

Hullavington News



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Spring has sprung—yay!



Welcome to the 'spring edition' of the newsletter.

It's lovely to see people making tentative plans for the year ahead; Jebbie and Dudley Hewitt will bring back their popular plant sale again, with proceeds going to the church fund. They don't have a fixed start date yet but expect it to be from the end of April, look out for more details.

The Village Show will run in some form, on Saturday 28th August - hopefully in the Village Hall. The draft schedule is on pages 34-37. Please save the date, take part if you can and come and enjoy the lovely display of yummy food, plants, art and crafts!

Many of us have been walking more during lockdown; keen walker John Harris has kindly provided a new, free guide to local walks of all distances in the area, including many near us. More details on page 28.

Health has been at the forefront of our minds recently—the NHS has launched a campaign to raise awareness of type 2 Diabetes. There's a link to a simple 2 minute test you can take online to assess your risk—less than the time it takes to make a cuppa! More information on p.26.

With best wishes, Sally Jeeves, Ed.



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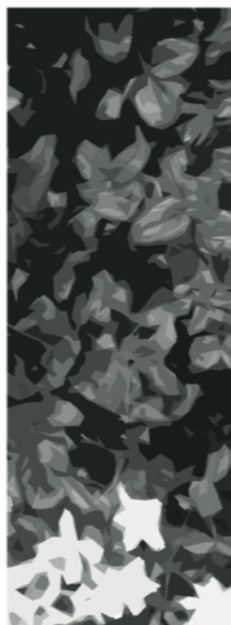
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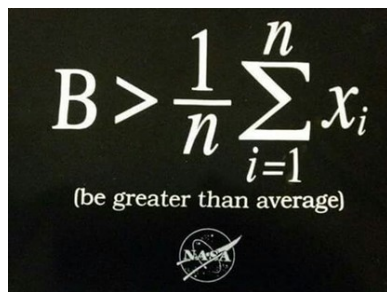
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Prior to their move south, Bill had been tutoring maths in Scotland for 20+ years. He has also tutored maths in England, and is therefore familiar with the requirements of both the English and Scottish maths systems.

Bill has never “taught”. That is to say, he has never been a “teacher”. In his youth, and after a short spell as a Senior Technician working on V-Bombers with the Royal Air Force, Bill went on to gain a degree in maths, computing and statistics, and then spent the rest of his career as an Operations Analyst, both in the Military and Civil aviation sectors. He is now semi-retired.

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VILLAGE LIFE— Groups, Events & News

ROUNDAABOUTS

It must be about 10 years since the suggestion of improvements at the junction of the A429 and C1(S) were brought to the Parish Council with a roundabout being the most popular solution. Despite repeated requests to Wiltshire Council Highways, nothing was done until 2017 when Dyson Technology Ltd. bought the airfield. The Masterplan was submitted to Wiltshire Council in 2017 and finally approved in August 2018.

Griffiths Civil Engineering and Construction were appointed as the contractors and work began in July last year. Every time I drove past the site I always considered it to be well organised and tidy. If I stopped to speak to any of the workers they were always most helpful. Despite having to work through some dreadful weather conditions the roadworks have been completed ahead of schedule and we have not just one but two roundabouts! All that remains to be done is the landscaping of the surrounding area. So, a big thank you to Dyson Technology Ltd. who gave the land and paid for the construction of the new road system for making the entrance to our village so much easier and safer. (*hear, hear! Ed*).

ELECTIONS

Would you would like to be a member of Hullavington Parish Council? You will be able to stand as a candidate (subject to the qualifying rules) for the election which is to be held on 6th May 2021 . The deadline for submitting nominations is 4pm on Thursday 8 April 2021. Nomination packs are available online from 11th March 2021. Please click on this link for further guidance, nomination forms and the Election timetable.

<https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/elections-town-parish>

The nomination papers will provide candidates with details of the information required and how to submit their application for candidacy. The forms must be hand delivered to the nominated office of the unitary authority by 4pm on Thursday 8th April 2021. Responsibility for this lies solely with the candidate, whether they are an existing councillor or are standing for the first time.

All those currently serving on the Parish Council will terminate their statutory period of office on the 10th of May. Following the election, those elected will then sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office ready to start working for the village.

PARISH COUNCIL

Hullavington Parish Council meetings are usually held in the Village Hall on the second Wednesday of each month with the exception of August. Since last May, they have been held virtually by Zoom. Hopefully the meetings will return to the Village Hall by May or June 2021. Meetings start at 7.30pm and are usually finished by 9pm. They are open to the public and the press and there is a 10-minute slot (Public Question Time) at the start of each meeting for any comments or questions that parishioners may like to raise regarding items on the Agenda or any other issues.

However, being a Parish Councillor is not just about sitting around a table once a month - it is about knowing the village and being interested in those who live there and what their concerns are. A good Councillor is always “working in the background”, ready to give their time listening to parishioners and advising them where to address problems that are not within the remit of the Parish Council.

