed a “Recycled Theme” activity morning with Southwick and North Bradley Rainbows, Brownies and Guides to celebrate Thinking Day and during this event, the Baden Powell award was presented to Southwick Guide, Caitlin Mander. Well done Caitlin on completing this award

The guides enjoyed an “Egyptian” evening organised by Holly as part of the Baden Powell award, and two guides attended the county Baden Powell adventure weekend that included a train trip to London.

We have welcomed some of the older brownies along to visit guides to learn about guides and expect them to join Guides after Easter. We are also pleased to welcome two new helpers, Suzanna and Lauren to the Guides.

The Guides enjoyed a fashion evening creating new clothes from old clothes and are having an evening to build bird boxes.

The guides are planning their summer camp which this year will be at Foxlease in the New Forest and they are also organising the 40 Year celebration reunion of 1st Southwick Guides. Further information regarding this event will follow but this will be held at Southwick Village Hall during the afternoon of **Sunday 29th September 2019**.

Sparky (R Cadby) Guide Leader



Southwick Senior Section



Southwick Senior Section unit are busy planning a Silver Duke of Edinburgh expedition in the Easter holidays and several new members have just started the Bronze award. Recent senior section evenings have included various D I Y projects, making pancakes and activities using recycled materials. There are further new members joining the unit after Easter and the group are planning a summer camp later in the year.

Southwick Seniors

The Village group for Senior Citizens has been in existence since 24th March 1974. Regular fortnightly meetings are held at the Village Hall on Thursdays at 2.30pm (Except meals at 1.00pm) with speakers, meals & the occasional outing.



New members always welcome.

The programme for the next few months is as follows:

11th April	A.G.M. New members welcome
25th April	Cream tea and quiz
9th May	"The Travels of a Lay Person" by Pam Waller
23rd May	Outing to Weston-Super-Mare and garden centre. This will be £12 per head and everybody welcome but please book in advance with the Chair on 01225 755541
6th June	Animal Stories by Jane Clark

Programme subject to change.

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 Acting Chairman Ted Pomeroy on 01225 755541.



**Women's
Institute**

Southwick Women's Institute



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Institute**

<u>President:</u>	<u>Secretary:</u>	<u>Committee:</u>
Mrs Linda Ritchens Whittaker's Farm Southwick Tel. 01225 753177	Mrs Hilary Price 25 Chichester Park Westbury Tel. 01373 864628	Mrs. P. Prebble Mrs S. Huscroft Mrs V. Watts Mrs V. Scott Mrs B. Vincent Mrs M. Ricketts

17th April	Lauren Noble	Forever Friend Appeal RUH
15th May	Jean Collins	Resolutions. Looking at life as I see it.
19th June		Canal boat trip with Fish & Chip supper
17th July	Mary Hann	Flower arranging
21st August		Garden party at 24 Hollis Way from 3.00pm to 5.00pm.
18th September	Ann King	Life along the Equator
16th October		Trip to Westonbirt Arboretum
20th November	Martin Holler	Royal Mail Guard
11th December	Michael Gamble	Christmas Quiz & buffet

Contact
Barbara Vincent
01225 763347

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

INSPIRING WOMEN

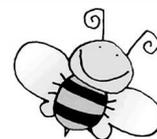


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The Hive, Hollis Way, Southwick, Trowbridge, Wiltshire BA14 9PH

Tel: (01225) 753262 or email busy_bees@tiscali.co.uk



What an exciting couple of weeks in the pre-school. After the sad loss of Daisy our guinea pig over half term, we are pleased to announce the arrival of three new friends, "Flower", "Stardust" and "Luna". All 3 girl guinea pigs have settled in well and are so cuddly. Thank you so much to Kezzia Kemp and family who gave them to us.



We have also got new exciting play areas for the children. The "Enchanted Forest" gives the children space to explore the natural world and all that we find in it. The "Sensory Room" inspires children to use their senses, sight, touch, listening, etc. in a darkened room. A place for relaxed play.

We recently spent time in the construction area with sand, bricks & pebbles. We have learnt about tools and made our own tool boxes containing hammers, screwdrivers and saws. Lots of talk about what we are building. "A house for the pigs" Great thanks goes to Charlie from Westbury Building Supplies for the lovely props to help us play and make this area so real.

We are looking forward to our Easter event "Bake Off". We are having a competition for both parents and children. A colouring competition and egg decoration competition. Judging to take place on Friday 5th April from 1.30 to 3.00pm. A get together afternoon before the Easter break

Dear parents & Carers,

We would be very grateful if you could donate any of the following items, which will be used within the setting for activities and also for future projects to enrich the children's senses and learning here at Busy Bees:

- Egg boxes
- Unwanted CDs
- Plastic bottles with lids
- Empty wet wipe packets with the plastic clip shut lids
- Padlocks
- Door hinges
- Lock and keys
- Lock and chains
- Zips

Spaces are available in the Pre-school for September, pop in for a visit or give us a call for details.

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.

SOUTHWICK SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB

We are looking to start a group on a Friday evening, if interested please get in touch with Kath Noble on 01225 352503.



It is now nineteen years since we started playing bowls in the Village Hall and it has become a very enjoyable experience.



Why not come along and give it a try?

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Hope Nature Centre

01225 759075

Southwick Country Park, Frome Road, Southwick, Wiltshire, BA14 9QD



EASTER EGG HUNT

APRIL 6TH TO APRIL 22ND

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EASTER EGG HUNT

Included in your Animal Park Entry ticket.

