

Southwick Village News

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This year's early May bank holiday will be moved back by four days for the whole of the UK to coincide with the 75th anniversary of VE Day. May Day is traditionally held on a Monday but will be put back to Friday 8 May 2020. The holiday will form part of a weekend of national commemorative events.

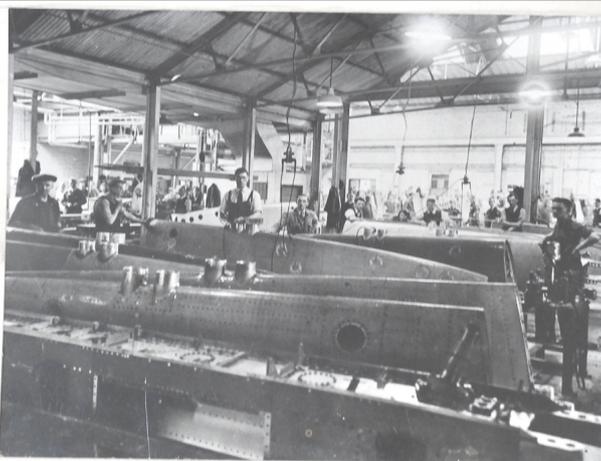
About VE Day

VE Day, or Victory in Europe Day, marks the day towards the end of World War Two when fighting against Nazi Germany came to an end in Europe. At 3pm on 8 May 1945, Prime Minister Winston Churchill made an announcement on the radio that war in Europe had come to an end.

**THE SUPERMARINE SPITFIRE
helped to save the free world
and it was made near here**



Barnes Bros., Southwick 1940



A few months later

Roy Butt from Southwick has kindly lent me these two images of the old Barnes Brothers factory that used to be in Church Street, where the Molwem's development is situated today. Thomas Barnes started the business as a threshing machine proprietor in the late 1800s, and by 1895 bought steamrollers and started carrying out engineering works. Barnes worked for the County and Rural District Councils and died in about 1905. He passed the business to his sons Henry & Sidney Herbert under the name Barnes. They later became contractors working on building & road maintenance.

As you can see in the photographs, in 1940, the factory was stripped and instead of steam engines, they started the production of parts of the famous, iconic and beautiful WW2 aircraft the Spitfire. The right hand photograph shows workers on the production line of what looks like Spitfire wings.

It is amazing to think that this all happened in our village, all those years ago, not a trace of them or this factory remains, goodness knows what the world would be like now if it weren't for the efforts of people like these.

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.

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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
Vice chair	Mr. D.J. Jackson	Mutton Marsh Farm, Southwick, BA14 9PE	07837 154517
	Mr. M. Boorman	10 Hollis Way, Southwick BA14 9PH	07585554693
	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
	Mr. J. Heydon	57 Hollis Way, Southwick BA14 9PH	07795145249
	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. 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	Nicola Duke	"April Rise" 81 Studland Park, Westbury BA13 3HN	01373 864127

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.

I am writing this note in mid March, Boris Johnson has just announced that there will be restrictions on mass meetings, travel or gatherings. People are advised not to attend clubs, pubs, theatres, cinemas, etc. However, things may change overnight, so please be aware that some or all of the events that I have listed in this edition are subject to change at any moment, so please check with the person organising the event to make sure it is still happening and that it hasn't been cancelled or postponed. As well as that, some of the business advertisers in this newsletter are also human and may succumb to the virus, so again, don't assume that their services are always going to be immediately available, please check with them if you need their services. I sincerely hope that we all get through this episode safely and come out on the other side feeling well, I hope that we, all villagers in Southwick and surrounding areas, can live and help each other through this dark time. One of our regular contributors Richard Havergal has offered some positive words, you have probably heard them on the TV & radio, but it is worth repeating:

- keeping an eye on neighbours and helping those who are self-isolating by shopping for them, running errands, posting letters, collecting prescriptions etc. This might be all the more important if all over-70's are advised to self isolate. They are the most vulnerable age group and the least likely to use online shopping, and electronic means to keep in touch with others.
- maintaining hand washing and personal hygiene.
- being prepared to be flexible if public services and events get cancelled or postponed.
- Following ever-changing government advice.

John the Editor.

SOUTHWICK VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

You are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting to be held on Tuesday 14th April at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the A.G.M. held on the 9th April 2019
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 sports & social club
Southwick short mat bowls club
Southwick Seniors
Southwick W.I.
8. Election of ordinary members

Kath Noble — Secretary

SOUTHWICK VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

You are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting to be held on Tuesday 28th April at 7.00pm in the Village Hall.

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the A.G.M. held on the 25th April 2019
3. Matters arising
4. Chairperson's report
5. Treasurer's report - Audited Accounts
6. Appointment of Auditor
7. Election of Officers - Chairperson
Secretary
Treasurer
8. Representative Members - Village Hall
Parish Council
W.I.
Cricket Club
9. Election of ordinary members

Kath Noble — Secretary

St. Thomas Church, Southwick

Springtime greetings to all in Southwick. 5 April is Palm Sunday when Jesus dramatically entered Jerusalem. Once again, we intend to re-enact this with worship based on a walk between our churches in Southwick and North Bradley. The following weekend we remember Jesus dying on the cross on Good Friday (10 April) and we celebrate his resurrection on Easter Sunday (12 April).

We will continue to meet so far as the coronavirus situation allows and we will follow the precautions advised by the Bishop of Salisbury and Public Health England. Our planned services are –



5 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

10 April – 1200 – Quiet service for Good Friday

12th April - Easter Sunday

19 April – 1030 – Morning Worship

26 April – 1100 – Parish Communion

3 May – 1030 - Family Service

10 May – 1100 - Parish Communion

17 May – 1030 - Morning Worship

21 May – Ascension Day - 1900 - Holy Communion at St Nicholas Church, North Bradley (provisional)

24 May – 1100 - Parish Communion

31 May – Whit Sunday (Pentecost) – Joint Benefice Service at Steeple Ashton (provisional)

Please check the church notice board for up to date detail of our services, particularly those later in May, or see our new web site for the churches in Southwick, North Bradley and Steeple Ashton – www.threelinebenefice.org .