Designated Councillors are involved in liaising with Wiltshire Council on various matters and with the Parish Steward; with the grass cutting contractor to ensure that the schedule is adhered to; carrying out various maintenance tasks free of charge - and in their own time (thus saving the parish money); removing any rubbish or litter from the cemetery on a regular basis, as this service is no longer provided by Wiltshire Council, and generally keeping an eye on the village. Councillors also attend various meetings arranged by Wiltshire Council, (usually held in Chippenham or the surrounding villages). New Councillors would also be expected to attend a Parish Councillors’ Training Course

Councillors serve for a term of four years following an election and an election will take place on 6th May 2021. Further information regarding the role and duties of Parish Councillors can be found on this link <https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0?ui=2&ik=aceda25ef7&attid=0.1&permmsgid=msg-f:1694215780576940639&th=17831046ae26525f&view=att&disp=safe>

Cllr Maggie Bawden

THE POST OFFICE

Howard Greenman opened the Post Office nearly 22 years ago, following the retirement of the late Jean Coram, the former Sub-Postmistress at London House.



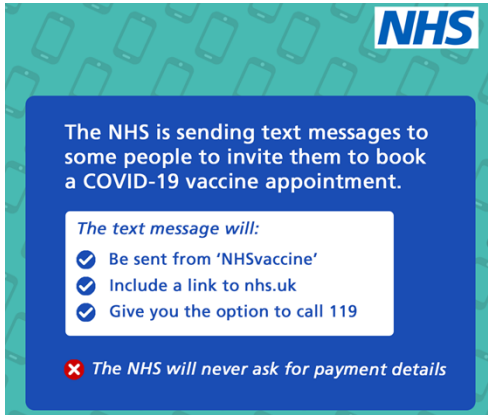
It will be all change ***from Tuesday 27th April!*** Alan Brown, from Marshfield, recently expressed an interest in taking over Howard's Post Office at Marshfield to run alongside his existing business there. He then expressed a further interest in taking over Howard's Outreach Post Offices in Hullavington, Lacock and Minety. After much heart-searching, Howard agreed and decided that the time had come for him to "kind of semi-retire" - although he will be standing for re-election as a Wiltshire Councillor. He feels that this is an opportunity for him to restructure his life with his wife Zoe.

Hullavington Post Office will continue to operate as normal with Peter Parry-Williams behind the counter on Mondays and Tuesdays and Alan's daughter probably covering the days when we previously saw Howard. Apart from that there will be no change as far as the customers are concerned. Howard says that he will miss his customers in the village as many are people whom he has lived and grown up with from childhood (I remember Howard when he was in short grey trousers!) and he would like to thank all his loyal, fun and friendly customers for their support over the years and wishes them all the very best for the future.

Howard will of course still be seen around the village as his family still live here and he looks forward to seeing his ex-customers – just not from behind the counter!

Many thanks Howard for providing an essential service to the Village, enjoy 'semi-retirement'! Ed

MALMESBURY LINK—Help is at hand if you need transport to your pre-booked vaccine appointment. We need to make sure that those that need transport know about us. Anyone that needs help getting to an appointment can call us on 01666 840861 and we will be happy to help.



NHS TEXT—SCAM OR REAL?

- It's not always easy to determine what is genuine—this one definitely **is** from the NHS. They are using text messages to invite people

PRESCRIPTIONS

We have been so lucky since last April, when Jo Martin and Wendy Bullough, who both worked at the Malmesbury Primary Care Centre, offered to bring out prescribed medications for people in the village. Back then, there were occasionally two hour queues outside in all weathers!

One person in the village has described Jo and Wendy as “our village angels”. They have delivered more than 500 prescribed medications to our village. Sadly, due to recent changes at the Care Centre, this arrangement can no longer continue. Luckily help is still at hand in the form of Lydia Hanks who was raised in the village and works in the Boots Pharmacy. Lydia has offered to bring out prescribed medications and has been doing this for the last two weeks. How lucky are we? Can you please ensure that you have requested your medications, before you ring me to advise that you would like them brought out to the village. Those people who have paper prescriptions can still bring them to me and Lydia will hand them in to the Surgery.

A great big thank you to Jo and Wendy - and now Lydia for looking after our village residents so well, they are all most grateful.

JEAN CORAM

19.6.1923 – 1.2.2021

Many of us will fondly remember Jean Coram from the days when the village Post Office was located in London House and she was our village Postmistress until 1999.

I am sorry to have to inform you - if you are not already aware - that Jean passed away, "surrounded by love", at the age of 97, on Monday 1st February in the Care Home where she had been a resident for several years.



A "virtual" funeral was held on Tuesday 23rd February at Haycombe Crematorium, Bath.

Donations in memory of Jean will go to the Home Library Service which gave her so much pleasure. Cheques should be made payable to: Bryan G Bishop Funeral Service, Farrington Road, Paulton, Bristol BS39 7LW or contact them on 01761 412046 for their BACS details.

