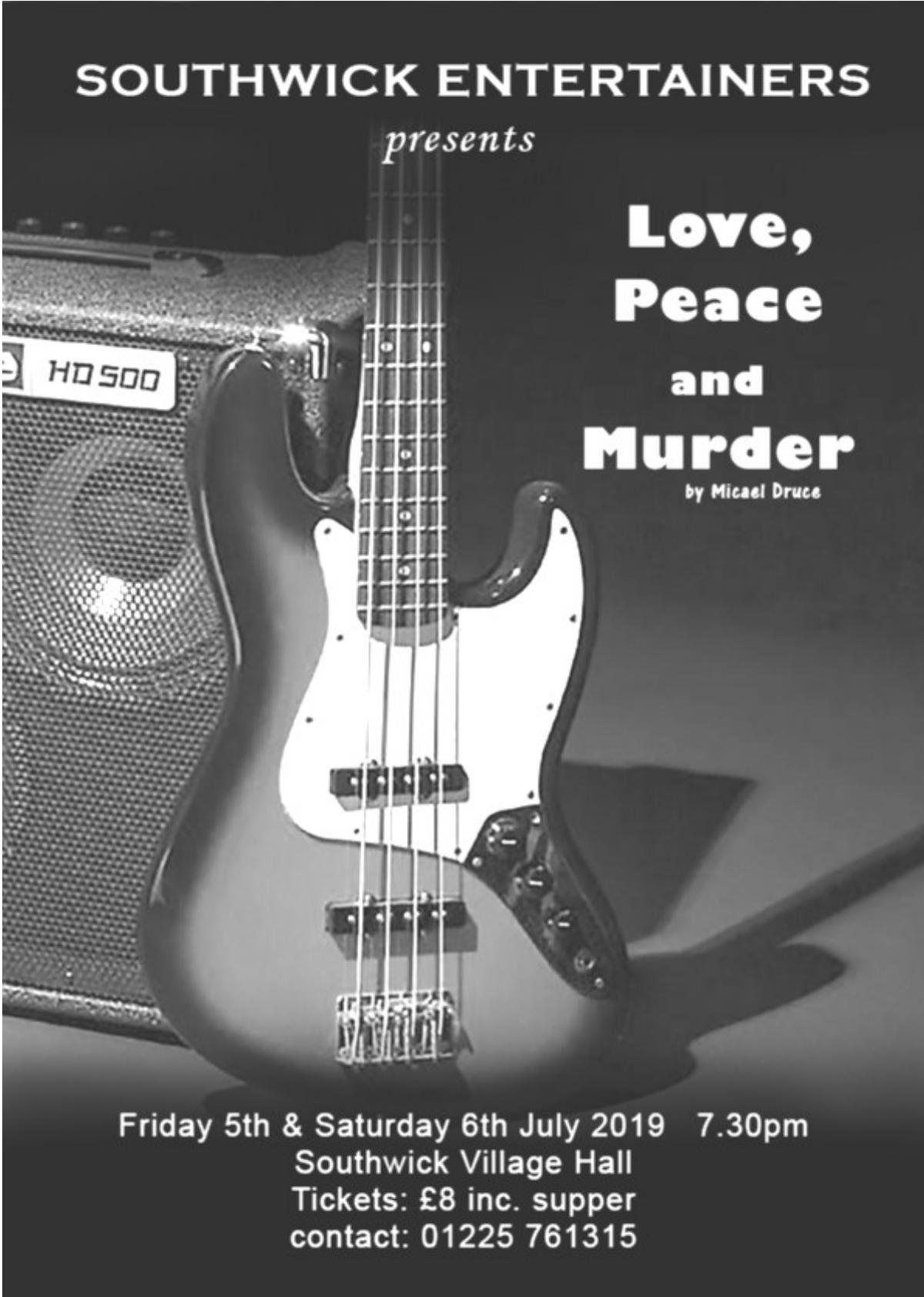


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Village organisations and Local Services

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
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	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
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	Mr. F. Moreland	Dead Maids Close, Chapmanslade, Westbury, BA13 4AD	07981 948348
	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

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

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

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

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

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

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 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 July for the August 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

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.

The Parish Council met as usual on Tuesday 21st May where amongst other items, planning applications were discussed. Members were looking forward to attending the forthcoming Neighbourhood Planning meeting in the village hall.

Also at the Parish Council meeting, Mrs. Noble and Mr. Jackson were both re-elected as Chairperson and Vice—Chair respectively.

Southwick Village Hall Committee; Chairperson's Report 9th April 2019

In October we noted but did not formally celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the original REEMA halls opening in 1978. The major extension was completed in 1989. It is noteworthy that the built-up bitumen and asphalt roof has been renewed only once in 50 years. This is a real tribute to the splendid workmanship of the contractors for 20 years is usually regarded as a long guarantee.

There were no major matters of maintenance and improvement during 2018 as much had been accomplished in the previous two years. We have however, recently received a comprehensive report identifying aspects of the electricity supply which need attention and should be a priority in the current year. Attention has also been drawn to the potential hazard from Legionnaires disease associated with the suite of showers and specialists have been engaged to carry out an inspection and advise.

The hall continues to be well used and, as our Treasurer has reported, the hall fund was valued at £918,527 at the end of 2018 using a hall valuation of £877,160. The income from hiring the hall was much the same as the previous year. Mrs. Crawford, the independent examiner of the Accounts commented that she regarded the surplus on the year's working of £3237 after depreciation" as a good sign". We are again grateful to the Social Club for it's contribution to the success of the hall.

No report of mine could be complete without recording my gratitude to Kath Noble our Secretary and Lettings Secretary and Brian Johnson our Treasurer for the immense amount of work they do in ensuring that the hall continues to prosper.

Finally, I must yet again appeal for more committee members. In common with other local voluntary committees, there is a worrying shortage of persons willing to serve. The duties are not onerous and meetings some 4 to 6 times a year. This year, through the medium of "Southwick Village News" every household will have received an invitation to attend this year's AGM.

Bearing in mind my last paragraph, I invite readers to provide their own postscript.

Roy Butt Chair 8th April 2019

Southwick Playing Field Report 2019

During the past year, the committee has continued to meet on Thursdays and has five meetings, the majority of which have had good attendance. Once again, the provision of well-maintained play equipment has had top priority. Regrettably, this year we have had several bouts of vandalism to both adult and child equipment all of which had to be repaired at a cost.

Once again, the continued lack of responsibility by some dog owners has caused concern for not only the committee but also some of the villagers and sportsmen and women.

Following the successful hedge planting last year, the committee have been doing some similar work at the boundary hedge near the garage this year. Thanks to Tony Doel, Ted Pomeroy, Ben Sansom and Kath Noble four dead trees have been felled and removed.

The use of only one football team using the pitch this year has allowed the grass to last much better despite this year's unseasonal weather. The Beehive Cricket Club have continued to use the square although their results have not been so good and Southwick Show had another successful show on Bank Holiday Monday.

Grass cutting & strimming has again been carried out by Richard Dent, hedge cutting by Jackson & Sons, line marking by Dave Haines and other work by L.J.Pethers. Thanks must also go to our regular helpers & supporters and to Southwick Parish Council for their financial assistance.