Everyone is always welcome at all our services and at our friendly coffee mornings on the second Tuesday of each month from 1030 (14 April and 12 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).

Richard Havergal (Licensed Lay Minister)

HELLO! If you are self-isolating, I can help.

My name is Kim York

I live locally at Hoggington Lane, Southwick

My phone number is 07961 072582

If you are self-isolating due to COVID-19 I can help with:

- | | |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Picking up shopping | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Posting mail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A friendly phone call | <input type="checkbox"/> Urgent supplies |

Just call or text me and I'll do my best to help you (for free!)

Coronavirus is contagious. Please take every precaution to ensure you are spreading only kindness. Avoid physical contact (2m distance). Wash your hands regularly. Items should be left on your doorstep.

#ViralKindness

By the time that you have received this newsletter, you may have already had a copy of this leaflet posted through your door. If you have, then please ignore this message, but if you haven't, Kim York has very kindly offered to help anyone who is self-isolating due to the Coronavirus outbreak.

I think that this is a very thoughtful, considerate and kind thing to do for our village and community. If there is anyone else that would like to come forward and do the same.

Thank you Kim.

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 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

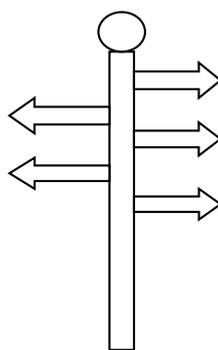
MID WEEK MEETINGS at the Chapel:

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

Do you need help with:

- Benefits
- Initial Debt Advice
- CV/Job Application
- General Form Filling
- Replies to official letters



We are here to help

Why?

Because **YOU** matter
and **WE** care!

FREE INTRODUCTORY ADVICE SERVICE SOUTHWICK

1st and 3rd Monday each month, between 3.15 and 5.00 p.m.

(excluding School and Bank Holidays)

Southwick Primary School, Hollis Way, in "The Nest"

Come to talk with us in confidence. Email: fiass.ba14@gmail.com

Supported by:

Southwick Primary School
Southwick Residents Association
Southwick Baptist Church

Sponsored by:

Wiltshire Council
Where everybody matters



Villagers will have been saddened to hear of the recent deaths of Brenda Harrild, formerly Southwick Village News Proprietor of Frome Road, Southwick and Ernie Broadbent of Chantry Gardens

Ernie Broadbent: Sadly, Ernie Broadbent passed away on the 8th February. Ernie was a Brummie but made himself at home in Southwick. He made many friends and spent many an hour at the Social Club, having a drink, playing pool and putting the worlds to right.

On behalf of the family, thank you for all the phone calls, cards and messages and above all to his circle of friends who visited him faithfully for weeks whilst he was ill, he appreciated that, you know who you are and thank you.

Ceri Smith, Chantry Gardens.

Condolences are expressed to the family & friends of Brenda and Ernie and any other losses of whom we are not aware.



Elizabeth Snell & Family

***Its better to know us and not need us
than to need us and not know us***

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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

April already, we certainly have had some diabolical weather. I have at last had contact with our dedicated PCSO Matt Till and I hope that this will now become a regular occurrence.

The village appears to have returned to normal since our New Year crime wave. We still have some ongoing problems of speeding in Blind Lane. It appears to worsen when there is a problem on either Frome Rd or Wynsome St and people use the road as a shortcut. Another problem time is at school drop off, late parents rushing to school speeding and cutting the corners at either end of the road. Other re-occurring problems are parking at various locations in the village and ongoing problems in the Swan Court/Mowlems area which the Police and Housing Association are jointly looking at. There have also been a couple of traffic incidents; one involved a vehicle being keyed along the side in St Anne's Close. There has been a driveway company, called "DriveScape" cold calling throughout the village. They may have been genuine salesman but when people refused to show interest in their product they became very insistent and at times very rude to the person concerned, the police were made aware and looking into the matter. The only other incident that I am aware of is that there was a group of under-age teenagers drinking alcohol in the park, one being a fourteen year old girl.

The Police have a couple of crime initiatives under way, firstly combating the so called County Line drug dealers and secondly picking up untaxed and uninsured vehicles. They are also reorganising the PCSO boundaries and have some new PCSOs starting under their recent recruitment initiative.

There are two security and safety initiatives that the public can take advantage of, subject to availability at the time.

- (1) The Fire Service offers a free safe and well home survey. If it is of relevance they will fit a free smoke or heat alarm and give advice on fire safety within your property. To find out further details and arrange a visit either phone 08000382323 or the internet dwfire.org.uk/safety/safe-and-well-visits
- (2) There is also The Wiltshire Police Bobby Van who will give advice on home security to the elderly, vulnerable and disadvantaged. As well as general security advice and advice on locks etc they will advise on rouge traders, scams and computer security if applicable. For more information call 01380861155. More information can be found on both web sites. Both organisations offer special visits for clubs, groups or organisations who would like to reach a larger group of people.

The advice for the next few months is to be aware of security of outbuildings and who is in the vicinity of where you are working, your house, garden etc when you have doors and sheds open with tools on show.

Finally the Police have two pieces of information they would like passed on. Firstly they have made some arrests for theft and recovered a lot of power tools which they now hold. They request that should you have lost any in any burglary then please check with them as they may be amongst those recovered. Secondly they are looking for a man who was a good Samaritan who helped a young girl in Trowbridge Park when she was getting hassled by some young lads. The person in question escorted her from the park to somewhere she felt safe, and then left. I believe they would all like to say thank you. If it was you or you know who it was then please contact the local Police.

As always my number and details are in this issue.

Jim Jilbert.

Early Birdz Toddler Group

Due to the health situation, Early Birdz Toddler Group that hold their meetings on Tuesdays at the Baptist Chapel in Southwick will be temporarily closing until further notice. They look forward to seeing you all again in the future and getting back to normal again.

Historic Southwick Wiltshire

I am pleased to announce that, at the time of compiling this edition of the Newsletter, the number of people has gone up to 675 people on the Facebook Group's "Historic Southwick Wiltshire", people not only from the village, but spread all over the world.