WALKING FOR TWO HOURS A DAY – JUST TO GET TO SCHOOL!

Major Khatri Chakrabahdur, is the OC 9RLC-90Sqn and he did just that in order to get an education which has led to where he is now! He is also the liaison officer between Buckley Barracks and the Parish Council. He and his personnel have supported the village and the school over the last couple of years by helping with events at the school and, most notably perhaps, in rigging the village Christmas tree in the Churchyard.

He was educated at the Shree Gupteshwor Secondary School, in a village in Oyam, a region in the East of Nepal, and he had to walk for two hours over mountainous terrain - in all weathers - to get the education which led to the position he has achieved today (coming up through the ranks) and then - walk home again!

With the co-operation of Julie Exton, the then Mayor of Malmesbury, it was intended to hold a Ghurkha evening at the Town Hall in Malmesbury last April to raise funding for the school. It was also hoped that a Ghurkha evening could be held in Hullavington Village Hall. COVID-19 put paid to all of that!

He would now like to try another way of giving something back to the school where he was educated and has started PROJECT OYAM - in conjunction with The Pahar Trust Nepal - in order to raise money to provide a Memorial building, which will house various amenities that the school is lacking, a library, a computer room and, most importantly, hostel accommodation.



This would save these youngsters having to WALK for a total of FOUR hours each day just to get to and from school to be educated. There is a lot more information about the school and PROJECT OYAM on the Just Giving page which can be found on this link: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/chakra-khatri>.

Please have a look and hopefully make a donation; and be thankful that our village children only have a 10-minute walk to school!

CLONE INVESTMENT SCAMS

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We're supporting the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) ScamSmart campaign to warn the public as reports of 'clone firm' investment scams continue to rise. We're also issuing advice for investors to help avoid fake firms.

Reports of investing with fraudsters imitating genuine investment firms in Wiltshire increased by 25% in one month alone from March to April 2020 when the UK first went into lockdown.

Data provided by Action Fraud shows a worrying picture: Victims reported losses of £4.3 million in Wiltshire between January and December 2020, resulting in an average loss of over £22,750 across 189 reports in total. Nationally £78 million has been stolen in 2020, with reported losses of more than £45,000 each on average.

Clone firms are fake firms set up by scammers using the name, address and 'Firm Reference Number' (FRN) of real companies authorised by the FCA. Fraudsters then send sales and marketing materials linking to websites of legitimate firms to dupe potential investors into thinking they are the real firm when they aren't.

We want to help prevent these scams and are advising anyone who is considering an investment opportunity to check the FCA's [Warning List](#) of firms which is updated daily. Don't deal with companies that are not authorised through the FCA, and verify their details through the [FCA Register](#) to make sure you're dealing with the bona fide firm.

In Wiltshire, those aged between 60 and 79 had a highest number of reports in the last year, with over 39% of victims within that age bracket and nearly two thirds (63%) of all victims were male. We're asking for people to be extra cautious and spread the word to friends and family. Investors can test if they can spot an investment scam from a smart investment by taking the Scam or Smart quiz, visit www.fca.org.uk/scamsmart to find out more. If you think you've already invested into a fraudulent scheme, report it to Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040, or via their website at www.actionfraud.police.uk. Message Sent By Sian Rivers (Police, Communications Officer, HQ).

Many thanks to Maggie Bawden for the information.

HULLAVINGTON BOOK GROUP



We have been unable to meet at the village hall since December. Unfortunately, it will be at least June before we return.

Malmesbury Library has been open for click and collect so I have been able to obtain our monthly book choices. Kathryn has been very helpful, sourcing our books, supplying us with book lists and keeping me informed about availability. We will continue to support the mobile library service when it returns, possibly using both library systems.

To help pass the time during February, Sue Kelly, running with an idea from Denise, set up a book quiz for members. We were asked to list our ten favourite books and the other group members had to guess who the lists belonged to. Picking just ten titles was so difficult for all of us.

In January we read 'The Bees' by Laline Paull. This was a 'Marmite' book, some liked it, but most couldn't get on with the book at all and just had to give up.

Reviews: "Quite a sustained feat of imagination to produce a full-length novel. Interesting to read about the complexities of bees' life cycle and social structure in this format when I would never have picked up a manual on bee-keeping.

Bit Orwellian at times.

Interesting to dive into Wikipedia to read a bit more about bees and how important they are.

They are very big business in USA. Millions of hives are hired by farmers and trucked across the country to enable fruit in New England and then on gradually across to almonds in California.

I remember a radio program about how the familiar Langstroth hive was a crucial invention as it allowed hives to become reusable and mobile instead of having to be destroyed to get the honey out.

I did think female bees were produced from fertilised eggs, so I am not sure how Flora got a daughter. Probably missed something somewhere.

Sir Linden literally went out with a bang!"

"My overall comment is stick with this surprising novel.