Finally, as chairman, I must thank all the committee although small in number for their continued support, so that between us all we try to ensure that the field which is our war memorial, remains an asset for everyone.

E.G.Pomeroy
Southwick Playing Field Management Committee

St. Thomas Church, Southwick

We had a very eventful Easter time at St Thomas Church at the end of April. On Palm Sunday we joined with the congregation at St Nicholas Church in North Bradley for a service that began there and ended in St Thomas Church in Southwick. We walked from one church to the other via Axe and Cleaver Lane, stopping occasionally to sing hymns and mark Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Our service at St Thomas continued with a dramatic reading of the Bible story from Palm Sunday to Jesus' death on the cross on Good Friday.

On Easter Sunday we celebrated Jesus' resurrection with a lovely service that included a baptism. Thank you to everyone who decorated the church so beautifully with flowers and thank you too to everyone who maintains the spring colours in our churchyard.

Our service times change slightly from Sunday 9 June (Whit Sunday/Pentecost) with certain services now beginning at 1030. This will allow us to have more time after the service, meeting each other over a cup of coffee. The services in June and July are set out below.



2 June – 1100 – Family Service	7 July – 1030 – Family Service
9 June – 1100 – Parish Communion	14 July – 1100 – Parish Communion
16 June – 1030 – Morning Worship	21 July – 1030 – Morning Worship
23 June – 1100 – Parish Communion	28 July – 1100 – Parish Communion
30 June – 1100 – Parish Communion for all our Benefice – St Nicholas Church, North Bradley	

Do come and join us for our very sociable coffee mornings on the second Tuesday of each month from 1030 (11 June and 9 July). Everyone is welcome. 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.

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Elizabeth Snell DipFD LMBIFD



Keith Snell DipFD MBIFD



Marcus Read DipFD MBIFD



In the last edition of the newsletter, I mentioned that I make bird box kits and promised to give £1 for every box sold to a local charity. I asked you all to nominate a local charity, it was worth £30.

Only one person out of the whole village came forward and I am pleased to say that the charity that is going to benefit is the "Bath Cancer Unit Support Group".

I know it is only £30, but every penny counts, so hopefully my donation will go a little way to help the cause against cancer.

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 memoriam, 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 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
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Activities for all ages
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MID WEEK MEETINGS at the Chapel:

No limits (special needs group) meet 1st, 3rd & 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**

AREN'T WE LUCKY?

A young trainee Anglican Minister was having a couple of weeks holiday and decided to use his time by visiting some of the beautiful Churches dotted around the Country. Walking into a small Chapel in Yorkshire he was astonished to find on the wall in the entrance, a brightly coloured telephone. Under it was a sign which read:

'Direct line to Heaven. Calls charged at £1000 per minute'.

Thinking this very strange and at the same time marvelling at modern technology, he felt very tempted to pick up the phone for a chat, but had to reluctantly conclude that that it was more than he could realistically afford.

Travelling south the next day, he found himself at another similar building in Birmingham, and was again staggered to find exactly the same thing there. In fact, over the next week, every single place of worship he visited had an identical device installed - each one quoting the same call charges. That was, of course, until he got to Wiltshire.

Walking into a little village church near Trowbridge, there again, was one of these same telephones. This time, to his surprise, he noticed the calls were only being charged at 25p.

Curious by this vast difference in price, he managed to contact the local Minister.

He asked him, 'How come everywhere else it is so expensive to ring Heaven, but in Wiltshire it is so cheap?

The Minister replied, 'Aah - because you have to remember that down here it is only a **local** call.'

From a Methodist Minister in Cornwall

Villagers will be pleased to hear that we have not been made aware of any deaths in the village since our last edition of this newsletter.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who sent me their condolences when they read of the sad loss of my family's cat "Eclipse". It meant a lot to me, losing a pet such as "grey one" was very tough indeed! To make matters worse, her son "RP" is deaf and he cannot understand where mum has gone, it is hard to explain to a deaf cat that mum won't be coming back, my hand gestures just don't get the message through to him that mum is buried in the garden and is gone to the cat grave yard in the sky, he just looks pitifully at me and meows. I suppose he will get over the loss eventually.

On a lighter note, my elderly dad says that when he wakes up every morning, the first thing that he does is to stretch out both his arms.....if he can't feel wood, he knows he is not dead!

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. Although the football season has finished, international and European final matches can still 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 ambience while you watch various sporting events on our big screen TV (HD projector). The F1 season is now well under way and all the races can 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 currently stands at £7.50 for both 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 skittle season has also now finished. The Social Club's skittles team having been promoted to division 2 won their final match against the Rugby club having played 18 and won 11 just missing out for promotion to division 1. S Moon one of their players shares the best division 2 average score of 38.07 and wins the best number of spares with 10 scored. We also have two other skittle teams using our alley. The Rising Sun finished top of division 1 with 98 points having played 18 and won 16 with 49 spares. They also have best division 1 team score of 363. S.Ivin has both the best average score of 38.65 and the most individual spares of 9. The Wanderers are in division 3 and are sitting in mid table having played 18 and won 7 with 62 points.

The club hosts the Beehive cricket club who play their matches on the playing field. There's nothing better than sitting on the club balcony on a hot summers day watching the cricket with a nice cold drink. Come along and watch!

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 one in the near future for members and members guests. There will be a Country and Western themed disco on Saturday 15th June along with a draw as well. Look at the web site for dates of this and 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.



**SOUTHWICK VILLAGE
BINGO CLUB**

FAMILY BINGO

**SOUTHWICK VILLAGE HALL
at 7:45pm**

WED: JUN 12th

WED: JUN 26th

WED: JUL 10th

WED: JUL 24th

ADMISSION: 50p BOOKS: 80p

RAFFLE AND REFRESHMENTS

ALL WELCOME

PROCEEDS FOR LOCAL AMENITIES



Southwick Parish Council

Currently the Council has ten members, we still have a vacancy, if anyone is interested in becoming a members, please contact any of the current members or the Chair. The past year has not been an easy one for some members having to deal with various problems. In June we employed our current Clerk Steven King. He can be contacted by email southwickclerk@gmail.com. We have dealt with 38 Planning Applications during the year. Most were visited by Cllrs> Pomeroy and Noble.

Donations have been made to Southwick School for a new play area and the Farmhouse Inn towards the cost of a new defibrillator. PCSO Melissa Glover continued to send us a monthly report but unfortunately due to the pressure of work, could not attend our monthly meetings on a regular basis.

Thanks to Wiltshire Councillor Horace Prickett for his continued support and attendance at meeting and his monthly report.

Thanks also to John Fox as editor of the Southwick Village News and to my fellow councillors for their support throughout the past year.

Kath Noble

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5/4 of people admit that they're bad with fractions

When you look really closely, all mirrors look like eyeballs.

A woman walks into a library and asked if they had any books about paranoia. The librarian says "They're right behind you!"

SOUTHWICK SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB

We are looking to start a group on a Friday evening, if interested please get in touch with Kath 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?



