

# Quidhampton Village Newsletter

May 2012

## What's on in May

- Wednesday 2 **Bikeability Day** 2 for year 6  
Thursday 3 **Quiz night** The White Horse  
Saturday 5 **Barbecue and garden games** The White Horse  
Monday 7 **Car boot sale** Bemerton  
Tuesday 8 **WI AGM** Village Hall 19.30  
Thursday 10 **Bemerton Local History Society** 19.00 Hedley Davis Court: Celebrating the 1953 Coronation  
Monday 14-Friday 18 **SATS week** Year 6  
Sunday 20 **Open Gardens** Lower Bemerton  
Monday 21 **Photographer in school**  
Tuesday 22 **Annual parish meeting** 19.00 Village Hall followed by **annual parish council meeting**  
**Bemerton Film Society** The Lady Vanishes 19.30 Bemerton St John School  
Saturday 26 **Primary Schools mini marathon**, Laverstock  
**Folk Night with Alex Roberts** The White Horse  
Friday 1 June **School reports** issued, end of Term 5

### **FAMILY BARBECUE AND GAMES**

Bank Holiday Saturday May 5

The White Horse garden 18.00 onwards

*If it rains there will be a family games session in the pub following the success of the Easter Saturday games*

**Bus pass lunches** continue at the White Horse on Mondays and Thursdays: selected main courses and coffee £5.50

**Congratulations to two young villagers:** Ty Andrews (grandson of Howard and Denese Rowley) and Archie Young are members of the Cedars golf club on Wilton Road. The two nine year olds played in a competition lasting six weeks, with Archie top of the leader board every week. He was overtaken on the Championship Day by an older player but won the League trophy for his achievement. And Ty came second overall, so very well done, boys. There are several adult golf players in Quidhampton who would love to do what you've done!



**Rose Cottage Eggs :** Would you like a supply of delicious local eggs? Josie (13) and Connie (11)



are selling eggs during the summer months as a way of earning extra pocket money and using the huge number of eggs their hens are producing. There are two types: Bantam eggs at £1.10 for 6 and full size eggs at £1.60 including delivery to your door. Their father, Dave Roberts, says the eggs are 'very yellow and tasty' and they couldn't be more local – no worries about food miles.

Order by email: [rosecottageeggs@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:rosecottageeggs@hotmail.co.uk)

First come, first served.

## **Not such good news:**

Margaret and John Willcox's grandson, Joe Coombs, missed being selected for the Olympic Canoe Slalom Team "by a whisker," about a tenth of a second according to John. Joe has a reserve spot for the senior and U23 teams but can't race in the Euro or world championships now. He says on his website that he will use the time to reflect and analyse his training and is staying positive and looking toward selection for the national team next year.

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## **Congratulations to an older villager:**

Richard Stokes was 50 on April 29. After the celebrations, he told the newsletter, it will be back to work as a painter and decorator. Tel: 07818517538

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## **Welcome to the village:**

Elton, Louisa and Imogen Pool along with their dog Murray have moved here from Wilton Road and are looking forward to joining in with village activities.

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## **Pamper and Shopping evening: St John's school**

This was a great event with a wide choice of traders. Jo Defty, the main organiser writes: We had excellent feedback from all the traders that I spoke to, who seemed to have had a really enjoyable evening as well as making their sales. It was lovely to see so many new faces of all ages and thanks go to all those who came to support the school. We made over £300. I would love to repeat the event next year so look out for it and spread the word.

*If you want to join the community email list and get the latest news of events like this send your email address to the editor (details on back page)*

## **More from The White Horse**

**Monthly Folk Nights** begin on Saturday May 26 with Alex Roberts. Well known locally he is described as "blending genres from baroque to blues, with a warm soulful voice, finger-style guitar, some fine lap steel playing, a mandolin, and a stompbox to boot". (A lap steel guitar is a special guitar played on the player's lap, and a stompbox describes itself: a small wooden box under the player's foot that produces the sound of a drum.)

**The World Book Day** event at the White Horse: Sara Strawson reports that this was successful both socially and in getting good books into new homes. People brought along a great selection and the books that were not bought or swapped are now for sale in the hall at the back of the pub. £40.27 has been raised so far for Lucy's Days Out.

**St George's Night:** Stevie Paul writes that it was "a great evening although it would have been nice to have seen a few more people there. Nice atmosphere, with a brilliant pianist who managed to keep the whole evening going and really felt the pulse of the participants and gave them what they wanted. The food was good and you always feel really welcome in the pub, part of the village family there."

