

# Quidhampton Village Newsletter

November 2012

## What's On in November

- Thurs 1** Quiz Night at The White Horse
- Sat 3** Village Fireworks event
- Mon 5** Term 2 begins Bemerton St John and Sarum Academy
- Sun 11** 10.45 Act of Remembrance St John's Lych Gate followed by refreshments in the church
- Tues 13** 13.15-14.45 Open Day for 2013 reception intake at Bemerton St John's. *If you cannot make this time ring the school for an individual appointment*
- Tues 13** WI : Hand bell ringing 19.30 Village Hall
- Thurs 15** : Music at The White Horse: Fianian McGurk with Rich Young who has played with members of Dire Straits!
- Sat 17** 10.00 -12.00 Table Top Sale The White Horse – see insert
- Sat 24** Music at The White Horse: Pete Christie returns: folk and roots acoustic guitarist and singer-songwriter.
- Tues 27** Parish Council Meeting 19.30 Village Hall

## 100 Club Winners

### September

1st 36 M.Barwell  
2nd 46 A Smith  
3rd 117 L Hudson

### October

1st 122 Mrs Denton  
2nd 88 A Witt  
3rd 190 T Bolger

Crib (Mondays) and darts (Thursdays) continue **at The White Horse**

Bus pass lunches: Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays £5.50 one course, £7.50 two courses, both with coffee.

Christmas Draw: tickets on sale now, 50p each. An old fashioned pub draw: all the money taken is spent on prizes, so the more tickets sold the better the prizes.

## **Bemerton Local History Society**

15 November Hedley Davis Court 19.00  
Dr. Lynne Walker talks about Elinor Warre daughter of Canon Warre.

## **Bemerton Film Society**

28 November Bemerton St John's School  
19.30 Dr Strangelove, postponed from July.  
Stanley Kubrick's sixties satire with Peter Sellers

## **Fireworks and Bonfire Night Saturday 3 November**

Tickets available from The White Horse at £7 for a family ticket, £3 adults and £2 children until 31 October, then it's £10, £4 and £3. (under 3's free)  
**Safety note**: children should wear gloves when holding their free sparklers

**Can you make a guy or carve a pumpkin?** See coloured flyer for competition details

**Music in the pub** afterwards: two spots from Mike Coulson who performed Buddy Holly and George Formby songs at Meadowfest 2011

## **Fireworks and pets: advice from the RSPCA**

Make sure your dog or cat always has somewhere to hide e.g. under furniture. Close windows and curtains and put on music to mask the sound of fireworks. If your pet shows any signs of fear do not punish or fuss over them - this only makes things worse in the long run. Microchip your pet in case of escape.

## Village Recycling Facility

Twenty one people attended the meeting at The White Horse. Andy Conn, head of waste management, explained that as the introduction of more kerbside recycling had been so successful, pressure to save money meant Wiltshire Council were closing some mini recycling sites. The sites to be closed were chosen by a points system that rated usage, ease of access and other factors, as well as the response to a public consultation.

Figures obtained by Caroline Hampson of Sovereign Close showed that there had been no replies to the consultation recorded from this area of Wiltshire (some were anonymous) and it was agreed it had not been well publicised. There may also be grounds for challenging some of the statistics and the points awarded.

The Parish Council will make formal representation to the Wiltshire Councillor with responsibility for waste management, asking that the decision to close our site be looked at again in view of the flawed consultation. The Council will also ask that the cost of keeping the site be calculated. Andy Con said he would try to put a hold on removal of the bins until the issue was resolved\*\*.

Chris Cochrane, Wiltshire Councillor for Lower Bemerton and Fisherton, was also at the meeting.

\*\*It was later confirmed this has been done, **so continue to use the bins as usual.**

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**Speed limit on A3094:** the results are still awaited of the campaign to reduce this to 40 mph (not 50 mph as wrongly reported in October).

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**Mobile phone found:** a white Miss Sixty phone with a red pattern was found at the beginning of October, on the grass near the bus stop.

Contact Withy House (01722 741469)



## The Quidhampton Diamond Jubilee Christmas Bus Pass Party

Get your glad rags on and join us on  
**Saturday December 15th at 3pm**

Quidhampton Village Hall

Make a decoration for our Christmas Tree  
"size does matter" not too big please!!  
Prizes to be won.

Cameo party pieces welcome. Sophie will  
play for us again, so have your requests  
ready.

*No entrance charge, but there will be a  
Christmas Raffle  
(prizes gratefully accepted)*

If you wish to start off your Christmas  
celebrations with us contact:

Maureen Goff 743587 Joy Wagstaff  
743080, or Viv Bass 742483

**by 3 December**

We look forward to seeing you on the day.

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**Liz and Hugh Baker** would like to thank the person who did **not** clear up their dog mess from the verge by the bus shelter on Saturday 20 October. The verge was cut earlier in the day so that as the nights draw in dog owners can see where their dogs mess. Fortunately a member of the family stood in the mess on the way to a party that evening - the smell on the shoes and in the car was truly disgusting!