Southwick School Summer Fayre

Friday 28th June
3.45pm-5.15pm

Games

Raffle

Prizes

Drinks



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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Here we are again almost half way through the year already. The village seems to plod along reasonably peacefully. I have not been made aware of any serious incidents over the past two months. Generally the news throughout the UK with regards policing is doom and gloom and I am afraid Wiltshire is no different. Until the Government put more finance into Policing things won't change. The extra we all now pay on our Community Charge will take some time to filter down to the streets. If it does not then there will be a backlash next year when they ask for more.

There have been some minor incidents. The usual problems of anti social behaviour on the Swan Court, Mowlems estate. I would like to think that the people who continue to cause these problems would realise that they are living in a nice village and a reasonably new property when there are so many others who would love to live there but are in a less fortunate position. Please for the sake of your neighbours re- think your disruptive actions and the distress it causes the people around you.

There has also been a lot of mindless damage done to the storage shed and surrounding properties at the Church. This was believed to be bored youngsters over the Easter period. No one ever gets caught so the rest of the community end up paying for the damage. Likewise the white village entrance gate on the Frome Road has again been damaged, presumably by a vehicle; this repair again comes from the Parish Council funds unless it can be charged to an insurance company.

I did hear that some vehicles had their Catalytic converters stolen down in Hollis Way, these reports have not been confirmed. There was an old dishwasher placed out for collection by Knees but it was stolen overnight in Blind Lane, again we have suspicions of where it went but nothing confirmed. The person had paid for removal and did manage to get their £20 refunded.

I can only report from information that is passed to me so if you know of anything that you think would be of interest to the village then please let me know.

At this time of the year I can only reiterate on advice that I give every year when we get into warmer weather. This is to keep garden sheds secure especially on the allotments and when out in your gardens. Be aware of people who may take advantage of entering via the front of your property or areas you cannot see. Additionally remember to secure windows when you leave the property most modern windows can be secured in an open position. Despite this advice every year there are items stolen from the allotments and gardens in the village. Be wary of tradesmen cold calling offering to trim trees and lay driveways. These are often unscrupulous persons who will eventually try and charge you an excessive fee for the work they do.

For my coordinators in the village I have not arranged any meetings for this year for two reasons. Firstly I have had no liaison with the PCSO with regards to her availability, although I have heard via a third person that she is soon to be moving on. Secondly other than what I print here I have no other information to pass on. If any of you feel you have anything you would like to discuss then please contact me and I will organise a get together.

Jim Jilbert 01225763314

Southwick Allotment Association

Southwick Allotment Association Limited's annual plant sale took place on Saturday 11th & 18th May with a huge amount of bedding plants, perennials and vegetable plants on sale along with tea and cakes. The weather held and a constant stream of people resulted in an excellent morning.



Historic Southwick Wiltshire

Many thanks to all of you who have joined the Facebook Group "Historic Southwick Wiltshire". There are, at the time of writing this article, 456 members. There are people not only from the village, but spread all over the world.

As the administrator, I have had the pleasure to "approve" many old photographs and articles sent in by members, please feel free to send in many more, it is lovely to reminisce.

If you are on Facebook and would like to join our little group, just send me a request on Facebook and I'll enrol you as a member, all free of course. If you haven't got access to a computer or the internet, I do apologise. It is there just for fun and entertainment.

Many thanks, John Fox Editor.

To all the good people of Southwick.

I have spent the past 8 to 12 weeks clearing all the litter from the roadside, hedges, ditches etc and you would not believe just how many bags I have filled, lots of water bottles, beer cans vodka bottles crisp packets Mc Donald's containers I could go on for ever. It is amazing we all have recycling bins so why don't people take their rubbish home and bin it. So can we as a village keep our village clean of rubbish.

Thank you
Patricia Doel.



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 <https://www.southwickandnorthbradleyscouts.org.uk/>



The Sections meet at Southwick & North Bradley Scout HQ

Thursdays:

Thursdays:

Tuesdays:

Tuesdays:

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Cubs. age 8-10 1/2yrs. Thurs. 7 - 8.30pm

Scouts..age10 1/2 - 14yrs. Tues. 7 - 8.30pm

Explorers age 14-18yrs. Tues. 7 - 8.30pm

DID YOU KNOW

Our HQ is available to hire at a reasonable rate for events, parties and meetings. For more information and a booking form, Contact Us through our website or speak to our letting manager on 01225 755541

Presentation Evening & A.G.M – Tuesday 18th June 2019

We have all been very busy "Doing Our Best" since our last contribution to the Southwick News.

Beaver Scouts have been awarded in excess of 125 badges between them; Air Activities, Hikes 1 & 2, Nights Away, Teamwork and Creative to name just a few. Older Beavers continue to "Move On" to Cubs & Investitures of new Beavers have taken place at the Country Park, the Christmas Party and most recently atop Cley Hill (the Beavers wanted to climb a Mountain!) Plans are now in hand for "24 Hours in Jubilee" an overnight Camp along with the Cubs to gain Outdoor Challenge Awards at the District Camp Site, Jubilee Wood.

Cubs have achieved Emergency Aid and Teamwork Badges and joined in all the District Events; Scrapheap challenge, District Senior Day and the Flag Challenge. They have cooked Sausage Twists and Coat Hanger Pizza on a fire in the pouring rain and bright sunshine. Cubs are looking forward to Camp and what the Summer Term has in store for them.

Following a successful camp last summer in Pembrokeshire (despite the weather), plans are laid for Scouts to camp using traditional canvas tents in Bournemouth this year. They are well practised in knots, fires, axe & knife skills and look forward to most of their meetings being outside the HQ during the summer term. Badges Awarded to Scouts recently include, Emergency Aid 3, Nights Away, Paddle Sports and Time on the Water.

Voyager Explorers continue to thrive with new members joining as Scouts "Move on" to the section. They have been continuing renovations of the Portakabin, which is their base, and planning their own activities has kept them busy. Most recently they all learnt how to change a car tyre, I think we can all agree a useful Skill for Life.

Members from all sections enjoyed a weekend at PGL, with Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers from across the District, trying out new activities and overcoming some fears.

The Groups' Executive Committee has been busy as well, continuing to support the Leader Team and Young People by managing the Headquarters building and administering funds for activities and equipment. Highlights include new tables (and we await new chairs), the boiler has been replaced and some of you may have noticed, we have a new front door!

The interior has had a deep clean and we will be renovating the floor over the summer. These is just a little of what the Group Exec. committee has been up this year.

As always, we are seeking adults who are willing to give a few hours a weekly, monthly or annually to enable the Group to continue to provide Scouting and give our young people Skills for Life. Whether working directly with young people or behind the scenes volunteering just a few hours could make a real difference. If you would like to find out more, contact us through our website: <https://www.southwickandnorthbradleyscouts.org.uk/>



1st Southwick Rainbows



This term the Rainbows has been quite short but the girls have had lots of fun. We have made snake puppets, made birds nests using natural materials and only a peg to imitate the bird's beak, it proved to be quite tricky! We have also been practicing some DIY skills, learning to fill holes, hammer nails and use a screwdriver.

Over the term we will be having several visitors, our first from Dementia Friends will teach us how we can help those suffering from dementia. We are also going to learn a little sign language and find out how to look after sick animals. We also plan to be out and about around the village, finding out about where we live and how to look after our environment.

This term we have welcomed Alex to Rainbows, so far she's having a great time.