I am so pleased to have so many of you join this group, it may come in handy during the time of the Coronavirus pandemic, please feel free to use it as a medium for spreading news or offers of help. I know it is supposed to be "Historic" but I'm sure members won't mind if we use it for this purpose.

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.



Wiltshire
Air Ambulance
funded by you, flying for you



We've saved a generation, help us save the next

This year is a particularly special one for Wiltshire Air Ambulance as we celebrate our 30th year of operation.

Countless lives have been saved since we began operating in 1990. As a result, a generation of people have been able to resume their lives and celebrate special milestones such as birthdays, wedding anniversaries or the birth of children and grandchildren.

To highlight our work former patients whose lives we have saved are featured in videos each month throughout 2020 on our social media channels and website, along with an opportunity to make a donation.

We are only able to provide our vital service thanks to the generosity of people, community groups, schools, businesses and grant-making trusts who make donations.

Our charity is not funded directly by the Government and receives no National Lottery grants. It costs £3.75 million a year to keep our lifesaving service operational. Last year we undertook 1,233 missions – an increase of 12% on 2018.

We are honoured to serve Wiltshire and surrounding counties. With your help we can be here to save the next generation. To donate, head to our website www.wiltshireairambulance.co.uk/generation

Registered charity number: 1144097

Why is this still happening!!

Once a month my Grandson and I attend St.Thomas Church coffee morning, we walk through Swan Court, The Mowlems then join Church Street. Today March 10th, my Grandson (who is 2.8 years old) said as we walked along Church Street, "Grannie we have to find the dog poo" (there's always some in Church Street)

At the time I thought how sad a child of his age should comment about dog poo.

Really the point is WHY DON'T YOU DOG OWNERS PICK IT UP!!

This problem is not only in Church Street, it's everywhere in Southwick.
SO DOG OWNERS DO SOMETHING FOR YOUR COMMUNITY KEEP IT CLEAN
From a concern Grandparent

Anne Aland

I would like to add that I walked through the village with my granddaughter recently one morning and was also disgusted with the amount of dog muck on the pavements. I know that the vast majority of the dog owners are responsible and clean up after their dogs, but a few fail to bin it! Why do we have to spend our walks having to guide our young children around the piles, please to the minority of people, do the decent thing.

John the editor.

Please keep sending in any interesting articles, jokes, anecdotes, puzzles, etc. as I am always looking for new, fresh ideas to entertain my readers. Either post, email, phone or drop a note through my door, my details can be found on the second page.

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:

BEAVERS

Thursdays:

cubs

Tuesdays:

SCOUTS

Tuesdays:

EXPLORERS

Beavers age 6-8yrs Thurs. 5.30 -6.45pm

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



SOUTHWICK VILLAGE BINGO CLUB

FAMILY BINGO

SOUTHWICK VILLAGE HALL
at 7:45pm

WED: APR 8th

WED: APR 22nd

WED: MAY 13th

WED: MAY 27th

ADMISSION: 50p BOOKS: 80p

RAFFLE AND REFRESHMENTS

ALL WELCOME

PROCEEDS FOR LOCAL AMENITIES



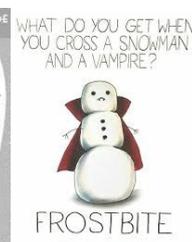
Scout Group Lottery.

Many villagers are members of the Group Lottery and we are extremely grateful for everyone's continued support. The current year has now come to an end with the annual draw taking place at the Village Hall Bingo on Wednesday 26th February. The result was as follows:



- 1st Prize £100 No97 Mr D Gray of Trowbridge
- 2nd Prize £50 No131 Mr R Francis of Hawkeridge
- 3rd Prize £10 No7 Mrs E Davidson of Southwick

The membership fee of £10 is now due. Payment to Mr Ted Pomeroy please. We would be delighted if any more villagers would like to join. Please contact Ted on 01225 755541.



Knock knock.
Who's there?
Tank
Tank who?
You're welcome.

Bath Cancer Unit Support Group Trowbridge branch would like to say a big 'Thank you' to every one who donated goods for our Christmas Pop Up charity shop in Castle Place Trowbridge. We raised over £11,200 for the Cancer Unit and patients in the Royal United Hospital. We now have a storage area and are collecting goods for our 2020 Pop Up shop . If you would like to donate any goods, please contact Sue Oliver, Trustee and Vice Chair, email: sue.oliver0702@hotmail.com

We can take any thing except clothes. Don't forget us on your spring cleans 😊

We are currently raising funds towards the purchase of a £400,000 Gamma Camera which will provide better imaging and detection of early cancer cells. The purchase of the model requested will be a first in the UK and make the RUH pioneering hospital. A fantastic achievement for supporters and helpers of the charity

Kind regards
Sue

VILLAGE NEWS DISTRIBUTOR REQUIRED

A Volunteer is required for part of a round. This is from Wynsome Bridge to Brokerswood Road (Inclusive). Can I ask if anyone would like to volunteer to take over a part of a round please. I will do the round until someone comes forward, but I would be very grateful if someone else could do it for me please. Just drop me an email or phone.

Thanks John the editor.

Q: Why do bananas wear suntan lotion?

A: Because they peel!

Q: What do you call a fish without eyes?

A: Fsh

Q: Why was the chef arrested?

A: He was caught beating an egg!

Q: What did the daughter corn ask Mummy Corn?

A: Where's Popcorn?

This article was submitted by villager George Beavis & first published in the Village news back in 2015 when Raye Johnson was editor, I thought it was worth another mention, considering the VE Day anniversary this year.