EASTER SUNDAY LUNCH AVAILABLE

21st April - 12pm to 4pm
Pre-booking Essential

EGGSTRAVAGANZA IN THE ANIMAL PARK!

SUNDAY 21ST APRIL

- 11am to 3pm
- Animal Petting & Grooming
- Facepainting
- Children's crafts
- Egg Rolling

BARBEQUE IN THE ANIMAL PARK!

MONDAY 22ND APRIL

- 12pm to 3pm
- Join us for a delicious BBQ in our Animal Park, perfect for lunch!



HOPE NATURE CENTRE



CHARITY NO 1080993

Hope Nature Centre Easter Fun!

We have a whole host of Easter activities happening in April at Hope Nature Centre in Southwick, BA14 9QD!

From April 6th through to April 22nd, you'll be able to take part in our Easter Egg Hunt, where you can go to explore our Animal Park and find 4 eggs to collect your prize! It's all included in your ticket, so get ready for the hunt!

On Sunday 21st April join us for our Animal Park Eggstravaganza! Enjoy a variety of activities including animal petting & grooming, face-painting, children's crafts and egg rolling! You can also enjoy an Easter Lunch at our Cafe. Our popular lunches include 2 courses for £9.95 for Adults and £7.95 for Children. Pre-book your space by calling 01225 759075.

On Sunday 22nd April you can enjoy our Animal Park BBQ, perfect for lunch and an Active Trowbridge Sports Roadshow!

We hope you can join us over Easter to enjoy our extra activities!

Notes from Southwick Country Park

Over the last couple of months, the Friends have been busy tidying the main Car Park area along with the help of some contractors. They came at the beginning of February and cleared the bank between the car park and the Lambrook Meadow. This area was very overgrown with bramble and ivy and the contractors took down some Mahonia bushes and large Willow. Once that area was clear the Friends spent a morning planting whips (provided by the Woodland Trust) and some larger Hazel bushes which had been given a year ago. The whips comprised Hazel, Hawthorn, Elder, Crab Apple and Dogwood, so quite a mixture of all native plants, which is the long term aim of the Friends to try to keep to native species. Parts of the railings around the car park and along the entrance road have been repaired or replaced where necessary. The high volume of traffic coming into and out of the Park has resulted in some of the fencing being knocked over and broken which makes extra work for the Friends. The sunny weather leading up to Half Term week and the week itself saw unusually high numbers of visitors. This was partly due to the Hope Nature Centre re-opening and revamping their café and while we encourage visitors we would like to see some more courtesy with parking. Several complaints have been received about irresponsible parking and abusive behaviour and I hope visitors realise that without the Friends they would be charged for parking in the Park. **Let's keep it friendly please.** One of the most pleasing times in the Park is when the Spring flowers appear and so far this year we have seen large clumps of snowdrops, primroses and daffodils. The native daffodils planted around the Village Green area are showing now and will over time multiply to give a really good display.

"Ian and new Pruner working in Car Park".



Why do blind people hate skydiving? It scares the hell out of their dogs.

My friend says to me: "What rhymes with orange" I said: "No it doesn't"

Southwick Trivia Quiz compiled by Paul Nicholls

Answers to be found on the penultimate page.

1. Who painted "The Last Supper"?
2. What kind of establishment is also known as "The Clink"?
3. According to the nursery rhyme who was born on a Monday, Christened on Tuesday and married on Wednesday?
4. Which king was executed during the English Civil War?
5. What does an horologist make?
6. What can be secured with a full Windsor, half Windsor or a fi=our in hand knot?
7. Who wrote and starred alongside Toby Jones in the BBC sitcom Detectorists?
8. Which Latin phrase meaning "in good faith" describes something that is genuine?
9. To date, which nation has won most medals in the Winter Olympic games
10. Which gameshow reboot did Mel Giedroyc & Sue Perkins present at Easter?
11. To what animal does the term "Vulpine" refer?
12. What word links shoot, maker, free and some?
13. What does someone who is "moonlighting" have more than one of?
14. How many UK Prime Ministers have there been since the turn of this century?
15. Which country will host the FIFA World Cup this year?
16. What number is considered to be the luckiest in Chinese Culture?
17. What word describes animals that are capable of living in water and on the land such as toads & newts?
18. During pregnancy to what organ is the baby connected via the umbilical cord?
19. To date, Shirley Bassey has sung the theme tune for three James Bond films, which was the first?
20. Which horticultural TV show celebrated its 50th anniversary last year?

Wiltshire Guild of Spinners, Weavers and Dyers with The Textile Studios invite you to their Exhibition "Made with Pride"

Friday 31st May – Sunday 2nd June 10.30 – 4

At The Textile Studios, St Mary's School Building, High St, Steeple Ashton BA14 6EU

Live and interactive demonstrations

Refreshments with homemade cakes

For further info, please visit our website www.westwilts-communityweb.com/site/Wiltshire-Guild

The Wiltshire Guild of Spinners, Weavers and Dyers with The Textile Studios in Steeple Ashton would like to invite you to their bi-annual exhibition on **Friday 31st May, Saturday 1st June and Sunday 2nd June, open from 10.30 a.m. – 4 p.m.** each day. The title of the exhibition is "Made with Pride" and will showcase the very best of our recent work in spinning, weaving and dyeing, and also the crafts of patchwork, felting and sewing.