For more information contact Claire or Jennie at 1stsouthwickrainbows@gmail.com



1st Southwick Guides



Before Easter the guides enjoyed making bird boxes and then painting them in readiness for their gardens. We also enjoyed a woodland walk to celebrate the promise ceremony of our new members.

Since Easter we have welcomed new members Emma, Emmeline, Gracie, Hermione and Phoebe and several older guides have moved up to Rangers. The guides have enjoyed games and activities from the new guide programme and visited Southwick Church to help with a "Spring Clean". Two members of the unit have completed their "Campaigning badge" which included raising money selling cakes to the guides to buy litter pickers for their school.

The guides are now learning skills for their Summer Camp, including knots, fire safety and cooking out of doors, in preparation for camp at Foxlease in the New Forest later in the year.

On 10th June the Guides are organising a **Charity Coffee Evening** at The Southwick Scout HQ on **Monday 10th June at 7pm**. There will be cakes, tombola, raffle, etc. with each patrol raising money for their chosen charity and helping to raise money for Lilly as she has been selected to attend an International Camp in Holland this Summer. Everyone is welcome to come along on that evening.

The guides are also organising their 40 Year celebration reunion of 1st Southwick Guides at Southwick Village Hall during the afternoon of **Sunday 29th September 2019**. Any past members, young leaders, leaders etc. are welcome to come along and further information is available from the Facebook Group - Southwick Guides Reunion.

Sparky (R Cadby) Guide Leader



Southwick Rangers have welcomed several new members to the unit and these are starting their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award. Another group completed their assessed Silver Duke of Edinburgh expedition in the Easter holidays.

The Rangers have enjoyed various team building activities and are planning a summer camp later in the year.



Great British Spring Clean

I would just like to give a big "Thank You" to the fifteen residents who came along on the 13th April to help clean our village. I will arrange for another day later in the year. Special thanks to our regular pickers Mrs. Patricia Doel, Mrs. Lesley Povey and Mr. Tom McCaw.

Kath Noble

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:

June 6th	"Animal Stories" with Jane Clark
June 20th	Outing to The Willow & Wetlands Centre. Lunch at Monkton Elm Garden Centre. Leave Village Hall at 9.00am.
July 4th	Summer buffet and Quiz at 1.00pm
July 18th	"Foraging for wild food" with Charlotte Popescu
August 1st	Outing to Poole, leave at 9.30am

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.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A very successful AGM was held at the village hall on Thursday April 11th at which there was a good attendance of members, all of whom were welcomed by the acting Chairperson, Ted Pomeroy. He reported on a reasonably successful year although membership numbers had dropped considerably and thanked everyone for their help and support.

The secretary Mrs Helen Wright reported on the main events of the year including the outings, the Christmas party and the Annual Birthday lunch. Mrs Val Tyler gave a satisfactory financial report which showed that despite many events being subsidised, the funds were still healthy. All the main officers were re-elected and also Mrs Mary Wiggins & Mrs Irene Ellis were elected to the Committee. Following refreshments, members present enjoyed one of Paul's quizzes.

Once again, it was emphasised that new members will be most welcome to join the group and to take part in what is always an interesting programme.

As always, further details are available from the Chairperson or any committee member.



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

INSPIRING WOMEN

Two aerials get married. The ceremony was rubbish - but the reception was brilliant.

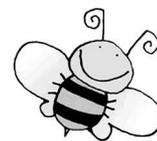


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The garden is in full bloom and this has been helped by the lovely weather we have been having. The children have chosen to grow a range of vegetables this year including Radishes, lettuce, carrots, peas and courgettes.



After the May half term this will be our last term before the summer break....where has the year gone? And it has by no means this will be a quiet one! With a sports day and graduation party to fit in as well as all our exciting topics, it sure will be a very hectic time

We are currently looking for a donation of a small freezer for the setting, so if anyone has or know of one that can be given please contact the setting.

Spaces are available in the setting 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

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"Doc, I can't stop singing The Green, Green Grass of Home. He said: 'That sounds like Tom Jones syndrome.' 'Is it common?' I asked. 'It's not unusual' he replied.

I went to the zoo the other day. There was only a dog in it - it was a shihtzu.

I went to buy some camouflage trousers the other day - but I couldn't find any.



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Police arrested two children yesterday, one was drinking battery acid, the other was eating fireworks. They charged one - and let the other off.

I met a Dutch girl with inflatable shoes last week. I rang her up to arrange a date, but unfortunately she'd popped her clogs.

Funding available to homeowners and landlords for home improvements

Wiltshire Council would like to make residents aware of funding that is available to make improvements to homes in our area. Homeowners and landlords can apply for a loan to make improvements to their homes. Essential home repairs such as a replacement boiler, new windows and doors, roof repairs (including thatch), plumbing, heating or electrical works and even structural repairs are included under the scheme. Everyone receives the same interest rate, whether you borrow £1,000 or £15,000 and no matter what your circumstances or credit score. Eligible homeowners choose their own contractor and there are a variety of loan products available to suit individual needs*. The scheme is delivered through Wessex Resolutions, a not-for-profit lender that works in close partnership with the council. Established in 2003, Wessex Resolutions has helped many homeowners throughout the South West, lending almost £13.6 million. A recent client said "I had no idea the scheme existed until I contacted the Council. When my adviser visited me and explained everything perfectly it was a huge burden lifted from me – loan repayments that I can afford and the efficiency with which it was all arranged. I am truly grateful to all concerned."

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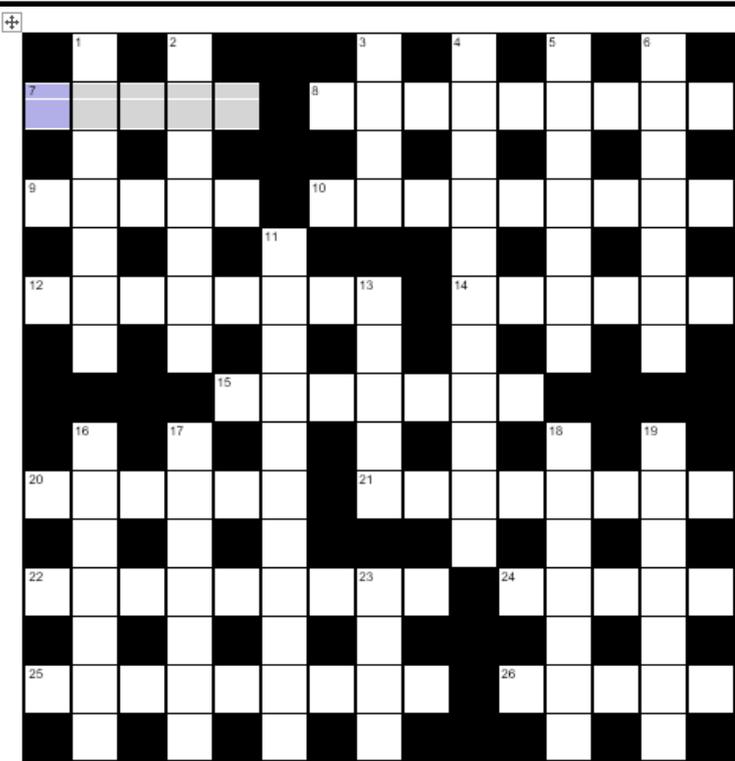
Cryptic Crossword Puzzle

Answers to Crossword on the penultimate page.....no cheating!