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**Do you value the newsletter?** Come to the Table Top Sale on **17 November** at the White Horse, have a coffee, cake and chat, and maybe pick up a bargain.

It's in aid of the newsletter and the editor is having a table for bric-a-brac, books, anything sell-able. If you have something you could donate drop it into the White Horse or Meadow Barn, Fisherman's Reach.

For details see flyer.



Austin 7's on 21 October. The owners were lunching at The White Horse before going on to Old Sarum as part of their monthly run.

### Harvest auction at The White Horse.

Landlady Sara said it was very enjoyable though there was not as much produce as usual because of the poor growing season. £148 was raised for the church and Trussell Trust, and dozens of tins were collected for the Trust's foodboxes.

*History note: Bemerton and Quidhampton parish first sold their harvest produce in 1904, thinking it was better to give local charities the money than wilting fruit and vegetables. Were they ahead of their time?*

**HGVs** Pete Jung recently received this letter: "Regarding vehicle KU61EDV which went through a 7.5t weight limit in the village of Quidhampton on the 11/10/12. The vehicle was attempting a delivery to County Tile Warehousing. The driver was trying to avoid a 13' bridge however I understand the severity of this & we will ensure our drivers take a copy of the correct route in with them. I would like to apologise to the residents & yourself for the trouble we have caused & will ensure this does not happen again in the future". Regards Ray Hawkins

Macintyre Transport, Felixstowe.

Well done to whoever spotted that. But **only two people have volunteered for Lorrywatch!** Contact the parish clerk (details on back page) if you have a few hours to spare once a week or fortnight to report the HGVs that still come through the village.

### *Sandie Smith writes:*

The WI October open meeting with Bea Tilbrook gave members and guests an insight into life in Quidhampton in the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. But primarily it was about one family.

The Price family has intrigued Bea for some time now and she gave us a fascinating insight into the hardships that could befall a family through a father's errant ways. The most poignant part for me was the tragedy of Clarrie's two sisters who drowned in the river while collecting wood. The coroner came to the village the very next day. There was a collective gasp as Bea went on to tell us he held his meeting in the very room we were sitting in. We all looked round, imagining the terrible sadness the family would have endured, that day and long afterwards.

Over thirty people attended, including friends from Pewsey, Andover and Weymouth. Those who didn't go missed a fascinating evening and if Bea ever gives this talk again you mustn't miss it!

Now, about an agent for your book, Bea.....

***More free energy efficiency surveys available.*** *The Wilton Community Land Trust has access to government funding for surveys of homes and can help you apply for grants towards insulation and renewable heating (solar, biomass and heat pumps). The trust is completely independent of commercial interests. Hurry, as the offer ends soon - contact Peter Wynn on 07710 567896 or email [peterfwynn@gmail.com](mailto:peterfwynn@gmail.com) for details!*

**Wilton Community Land Trust has also just opened** a 'pop up shop' in West Street, Wilton Wednesdays to Fridays, and Saturday morning. Go along to find out about the Eco Park bid for the UKLF site and their other community activities. Bidding is expected to open very soon.

## Well done to Quidhampton's young people

**Kirsty Stage** of The Alders, age 12, got some friends together from her kick-boxing class to raise money for The Amesbury Five Wishes Sure Start Children's Centre. On 23 October they each performed 2012 kicks. Kirsty's raised £250 so far. A collection box is in the White Horse.

**Archie Young** of Hampton Court, has passed his eleven plus.

**Josie and Connie Roberts** of Rose Cottage are selling eggs to regular customers only now because the hens are not laying so many. Their egg selling enterprise was really successful and will continue next year.

**Sam Herring** is selling "putt putt" boats. Imported from India, about 15 cms long, and made from recycled drinks cans, they are powered by a night light and make a putt putt noise as they move. Available at the village Fireworks night at £6.00 for one and £10.00 for two. Otherwise seen only at The Dorset Steam fair!

**Ollie Adams**, boyfriend of Bethan Strawson, entered the Broomhill National Sculpture competition with a work in wood called: Yielding Ash. He won the 'Public Speaks' vote and £1500.

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**Goodbye:** villagers were sad to see the departure of Maureen and Mark Walter of Brae View who moved to Downton after 16 years here. Maureen says they have settled in well and love living in a bungalow. She's getting fit with lots of cycling and will be coming back for her hairdressing clients.

**Welcome** to Lara Ball and Bret Payne who have moved in.

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**Garage or barn type space** needed to park a large car for Wedding Car business, not in constant use. If you have a space that could be rented, or know of one, contact Mike Darling-Holmes (Groveley Dene) 07971 801910

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**(New) Website:** <http://>

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or leave a note in the black box.

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Waste and recycling dates

Monday 5 November: household and garden waste, 12 recycling: black box and blue bin, 19 waste, 26 recycling

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