Aircraft crashes in Southwick during World War 2

On April the 25th 1944 at 14:40 hours, an Armstrong Whitworth Albemarle of 511 squadron RAF Brize-Norton, crashed landed on the field of Home Farm, Hoggington Lane Southwick. The crash was reported to RAF Keevil, and the Royal Air Force was sent out to guard the wreckage of the aircraft. There were four crew on board, when the crew were removed from the aircraft they were carried away on stretchers presumed in a critical condition, it is not know if the crew survived. When the aircraft came down it only just missed the house of Sunnyside which is next to the field where my grandfather, great aunties and great-grandparents were living, and that speculations went around the village that the aircraft hit the house and killed the residents inside, which of course was not true, because if it was, I would not be writing this today! Ever since I was a small child I have been fascinated to know more about the aircraft that crashed in the field next to which is still my great auntie's house, and thanks to the Wiltshire and Swindon History Society I am able to tell this story.

George Beavis.

Editor's previous Note (Raye Johnson): George's story intrigued me and being interested in history I investigated the crash a little further. Both the aircraft's engines failed due to fuel mismanagement and belly-landed in the field on 21st April 1944 (a slightly different date to George's description). It's registration number was V1739 and it was written off (damaged beyond repair). These details were found on web site aviation-safety.net RJ



We have a club on Wednesdays 1.00pm til 3.00pm for home educated children from age 8 upwards. If anyone would like to pop in and have a chat we, please feel free to pop in. You can find us at the Village Hall.

Jacqueline Jenneh

1st Southwick Guides



The guides have completed their Innovation skill builder badge this term. This included baking cookies, designing their own version of the game "Operation", learning binary coding, tessellation and going on a walking trail around Southwick answering questions about the village.

The guides enjoyed a joint evening with North Bradley Guides to celebrate Thinking Day and take part in activities from around the world. The guides have also completed the confectionary badge and welcomed a further new member, Ashlyn to the unit.

Two guides attended an international trip selection weekend "INTOPS" and both hope to be selected to go on international trips with other guides in 2021. Our trips planned to Legoland and the Bounce House have been postponed due to the Coronavirus issues.

We were pleased to welcome the County Commissioner Mrs Westlake and the District Commissioner Mrs Aland to a special "Golden Presentation" evening to present Olivia and Lilly with their Gold awards. This is the new highest award in Guides and shows commitment to the guide unit, taking a full part in guide activities and badges, and achieving guide interest badges at home. Well done on this achievement.

The Guide Bingo this year will be on Saturday 5th December at the Southwick Village Hall.

1st Southwick Rangers



The Southwick Rangers continue to enjoy a variety of activities each week learning new skills and having fun. Recent activities have included debates, making fruit mocktails, completing the travel badge, learning about old traditions from Brownies and guides and a pancake evening. Josephine was successful at a recent Ranger international trip selection weekend to be selected to represent our rangers at a region event, with the opportunity to go abroad with other rangers on an international trip in 2021. The rangers are organising a joint evening with other local ranger units and looking forward to the better weather to take part in their Duke of Edinburgh expeditions.

Photo of Lilly and Olivia on the presentation of their gold award with the County Commissioner

Sparky (R Cadby) Guide Leader



1st Southwick Brownies



Last term we celebrated Chinese New Year and made Chinese lanterns. The Brownies also made shortbread to celebrate Burns night, which were very yummy! We also worked towards a badge called 'Grow Your Own' where the girls grew cress. For valentines the Brownies made love bugs and decorated biscuits. This term we celebrated Thinking Day where we completed activities related to the promise. The Brownies have also been working towards an Innovate badge where they have had to invent an invention in teams. We also created a dance which the girls really enjoyed doing. During the term we have welcomed 4 new Brownies to our unit and hope they enjoy their time with us. Also we were planning to go to Legoland with the district at the end of March, this has been postponed due to the Coronavirus outbreak.

Brown Owl, Snowy Owl and Moonlight Owl.

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:

9th April	A.G.M. All welcome
23rd April	Cream tea
7th May	Life of Florence Nightingale by Kathy Butler
21st May	Outing to Weymouth, leave Village Hall at 9.30am
4th June	The Work of the Blood Bikes "Freewheelers"

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 Chairman Ted Pomeroy on 01225 755541.

Southwick Women's Institute



Women's
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

Do you have a couple of hours to spare and would like to join a friendly group for art or any other craft? We will supply you with a tea/coffee and perhaps a biscuit!

You could join in with various art topics, or just work on whatever you wish. If you'd prefer it, you could even bring knitting or crotchet.

We meet in the Committee Room of Southwick Village Hall on Monday afternoons, between 2 – 4pm. We'd love to see you there!

Contact
Barbara Vincent
01225 763347

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

INSPIRING WOMEN



1st Southwick Rainbows



This term we have focused on the 'Take Action' theme, we have learnt what sort of items we can put into recycling and which bins they need to be put in. We learnt how paper is recycled and made some recycled paper wild and flower seed bombs for the girls to take home. For Thinking Day on 22nd February, we joined with North Bradley Rainbows and recycled some old T-shirts to make shopping bags. We have also learnt how to change batteries in toys and talked about safety when handling batteries and screwdrivers. We have found out the difference between a fact and an opinion, carried out a survey around the village to see what things we like about it and what things we think need to be changed and decided on the types of activities we would like to do next term. The girls made some special gifts for Mother's Day and we made a variety of Easter bunny crafts in the last week of term.

At the end of January 5 girls went to see the Southwick pantomime, which they thoroughly enjoyed. We have had 6 new girls join us since January, taking our numbers up to 13.

We are always looking for new adult volunteers at Rainbows so if you feel you have some time to offer do get in touch.

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



As springtime arrives at Hope Nature Centre, there is never a better time to get outside and enjoy some family time. Spring is full of new



arrivals at Hope Nature Centre, and as the daffodils and snowdrops start emerging, we can finally wave goodbye to winter. There are lots of new arrivals keeping our team busy this spring, with lambs, goats and donkeys just being some of the new animals joining the Animal Park. The kitchen garden also starts to come to life, and some of the produce will be used in our specials in our cafe. We've got a whole host of events running throughout April, just in time for the Easter holidays. From April 4th – April 19th 2020, visitors to the Animal Park can take part in the Easter Eggstravaganza trail. The Easter Bunny has lost 6 giant Easter eggs throughout the Animal Park, and your help is needed to find them all. Find all 6 to win yourself and Easter treat!