I just watched a program about beavers. It was the best dam program I've ever seen.

I told my girlfriend she drew her eyebrows too high. She seemed surprised.

A: Just look at that young person with the short hair and blue jeans. Is it a boy or a girl?
B: It's a girl. She's my daughter.
A: Oh, I'm sorry, sir. I didn't know that you were her father.
B: I'm not. I'm her mother.



ACROSS

- 7. Dreary magistrate is about fifty (5)
- 8. Cheerful inmate on sixth bottle (9)
- 9. In language, much is garbled (5)
- 10. Somehow, road sweeper comes round and makes space for cabinet (9)
- 12. Gambler's chances of winning twelve fifty (3,2,3)
- 14. Embraced very large force in Germany (6)
- 15. Fairground attraction with terribly odd prizes (7)
- 20. At home, I'd possibly try a blue colour (6)
- 21. Settling on perch, small marsupial has bite (8)
- 22. Family is awfully versatile (9)
- 24. Prison guard has small team (5)
- 25. E.T. hurt ? See distraught cinema employee (9)
- 26. Tune from US, iconic piece (5)

DOWN

- 1. Flexible worker late for break (7)
- 2. Arranging visa - try university (7)
- 3. Take away land ? (2,2)
- 4. Ecstatic with apparent bovine sound in bird (4,3,4)
- 5. Grave disaster in outpatients' department is par for the course (7)
- 6. Passionate sort gets around a year between flights (7)
- 11. Trains cool model to have feelings (11)
- 13. Handel garrulously admitting he wrote music (5)
- 16. Make angry niece mad about directions (7)
- 17. Buccaneers livid with extra circumnavigation (7)
- 18. Remain positive in robbery (5-2)
- 19. Provisional holy book that is going round fringe (7)

Old sayings and proverbs

It takes one to know one.
Head and shoulders above the rest.
Honesty has its own rewards.
As honest as the day is long
Spare the rod and spoil the child.
Do as you would done by.
Necessity is the mother of invention.
A job worth doing is worth doing well.
The master of all he surveys.
The best things come in small packages.
All good things come to those who wait.
Looking for a needle in a haystack.
Give him an inch and he'll take a mile.
The long and the short of it.
A jack of all trades and master of none.
A fool and his money are soon parted.
Keep your friends close and your enemies closer.
Feathering his own nest.
He doesn't suffer fools gladly.
A hair of the dog that bit
you.
A little goes a long way.
The salt of the earth.
You cant teach an of dog new tricks.
Born in a barn.

Many thanks Barbara Johnson

TEAMWORK

As I stepped from
My Terrapin
The school gardener
Looked quizzically at
Me.
He said "I hear
You are getting married?"
I said "That's right."
"Always remember," he said
"You must be a team."
"I know" I said,
Thinking I did.
But now nearly 50
Years have passed,
I realise how right
He was.
Firmly married
With five grandchildren,
But along the way
I have thought of
His words
Many times,
And thought
He was right
At a depth I
Never knew existed –
Giving and taking,
Supporting and listening
Trying and helping
Has been tantamount
In our relationship.
It has taught me
Always listen to wisdom
Regardless of the source;
God Bless that gardener
He will always
Live in my memory.

Ian Rutter

"Special" days in July from around the world! Just for fun. Don't book a day off especially as they are not always accurate.

- 1 International Chicken Wing Day
- 2 World UFO Day
- 3 Eat Beans Day
- 5 National Apple Turnover Day
- 5 Work-a-holics Day
- 6 International Kissing Day
- 7 Chocolate Day
- 8 Body Painting Day
- 9 National Sugar Cookie Day
- 10 Teddy Bear Picnic Day
- 11 Cheer up the Lonely Day
- 12 Different Coloured Eyes Day
- 13 National French Fries Day
- 14 National Nude Day
- 15 Cow Appreciation Day
- 16 World Snake Day
- 17 Yellow Pig Day
- 18 National Caviar Day
- 19 National Raspberry Cake Day
- 20 National Ice Cream Soda Day
- 20 Ugly Truck Day
- 21 National Junk Food Day
- 22 Hammock Day
- 23 Vanilla Ice Cream Day
- 24 Amelia Earhart Day
- 24 Tell an Old Joke Day
- 25 Threading the Needle Day
- 26 Aunt and Uncle Day
- 27 Take Your plants for a Walk
- 28 National Milk Chocolate Day



Hope Nature Centre and it's visitors are all falling in love with our new arrivals this Spring. The pigs and sheep have been keeping the team busy as we've welcomed 8 piglets and 3 baby lambs, and all of the guests love them. The little lambs are especially friendly as they were bottle fed by our team, so they always bounce over to say hello. We're running a competition on Facebook to name the piglets too, so if you've got any ideas, do let us know.



Guide Dog 'LINDON' fund-raising up-date.

I am pleased to announce that the total from the coffee morning held on 18th May raised the magnificent sum of £352. Thank you so much to all the helpers and people who came to support me.

Thank you to everyone for your donations of raffle prizes and items for the Tombola and other stalls. The Lamb public house on the Longfield roundabout in Trowbridge are ardent supporters of our cause. Recently, at Easter, they held a Quiz and a Raffle. The raffle realised **£331.00** and my team won the quiz and donated our £34 winnings which made the total £365.00. All these donations brings the running total to a magnificent **£31,003.00** in 7 years.

My **'Wimbledon Cream Tea'** will be held at my house,
60 Hollis Way. Southwick on Wednesday 3rd July 2019.

Time - 3pm to 5pm. Entry fee £5 for an amazing Cream Tea including Sandwiches, Strawberries and cream, Cream and Jam scones, Strawberry and cream sponge, plus loads of cups of tea or coffee or a Buck's Fizz drink.

Please can we all pray for good weather.

Thank you.

Pop the date on your calendar and come and join us for a fun afternoon of Tombola, Raffle, White Elephant, Cake stall and little competitions.

Once again, I will be grateful for any little gifts or items for the raffle and the stalls. Sadly, this will be my last event.

Looking forward to seeing you all there.

Much love and thanks from Linda xx

Grand Prize Southwick Trivia Quiz compiled by Paul Nicholls

Answers to be published in the next edition of the Newsletter

1. What do cartographers make?
2. What kind of vendor often plays traditional folk melodies such as Greensleeves to attract business?
3. What sport does Harry Kane play professionally?
4. With which island is Trinidad joined to form an independent republic?
5. Which martial art takes it's name from a combination of the Korean words for kick, fist and way?
6. In which fictional village is Radio 4 soap "The Archer's" set?
7. Having retired from professional cycling in 2012, in which sport does Victoria Pendleton now compete?
8. "Fromage" is the French word for what kind of food?
9. "Love Never Dies" is the sequel to which long – running musical?
10. What word links safety, point, grudge and fix?
11. In snooker, which ball is the most valuable after black?
12. As which inept spy is Rowan Atkinson to make a return later this year?
13. What is someone who is long established somewhere said to have become part of?
14. How many months of the year have 31 days?
15. What name is given to the plane that carries the US President?
16. Home to the Gods of Greek mythology, what is the highest mountains in Greece?
17. After which actor is a London theatre award named?
18. What does someone with aquaphobia fear?
19. Where on the body are the metatarsal bones?
20. What adjective means "bearlike" in appearance?