I must admit to having strong doubts as to whether I would last longer than the first couple of chapters as seeing the world through the eyes of a bee was not something I thought to find enthralling. However I was soon proved wrong.

The story follows Flora, a sanitation worker doomed by her birth to the lowest caste in her hive community. Yet despite this she thrives and excels at everything she sets her mind to and by the end of the novel you are left in awe, and no longer questioning is this really how bees live.

Not only is this novel a gripping story of a single bee's life, it is also an impossibly well-observed guide to the important role bees play in our human life.

In conclusion, If you give this novel a go you will never look at a bee, a spider, or a wasp in the same way again.'

"I got to page 217 and really could not face reading anymore. I did try reading the end to see if I might go back and try carrying on but I wasn't in any way inspired.

In one word it was: weird!

It's the only time I've given 1 star to a book on good reads. I always think of how deflated an author must feel seeing a bad review but on this occasion I could find no reason to give this book anything more.

Maybe it's because I'm not an insect lover?

I understand how important bees are in the natural world but really they have weird ceremonies in their hives and they chat with wasps on their travels and hide eggs away in case the fertility police bees find out? And as for their prayers (p32 as an example) - how ridiculous - 'hallowed be thy womb'!!

Big thumbs down from me!"

February saw us reading 'The Giver of Stars' by Jojo Moyes. Written by an author popular with our group, the novel is based on fact. The WPA, (Works Progress Administration), ran from 1935 to 1943. At its height, the library service brought books to more than one hundred thousand rural residents in rural Kentucky. The female librarians who delivered books by pack horse were known as "Book Women", "Book Ladies" and "Packsaddle Librarians". This was a popular book with our group.

Reviews

"This historical novel is based on the real-life story of the packhorse librarians of Kentucky. It is a must for any lover of reading who understands the true joy and escapism books can bring to everyone.

The novel revolves around five women from diverse backgrounds and cultures unified by their desire to continue improving literacy and knowledge through books, despite constant resistance and personal challenges.

Set against a background of beautiful, lush descriptions of remote Kentucky, the novel explores such themes as misogyny, racism and poverty that remain relevant to this day.

A truly remarkable novel that illustrates beautifully both the power of books and the power of friendship."

"You could pick a lot of holes in it but by the end I found I had enjoyed it very much. Good story telling.

The first part, as the plot was being set up and characters like Mrs Brady, Porteous etc introduced, was a bit reminiscent of a 1950s Ealing comedy. Innocent, well-meaning eccentricity.

Although I thought she used the location well and the flood, in particular, was dramatically captured, the values the story reflected were imposed from a 21st Century liberal perspective. But then that liberal decency and the views on prejudice etc seemed to be compromised at the end by the acceptance of perjury justified by the pursuit of a happy ending.

She covered most of today's themes women, colour, economic equality, abuse, education etc but, surprisingly, did not have a gay character, which is almost mandatory these days, although Bennett might be outed in a sequel! His motivations were never explored in the book or how he knew the sisters could help, but then it was not a book about him.

The characters were a bit stereotyped. I thought I was meant to hiss and boo the villain, father Van Cleve, whenever he appeared. Right Said Fred would be played by James Stewart. Thought the two McCullough sisters were going to come out of their cabin playing Duelling Banjos from Deliverance.

There was a bit of controversy about Jojo's book. Another one, published a few months before, **The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek** by Kim Michele Richardson, covers the same time period, is also set in eastern Kentucky and is about the packhorse library women. The book also partly features the **Blue People of Kentucky**, based on a real family who due to a genetic trait, had blue skin (some pictures on Google). Different sort of colour prejudice! It also starts with a women on a mule in the mountains delivering books. Finds a body, not a drunken hillbilly.

Enjoyed it as something completely different and got drawn into the story.

Talk of plagiarism towards Jojo Moyes never came to anything." This would have been a super topic to discuss at a meeting. Perhaps we can do so at a later date.

Books to read in March and April:

Shadowplay by Joseph O'Connor

1878: The Lyceum Theatre, London. Three extraordinary people begin their lives together, a life that will be full of drama, transformation and passionate devotion to art and one another.

A Thousand Splendid Suns by Khaled Hosseini

'Miriam is only fifteen when she is sent to Kabul to marry Rasheed. Nearly two decades later, a friendship grows between Miriam and a local teenager, Laila, as strong as the ties between mother and daughter. When the Taliban take over, life becomes a desperate struggle against starvation, brutality and fear.

HULLAVINGTON FILM GROUP

Film Group, Film Group EXTRA and Film of the Book sessions will not return to the Village Hall until June. Please look out for posters and the Village Hall website for updates.

Elizabeth Parry-Williams


Type 2 diabetes—It's time to get serious

Every two minutes someone finds out that they have Type 2 diabetes, a potentially serious health condition that can cause long-term health problems. It can lead to sight loss, kidney failure, loss of a limb, and makes you at least twice as likely to have a heart attack or stroke.