There is also an Easter Sunday Funday on April 12th, with a delicious BBQ, animal meet and greets, animal petting, bouncy castle, face painting, land train rides and more. For more information on all our upcoming events and to pre-book your tickets online, head to www.hopenaturecentre.org.uk.

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EGG-STRAVAGANZA
APRIL 4TH TO APRIL 19TH 2020
FIND OUR 6 GIANT EGGS HIDDEN THROUGHOUT THE ANIMAL PARK TO WIN AN EASTER TREAT!

SUNDAY FUNDAY IN THE ANIMAL PARK!
SUNDAY 12TH APRIL - 11AM UNTIL 3PM

Animal petting and meet the animals
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Bouncy castle
Delicious BBQ
Land train rides
Pre-book your tickets online at hopenaturecentre.org.uk




Wiltshire Police News Release

During the last few months we've been making some changes to how we police our communities across the county. We introduced a Community Policing model five years ago to ensure the service we provided was best suited for our communities. However, with changing communities, priorities and types of crime Chief Constable Kier Pritchard commissioned an improvement programme to ensure the model continues to meet the needs of the people of Wiltshire. We've now made some changes and wanted our communities to know what these are.

Some of the changes made include:

Changing the names of our community policing teams to reflect the towns from which they parade so their patch is easier for the public to understand – Trowbridge has a dedicated team and becomes a CPT area covering Trowbridge, Melksham and Bradford on Avon and surrounding areas.

Reintroducing dedicated teams to focus on neighbourhood policing. These teams are made up of officers and PCSOs. The CPT Neighbourhood Teams are responsible for proactive policing, community engagement and working with partners to solve community problems. The CPT Response Teams will be directly responding to crimes and incidents.

Police and Crime Commissioner for Wiltshire and Swindon Angus Macpherson said: "The first principle of policing is to prevent crime, and you can only do that by knowing your community. "In recent years the Force has become too reactive, and these changes mean that more focus will be placed on proactive policing and preventing crime.

"The uplift of 49 police officers coming into Wiltshire will offer support and additional capacity to CPTs as the improvements embed. "I was also delighted to be supported by the public to make a small increase of £10 per year, for an average household, in this year's policing precept. This money will be directly invested to support our Community Policing Teams."

The re-introduction of CPT Neighbourhood teams will be the most visible improvement in the model, with each CPT led by a Neighbourhood Inspector, and each team led by a sergeant.

Chief Constable Kier Pritchard said: "I truly believe these changes will mean our communities will be getting the very best out of my officers, staff and volunteers.

"The additional officers and staff promised by the Commissioner as part of the precept increase in 2019 and those from the Government mean that we now have the opportunity to look at how we can prevent crime happening in the first place and better work alongside the communities we serve. "It won't be an overnight fix and there is still work to do, but I'm hopeful of even more officers being announced for Wiltshire in the next tranche of the national recruitment campaign enabling us to ensure that we continue to keep Wiltshire a safe county."

You can find out more about your community policing team by visiting the 'your area' pages on the Wiltshire Police website.

Philip Mackie

Communications Officer | Wiltshire Police

Corporate Communications and Engagement Department

Wiltshire Police Headquarters, London Road, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 2DN

Carol Watson's recipes of the Month

Risotto with smoked mackerel, peas and lemon —serves 2 to 4 people and takes 30 minutes.

Smoked mackerel is a rich and incredibly tasty oily fish and it is widely available, which really makes this dish a winner.

Ingredients:

1 tbsp olive oil	2 tbsp unsalted butter	1 small onion, grated
1 fat garlic clove, crushed	300g risotto rice	800ml fish stock (good quality stock cube is fine)
500ml dry sherry	1 tbsp hot smoked paprika	1/2 tsp sea salt
70g frozen peas	2 tbsp chopped dill	3 tbsp crème fraiche
finely grated zest of 1/2 lemon	juice to taste	2 smoked mackerel fillets, skin removed and flaked

Method:

Preheat the oven to 200 degrees C / 400 degrees F.

Place the oil and butter in a 30 x 20 x 5cm roasting tray and transfer to the oven for 2—3 minutes to melt. Add the onion and garlic, toss well to coat in the oil and bake for 5 minutes to soften.

Add the rice to the tray, stir to coat in the buttery oil, then add the stock, sherry, paprika and salt. Cover tightly with foil and bake for 15 minutes.

Stir in the mackerel, peas and crème fraiche. Add a splash more stock if the rice is looking a little dry, recover with foil and bake for a further 5 minutes. Stir in the lemon zest and juice (to taste) and serve immediately.

Sticky toffee pudding

Ingredients:

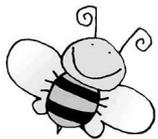
8oz Demerara sugar	8oz softened butter	3 beaten eggs
6oz self raising flour	4oz chopped dates	
	For the sauce:	
6oz demerara sugar	6oz butter	1 small pot of double cream

Method:

Mix the sugar and the butter together. Once creamed together, add the eggs and then the flour and the dates. Stir this mixture until all has mixed together. Put it in to a 11 1/2" x 7 1/2" tin and bake at 180degrees C for 30 to 35 minutes or until a knife comes out clean. Leave to cool on a wire rack.

For the sauce:

Melt the butter in a pan, over a low heat. Add the sugar and heat until the sugar has dissolved. Then add the cream and stir for about 5 to 10 minutes. Serve poured over the sponge. Delicious...enjoy!

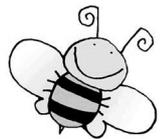


Busy Bees Pre-school Southwick

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



Busy Bees have had yet another busy quarter, we have had visits from the local police, water board, all people that help us in the community. We have welcomed another new member of staff to the team, Emma has joined us on a morning post helping with the day to day activities with the children.

We have some really exciting news to share, **14** children at Busy Bees Southwick entered the national young writers competition and all 14 children earned a place in the new young writers book printed in March of this year.

We are so proud of you all and enjoyed every moment creating your very 1st poem. Well done boys and girls. We would normally at this stage advertise our Easter bake off competition, however, due to the current health issues we have decided that this will no longer go ahead. Fear not we will have an alternative just as soon as we are back to normal.