Well, this is a Grand Prize Quiz, with a cash prize of £5.00 for the first person to put the correct answers in an envelope and post through my front door. The very first one opened and to have all the correct answers will receive the £5.00 in good old cash! Answers must be delivered to me by the 15th June, after that date, none will be considered. Please write the answers clearly and give your name, address and telephone number so that I can contact you with the good news.

All the very best,
John Fox Editor (details of my address can be found in the front of the newsletter.)

What's orange and sounds like a parrot?
A Carrot.

Notes from Southwick Country Park

Once again the Friends of Southwick Country Park joined in with the annual Great British Litter Pick. We met up on a sunny Saturday morning in March and managed to collect five bags of litter. This is a vast improvement on our previous litter pick days, having collected eighteen bags on our first outing and eleven bags last year. This is good news for the Park as it show less litter is being discarded. Of course we also rely on our regular litter pickers Pat and Ian on their weekly jaunt around the Park.

One of the more negative reports this month has been vandalism around the Lone Oak in Corn Field. Fencing had been erected to protect the Oak which is one of the veteran trees in the Park. Parts of the fence posts have been pulled and thrown around the area. Some have been rescued by the volunteers and hopefully restored. We are very grateful to members of the public who report these incidents and some confront the culprits, although we would like to stress, only do this if you feel it is safe to do so. Our community police PCSO Melissa Glover is moving on but we are welcoming Matt Till in her place. There has been some talk about starting a Park Watch but more on this in future or refer to our Web Page.

Some of the lovely weather we have enjoyed over the past few weeks has seen the Park erupt with flowers. Fritillaries, wood anemone and bluebells have been wonderful and on our work party on Wednesday we spotted lots of tadpoles, whirligig beetles and even sticklebacks in the stream. If you fancy helping out we meet on the 2nd Wednesday and last Tuesday of the month meeting in the main car park at 9.30 a.m. We look forward to seeing you.



"Identify the Logo" Quiz by Mark Fox. Answers on the Penultimate page.

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| 17.  | 18.  | 19.  | 20.  |
| 21.  | 22.  | 23.  | 24.  |

What did the pirate say when he turned 80 years old?
Aye matey.

Why is lemon juice made with artificial flavour, while dishwashing liquid is made with real lemons?



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Carol Watson's recipe of the Month

To continue on the theme of starters, here are two pâté recipes. They make equally good sandwich fillings.

1) Liver and bacon pâté

I first tasted this pâté in the early 70's. Having enjoyed it, I asked for the recipe.....and have been making it ever since! I realise that preparing raw liver is not to everyone's liking, but if you don't mind it, the results are well worth it.

<u>Ingredients:</u>	8oz (225g) pigs liver	White Sauce	½ pt (275ml) milk
	8oz (225g) streaky bacon (or bacon bits)		1 bayleaf
	1 clove of garlic		2 – 3 peppercorns
	1 large onion		1oz (25g) butter
	2oz (50g) margarine		1oz (25g) flour
	salt & pepper		

Chop the bacon, liver & onions. Crush the garlic and fry it all together in the margarine and season with salt & pepper. Infuse the milk with the bayleaf and peppercorns into a saucepan, then bring to the boil very slowly. Remove from the heat and leave for about 20 minutes.

Strain the infused milk through a sieve into a jug. Slowly melt the butter in the saucepan then mix in the flour, off the heat, to make a smooth, glossy paste. Return the saucepan to a medium heat and start to add the infused milk, a little at a time, stirring quite vigorously with a wooden spoon, as you pour, to incorporate all the liquid thoroughly before you add more. If you get lumps, whisk them away with a balloon whisk or sieve the finished sauce. Then with all the milk incorporated, turn the heat to its lowest setting and let the sauce cool for a few minutes, until quite thick.

Mince / blend the liver & bacon mix – once for a course pâté, or twice if a smoother pâté is preferred. Mix with the white sauce. Put into a dish. Place the dish into a tin of water, cover with foil and cook for one hour at 170 degrees C (Gas 3). Serve cool.

2) Kipper paste or pâté

<u>Ingredients:</u>	8oz (225g) boneless, boil in the bag, kippers
	4oz (110g) butter or margarine, softened
	1 tbsp lemon juice
	1 tbsp grated onion
	Black pepper

Cook the kippers as instructed. Remove the skin & bones (if any). Flake the fish. Add the remaining ingredients and beat to a smooth consistency, tasting for seasoning. No salt is required, but season with freshly ground black pepper.

Place on a small dish and fork over the top. As a pâté, serve with toast or savoury biscuits.

Southwick Village Show.

Once again, it's time to think about this year's show. Once again, we have Betsy Harmony and the Melksham Rock and Rollers, various Dog displays, competitions and lots more. Last year we were able to help Wiltshire Air Ambulance and various groups within the Village. This year, we have chosen to support two causes. 1) Alzheimer's Support, an independent, award winning charity who work to improve the quality of life of families affected by dementia across Wiltshire. 2) Trowbridge Link, which provides transport to patients who have appointments and treatments at various hospitals and clinics. This is a service provided by volunteers, using their own vehicles.

We are aiming to have our stalls, plus new things. Any donations of Wine, Tombola or Raffle prizes will be very welcome, and can be taken to 24 Hollis Way, or 59 Chantry Gardens.

Last year, we had a very successful Show once again, and this was greatly helped by the volunteers who came to help us on the day. Thank you to everyone who helped.

Once again we are appealing for help. The Show is on 26th August Bank Holiday Monday. We are looking for help to set up, and take down the equipment and help with running a stall. If you are interested in helping, please contact Mary on 01225 761105.

Also, you will be welcome to come to our next planning meeting July 1st at 7.30 in Southwick Village Hall.

Thanks
Mary Ricketts

Maps

- 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, 3
- 8 Tomatoes, 3
- 9 Tomatoes, cherry, 4 (35mm max)
- 10 Peppers, 3
- 11 Runner beans 4
- 12 French Beans, 6
- 13 Onions, 3
- 14 Shallots, small (30mm max), 6
- 15 Shallots, large, 6
- 16 Carrots stump rooted, 31Plums, 4
- 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

Here is the pre-runner for the Southwick Show so that gardeners know what to sow to enter. The full schedule will be in the august edition. The main Charities we will be supporting are Alzheimer's Support Trowbridge, and Link Trowbridge.

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 A Cactus or A succulent
- 36 Bowl or vase of cut garden flowers
- 37 Pansies. 4 blooms
- 38 Asters, single stems 4
- 39 Impatiens, 'Busy Lizzie' in pot
- 40 Gladioli, 1 spike
- 41 Sweet peas, 6
- 42 Roses, 3
- 43 Rose, special bloom
- 44 Antirrhinums, 4
- 45 Marigold, 4 blooms
- 46 Echinacea inc. Rudbeckia, 3
- 47 Annuals, 3 different stems
- 48 Fuchsia, 1 any variety
- 49 Plant in pot, foliage
- 50 Plant in pot (flowering)
- 51 3 Perennials, 3 stems
- 52 Dahlias, Vase of 3 any variety
- 53 Chrysanthemum, any one special bloom

Why isn't there mouse flavoured cat food?