The NHS has a Diabetes Prevention programme, (a free service) for residents within the Wiltshire area who are at high risk of developing Type 2 diabetes. Normally, people access the programme through their GP, however, due to the pandemic and the subsequent pressure that our GP practices are facing, for a limited time we have enabled a self-referral option via the Diabetes UK 'Know Your Risk Score' – a check list of questions that can determine a person's risk factors - This has also enabled the programme to become more accessible to people within the area.

It's very important that you find out if you are at high risk of Type 2 diabetes so you can get support to lower your risk. You may even be eligible for your free local Healthier You NHS Diabetes Prevention Programme. The Diabetes UK risk tool can help you find out if you're at risk of developing the condition. It takes just a few minutes and could be the most important thing you do today.

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A record number of people in the UK are living with Type 2 diabetes. This figure has more than doubled since 1996. Sadly, many people will experience potentially preventable complications because of diabetes, simply because they don't know enough about their condition and how to manage it.


Every 2 minutes someone is diagnosed with Type 2 Diabetes

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<https://preventing-diabetes.co.uk/know-your-risk-dtc/>

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2. Find out your risk of developing type 2 diabetes

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(www.walkinginengland.co.uk) – one for each county in England) has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from

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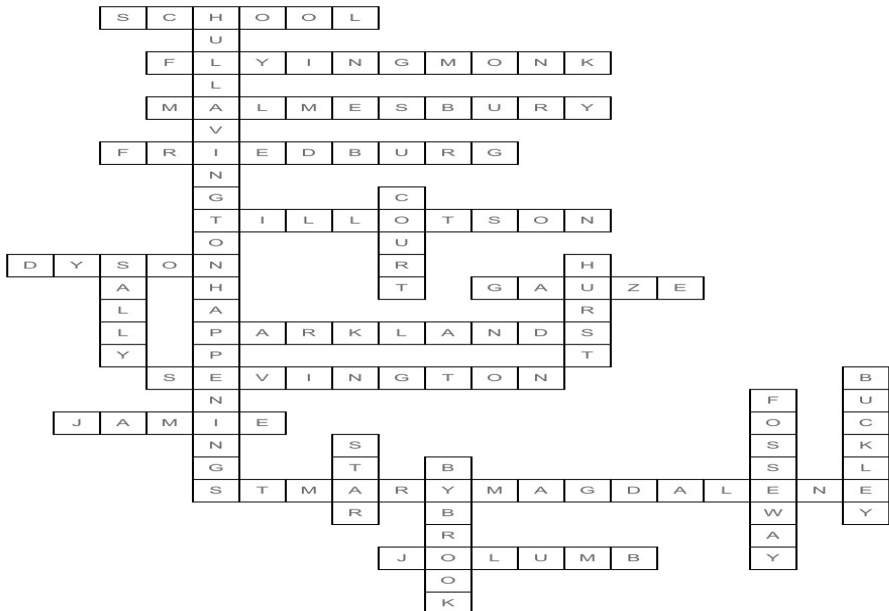
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We will not be opening the church for Services until after Easter but it will remain open every day for private prayer. Watch the notice board for the great day when we can have live Services once again. Over Easter we are running a large range of on-line Services, we do hope you will find something that will lift your spirits and help you to worship and rejoice.

HAPPY EASTER TO YOU ALL

During Holy Week there will be Morning Prayer at 9.00am and Evening Service of Compline at 9.00pm every day.

Maundy Thursday: the Last Supper (with Spiritual Communion) at 7.00pm tinyurl.com/gauzebrookzoom Meeting ID: 875 6326 9075 Passcode: GBZOOM

Good Friday: an All Age Service at 10.00am on Zoom with lots of activities for children to enjoy. 2.00pm – 3.00pm An hour at the Cross tinyurl.com/gauzebrookzoom Meeting ID: 875 6326 9075 Passcode: GBZOOM

Easter Day: 10.00am Gauzebrook Easter Worship together: tinyurl.com/gauzebrookzoom Meeting ID: 875 6326 9075 Passcode: GBZOOM. Also Easter Communion on YouTube tinyurl.com/GauzebrookTV

5-10 April: no Morning Prayer on FB. After Easter we will continue with the usual pattern of on-line Services:

Daily Services of Morning Prayer, 9.00am Monday to Saturday. Broadcast on our Gauzebrook Group FB page and led by members of the ministry team. They can be accessed from:

<https://www.facebook.com/gauzebrookgroup>

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Sundays: there will be a Gauzebrook YouTube service - <https://tinyurl.com/GauzebrookTV> and two Zoom Services hosted by different villages around the group. These take the form of a shortened Service followed by time to meet others and catch up with news. It has been so good to see each other on these. To check links for Zoom services for Hullavington contact Henny on henny.mettters@outlook.com

If you know of any friends, family members or neighbours who would like pastoral support, please contact our Rector the Revd Adam Beaumont, rector@gauzebrook.org or 01666 311177.