There will be an area dedicated to beginner's work, and there will also be a small exhibition of pieces both made by, and inspired by, founder member and very skilled spinner and weaver Ann Lander (1934-2018). We will also have a "fiesta of rugs" display and interactive demonstrations with the opportunity to try your hand at some spinning and weaving. **Entry is free** and there is parking at the rear of the Textile Studios (entry via Acreshort Lane).

There will be refreshments for sale with homemade cake. On the afternoon of Sunday 2nd, the village of Steeple Ashton is also hosting their Open Gardens event – tickets will be available to purchase on the day. We are looking forward to welcoming you to **The Textile Studios, St Mary's School Building, High St, Steeple Ashton BA14 6EU.**

Parkrun profile: Southwick Country Park

Southwick Country parkrun takes place every Saturday morning in Southwick near Trowbridge, Wiltshire. Martin Pearce is a member of the core team at Southwick Country parkrun and he tells us more about the event he calls home...



I ran the first ever Southwick parkrun back in 2011 (still my highest finishing position!) and loved the whole idea. I ran a few more before starting to volunteer, mostly as a photographer. Now, I am much more energised to volunteer than I am to run. I have now taken over 100,000 photos over the years and have loved capturing our walkers, joggers and runners progress. I have witnessed people progress from walking to running, weight loss, health improvement, social groups formed and friendships forged, even marriages. Truly blessed to witness peoples life journeys from parkrun and playing a part in recording it.

Our course involves two and three-quarter laps of the park on a gravel track, passing through open parkland, through a small wooded area by a stream and pond with a downhill dash to the finish. It definitely has PB potential. The most famous landmark on our course is our statue, Forest. It was designed by Noel Morgan with the help of welders Audrey & Jason Gumm to commemorate the first parkrun event 7 years ago on 3rd September 2011.



You are always guaranteed a warm welcome at Southwick with encouraging marshalls. Where else has their own parkrun statue 'forest' and a great post parkrun café supporting adults with learning difficulties. For our post-parkrun coffee, in the park, we have the Squirrels café, which is a café run by the local council for adults with learning difficulties. You can get a full breakfast and coffee and support a local charity.

One inspiring story from our event involved Vicky Ody. Vicky celebrated her 50th parkrun by running the course pushing a wheelbarrow loaded with 15kg of birdseed, which is the equivalent weight that she lost by incorporating parkrun in her diet and exercise routine! The bird seed was donated to the local animal park which is next to our Tea Room.

The impact on the local community has been huge, and we think the stats speak for themselves. In the 7 years we have been running, we have had nearly 9,000 parkrunners completing 335,000k. Friendships have been forged, weddings have taken place, Running Clubs have even been set up (Saturday Morning Run Club – SMRC) and our original volunteers have gone up to set up other parkruns close by.





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As well as a personal challenge, by taking part you will be helping us to keep saving lives. If an abseil appeals to you, experience the thrill of a controlled descent down Avon Gorge, Bristol, on Sunday 14 April.

You can explore the stunning landscape of Snowdonia National Park by tackling our triple challenge of cycling, climbing and kayaking on Saturday 8 June.

If you want to see Wiltshire from a great height take part in our skydive at Old Sarum Airfield, near Salisbury, on 2 June. Jumping in tandem with a professional instructor from either 10,000 or 15,000 feet, you can see the sights of Salisbury Cathedral and Stonehenge.

We are a charity and rely on donations to keep saving lives. It costs £3.75 million a year to keep the air ambulance flying and we are not funded directly by the Government and receive no National Lottery grants.

For more information about our events go to our website <https://www.wiltshireairambulance.co.uk/events/> or call the charity team on 01225 300536.



Abseil for Wiltshire Air Ambulance.



Skydive for Wiltshire Air Ambulance



Tackle the Snowdon Challenge for Wiltshire Air Ambulance.

Q: What do you call a rabbit with fleas?
A: Bugs Bunny.

Have you heard about corduroy pillows?
They're making headlines.

Update on Guide Dog Fund-raising.

I have some sad news and some good news. Most of you will remember that my second guide dog, JIM (who was also named after my husband Gordon) was placed about 2 years ago with a lovely man called John Ellis, aged 71 years, in Caernarfon, North Wales. Jim was John's 4th guide dog. Sadly, John died suddenly on 15th January this year so his wife Eirian has decided to adopt Jim as a family pet as it was unfair to the dog to take him away from his home. This means that guide dogs will not be financing Jim any more. At John's funeral they collected donations for guide dogs and Eirian decided to send the money to my guide fund. I have just received a fantastic cheque for **£2,000.00**.

The good news is that with the **£556** I raised myself at my talks this month, our 6th guide dog Lawrie is paid for. The total raised so far after 7 years is a magnificent **£30,169.50**.

I have over 60 talks left this year and with my two fund-raisers I think I will be able to finance just one more dog. This dog will be called 'LINDON', that is the beginning of Linda and the end of Gordon. I hope you don't mind me calling the last dog after Gordon and myself. Thank you.

Please make a note in your diaries or on your calendars that my Coffee Morning is on **Saturday 18th May** at my house, 60, Hollis Way, Southwick from 10am to 12 noon. Entry fee will be £1 for Tea or Coffee and a homemade biscuit.