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**A late goodbye:** customers were sorry to see the departure of Sue Loader, White Horse barmaid, earlier this year. She told the newsletter: "I miss many, many good friends (regulars) from my days at the WH and think about them often. But times change, nothing stands still." Thank you, Sue, for all those pints you pulled over the past ten years. *Sue says she is still busy with her day job and won't retire completely for a couple of years at least.*

# *Quidhampton Jubilee The Dance*



*Band and Buffet in the Village Marquee  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2012*

*Jubilee dress: red, white and blue please  
Live music from the sixties onwards*

Tickets £10 per person from:

Foothill House  
(opp. Village Hall)  
Tel. 743 587

Dairy Cottage  
Tel: 743 006

No 5 Alexandra Cottages  
Tel. 742 564

The White Horse  
Tel. 742 157

*Tickets are limited so please reserve yours by Saturday 12 May.  
They will then be offered to people who live outside the village.*

Cheques should be made out to Quidhampton VE Fund

# JUBILEE STREET PARTY: SATURDAY 2 JUNE

## What is happening? Some questions answered

### Where will the party be?

The street party events will take place in the centre of the village, around the White Horse.

### Will Lower Road be closed?

Yes. Wiltshire Council has agreed to a road closure from Foothill to the junction with Netherhampton Road. From noon buses and emergency vehicles only will be allowed through, and after 14.30 there will be no buses through the village. The road will re-open to traffic at 18.00

### Will there be a buffet?

No. Tables and chairs will be put out on the road in a herringbone zig zag pattern so people can sit comfortably and talk to their neighbours. This will be between Eveque Court and Sig House.

### What about the food?

Sandwiches and a slice of the village Jubilee cake will be served. Bring anything else you may want : drinks, crisps, fruit, sausage rolls etc. Remember there will be a hog roast later.

### How much will it cost?

Nothing for villagers. Costs are mostly being met from last year's fund raising events, the grant from Wiltshire Council's South West Area Board and donations from villagers. There will be a collection on the day so others can make a donation.

## What is the programme for the day?

More exact timings will be announced later but the pattern of events will be like this:  
**14.15** meet in the White Horse car park to help. As the last bus goes through chairs and tables will be brought onto the road, the tables will be set and decorated and sandwiches distributed.

### **15.00** tea party begins

During the afternoon games and competitions will take place, and a magician will circulate round the tables from **16.00**

A village photograph will be taken at about **17.00** followed by presentation of prizes. Everyone moves to the marquee (except those clearing the road) and Jubilee mugs are presented to the children

### **18.00** Lower Road re-opens Family Disco and hog roast begin.

There will be an announcer to direct events, announce prizewinners etc.

The pub will be open all afternoon



## What are the competitions?

**Fancy Dress:** “The Diamond Years” Dress as something distinctive from the last sixty years. Prizes for 0 – 5 years, 6 – 10 years and 11 – 99 years (or older.)

**Best Decorated House:** Enter into the spirit of the Jubilee and decorate your house. This will be judged in the morning. (must be visible from your road)

**Photo Competition:** The People’s Prize. Vote for your favourite on the day – photos will be displayed in the marquee

**Quizzes:** There will be two quizzes. One can be done at your table, the other will involve walking round the village

## Is there a free raffle?

**Yes!** Prizes include the lovely Lillibut Jubilee doll and a hamper of luxury goodies.

**How can I get a ticket?** Tickets are being specially printed and one will be given to:

- every village household who comes to the street party
- every house that is decorated
- everyone who enters the fancy dress competition
- every villager who enters the photo competition

Keep your tickets carefully. There are no counterfoils and numbers only will be called for the winners.

## How can I help?

### By giving:

- Prizes for competitions. Do you know a shop or business that would give a voucher? Can you make something in red white and blue? Or give any other prize?
- Luxury goodies for the hamper: your favourite biscuits or wine, soap or chocolates. Every little helps – just make it luxurious.

Please take prizes or hamper donations to The White Horse, to Jonathan, 2 Hampton Court or to Bea, Meadow Barn Fisherman’s Reach. Many thanks already to Rosemary Brown for two lovely crocheted red, white and blue cushions.

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### **And help by doing something:**

- Putting the marquee up mid-week: leave your name at The White Horse
- Helping on the day: road closure, putting up bunting, putting out tables and chairs, clearing up (not necessarily all of these!) Contact Chris Edge
- Helping with games for children: contact Joy Wagstaff or Jonathan Young
- Decorating tables: contact Bethan Strawson
- Giving out raffle tickets: contact Bea Tilbrook or Stevie Paul 742987
- Being a general dogsbody (invaluable!)

### **Who is on the committee?**

Chris Edge (chair) 07790564735, John Cater 744079, Sara and Bethan Strawson 742157, Bea Tilbrook 742456, Joy Wagstaff 743080, Jonathan Young 744066

### **Fill in your form!**

So far the organisers know of 112 people who are coming to the street party but they also know some people have not returned their yellow form yet. They need to know numbers to make sure there are enough tables, chairs, sandwiches and cake. Another form is enclosed with this newsletter – please return it by 10 May. You can email the newsletter editor if you'd rather (details on back page)

## **JUBILEE PHOTO COMPETITION**

**Closing date: Friday 18 May**

Seven prizes: one for each category, one for best photo  
by a villager and two prizes for children.  
Plus: the people's choice to be voted for on the day of the  
Street Party.