HULLAVINGTON Village Show



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Saturday 28 August
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Rosettes for all children's entries

2021 Draft Schedule



Vegetables and Fruit

- V1 4 Coloured potatoes
- V2 4 White potatoes
- V3 3 Onions trimmed and tied
- V4 3 Runner beans
- V5 1 Other veg any variety
- V6 1 Lettuce
- V7 3 Carrots
- V8 3 Beet
- V9 1 Cucumber
- V10 6 Soft fruit
- V11 Heaviest marrow
- V12 3 Rhubarb sticks trimmed
- V13 2 Courgettes with flower
- V14 3 Dessert apples
- V15 3 Cooking apples
- V16 4 Tomatoes (with calyx)
- V17 Cherry tomatoes on a vine (at least 4)

Flowers

- F1 4 Asters
- F2 4 Cosmos
- F3 3 Dahlias, any variety
- F4 3 Rose, any variety
- F5 Minimum 4 sweet peas
- F6 3 Stems Annuals
- F7 3 Stems Perennials
- F8 1 Gladioli
- F9 3 Stems Penstemon
- F10 Foliage pot plant

Flower arrangements (max 30cm³ unless stated)

- FA1 Single colour
- FA2 From the garden
- FA3 Dried / seed heads
- FA4 Petite (max 10x10x10cm)
- FA5 Novice* freestyle

* *Novice is someone who has not previously won a flower arranging class*



Food

- FO1 Jar of marmalade
- FO2 Jar of soft fruit
- FO3 Jar of stoned fruit
- FO4 Jar of jelly
- FO5 Jar of chutney
- FO6 Apple pie on a plate
- FO7 Serving of coleslaw
- FO8 4 Savoury scones
- FO9 Traditional Victoria Sandwich
- FO10 4 biscuits on a plate
- FO11 3 Bread rolls
- FO12 Anything vegan but edible
- FO13 Home Brew (fermented)

Crafts

- C1 A soft toy
- C2 An item of clothing
- C3 Anything “up-cycled”

Art

- A1 A portrait
- A2 Abstract
- A3 ‘Gateway’
- A4 ‘Freedom’

Photography

- PH1 ‘Animal Magic’ (black and white)
- PH2 ‘Reflections’
- PH3 ‘In the garden’
- PH4 ‘Holiday’

Children Under 9 years *Rosettes for all entries*

- UC1 An picture or model of “Peppa Pig”
- UC2 A thumbprint picture (A4 max size)
- UC3 A piece of pretend food

Children 9 - 14 years *Rosettes for all entries*

- C1 Poster (A4) ‘Pick up your dog poo!’
- C2 A photoshopped picture
- C3 Anything “up-cycled”



We are continuing with our Zoom meetings and members have become quite proficient at logging on and taking part in the meetings. Our meeting in March is our AGM which will be followed with a few games of Bingo and plenty of chatting and exchange of news. On April 14th (one week earlier than our usual date for meetings), David Witts will give a talk on Surrendell. This talk has been highly recommended so we are inviting members' husbands and friends to join us as well as anyone else in the village who may be interested. Just phone me for logging on details. We look forward to seeing you all. In May our WI will be 60 years old. We won't be able to hold a big party as we would have liked, but we are hoping the weather will be good enough to have gatherings of 6 members in each of 3 or 4 gardens. Then we will swap round so we hopefully get to see everyone.

On April 28th, the John Aubrey group of WIs to which we belong, will hold a meeting on zoom with our speaker talking about 'Craftivism'. Craftivism is a combination of the words Craft and Activism. I'm sure we have a lot to learn about it and whether we approve of this form of gentle activism.

We are looking forward to getting back to having our meetings in the hall so are keeping everything crossed that the process of coming out of Lockdown goes smoothly. Visitors and new members are always welcome. If you would like to find out more about our WI then don't hesitate to contact me.

Isobel Acott

THE HULLAVINGTON 20 MILE RUN

The re-introduction of lockdown in January meant that the planned 20-mile race from the Hullavington Arms scheduled for March 7th had to be cancelled.

However, we are keenly watching the Government updates on the lifting of restrictions and are optimistic that the Hullavington Half Marathon and 5K Fun Run will be able to go ahead in a socially distance format on Sunday May 16th. More info can be found at www.stampedesports.co.uk



Darren Wrintmore

FAVOURITE RECIPE

Easy Carrot cake

- 230ml veg oil
- 100g natural yoghurt
- 4 large eggs
- 1.5 tsp vanilla extract
- .5 zested orange
- 265g sr flour
- 335g light muscovado sugar
- 2.5 tsp ground cinnamon, .25 fresh nutmeg
- 3 grated carrots
- 100g sultanas, 100g walnuts or pecans
- Icing—100g salted butter, 300g icing sugar, 100 soft cheese



Heat the oven to 180c. Oil and line two 20cm cake tins or 1 large one (and slice the sponge in two). Whisk the oil, yogurt, eggs, vanilla and zest in a jug. Mix in the flour, sugar, cinnamon and nutmeg.