Q; What is a yawn:

Ans: The only time when some married men ever get to open their mouth.

As I suspected, someone has been adding soil to my garden. The plot thickens.

When cheese gets it's picture taken, what does it say?

If people from Poland are called 'Poles' why aren't people from Holland called 'Holes?'

This is true! My 5 year old grandson said that the school dentist had been in today checking the children's teeth. He said that the dentist had to count the number of teeth in each child's mouth. I asked him how many did he count and he replied all of them!

Old Phrases and expressions.

HOBSONS CHOICE

In the 16th century and the early 17th century if you went on a journey you could hire a horse to take you from one town to another and travel using a relay of horses. (That was better than wearing out your own horse on a long journey over very poor roads). In the early 1600s Thomas Hobson was a man in Cambridge who hired out horses. However he would not let customers choose which horse they wanted to ride. Instead they had to ride whichever horse was nearest the stable entrance. So if you hired a horse from him you were given 'Hobson's choice'. Thus the saying means to have no choice at all.

SHAMBLES

Originally a shamble was a bench. Butchers used to set up benches to sell meat from. In time the street where meat was sold often became known as the Shambles. However because butchers used to throw offal into the street shambles came to mean a mess or something very untidy or disorganised. (This street name survives in many towns today including Devizes).

FLASH IN THE PAN

Muskets had a priming pan, which was filled with gunpowder. When flint hit steel it ignited the powder in the pan, which in turn ignited the main charge of gunpowder and fired the musket ball. However sometimes the powder in the pan failed to light the main charge. In that case you had a flash in the pan. Today's take on it is more derogatory an event or happening achieved by someone won't last it's just a 'Flash in the Pan'.

BLOW HOT OR COLD

The saying can be traced to one of Aesop's Fables. It was a cold winter's day, and the freezing traveler was blowing on his stiff fingers. Mystified, a satyr wanted to know what he was doing. The man explained to him that, with his breath, he was warming his chilled fingers. Taking pity on him, the satyr invited the man to his home for a hot meal. This time, he watched him blowing on the food, which intrigued him all the more. Inquiring why he did so, his guest explained that he was blowing on the stew to cool it down. There and then the satyr told the traveler to leave at once. He was not prepared to entertain, or even mix with, someone who could 'blow hot and cold from the same mouth'. Today it's refers to someone who continually changes their mind! One minute wanting things done a certain way then later deciding they want it done another way, 'my boss blows hot and cold'.

BY HOOK OR BY CROOK

In Britain at a time when forests were still the exclusive property of royalty. For any unauthorised commoner to gather firewood in them was a crime, poor people being the only exception. Though they were not permitted to cut or saw off branches, they were free to remove withered timber from the ground or even a tree, doing so by means of either a hook or a crook.

The modern take on it is the achievement of aiming to reach a goal with determination, by fair means or foul, is described as getting things done 'by hook or by crook'.

FROG IN YOUR THROAT

Medieval physicians believed that the secretions of a frog could cure a cough if they were coated on the throat of the patient. The frog was placed in the mouth of the sufferer and remained there until the physician decided that the treatment was complete. Today you still hear someone referring to 'having a frog in their throat' and cough to clear it.

SWINGING THE LEAD

On board ships a lead weight was attached to a long rope. A knot was tied every six feet in the rope. The lead weight was swung then thrown overboard. When it sank to the seabed you counted the number of knots that disappeared and this told you how deep the sea was. Some sailors felt it was an easy job and 'swinging the lead' came to mean avoiding hard work. In time it came to mean feigning illness to avoid work.

TURN A BLIND EYE

The British Naval hero, Admiral Horatio Nelson, had one blind eye. Once when the British forces signalled for him to stop attacking a fleet of Danish ships, he held up a telescope to his blind eye and said, "I do not see the signal." He attacked, nevertheless, and was victorious. It's a term often still referred to today general meaning is to ignore situations, facts or reality, it's getting the call right if you choose to behave like Nelson and turn a blind eye!

A SHOT ACROSS THE BOW

A shot across the bows means to give a literal or metaphorical warning. The shot in question is a cannonball, referred to as cannon shot, and the bow is the front of a ship. If ships were preparing for battle a shot would be fired across the bow of the opponents ship to warn them that battle was about to commence. Sometimes this would be enough for the opponent and he would hoist a white flag of surrender.

Sending a Shot Across the Bow these days usually refers to giving someone fare warning of your intent.

TO PIPE DOWN

On board a ship the Bosun had a pipe (whistle) which he used to pass commands to the crew. The pipe was used when there was too much noise to hear a voice due to crew noise or bad weather. The high pitch of the whistle would carry further. The last pipe of the day would be the Pipe Down which was the order for lights out and silence. Telling someone to pipe down means to be quiet or stop talking or simply shut up.

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Q. What do you call a Frenchman wearing sandals?
Ans. Phillipe Phillope.

Q. What do you call a fish without eyes?
A. fsh



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This is an extract sent in by a parishioner, it is an extract of the "Rural Economy of the West of England" first published in 1796 & republished a copy in 1970. It covers the journey made between Frome & Seend on Sunday 21st September 1794, passing through Southwick.

210 FROME TO DEVIZES.

F R O M E
T O
D E V I Z E S.

(Twenty Miles)

SUNDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER, 1794.

MORE deep loam on limestone: with mixed cultivation: grafs and arable. Stone walls, in the environs of Frome, as of Shipton: ugly, it is true; but effectual against hedgebreakers. Both of them are manufacturing towns; and, of course, inhabited, by the dissolute and daring.

A large dairy of longhorn-cows: apparently of a mixed breed.

A rich, clean country (two miles).

The name of the village, on a board, at the entrance of "Beckington!" a liberal act, in those who placed it there.

A large

S O M E R S E T S H I R E. 211

A large dairy of mixed cows. The road hedges legally kept. Field hay ricks still common.

Three full-bred longhorned cows: the first.

Deep clayey subsoil (four miles).

Single-wheeled plows, with winding wooden moldboards.

A recent inclosure, from a state of common.

The land a deep loam. The quicksets guarded with two lines of dead hedgework.

A flat, yet apparently, dry country. Enter WILTSHIRE.

A cold flat vale passage.

Farm houses—of timber and brick panels; with weatherboarded barns; as in the Southern Counties.

Rise a dryer, bettersoiled swell of land: Stocked with large herds of cows.

Fat cart horses, at grafs (Sunday).

A view of North Wiltshire opens, in front.

Longhorned Cows, and West of England Oxen.

P 2 Pafs

212 FROME TO DEVIZES.

Pafs through TROWBRIDGE; a fair town, finely situated. Many good houses. The principal street is remarkably neat. Seated on a clean swell of rich land; overlooking a sweetly wooded basin, backed by the Wiltshire Hills.

Catch a broad and extensive view of the Vale of North Wiltshire.

The road hedges univerfally thorn.

