

Quidhampton Village Newsletter

April 2015

What's On in April 2015 *Quidhampton events in bold*

Thursday 2: Monthly Charity Quiz 20.00: £25 voucher prize. Food (usual menu) from 18.00

Sunday 5: Easter lunch at The White Horse: book early!

Saturday 11: Grand National afternoon with sweepstake at The White Horse

Monday 13 : staff training day Bemerton St John. School closed for pupils

School term begins for all students at Sarum Academy

Tuesday 14: school term 5 begins at Bemerton St John

Wednesday 15: Bemerton Film Society: Dead Poets Society St John's school 19.30

Thursday 16: Bemerton Local History Society: AGM and talk 19.00 Hedley Davis Court

Easter Services:

Maundy Thursday communion and foot washing 19.30 St Michaels

Good Friday Walk with the Cross 10.00 start Roman Road Methodist Church, finish 10.30 St Michaels

Children's activities: 11.00 St Michaels making Easter garden and hot cross buns

Hour at the cross: 12.00 St Andrews

Easter Day

08.00 St Andrew's: Communion

10.30 St Michael's: Fun Church Family Communion

18.00 St Andrew's: Evensong with hymns

Parish Transport scheme: If you need a lift to Church ring Ruth Main 01722 679334

February 100 Club Winners

1st 38 A. Barwell

2nd 8 F. West

3rd 12 S.Rowland-Jones

The White Horse Inn: Summer Opening Hours from 30 March

Monday to Friday: 12.00 - 15.00 and 18.00 – 23.00

Saturday: 12.00 – 23.00

Sunday : 12.00 – 20.00

Were you born on or before VE Day?

If so we'd like to you to join us at The White Horse on Saturday 9 May for a 70th Anniversary VE Day Tea Party

from 14.30 – 16.00

Complimentary Tea, Coffee & Cake.

70th Anniversary of VE Day Dinner Dance

Saturday 9 May 19.00

Live 40's Music by The fabulous 'Gershwin Gang'

Hog Roast Supper

Optional Fancy Dress with Prizes for Best Male costume and Best Female Costume

**Tickets from The White Horse
£15.00 on or before 30 April £20.00 thereafter**

Quidhampton's bid for 20 mph limit gets most votes at Area Board meeting

Thirteen villagers went to the South West Wiltshire Area Board meeting to listen to presentations from five parishes, all bidding for a 20 mph limit or 20 mph zone.* Our bid was prepared by Parish Councillors Paul Cripps and Ken Taylor, and presented by Ken. It was the slickest presentation and the only one to keep to time. Ken and Paul used cleverly analysed data from the metrocount last August and dramatic photographs showing the proximity of traffic to pedestrians.

Our case was very clear and supportive

comments were overheard eg "I've been to Quidhampton and they really deserve it". Our bid got most votes but don't expect to see those signs go up next week! Winning the vote means it is one of two bids the Area Board considers. If chosen there has to be an assessment by Wiltshire Highways, and then costs have to be agreed before it is put in place.

* Ken and Paul would like to thank all the villagers who came to support them. *A 20 mph limit is just a speed limit change with main signs and repeaters. A 20 mph zone has traffic calming measures which can include road narrowing with build outs, chicanes, and even planting.*

Other Parish Council Matters

Litter : carry a carrier bag?

Everyone must have noticed the recent increase in rubbish beside country roads and now regrettably in Quidhampton. The Parish Council urges everyone to use their own recycling and waste bins, and to think about carrying a carrier bag when going for a walk and picking up some of the litter. The Council believes the majority of residents do care about the appearance of their village. Ahead of the game: thanks to Caroline Hampson, Victoria Brown and Alex Edge who have already tackled some of the litter in Boyeswood.

Warning: domestic waste left by the roadside or in public litter bins can and has been traced and offenders prosecuted.

Bus pass exemption for first R8

Bus passes can still be used on the R8 that comes through the village at 09.14.

Traffic issues

Keep reporting potholes to Wiltshire Council. Most white lines have been re-painted in the village but not double yellow lines yet. Civil enforcement officers (previously known as traffic wardens) will soon have Quidhampton on their rounds.

Recreation ground:

Several of the councillors helped to clear the 'wild' corner of the recreation ground, cutting back brambles etc, revealing bulbs and flowers. It is proving very difficult to find football nets to fit the football posts.

Date of next meeting: 26 May
This will be preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting at 19.00

Thursday 16 April The last meeting of Bemerton Local History Society?

Only in one sense! At the AGM a proposal will be put forward to change the name of the Society to Bemerton History Society. The speaker after the brief AGM will be Clare

Christopher who runs the Milford Street Bridge project in Salisbury. She will describe this, and then talk about a similar project planned in Bemerton.