Everyone is welcome. As usual we will be having the Tombola, White Elephant, Jewellery and Cake stalls, Raffle, home-made greetings cards and a competition, so any donations of items for any of these stalls will be very gratefully received. Many thanks to those of you who have already given lots of wonderful items to me.

You all know how grateful I am for the help you give so willingly, and I will say this again – I couldn't do it without your valuable help – Thanks so much for supporting me.

Much love and thanks from Linda xx

Southwick Community Speedwatch

Southwick Community Speedwatch has been in operation since 2014. We started as a team of 6 and for a while our ranks swelled to 7, but sadly two of our original members have had to leave as a result of health issues. To enable us to carry out more sessions we really need more volunteers. Our role is to be part of a wider Wiltshire Police initiative to educate drivers to the dangers of speeding.

You may have seen us carrying out sessions as you drive through the village, but do you really know what a session entails?

Prior to carrying out active duties you will undertake training that involves both on-line learning covering the legal and safety aspects of your duties and practical experience of using the speed monitoring device with the village Speedwatch team and a member of Wiltshire Police. You will then be signed up as an active volunteer.

We share a speed monitoring device with the North Bradley Speedwatch team, which means we normally have the device for 3 weeks in every 6. At the beginning of our period with the device we have a meeting to agree on the times, locations and team members for each of our monitoring sessions. We only operate in locations which have been risk assessed by the Police and each of our sessions lasts for a maximum of an hour, and will only be carried out in daylight and in dry weather. We try and plan for 4 to 5 sessions in each of the weeks that we have the device and we have 8 sites that we can use around the village

Ideally, we will have 3 team members at each session - one to operate the device, one to record details of speeding vehicles and a third to use a counter to record the number of vehicles passing our location. We aim to rotate the roles during a session and must have a minimum of two members on duty.

At the end of each session details of speeding vehicles are sent electronically to Wiltshire Police to be entered onto their systems and letters are then generated which are sent to the registered keepers of the vehicles. Repeat offenders will receive further letters and/or a visit from a police officer.

During our last period with the device in February we carried out 7 sessions (we planned 10 but weather and illness reduced the number) and reported 22 vehicles, out of 3558 that passed us, for being driven above the threshold speed. Of these, 5 vehicles were being driven at 40 mph or above.

We are regularly complimented for the work we are doing in deterring drivers from speeding, and we would like to welcome **you** to our small team, even if you could only spare an hour a week.

So why not get in touch and come out with us for even a few minutes to see how we operate?

Martin
07947 691 235

A Personal 'Passage to India!'

I recently spent 8 days on a visit to India, a 'passage' that really began in 2004! I was there as a guest of the Venkatraman Memorial Trust, of which I have been a supporter for 15 years. In December of that year I read an article in *You* magazine which told the story of a young Indian boy, Venkatraman, one of six children of a poor fisherman, all of whom lived in a one room shack in Kovalam, south of Madras, now renamed Chennai. A British tourist, named Sylvia Holder from Brighton met Venkat on the beach and the youngster was cheeky enough to ask if she would pay his school fees so that he could continue his schooling. This she did and the Venkat story began. He worked hard through school and eventually graduated from Madras University with a degree in Business Studies and he began a lucrative career with an Italian leather importer as a translator. Unfortunately, things then took a turn for the worse as Venkat was killed in a road crash. Unfortunately, these events mirrored almost exactly the circumstances in my own family, having suffered the same story with my own younger brother. That might have been the end of the story but Sylvia then formed the Venkatraman Memorial Trust to offer the same chances to other unfortunate children in Kovalam, which is about 40km south of Chennai. So moved was I by this article that I decided to sponsor a student seeking a better, brighter future. Thus for the last 15 years I have supported several youngsters with their school fees and currently have three at various stages in their education. The youngest, a girl called Nitheeshwar, is coming to the end of her school career and about to embark on further studies. My middle student, Shalaudeen has left school and is studying Motor Vehicle Engineering at Technical College whilst Bhareth Kumar is in the second year of a Business Studies degree. This visit was a chance for me to meet my, and many other, sponsored children, an invitation I accepted with alacrity.



So it was that a large group of disparate bleary eyed strangers from across the globe disembarked at Chennai airport 05:30 a.m. We really were a well-travelled group with sponsors from GB and from as far afield as Australia and New Zealand! Then began a whirlwind tour of visits, school fete days and concerts as well as meeting the families of all sponsored children in their homes.

Was I ever worried that the monies I supplied might be 'put to other uses'? Yes, initially, as one hears of much 'graft' in these circumstances. However, the trust has gone from strength to strength with many extras supplied to local schools, ranging from complete buildings to staff fees, a community building and, of course a well-stocked library. The trust has made amazing progress in the fifteen years it has been in operation and every penny contributed has been put to the very good use for which it was intended. Several hundred grossly disadvantaged children now have a much brighter future and the gratitude of their families for all that has been achieved was very obvious during my visit.