Instance of high grafsland ridges, as in Gloucestershire and North Wiltshire: the first observed in this journey.

Some large orchard grounds.

Bad roads: soft limestone is among the worst of road materials.

Many hedgerow Elms.

Singlewheel plows, in common use.

Some very foul bad farming:

And a large inclosure of rough anthilly land: left, in this wasteful state,—as if to keep the arable lands in countenance.

Gates, with four bars, and shouldered bartrees, univerfal, across this Vale.

Twenty full-bred longhorned cows.

A fine Vale District: rich waves of grafsland (3 miles from Trowbridge).

More

S O M E R S E T S H I R E. 213

More rich grafslands; stocked with longhorned cows: now apparently in full possession.

Many hedgerow Elms: some of them large.

A compleat dairy country (three to four miles). A small goose and pig common: how much like many passages of the Vales of Gloucestershire.

A good longhorned bull; and some heifers.

See, in a quarry, fine loam, three feet deep, on limestone!

Some patches of field potatoes.

A wide extent of Elm-wooded Vale, to the right.

Many good Wiltshire sheep.

The base, or unbroken area, of the Vale terminates. Ascend the fair hillock of Seend: --- charming situation! rich and beautiful views, from every point: three or four habitable houses scattered on the hill: elegant village!

Cross a dip of rich arable land: strong dark brown soil. Wheat and beans; but no clover!

P 3 Ascend

SOUTHWICK NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – LOCAL GREEN SPACES

As part of our Neighbourhood Plan, the community of Southwick has the opportunity to identify sites we consider should be protected as Local Green Spaces. Areas we would like to see safeguarded to be enjoyed by villagers now and into the future, with much the same protection as is given to Green Belt areas.

The Local Green Space designation should only be used where the green space is

- a) Reasonably close to the community it serves.
- b) Be demonstrably special to the local community and hold a particular local significance, for example because of its beauty, historic significance, recreational value (including as a playing field), tranquillity or richness of its wildlife.
- c) Local in character and is not an extensive tract of land.

This could include:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1) Country Parks | 4) River/stream courses |
| 2) Sports pitches | 5) Informal greenspaces |
| 3) Rural footpaths and nature trails | 6) Cemeteries |
| | 7) Grass verges |

We have attached examples of possible Local Green Spaces in Southwick, which sites do you feel would qualify and what makes them special to you. Chose as many as you wish or perhaps there are others you feel we should consider.

PLEASE LET US KNOW YOUR VIEWS, SO THE CHOICES MADE WILL PROPERLY REFLECT THE VIEWS OF THE COMMUNITY.

You can email us at – southwickvillage@gmail.com
Or simply drop a few lines through our letter box at 13, Blind Lane, Southwick.

Please keep sending in any interesting articles, jokes, anecdotes, puzzles, etc. as I am always looking for new, fresh ideas to amuse and entertain my fans, sorry, I meant to put readers.

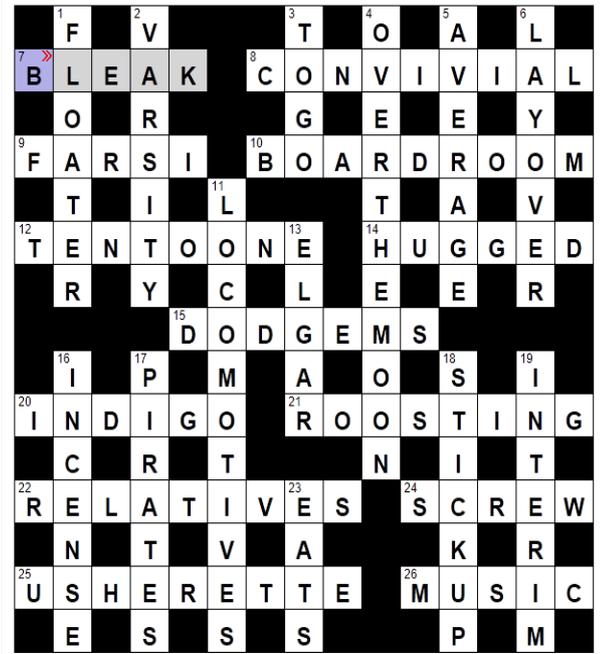
Either post, email, phone or drop a note through my door, my details can be found on the second page.

Keep them clean though, I get embarrassed if they are rude and will get told off if I publish anything smutty!

Answers to Mark's logo quiz

- 1, The Shires Shopping Centre
- 2, Sketchers Footwear
- 3, Swindon Wildcats Ice Hockey Club
- 4, Greggs
- 5, Airbnb
- 6, Moto Services
- 7, Toblerone
- 8, Adidas
- 9, Mission Winnow
- 10, British Airways
- 11, Hilton Hotels
- 12, Kodak
- 13, Comedy Central
- 14, Currys PC World
- 15, Beats
- 16, Mountain Warehouse
- 17, Trip Advisor
- 18, Huawei
- 19, Skoda
- 20, Papa Johns Pizza
- 21, Barcelona Football Club

Answers to the cryptic crossword puzzle



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1st Southwick Brownies	Scout Headquarters	Wednesday 6.00 – 7.30pm	Miss J Bodman	01225 767671
1st Southwick Guides	Scout Headquarters	Monday 6.30 – 8.15pm	Mrs R Cadby	Email: 1stsouthwickguides@gmail.com
1st Southwick Rangers	Scout Headquarters	Monday 8.15 – 9.30pm	Mrs R Cadby	01225 767671 Email: 1stsouthwickguides@gmail.com
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: hughandonia@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	Georgie Beaumont	01225 785067
Hope Nature Centre	Squirrels Tearooms	Daily 8.30am – 4.30pm	Mrs Hazel Jackson	01225 759075
Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee			Mr J Eaton	07818870098 Email: john.eatonpdq@gmail.com
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
Short Mat Bowls	Village Hall	Tuesday 2.15 – 4.30pm	Mrs K Noble	01225 352503
Sing - A - Longs	A member's home in Southwick	Various throughout the year	Judy Pritchard	01225 766517 07947 310087
Skittles (Sports & Social)	Village Hall Annexe	Friday 8.30pm	Mr J Bygraves	01225 766393
Southwick Residents Assoc			Mr G Clayton	thetennisguy76@gmail.com
Southwick & N Bradley Scout Group	Group Headquarters, The Old School	Tuesday and Thursday – times various	Mrs L. McLean Acting GSL	07565 822449 Email: contactsnbgroup@gmail.com Website: https://www.southwickandnorthbradleyscouts.org.uk/
Southwick & N Bradley Scout Group HQ	Lettings, Hire & Fund Raising		Mr E Pomeroy	01225 755541
Southwick School Parent Teacher Association	Southwick School	Monthly as required	The School	01225 763325
Southwick Seniors	Village Hall	Alternate Thursdays 2.30pm	Acting Chairman Mr. T Pomeroy	01225 755541
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 & Tue 7–11pm Wed & Thur 5–11pm Fri & Sat 12 noon –11.00pm Sunday 12 noon–10.30pm	The Club	01225 753667
St Thomas Church	St Thomas Church	Services as listed	Richard Havergal	01225 762668
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			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 Barbara Vincent	01225 763347

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.