

Quidhampton Village Newsletter

October 2016

What's On in October 2016 Quidhampton events in bold

Saturday 1: Pizza night at The White Horse. Enjoy homemade pizzas from 18.30. Pizza and a pint £12.50. Booking advised

October 2: Harvest Fun Church St Michaels' 10.30
Harvest evensong St Andrews 16.00

Monday 2 and every Monday: £10 meal deal at The White Horse

Tuesday 4 and every Tuesday steak night at The White Horse: 2 steaks and a bottle of wine for £25. 18.30 – 20.30 only. Booking advised as otherwise subject to availability

Tuesday 4 school photographer at St John's school

Thursday 6: monthly charity quiz night 20.00 The White Horse

Alpha course begins at St John's church: meal and discussions 19.00 – 21.15 –see p2

Friday 7: staff training day St John's school and Sarum Academy, schools closed to pupils

Saturday 8: Jumble sale St Michael's Community Centre 13.00

Sunday 9 Salisbury Half-marathon. Road closures – details below

Harvest Communion St Michael's 10.30

Tuesday 11: 15.00 – 15.30 St John's school: parents welcome in school to view children's workbooks

Tuesday 11: Bemerton Film Society Ida at St John's School doors open 19.00

Friday 14: St John's school harvest festival in church 14.30

Friday 14: St John's school pupils fancy dress discos: see school for details

Saturday 15: Harvest Barn Dance with ploughman's St Mike's Community Centre 19.00

Monday 17: St John's school parents evening week

Tuesday 18: Harvest Festival Auction 19.30 Supper deal from 18.00. The White Horse

Wednesday 19: Sovereign Set lunch – see details p2

Friday 21: Sarum Academy non-uniform charity day

Last day of term 1 St John's school and Sarum Academy

Monday 31: Term 2 begins St John's school and Sarum Academy

Advance notice: Saturday 5 November Fireworks display at The White Horse followed by live music with Mustang Sally

Tuesday 27 December Sloe gin competition. Time to start making it now!

Sunday 9 Salisbury Half-Marathon

There will be several road closures while this event takes place.

The A3094 (Netherhampton Road) will be closed with no traffic permitted to turn into or out of it around Quidhampton from 12.00 to 15.30

Other closures are in Salisbury – see village noticeboard for full details.

Alpha Course St John's Place 10 sessions from Thursday 6 October. 19.00

Rev Simon Woodley writes:

Alpha is a course that is run all over the world to help people understand the basics of the Christian Faith. It starts with a meal and a short talk, then questions and discussion. It's free and there's no obligation!

Some residents of Lower Bemerton and Quidhampton are running it, and if you're interested in coming along they'd love to see you. Call 07587 852 412 or email stjplb@gmail.com so they can make enough food.

Nothing is out of bounds on an Alpha course. You are free to discuss as much or as little as you wish.

Quidhampton's Sovereign Set began as a group of women who wanted to keep meeting after the Women's Institute disbanded. They have lunch together at least four times a year. Numbers have grown and new members are welcome.

Old and new members: if you haven't booked your place and made your menu choice for 19 October contact Joyce Harvey 01722 742309

Welcome to new residents

Naomi and her partner Flo, who recently moved to Lower Road, contacted the newsletter to say how much they enjoyed reading it. In their early twenties, Naomi is a nurse working at both Winchester and Salisbury District Hospitals and Flo is studying for a degree in Natural Sciences. Naomi says "We grew up in Downton but I moved away as a child and have come back to the area I call home. We are looking forward to meeting other villagers and getting involved." Thanks for getting in touch, Naomi and Flo. It's great to have some younger people in the village.

Susie Bale who has moved to Sovereign Close is no stranger to the village, being the mother of Katy Emmett and grandmother to Henry. She has often attended village events and it will be good to see her around more often now.

If you are new to the village and would like a mention in the newsletter, or if you are about to leave and would like to say goodbye, get in touch with the editor. Details on back page.

St John's Place is being well used. Ever popular for weddings it now hosts receptions too. Regular activities include **fitness classes** on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, **the 5 Rivers Community Choir** on Tuesdays and **life drawing classes** twice a month on Wednesday evenings.

Weekly activities for older people take place on Friday mornings:

10.00 – 10.30 seated zumba

10.30 – 11.15 refreshments, craft activities, specialist advice, information centre

11.15 – 11.45 gentle yoga

11.45 – 12.15 refreshments and socialising

Physical activity, socialising, advice and information, and all for £5 - just what the doctors recommend to keep healthy. Eve Warton says they could do with a few more people so do think about going along.

Contact manager Shelley Wood 07814899151

Eve Warton's granddaughter has **two guinea pigs and a hutch for sale.**

Contact Eve for details: 01722 742258

Taking part in the village community: volunteering opportunities

Can you give some time to help with any of these necessary village jobs?

Choose something regular or a one-off activity, something to share with a friend, or respond to a request for information.

It's an easy way to make a difference – and volunteering gives the volunteer a good feeling too.

Could you be a 100 Club collector?

The 100 Club provides a small but important income for the village hall, and gives people the chance to win £40 or a smaller prize every month.

As a collector you would have a maximum of 20 homes to collect the subscription from. And many people pay their subscription once a year, so it's not too much work. You also have the pleasure of handing over any prizes that are won.



Contact Chris Edge: 07790 564735



What equipment would you like to see in the Quidhampton playground?

With more young children in the village the Parish Council is thinking about renewing equipment or getting something new.

Let the parish clerk know what you would like to see there.

Fancy a ride on a sit-on mower?

The playground and the paths leading to it need to be regularly mown and strimmed in the summer. Village treasure Pete Dawson has done it for years, now it is someone else's turn.

You could volunteer just for the strimming, or with a neighbour to take turns in mowing. Or offer to do it for a year. It doesn't have to be a lifetime commitment!

This is one of the most important and appreciated jobs in the village. Please help with it if you can.

Ride-on mower and strimmer provided.

Contact the parish clerk if you are interested.



Can you prepare a new village noticeboard?

The parish council may be able to acquire a second hand village notice board, robust and well-designed, but it needs rubbing down etc. It would be an excellent replacement for the somewhat battered and awkward noticeboard in use now. If you can help, contact the parish clerk.

Costs of materials will be paid.

Parish clerk Clare Churchill's contact details are on the back page



Ray Sparrow with Elizabeth Heeley and Joy Wagstaff after his presentation in The White Horse. The pub was full and the collection amounted to £260 which shows how much people appreciated our long-term postman.

Other Parish Council matters

Lower Road 20 mph speed limit: the order for work has been issued and it is hoped that it will be done before the end of the financial year.

Re-painting the double yellow lines: the clerk is still pursuing this

Parking on double yellow lines: this is still an issue

Capping of Parish and Town Councils: after discussion councillors agreed they were against the principle of capping. Small councils need to be able to increase the precept for one off expenses and such increases can be a large percentage of a small budget.

Next meeting: 22 November. All agenda items to be with the clerk by 09.00 on 11 November.

Free paving slabs

Ron Smith has about 60 2ft x 2ft second hand paving slabs which are free to anyone who can collect them, or some of them. Ring 07767 397232, leave a message and he will get back to you.

Autumn is the season of mists and mellow fruitfulness, **and** bonfires. Remember to be considerate when lighting them and tell your neighbours so they can take washing in.

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Waste and recycling dates

October

Paid for garden waste: Fri 14 & 28

Household waste: Mon 3, 17 & 31

Recycling: Mon 10 & 24

August 100 Club winners

1st Tara Lynn
2nd Paul Watling
3rd Jan Barnes.

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