The trust has had about 500 sponsored children in all and there are now 49 graduates, none of whom could have progressed to university without the Trust's help. A copy of a power point presentation on the trust's work can be seen by anyone interested. Contact Sylvia via these links to see the video and learn more of the trust's work:

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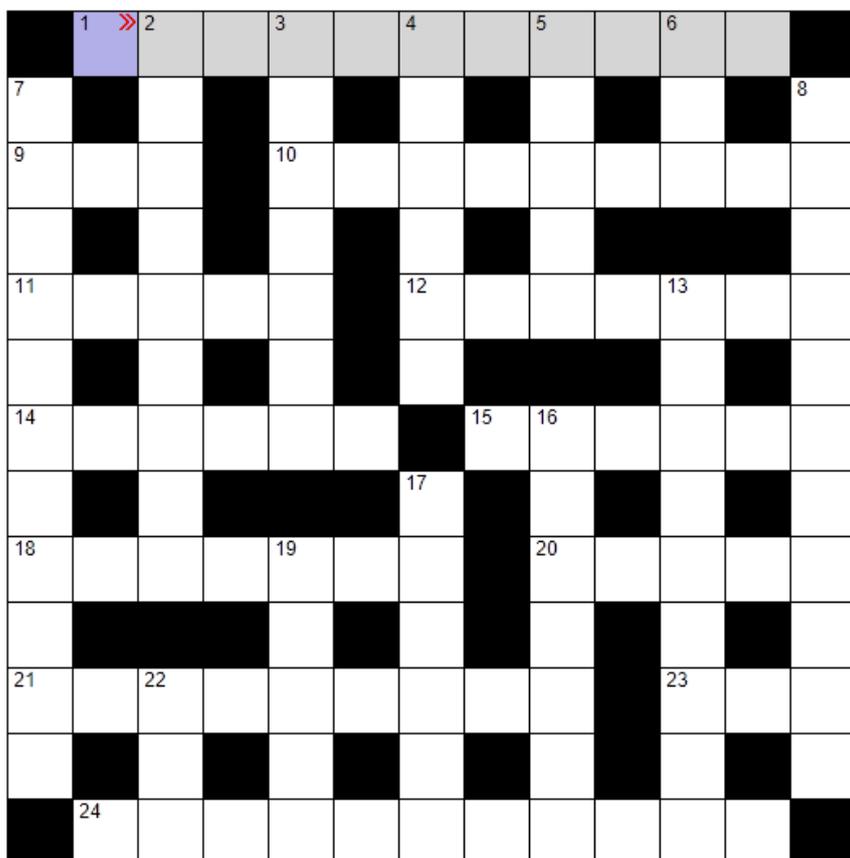
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Fun Crossword Puzzle, answers can either be found on the penultimate page, either that, it may be the last but one page.



Across

1. Author of 'The Great Railway Bazaar' (11)
9. Base unit of electric current (3)
10. Surname of famous French statesman and military leader (9)
11. Canadian author Naomi (5)
12. A corridor in a building (7)
14. Written stage direction for characters to leave the stage (6)
15. Famous German composer (6)
18. Neatly arranged (7)
20. A top of something, especially a hill (5)
21. A person or organisation attached to a larger body (9)
23. Long _____ and far away (3)
24. Author of 'The Road to Oxiana' (11)

Down

2. American traveller and tree planter Johnny (9)
3. Country with capital city Beirut (7)
4. Head _____; the boss (6)
5. Drive or force away (5)
6. Political union between Egypt and Syria 1958-1971 (3)
7. Famous author of the Beat Generation (11)
8. Common symptom brought on by air travel (11)
13. Brand name synonymous with motorhomes (9)
16. Process of turning ordinary metals into gold (7)
17. Ivan the Terrible or Vlad the Impaler (6)
19. 20th century Bohemian-Austrian poet and novelist (5)
22. To and _____ (3)



Defibrillator Awareness Session

Southwick Village Hall

7.30pm-9.30pm Wednesday 1st May 2019



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Southwick School PTA



We are pleased to announce that the Southwick School Summer fete will be held on Friday 28th June from 3.45 to 5.15. All welcome
To book a stall please email pta@southwick.wilts.sch.uk

So You thought You Spoke English

If you've learnt to speak fluent English, you may be very clever. Here are some examples showing why the language is hard to learn.

The bandages were wound around the wound
The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse
He used lead in the lead to make it stiffer
Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present
I did not object to the object
There was a row among the oarsmen about how to row
The buck does funny things when the does are present
To help with planting the farmer taught his sow to sow
After a number of injections my jaw got number
I had to subject the subject to a series of tests

The farm was used to produce produce
We must polish the Polish furniture
The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert
A bass was painted on the head of the bass drum
When shot at the dove dove into the bushes
The insurance was invalid for the invalid
The were not close enough to the door to close it
A seamstress and sewer fell down the sewer
The wind was to strong to wind down the sale
Upon seeing the tear in the painting I shed a tear

Many thanks to Dougie for this.

Did You Know?

There is an old Hotel/Pub in Marble Arch, London, which used to have a gallows adjacent to it. Prisoners were taken to the gallows (after a fair trial of course) to be hanged. The horse-drawn dray, carting the prisoner, was accompanied by an armed guard, who would stop the dray outside the pub and ask the prisoner if he would like "ONE LAST DRINK". If he said YES, it was referred to as ONE FOR THE ROAD. If he declined, that prisoner was ON THE WAGON.

Here are some facts about the 1500s:

Most people got married in June, because they took their yearly bath in May and they still smelled pretty good by June. However, since they were starting to smell, brides carried a bouquet of flowers to hide the body odour. Hence the custom today of carrying a bouquet when getting married. Baths consisted of a big tub filled with hot water. The man of the house had the privilege of the nice clean water, then all the other sons and men, then the women and finally the children. Last of all the babies. By then the water was so dirty you could actually lose someone in it. Hence the saying, "Don't throw the baby out with the bath water!"