Add the wet ingredients to the dry, along with the carrots, raisings and half the nuts. Mix and divide between the tins.

Bake for 30 ish minutes. Leave to cool in the tins.

For the icing, beat the butter and sugar until smooth, add half the soft cheese and beat again; then add the rest.

Remove the cakes from the tins and sandwich together with half of the icing. Top with the remaining and scatter with walnuts.

This one is based on a BBC good food recipe and one of my favourites!
Jonnie Jeeves

THE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Hullavington Village Hall – when will it re-open?

The current understanding of the committee based on an analysis of various government Covid-19 related documentation and on the advice provided by the Wiltshire Village Halls Advisor is:

- **Monday 12th April** village halls can re-open but **only for those activities already permitted under lockdown** - such as Covid testing stations, vaccine centres, food banks, and pre-school; centres etc.
- **Village halls will have to remain closed for all other activities** (such as art, drama, book clubs, film groups, and indoor physical activities such as Zumba, Pilates etc.) **until Monday 17th May**.

This is the current understanding of the committee – but government Covid-19 related policies, guidance, restrictions and relaxations relating to the use of village halls seem to change – sometimes frequently, and sometime incoherently! So watch this space for updates!

Bob Fenner

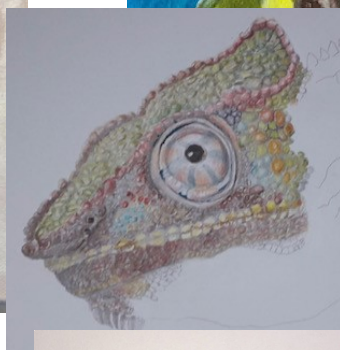
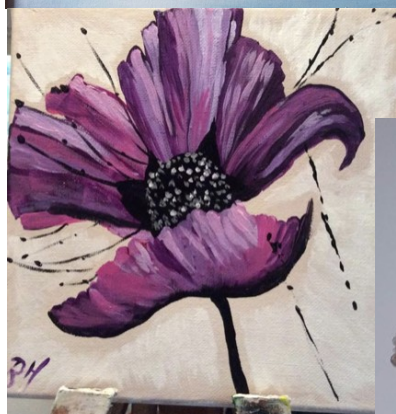
Dave Hunt has recently left the Hall Committee after 21 years—I'm sure you'd all like to join me in thanking him for his enormous efforts for the community.

The Village Hall is a crucial asset for the village with the groups and events it supports. Recently several people have left the committee and we thank them all very much for their time. That does leave gaps and Bob Fenner has already kindly covered them, but we can't expect him to do it all—please do come forward if you have any time to spare and contact Bob (p.51) for more information—thank you! Ed

THE HULLAVINGTON ART GROUP



The art group has kept busy through all three lockdowns with a 'virtual' challenge. Each week, one of the members took turns to suggest a theme. They were incredibly varied — including 'robin, laundry, stained glass window, zen garden, portrait, cubist, segments—complete the picture, pointillism' and many more. here's just a few.....



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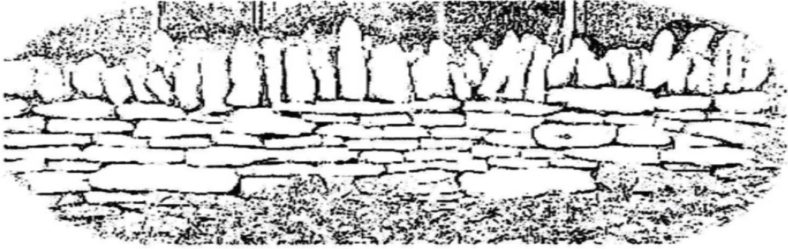
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Elizabeth Parry-Williams sent in the following delightful pictures of Micky, a Blue Cross rescue horse.

'The Giver of Stars' by Jojo Moyes, is one of the books the book club read and reviewed recently—it's a historical novel based on the real-life story of the packhorse li-



brarians of Kentucky, so in the spirit of the book, Abi, Polly and Micky, (our own 'Giver of Stars'), helped to deliver books to our members on Tuesday 9th March. Sue Kelly who helped deliver the books took this photo in Park-lands.