Busy Bees would also like to offer our support to the community of Southwick, should any of our residents find themselves stuck indoors with no help please call us and we will gladly help out with shopping needs etc. We believe its a crucial time and that as a community, we help each other. Please feel you can call upon us at any time on 01225 753262.

We wish you all the very best and stay safe. #TeamBusyBees

Southwick Sports and Social Club

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

The Club, which is based in 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.

At this time of year we usually have Sky Sports and BT Sports showing Premier, Championship and other football games, F1 and MotoGP racing, plus many other sporting events. However, due to coronavirus, all Premier and EFL matches have been cancelled, along with the first few races of F1 and MotoGP racing. As I write this the government is reviewing gatherings of people and self isolation for over 70s and those with underlying health problems. There is also a possibility that pubs, clubs, and other social events will be asked to close. We are still showing some sport e.g. darts but to discover what the future will be look at the club's home page for the latest news.

Despite coronavirus, the club is still currently open for business and we are still showing various music video sites on the big screen along with what sports are available. The 2020 membership of the Club is now overdue. The renewal fee for current and new members is £7.50. 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 in 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 who are currently bottom of Division 2. There is **free pool** on Monday, Tuesday & Friday evenings and Sunday lunchtime. Players meet on Monday nights and either play matches or practise.

The skittles league is now under way and having being promoted to Division 1, the Southwick club team have got off to a very poor start and are currently in bottom place having played 11, won 0 with 9.5 points. Two other skittles team play in the village hall alley. The Rising Sun are firmly top of Division 1 having played 12, won 12 with 66.5 points. The Wanderers are currently bottom in Division 3 having played 11, won 2 with 29.5 points. The Southwick club's crib team are currently top of the league as far as I know.

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 will be continuing with discos later in the year for members and members guests. Look at the web site for dates of future discos.

The club also have a bar in the village hall annex which is open when there are functions in the hall. If you need to book a function, wedding reception, birthday party, etc., contact Kath Noble on 01225 352503 and don't forget to say you want a bar. 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.

Sweaty Mama Exercise classes are coming to Southwick Hall from Monday 20th April at 12pm!

Sweaty Mama is the fun, effective and interactive workout with your child. No childcare needed!

Our Sweaty Mama classes are the perfect place to come and meet new friends have fun and do a workout all with your little one in tow. Our routines are choreographed to feel good music guaranteed to lift your mood and release endorphins making you feel happier and giving you an energy boost (perfect after a sleepless night).

We are Post-natal specialists and trained in safe babywearing too! A 6 week course is just £40! Or if you would like to trial a class it is £7.

Contact Rachael on: 07712042826 or rachaelcornish@sweatymama.com for more information or book on through the website: Rachael.sweatymama.com



A different perspective

There is so much fear, and perhaps rightfully so, about COVID-19.
And, what if...
If we subscribe to the philosophy that life is always working out for us,
that there is an intelligence far greater than humans at work...
That all is interconnected.
What if...
the virus is here to help us?
To reset.
To remember.
What is truly important.
Reconnecting with family and community.
Reducing travel so that the environment, the skies, the air, our lungs
all get a break.
Parts of China are seeing blue sky and clouds for the first time in forever
with the factories being shut down.
Working from home rather than commuting to work (less pollution,
more personal time).
Reconnecting with family as there is more time at home.
An invitation to turn inwards — a deep meditation — rather than the
usual extroverted going out to self-soothe.
To reconnect with self — what is really important to me?
A reset economically.
The working poor. The lack of healthcare access for over 30 million in
the US. The need for paid sick leave.
How hard does one need to work to be able to live, to have a life out-
side of work?
And, washing our hands — how did that become a “new” thing that
we needed to remember. But, yes, we did.
The presence of Grace for all.
There is a shift underway in our society — what if it is one that is fa-
vorable for us?
What if this virus is an ally in our evolution?
In our remembrance of what it means to be connected, humane, living
a simpler life, to be less impactful/ more kind to our environment.
An offering from my heart this morning. Offered as another perspec-
tive. Another way of relating to this virus, this unfolding, this evolu-
tion.
It was time for a change, we all knew that.
And, change has arrived.
What if...
Gurpreet K.Gill
Breathwork practitioner and Intuitive Healer

Paul Nicholls grand prize super quiz.

The prize money has gone up yet again, from a massive £5.15 to £5.17! This huge increase is to encourage more people to enter this most taxing yet rewarding quiz. May I wish everyone who enters, good luck and please spend the prizemoney sensibly.

1. What word is formed by combing the chemical symbols of gold & radium?
2. Which US actress has the same name as William Shakespeare's wife?
3. What spirit goes into a Cuba Libre?
4. Which country did Catherine the Great rule until 1796?
5. What is the highest number on a roulette wheel?
6. What is a s Mach number used to measure?
7. What nobleman ranks between a Baron & Earl?
8. What word links band, bean, cast & church?
9. Who wrote “The Ugly Duckling”?
10. What term describes turbulent offshore water caused by the meeting of currents?
11. Of which country is Bucharest the capital?
12. To which continent is the raccoon native?
13. According to the saying, what would beggars do “if wishes were horses”?
14. Which EastEnders character did Tazmin Outhwaite return to play last year?
15. Of which colour are carmine and madder both hues?
16. What gesture made with the shoulders is also a type of cardigan?
17. What organisation was established in 1945 with the aim of maintaining international peace?
18. On which river does Winchester stand?
19. Dennis Skinner MP is known as “the Beast of where”?
20. Of which country is Vilnius the capital?



A married man took his “bit on the side” out on a secret date and said to her “Hello darling, tell me words that will increase my heartbeat” She replied “Your wife is sitting behind us!”

A sweetcorn died.....his last wishes were to be cremated.....probably not a good idea!

Q: What do you call a shoe made from a banana?
A: A slipper!

Did you hear about the kidnapping at school?
It was ok in the end.....he woke up!

Q: What do you call somebody with no body and no nose?
A: Nobody knows!