Houses had thatched roofs, thick straw piled high, with no wood underneath. It was the only place for animals to get warm, so all the cats and other small animals (mice, bugs) lived in the roof. When it rained it became slippery and sometimes the animals would slip and fall off the roof. Hence the saying "It's raining cats and dogs."

There was nothing to stop things from falling into the house. This posed a real problem in the bedroom, where bugs and other droppings could mess up your nice clean bed. Hence, a bed with big posts and a sheet hung over the top afforded some protection. That's how canopy beds came into existence.

The floor was dirt. Only the wealthy had something other than dirt. Hence the saying, "dirt poor." The wealthy had slate floors that would get slippery in the winter when wet, so they spread thresh (straw) on floor to help keep their footing. As the winter wore on they added more thresh until, when you opened the door, it would all start slipping outside. A piece of wood was placed in the entrance-way. Hence: a thresh hold.

Bread was divided according to status. Workers got the burnt bottom of the loaf, the family got the middle, and guests got the top, or "The Upper Crust"

Lead cups were used to drink ale or whiskey. The combination would sometimes knock the imbibers out for a couple of days. Someone walking along the road would take them for dead and prepare them for burial. They were laid out on the kitchen table for a couple of days and the family would gather around and eat and drink and wait and see if they would wake up. Hence the custom of "Holding a Wake".

England is old and small and the local folks started running out of places to bury people, so they would dig up coffins and would take the bones to a bone-house and reuse the grave. When reopening these coffins, 1 out of 25 coffins were found to have scratch marks on the inside and they realised they had been burying people alive. So they would tie a string on the wrist of the corpse, thread it through the coffin and up through the ground and tie it to a bell. Someone would have to sit out in the graveyard all night (the graveyard shift) to listen for the bell; thus someone could be, "Saved by the Bell" or was considered a "Dead Ringer"

And that's the truth.

Article supplied by David Beaumont

DETERMINATION (or confronting walls)

When a wall
Appears in your way
Do not try
To go through it
Aim to go round it
In whatever way
Looks most likely
The builder of the wall
Will little expect it..
Above all
Do not give in-
Remember
The Maginot Line,
Walls are for turning,
And always have
Limitations
However
Obstructive the builder.
Imagination, guts
And determination
Have always
Eventually
Rendered walls
Useless.
No matter how
Obstructive and
Crafty the builder,
Walls always have
A limit,
Unless a circular
Traps, then,
The only time
They can be
Broken is
To fight the
Way out.
It has happened
Here in the past
Let us pray
It never happens
Again.
If possible
Always manoeuvre
Do not confront.
Confrontation
Brings often
Much pain,
Just keep going
And look for the
Gain-
Eventually
Walls will crumble
And fall,
But an isolated
Wall is the best
Of them all,
It stands as a
Symbol of futility
To be placed
In frustration,
And remains
To remind
That determination
Will defeat walls
Whatever their kind.

Ian Rutter 24th February 2019

There was a young lady of Kent.
Whose nose was most awfully bent.
She followed her nose,
One day, I suppose,
And no one knows which way she went.

A dyslexic man walks into a bra

What is red and smells like blue paint?

Red paint.

Trowbridge Majorettes

As you may have read in a previous edition of the Southwick Newsletter, Trowbridge Majorettes disbanded late last year. I would just like to let anyone interested in joining a local troupe that ENIGMA Baton Twirling Team are currently recruiting and you can contact Tanya on 07702 808079 or email www.enigmatwirlteam@gmail.com
Marilyn Fox

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What's the difference between an oral thermometer and a rectal thermometer?

The taste.

Names & Nicknames and Their Origins – Term of Endearment?

Upon my name being mentioned in the last edition of your magazine, a close friend enquired as to whether my name was in fact Kathleen or Kate? This got me thinking of the various names and nicknames that I have been called, good and bad, hopefully this is where the question Term of Endearment comes in. Perhaps your readers would like to share some of their names and nicknames and how they came about?

My Name is Kathleen, and this is how I was referred to by my parents. During my working life I was referred to as Katie and my friends always call me Kate. One of my nicknames at school was 'Sticky' this was due to my maiden name being Gumm.

When I was approximately 15 years old myself and my Friend Winnie Way were cycling from Hilperton to Trowbridge and coming the other way was an American Airman and he called out to me "Hiya stuck up". I found this most amusing as, unbeknown to him, my surname was Gumm (sticky).

My father, Fredrick Gumm, was a Carpenter and Wheelwright. George Moore, my cousin, was the owner of the garage at Steeple Ashton and also a bell ringer amongst other things. George would phone home to his Aunt, my mother who ran the local Store and Bakery in Keevil, and ask "is that the parrot bakery"?

He would call it this due to both his sense of humour and the implication that the local villagers would come to the store and tell all their news and bits of information which, more often than not, would be passed on - hence the nickname Parrot Bakery (repetition of information heard).

Tunes Old or New – What it Means at the Time

I recently heard a song that I refer to as a 'golden oldie' and memories came flooding back. This got me thinking of all the other old favourites of mine and what those songs mean to me. Here are a few of my favourites and their meanings: -

Two Little Girls in Blue – My father would sing this song to me and my little sister when we were young as we both had blue eyes.