What a great 'green initiative'! Ed



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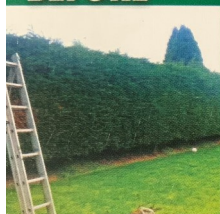
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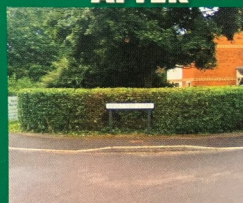
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Main Hall	£20	£26	£39
Side Hall	£12.50	£14.50	£24
Both Halls	£26.50	£31.50	£52.50

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Up to 24 people	nil	nil	nil
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50-99 people	nil	£10.50	£15
100+ people	nil	£12.50	£28
Consumption of alcohol (see note 3)	nil	£10.50	£14

Notes

- 1 The Hall is hired on a session basis, there are 3 per day:
AM 09.00—13.00, **PM** 14.00—18.00, **Eve** 19.00—23.00
- 2 Booking fees for Commercial / Government use are by arrangement.
- 3 Temporary Event Notices (TENS) are required by law when alcohol is sold on the Hall premises. It is the sole responsibility of the hirer to arrange for the TENS and to declare his/her intention to apply for one when booking the hall.

To hire the Hall, please contact Paul Hadley on 01666 837096 or Bob Fenner on 01666 837320. Full details of hire are on the village website www.hullavington.info. Villagers who would like a one-off event in the hall should book min 3 months in advance.

For other matters concerning the Hall, contact Bob Fenner by telephone or at bobfenner5@gmail.com. **WiFi now available!**

200 Club for the Village Hall

What a good start to the year for one of our ticket holders! Mrs Craft won first prize in January and then second prize in February! This is probably a record!

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(we are grateful to Paul for returning his winnings into the pot)

February **Steve Bint £50** **Mrs Craft £25**

In March we made our annual contribution to the Village Hall. This year it was £900 and the Chairman, Bob Fenner, has expressed gratitude to all our members. This is a difficult time for the Hall and the money will be used on general maintenance,

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Please see Facebook, notice board, email or call for updates and information. 01666 837770 or email

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Book group	Liz Parry Williams	01666 837713
Film Group	Sarah Harmer	01666 837704
Football Club	James Nation	07894 715080
Golden Threads	Alison Reed	01666 837661
Village Hall Committee	Bob Fenner	01666 837320
Health Liaison	Lis Cheshire	01666 837558
Jolly Tots	Rachel Cripps	07850 176901
M'bury & District Link		01666 840861
N'hood Police Team		101
Parish Church	Adam Beaumont	01666 311177
www.hullavingtonparishcouncil.org.uk	Sharon Neal	01249 659842
Poetry Group	Catherine Sanderson	01666 838824
Primary School & Little Hoots Nursery	Sue Tudge	01666 837604
Recorder Group	Maggie Dyson	01666 837358
Rights of Way, Roads & Pavements		0300 4560105
Short Mat Bowls	Pat Harper	07462 136889
200 Club	Geraldine McKibbin	01666 837736
Women's Institute	Isobel Acott	01666 837458

Meet the Villager

A light hearted chat with a local about their time in Hullavington



In this edition we meet Kev Tillotson

I met my wife Tracey when we were both working for the RAC in Bristol. We were newly married in 1997 and had an 8 month old son and another on the way and were looking for a more rural home. We already had friends living in Hill Hayes Lane in the Village and knew we liked the area so, Hullavington became our new home.

Time rolled on and Tracey became a history teacher at Sheldon School and I joined the Toyota car company. There are lots of links over the years with Villagers that many of you will know. John Cullum used to be a customer of mine, Pat Stevenson used to run the village shop and her husband Geordie was involved in music with John Cullum and the 'Random' band in the Village. I met Geordie back in about 1997/98, I umpired the annual cricket match between the Star pub (now the Hullavington Arms) versus what was then The Queens Head and enjoyed many pints with Geordie.

Tracey and I enjoy many activities in the village including dance classes with 'Miss Emma' which used to be held in the Village Hall.

I became a Parish Councillor about 5 years ago and am currently on the Public Open Space Working Group. I enjoy running, cycling and motorcycling and the village is a great location for those hobbies; it's provided us with a sense of community, a great village life and some good friends.

Quick Fire Questions:

- Guilty pleasure? Maltesers
- Who would play you in a movie of your life? Ray Winstone
- If you could change one thing in the village? Public Open Spaces
- Dream dinner party guest? Sir Bill Beaumont, Johnny Cash, Nelson Mandela, Queen Victoria, Sir Winston Churchill and all of my friends - what a party that would be!
- Advice to teenage self? Everything happens for a reason
- Cat or dog? Dog
- Happiness is? A happy wife
- Bucket list item? Trip to New Zealand

HULLAVINGTON HISTORY—THEN AND NOW

‘Then’ was taken in 1988 from opposite the bus shelter, it shows the original Lawn Farm buildings in Frog Lane. At that time, the walled area was completely grass apart from a couple of young trees. The wall was built in the 1950s. On old maps of the village, this area is shown as The Green but in the 1970s, the Parish Council made the decision that the area on the left as you enter the village from the Malmesbury end should also be known as The Green (formerly referred to as the Pond Site). The ‘Now’ photograph shows the houses that have replaced the farm buildings which were demolished in 2014. In the autumn of 2005, the walled area was rotavated at the instigation of the Hullavington WI and the area planted by the WI with shrubs and bulbs.

Dave Hunt