Have you heard of Parkrun? Perhaps you have but you've been uncertain about giving it a go? Parkrun is for everyone and it is DEFINITELY for you! Parkrun is a free, inclusive 5km run ran by hard-working, positive volunteers every Saturday morning. You can run it, you can walk it, or you can do a bit of both! It's open to all ages and abilities; everyone is welcome. Additionally on Sunday mornings there are 2km junior Parkruns for children aged 4-14. Founded by Paul Sinton-Hewitt in 2004, Parkrun has been growing in popularity for years since it's inaugural Parkrun in Teddington (Bushy Parkrun) and now it's bigger than you think! Currently there is 22 countries in the world which host Parkruns including Australia, UK, Germany, Japan, USA, South Africa and Russia.

One of the many 1,040 Parkrun events in the UK is Southwick Country Parkrun in Trowbridge. Southwick Country Parkrun was launched in September 2011 by local running enthusiasts Sean and Fiona Price. Recently this Parkrun decided to celebrate International Women's Day by hosting an International Women's Day Parkrun, encouraging runners to invite a female friend, family member or work colleague, especially one who has never been to parkrun before. The event led by Race Director Judy Schols was a big success, attracting 263 runners including 114 women, 21 of who were first timers to Southwick Parkrun. The atmosphere was animated and electric with volunteers and Parkrunners eagerly welcoming new runners to the event as they crowded around the start, raring to go. All sorts of people turned up: young people, older people, children, families, buggy runners and runners who decided to get out their leads and doggy bags and run with man's best friend! As runners and walkers made their way round the park they were cheered on and clapped by marshals including regular Southwick Parkrun photographer Martin Pearce and Jerry Clark playing his stereo blasting motivational music!

I myself ran round with a friend who was completely new to Parkrun who wasn't completely sure about taking part. However, the further we got into the run the more and more he got enthused. This was all thanks to the high-viz heroes, the regular Parkrunners smiling, chatting with him and encouraging him and the breakfast that I promised was on me at the park café afterwards! By the time we came to the home straight he had a big smile on his face and was high fiving all the marshals. He even found it funny afterwards taking a sweaty post-run photo with a #ThisGirlCan photo frame! This same person who did not class himself as a runner before the event felt an immense sense of achievement after and is keen to return next week (I think we may have him hooked!).

Parkrun has so many benefits. The UK Parkrun website says "whether you walk, jog, run, volunteer or spectate, you can learn new skills and enhance your health and happiness in the great outdoors whilst making new friends, feeling part of your local community and improving your fitness." I for one couldn't agree with this more. I have being a Parkrunner for 9 ½ years and have met many people through parkrun, all with very different reasons for taking part. Some take part to improve their fitness, some take part to challenge and push themselves outside their comfort zone, some take part to help clear their head, some take part because they love running and some take part to prove to the ones who scoffed when they said they were going to do Parkrun that they *can* do it! Although some runners may take part in parkrun to compete and run well parkrun is not centred around times and rankings. Parkrun allows runners and walkers to come together, to empower each other and to enjoy exercise. There's no snobbery, no pressure to achieve a certain time outside of the goals you set yourself. Parkrunners don't even have to feel like runners or be regular runners or wear running clothing. Parkrun has created hundreds of community hubs up and down the country where runners and walkers can socialise and meet new people. Parkrun has supported thousands of individuals who've wanted to re-define or better themselves. Many young people have used Parkrun to complete their DofE, lots of people have used parkrun as a coping mechanism for mental health conditions and many Parkrunners have come away feeling inspired and have gone on to set up their own Parkruns and running clubs.

So, what have you got to lose? Come on down next Saturday morning and give it a go. You don't need to bring anything apart from your feet and an open mind. If you would like your time to be recorded on the parkrun results you can will need a Parkrun barcode; you can print one off after signing up and creating an account on the Parkrun UK website for free. Still not sure? Go along and watch or volunteer! Parkrun would not run without its high-viz heroes; you could be one of them.

So the next time I go to Parkrun hopefully I'll see YOU there!



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A weasel went into a pub and asked for a drink. The barman said "Well, I've never served a weasel before!" "What does a weasel like to drink?"

"POP" goes the weasel :-)



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Two friends working in the same office. One wanted some time off, but knew the boss wouldn't allow him to take leave. He decided to act crazy so the boss would tell him to take a few days off. He hung upside down from the ceiling so the other guy asked him "What are you doing?" "Ah, me pretending to be a light bulb so the boss will think I'm crazy and give me time off for a few days". Just then the boss walks in. "What the hell are you doing?" "I am a light bulb" the first guy says. The boss then said, "Man you're stressed out. You need a few days off to recover... go home and come back when you feel better." The other guy starts walking out the door too... The boss asked him "Where the hell you think you going?" The other guy replied "I am going home ... I can't work in the dark."

Wiltshire Lanes

I thought it would be fun to try and think of Wiltshire lane names for each letter of the alphabet. As you can see, I did not quite manage to complete the full alphabet – maybe you can? Also, do you the readers, have any funny or memorable stories relating to any of the lanes listed below? Remember – keep it clean!

- A Axe and Cleaver Lane
- B Bridge Breach Lane
- C Capps Lane
- D Dark Lane
- E Emms Lane
- F Folly Lane
- G Gypsy Lane
- H Hoggington Lane
- I Iford lane
- J
- K Knapps Lane
- L Lovers Lane
- M Monkley Lane
- N North Lane
- O Orchard Lane
- P Pomeroy Lane
- Q Quaterway Lane
- R Red Hat Lane
- S School Lane
- T Ticklebelly Lane
- U Upper Garston Lane
- V
- X
- Y Yew Tree Lane
- Z

I very much look forward to reading your stories, memories and any missing letters you are able to find.
Kathleen Harden

Young Johnny was appointed sales person at a local General store in town. While on one of his shifts, a lady approached him and asked if they had peach jam to which he bluntly replied, "Out of stock."