Sailing Down the River on a Sunday Afternoon – After the war was over, German prisoners of war were sent out to local farms to work. There was one man who I used to often see at a local dance. I happened to see him cycling from Bulkington through Keevil on a Sunday afternoon when he started singing 'Sailing Down the River on a Sunday Afternoon' to me. This song was often played at the dances we both went too. I can't help but remember him, and this chance encounter, whenever I hear this tune

Que Sera Sera (whatever will be, will be), Doris Day - There is no particular memory associated with this song, it's one of my favourites simply because it's such a lovely jolly, happy, 'feel good' song.

The White Cliffs of Dover by Vera Lynn – A true Forces Favourite! I used to sing this to my son when he was little to settle him and get him off to sleep.

Oh, to be in England now the Spring is Here – When my sister was a young girl, she sang this as a solo in Keevil Church, I think of her whenever I hear this sung.

Rhinestone Cowboy by Glen Campbell – Again, no particular memory is associated with this song just one of my personal favourites that I wanted to add to this list.

Old Quotes and Sayings

Here are some well-known phrases and sayings. I would love to hear your readers suggestions; can you think of some others?

A Stitch in Time Saves Nine

A Friend in Need is a Friend Indeed

A Whistling Maid and a Crowing Hen are Neither fit for God nor Men

Cobbler Cobbler Mend my Shoe

Sticks and Stones may Break my Bone's, but Names will Never Hurt Me

Least Said, Soonest Mended

Look Before you Leap

Early to Bed, Early to Rise, Makes a Man Healthy, Wealthy and Wise

Children's Sayings and Rhymes:

The Grand old Duke of York

I Spy with my Little Eye

Pat a Cake, Pat a Cake Bakers Man

Row Row Row Your Boat

Twinkle Twinkle Little Star

Incy Wincy Spider

Round and Round the Garden, Like a Teddy Bear

Rock a bye Baby

Hush Little Baby, Don't Say a Word

Also, here are just a small selection of my favourite Hymns and Prayers: -

Prayer – Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord, and be thy great mercy, defend us from all perils and dangers of this night.

Hymns— Praise, my Soul, the King of Heaven
Onward Christian Soldiers

Composed by Kathleen Harden (village resident)

A favourite of song of mine is Tammy by Debbie Reynolds, my gran used to sing it to my as she played it on her old 78rpm vinyl record. I would sit on her lap as she sang the words. I have a copy of the record on my playlist on my phone, it always brings back such happy memories of my dear old late gran Esther.

John Fox

Carol Watson's Recipe of the Month

I really enjoy cooking, like other villagers, I'm sure. I thought I'd share some of my favourite recipes.

Stocks & Soups "There's something wholesome and comforting about a soup, made with care, from fresh natural ingredients. It is filling, satisfying and above all, easy" says Delia Smith. It is also economical. The basis of a good soup is a good stock – and it's not as much bother as it sometimes sounds.

Making a stock: All that's actually involved is bones or carcasses plus a few other ingredients (carrots, onions, etc.) being simmered in water, totally unattended. The results will produce goodness & flavour at a minimal cost and will prove how well spent, in these days of chemical additives & flavourings, just how a few minutes of your own time can be.

Principles of stock making: Just four easy steps:

- 1) **Simmering:** Fast boiling can turn a stock very cloudy & murky – always keep everything at a gentle simmer.
- 2) **Skimming:** When boiling bones or carcasses, it is important to skim the surface to remove the scum from it. Just slide a large spoon, horizontally, across the surface, lift off and discard the scum.
- 3) **Removing the fat:** Marrowbones, neck of lamb, etc., all give a certain amount of fat while they are cooking. The easiest way to do this is to let the cooked and strained stock cool overnight and remove the solidified fat from the top.
- 4) **Reducing:** If you feel, after straining and de-greasing, your stock needs more concentrated flavours, bring it back to the boil and simmer without the lid on, so some of the liquid evaporates.

Chicken carcass stock: I once read a quote "You should never insult a roast chicken by discarding the carcass without stripping off all the meat & making stock from the bones"! So with that in mind.....having removed all the meat from the carcass, break the bones, (including any bits of bones & skin). Then put them into a large cooking pot or saucepan with the following:

1 carrot – cut into chunks
1 onion – quartered
1 celery stick – halved & sliced
1 leek – washed & sliced
6 whole black peppercorns
2 bayleaves
¼ teaspoon salt
Couple of pinches of dried herbs

I use these ingredients
for all my stocks. Whatever
the bones!

Now add enough cold water to cover the bones, bring to the boil, skim the surface to remove the scum, then simmer gently, with the lid almost on, for two hours. After this time, strain the stock, cool and remove the fat from the surface, before using or freezing in suitable containers. Stock can be made using any bones, including fish. Gelatinous, homemade stock is very nutritious. However, you could always use stock cubes (or water) but the flavour of the soup will not be quite so good!

One of my favourite soups : **Leek, Onion & Potato**

This is a really good, easy soup. It can be garnished with some freshly snipped chives and a swirl of cream (but is fine without). This recipe serves 4 – 6 people, depending on how hungry they are!

4 large leeks
2 medium potatoes, peeled and diced
1 medium onion, peeled and chopped small
1 ½ pints (850ml) chicken stock or water
½ pint (275ml) milk
2 oz (50g) butter
2 tablespoons cream
1 ½ tablespoons fresh snipped chives
Salt & freshly ground black pepper

if using

Trim off the tops and roots of the leeks, discarding the outer layer. Now split them in half lengthways and slice them up quite finely. Then wash thoroughly & drain well.