You can enter four prints in each category:

**VILLAGE VIEWS, VILLAGE PEOPLE, VILLAGE EVENTS**  
Prints at least 6x4inches

Please also send digital copy if possible to [bjis@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:bjis@hotmail.co.uk)

Include: name, address, contact number, age if under 16.

**Prints to be sent to the newsletter editor or handed into The White Horse**

Thanks to Castle Cameras and Jessops for donating a prize

## CAR BOOT SALE

Bank Holiday Monday May 7  
Bemerton Recreation Ground  
12.00 – 14.00  
Free admission and parking  
Gates open for sellers 11.00 £5 per pitch  
Tel: Eric Bohm 500451  
In aid of Bemerton Community Group :  
donations welcome

## LOWER BEMERTON OPEN GARDENS

Sunday May 20 14.00 – 17.00  
Once again riverside gardens in Lower  
Bemerton will be open displaying  
wonderful views of the Nadder usually  
hidden behind the houses.  
11 gardens from 25 acres to pocket  
handkerchief cottage garden.  
Teas available, plants and garden tools on  
sale.  
Tickets £5 from any of the gardens on  
Lower Road, under 12's free  
In aid of Bemerton Community Group:  
raising funds for the conversion of St John's  
Church to a community centre  
More details: 326261

## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Tuesday 22 May 19.00 Village Hall  
A chance to talk to councillors and to have  
your say about village matters. It usually  
lasts no longer than half an hour and is  
followed by the annual parish council  
meeting when the chairman and  
vice chairman are elected for the year.

## BEMERTON FILM SOCIETY

Tuesday 22 May 19.00 for 19.30 St John's  
Primary School  
**The Lady Vanishes**  
One of Hitchcock's lighter films, a great mix  
of comedy and intrigue  
Refreshments available

## Further Parish Council matters from March meeting

**Speed limits :** as a result of Wiltshire  
Council's review of speed limits it is  
proposed to lower the speed limit on the  
Netherhampton Road where it passes the  
village to 50 mph. This will be advertised  
later in the year before coming into force.  
Objections can be made at that stage but  
may delay the implementation of the new  
limit.

**Area Councillor** Richard Beattie reported  
that despite budgetary cuts Wiltshire  
Council is maintaining front line services by  
selling off buildings that are surplus due to  
the merger of the four district councils. He  
will not be standing for re-election next  
year.

**Boyes Wood Jubilee project:** it had not yet  
been possible to arrange a meeting with the  
Wilton estate. It was noted that the area  
where it was hoped to build a bridge was  
Boyes Withy Bed, not Boyes Wood.

**Parish Council Marquee :** the Marquee  
Committee was reconstituted and now  
consists of Viv Bass, Pete Dawson, Chris  
Edge and Peter Strawson. They will review  
the standing orders (management of the  
marquee).

**Housing needs survey:** The Parish Council is  
working in partnership with Wiltshire  
Council to identify local housing needs. A  
survey will be delivered by Parish  
Councillors no later than 20th May. This  
needs to be completed and returned to  
Wiltshire Council by Friday 8th June.  
Whilst there are no proposals for  
development in Quidhampton, it is  
important to identify future housing needs  
and therefore your co-operation in  
completing the survey would be much  
appreciated.  
Next meeting: 22 May

**Police report:** Dear All, can I ask that if anyone is walking their dog(s) around the beautiful lanes of Quidhampton (or anywhere else for that matter) that they clean up after them. I had a complaint from a resident of this type of incident on the footpath at the top of Edgam Place. The person who was responsible has received a verbal warning from me and hopefully it will be the last time it happens. However I doubt they are the only ones! Otherwise a quiet month so far with just one LGV sighting and one theft of milk on Weds 4 April.

PC Pete Jung

*Editor's note: Many thanks to Pete Jung for dealing with this particular case. Dog fouling isn't usually a police matter and should be reported to Wiltshire Council. On their website go to parking, transport and streets, then street care and cleaning. Or ring 01722 336272 and ask for street care and cleaning.*

### **The Queen's visit to Salisbury:**

The Quidhampton parish display will have the lovely floral bunting made by Bethan Strawson, the WI's embroidery of the village and copies of Stan Cousins book 'The Quidhampton Story.' Stevie Paul, a cathedral volunteer, will be inside the Cathedral teaching a group of children about the Magna Carta. See next month's newsletter for reports, and send in your own if you have a special memory of the Queen's visit.

### **Note from the editor: paying for the newsletter.**

Thank you to all villagers and ex-villagers who responded to the request for sponsorship, especially to villagers who are sponsoring for a second time and to the generous villager who sent a cheque for £80. It's good to know the newsletter is appreciated. Donations of any amount help keep it going - £10 is a popular amount in these more difficult times.

The May newsletter is sponsored by Bill West, another painter and decorator in the village.

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Village Hall bookings:

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Waste and recycling:

Monday 7 May household and garden waste, 14 recycling, 21 waste,  
28 recycling

### **100 Club winners for April**

1st 81 R Strange

2nd 88 A Witt

3rd 121 Mr Denton

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