At this, the lady immediately turned to leave the shop in disgruntlement. It was then that the shopkeeper, who had been looking on, called Johnny aside and told him, "When a customer asks for a product that is out of stock, you should apologize for its unavailability, and then offer other types of the same product. For instance in this case it was peach jam; offer other types of jam like plum jam, raspberry jam and so on..."

Johnny agreed... Next, came in another lady who asked for toilet paper and Johnny politely replied, "I am sorry ma'am, we do not have any toilet paper right now but you could try carbon paper, manila paper or sand paper!"

I just bought 50 litres of Tippex, that was a big mistake!

As Farmer Brown approached his neighbour's barn, he saw Farmer Jones serenading a tractor with songs and compliments. "What are you doing?" Farmer Brown demanded.

Farmer Jones replied, "My wife and I have been having marital difficulties, and the marital counsellor said I needed to do something sexy to a tractor."

Knock knock.
Who's there?
Nobel
Nobel who?
Nobel.....that's why I knocked!

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A: The water. Butane is lighter fluid.



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A passenger taps the shoulder of his taxi driver.
The driver nearly poohs himself, serves, almost hits a bus and ends
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"Blimey" said the passenger "you are nervous aren't you"

"Sorry" said the cabbie. "This is my first day as a cabbie, I've been
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I am pleased and delighted to say that we have a winner to Paul Nicholl's Grand Prize Trivia General Knowledge Brain Teaser Quiz!

The lucky person that has received the Grand Prize of £5.15 was Michael O'Neil from Birch Grove Melksham.

Here we have the long awaited answers to the February's edition of Paul Nicholl's Grand Prize quiz!

- 1) A pig
- 2) Skin
- 3) Gareth Southgate
- 4) The naked Chef
- 5) Body Guard
- 6) Extra Virgin
- 7) Doubting Thomas
- 8) A train
- 9) Five
- 10) Moccasins
- 11) Brain
- 12) Yang
- 13) 1989
- 14) A mule or Hinny
- 15) Aegean
- 16) Wooden spoon
- 17) Casa Blanca
- 18) Missing
- 19) Agatha Christie
- 20) Croatia

The graveside service had just ended when there was a frightening clap of thunder, followed by a tremendous bolt of lightning accompanied by even louder thunder. The little old man looked at the vicar and said calmly, "Well, she's there."

A farmer had a three legged pig and his neighbour asked him why the pig had only three legs. "Well, I'll tell you" the farmer replied. "One day I was ploughing my field and the tractor turned over and pinned me underneath. That pig ran for help. He saved my life".

"Oh, that's how he lost his leg?" the neighbour drawled. "No. One night my wife and I were sound asleep and the house caught on fire. That pig woke us up. He saved our lives!"

"So that's how he lost his leg", stated the neighbour. "No, that wasn't it" the farmer affirmed.

Exasperated, the neighbour demanded "Then how did he lose his leg?" and the farmer replied, "When you have a pig that good, you don't eat him all at once!"

My three favourite things are eating my family and not using commas.

Shameless Sounds

As the whisper wings from nameless lips to nameless ears,
Gently parting the silence on its way,
Its peaceful passing just stirring minute molecules
From the rest of their stillness,
Little do the senseless particles realise
The significance of those passing waves,
For their undulations carry such
As none other shall hear:—
Endearments, threats, asides,
But most often, half heard remnants of other whispers,
Each breathy flow a distortion of that which prompted it,
Falsely framing mind for mind images
Started by the righteous, the thoughtless and the spiteful,
Sometimes to indict, deter pillory, punish ;
Others to spice a weary, dreary day.

If your ear is touched by such seductions,
Some heart somewhere might beg
Your tongue not itch
To speed the whisper on its way;
Think on it before your lips repeat
The lightly stated message
Your soul should so ponderously weigh.

Ian Rutter 'written in the 70s'

Knock knock, who's there?
It's Kate, she likes to skate and loves her piece of cake!

Order Order! - keep it clean!
As something comes in the door and drops on the floor,
Is it Tim or Tom or Roy? - keep it clean!
And to my delight, it's the magazine,
It's splendid for news and contacts of you and it's clean,
And hope there is more from you!

Do you Dare?
As you walk by my window do you stare, or would you dare?
But those dear friends who often send their kind regards
and bear me in mind, who understand and wave a hand is
simply grand.

Kathleen Harden

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy Easter. I must say that this edition has been prepared in the midst of the Coronavirus pandemic, I apologise as I know that the vast majority of the items and issues in this edition are probably way out of date and may be postponed or cancelled, but I have left them in as I'm not in a position to say whether the events are on or not. As I said earlier in this edition, I hope that we all get through this horrible time, we must work together and try to help each other. If you need help, please contact the Parish Council who are here to help and advise. Please take care and hopefully I can print more positive news in the June / July edition of the Newsletter.

Q: How do you stay warm in an empty room?

A: Go stand in the corner—it's always 90 degrees.

My husband cooks for me like I'm a god—by placing burnt offerings before me every night.

Useful Contacts

Organization	Meeting Place	Operating Times	Contact	Telephone or email
Southwick Rainbows	Scout Headquarters	Tuesday 5.30 – 6.30pm	Mrs C Addley Mrs J Rowe	1stsouthwickrainbows@gmail.com
1st Southwick Brownies	Scout Headquarters	Wednesday 6.00 – 7.30pm	Mrs J Sanderson	Email: southwickbrownies@hotmail.co.uk
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: hughanddonia@btinternet.com
Beehive Southwick Cricket Club	Village Hall, field & Social Club	All year round	James Dennison	07738 697091
Busy Bees Pre-School	The Hive, Hollis Way	Weekdays 8.30 am – 3pm	Mrs Andrea Steele	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 – 4.00pm	Fairfield College	01373 823028
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	Tuesday 7.00pm quarterly	Mrs K Noble	01225 352503
Short Mat Bowls	Village Hall	Tuesday 2.15 – 4.30pm	Mrs K Noble	01225 352503
Skittles (Sports & Social)	Village Hall Annexe	Friday 8.30pm	Mr J Bygraves	01225 766393
Southwick 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	Chairman Mr. E 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	Shaun Coles	secretary.tdarc@gmail.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.