In a large, thick based saucepan, gently melt the butter, then add the leeks, potatoes and onion, stirring them all with a wooden spoon so they get a nice coating of butter. Season with salt & pepper, then cover & let the vegetables sweat over a very low heat for about 15 minutes.

After that, add the stock and milk, bring to simmering point, put the lid back on and let the soup simmer, very gently for a further 20 minutes or until the vegetables are soft – if you have the heat too high, the milk in it may cause it to boil over.

Next, when cool, liquidise or blend to a puree.

Finally, return the soup to the saucepan and reheat gently, tasting to check the seasoning. Stir in the chopped chives & add a swirl of cream, just before serving, if using.

Note: The chilled version of this soup is called Vichyssoise, which sounds very posh, doesn't it?

Serve with good, crusty bread.....and enjoy!

What is the resemblance between a green apple and a red apple?

They're both red except for the green one.

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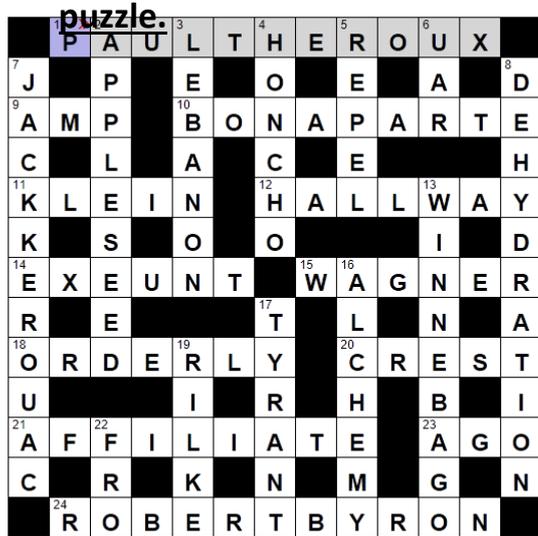
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Answer to the crossword puzzle.



When a deaf person sees someone yawn do they think it's a scream?

A blind man walks into a bar. And a table. And a chair.

Answers to Paul's Trivia Quiz

Quiz

- 1 Leonardo Da Vinci
- 2 Prison or Gaol
- 3 Solomon Grundy
- 4 Charles 1st
- 5 Timepieces
- 6 A necktie
- 7 Mackenzie Crook
- 8 Bona Fide
- 9 Norway
- 10 The Generation Game
- 11 Fox
- 12 Trouble
- 13 A job
- 14 Four
- 15 Russia
- 16 Eight
- 17 Amphibious
- 18 The placenta
- 19 Goldfinger
- 20 Gardner's World

I bought some shoes from a drug dealer. I don't know what he laced them with, but I've been tripping all day.

My dog used to chase people on a bike a lot. It got so bad, finally I had to take his bike away.

Note from the editor

As a result of my plea for more ideas or articles for the newsletter, one kind gentleman suggested that it might be a good idea to start up a Facebook Group similar to the very popular one called "Historic Trowbridge". I've looked into the idea and have indeed set up an "Historic Southwick, Wiltshire" group, with the hope that people from anywhere in the world, not just Southwick, share old photographs or stories that they may have that relates to our village.

I have started by uploading a couple of photographs of my son and daughter's primary school photographs from 1993, not exactly historic, but hopefully of interest.

It brought back memories for me of my older two children's time at the school, Mr Bridges being the well loved and respected head-master.

So, I'm sorry if you haven't got access to a computer, this may seem a foreign language to some and I know a lot of people hate or dislike Facebook, but it has its uses and I hope by joining this group it may bring you pleasure and amusement, a chance to relive old memories of the place we call home.

If you could spare the time to go onto Facebook and join the Historic Southwick, Wiltshire group, please feel free to share your photos and memories, it would be lovely to see and hear what the village was like years ago.

I just wish that I had photographs of the Fleur de Lys public house. When I was about 5 years old, I used to walk up Frome Road with my mum and dad & grandparent's from my parents house every Sunday evening and call in the pub where dad would have a glass of cider and dip my sister's dummy in the glass. Little did I know then that I would be living virtually on top of the pub car park! Happy days!

A note from the Editor's dad.

I see in the February's newsletter that John made a request for some more interesting topics. May I suggest something in the genealogical area to be used. How many Southwick residents can trace their families back the furthest?

I have been tracing my family tree and can confirm that John can trace his forebears back to the Wiltshire village of Box to a direct ancestor, namely William Fifield who was baptised there on 9th November 1568.

It is just a thought, but it would be interesting to see if there is anyone in the village who can beat that, if you have a direct ancestor that precedes that date, please let John know, he would love to publish a list of Southwick resident's oldest know direct relatives. Can you beat 9th November 1568?

William Harry Fox

I would just like to say a big "Thank You" to the half a dozen or so people that came up with new ideas and topics for the Newsletter, after my appeal for new and interesting articles in the last edition. It's nice to know that some people bothered to respond. I am always on the hunt for fresh ideas, so please, if you have anything to share, let me know and if suitable, I will make room for your articles. Thanks from the Editor

Useful Contacts

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1st Southwick Rangers	Scout Headquarters	Monday 8.15 – 9.30pm	Mrs R Cadby	01225 767671 Email: 1stsouthwickguides@gmail.com
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Baptist Church	The Chapel	Sunday 10.30am	Donia Ceato	01380 870279 Email: hughanddonia@btinternet.com
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