19.00 Hedley Davis Court, Cherry Orchard Lane. Everyone welcome

Parking. Villagers are reminded that parking outside The Alders is for residents of The Alders only. (the big white houses on the north side of Lower Road at the eastern end of the village). The sign reminding people of that has disappeared.

Re-surfacing the Netherhampton Road: this was dropped from the 2014/15 budget after all. Lesa Drewett is investigating and will report to the newsletter next month

More from The White Horse.

Zoe writes:

Mothers Day Lunch: fantastic to see so many families (in some cases three or four generations) enjoying time together.

We've achieved a lot in the last six weeks in the **Beer Garden** with pruning, and planting over two dozen rose bushes, a dozen shrubs and primroses for 'instant colour'. Huge thanks to Stevie who planted up the trough at the front of the pub for us and my dad, David, who has done a lot of the other work. We hope that in the coming weeks the hard work

will come to fruition and the garden will be a pretty and inviting area to sit and relax.

VE Day Tea Party: Thanks to those who have already volunteered to make a cake and to help serve the teas and coffees.

Further offers of cake / assistance would be appreciated.

Bunting for VE day: bunting and fabric have been donated but more is needed. I want to have a 'bunting afternoon' with sewing machines and people cutting out triangles. Do get in touch if you can help.

Local History:

Do you know these people?

The discovery that Clarrie Price lived on Bemerton Heath for a year before going to Holmwood care home has revealed the names of more people who may be able to help tell the story of her long life.

When she was in her late nineties, from at least October 1987 until October 1988, Clarrie lived at 67 The Valley with **George and Ilene Burton, Alexandra Williams and Doris Notley.**

George witnessed Clarrie's will, describing himself as physiotherapist's assistant. He and his wife may also have helped her find the place at Holmwood.

If anyone knows anything about any of these people please get in touch with Bea Tilbrook, details on the back page.

More information seems to come to light every day.

The dedication of Clarrie's headstone, also commemorating her three young sisters, is on **10 May at St John's**, followed by a buffet lunch in the village hall where there will be a chance to toast this remarkable woman

and see a display about her life.

The event will be attended by her great niece from Canada, an ex-pupil of hers from 1944 at the National school, someone who remembers her cleaning and cooking in a house of bedsits in Salisbury in the seventies, neighbours from the eighties, staff from Holmwood, others who knew her and many who didn't but who feel it is important to remember and 'give something back' to history, especially the history of our community.

Generous donors have covered the cost of the headstone and buffet.

If you want to be part of this special event or want to know more about it contact Bea Tilbrook for an invitation (necessary so we know the numbers for catering).



Cheers! – Clarrie Price celebrates her 101st birthday in style at Holmwood

New to the village

Hannah Allison-Brown, husband, Rob, and two children, Theo 3 and Tallulah 1, recently moved here from London. Hannah says: We wanted to be closer to family. My sister, Victoria Frank, and her husband live in the village and it is lovely to be so near to them. Vicky and I went to Leadenhall school where Jennifer Tyler was our headteacher! I am taking a break from teaching to be a stay-at-home mum. Rob is a home econo-

mist and food stylist. When you're watching celebrity chefs on TV and they say, "Here's one I made earlier", he's in the back kitchen having made it. He also helps chefs write recipe books and has own book, The Homemade Takeaway, coming out in June. We love Wiltshire's wide open spaces and are thoroughly enjoying village life.

Welcome to the village, Hannah. We'll look out for Rob's book, and also one by Eve Warton – more details in another newsletter

**St John's Place - we're nearly there....
2 April is crunch time for the future of
St John's.**

By then we will have the tenders back from the builders and will know how much everything should cost. And we'll know roughly how much money we've been able to raise.

We will have to decide how much we can afford to start building this spring, or not.

Hopefully we will have enough to do something, and it will be a case of signing off the lease to the Bemerton Community Group and PCC so work can start mid April.

While we make these critical decisions please pray or cross your fingers or touch wood or just send hopeful thoughts that we manage to find a way to close the finance gap.

Meanwhile there is a group looking at activities to run in St. John's Place for older people, children, teenagers, an arts project, and more.

Simon Woodley , Rector of Bemerton, Chair of Bemerton Community Ltd STOP PRESS we have got through to the next stage of our Lottery bids both for older people's activities and the heritage project.

Thanks from Clare Herring:

Thank you so so much for your marvellous system of emailing the village about our freezer crisis. We had 8 emails offering help and managed to save everything! People have been fabulous! I love this village!!

Get in touch with the editor if you want to join the Quidhampton email list.

Found on the recreation ground: a child's blue hula hoop.
It can be claimed from The White Horse.

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Waste and recycling dates

6 April: Household & garden waste

13 April: Recycling

20 April: Household & garden waste

27 April: Recycling

4 May: Household & garden waste

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