

Quidhampton Village Newsletter

May 2013

What's On in May

Thurs 2 Pub quiz The White Horse

Fri 3 Teacher Training Day St John's Primary school: no pupils in school

Sat 4 Spring celebration The White Horse: Singalong, beef & ale casserole £5.50

Mon 6 Bank Holiday Monday

Mon 13 – Fri 17 SATS week for Years 2 and 6 St John's Primary. Please make sure all children are in school on time

Mon 13 Main GCSE and AS/A2 exam period begins Sarum Academy

Mon 13 e-safety evening for parents St John's Primary school. Learn ways to protect your children and yourselves while online. Creche 18.00 – 19.00

Mon 13 Zumba dance class The White Horse Loft 18.30

Tues 14 WI meeting 19.30 AGM and national resolutions Members only, Village Hall

Wed 15 Bemerton Film Society:

Volver. Comedy drama, St John's School doors open 19.00

Sat 18 and Sun 19 Green Doors weekend

Mon 20 Zumba dance class The White Horse Loft 18.30

Tues 21 school photographer St John's Primary School

Thurs 23 Sarum Academy non-academy kit charity day

Fri 24 School reports issued: End of Term 5. Half term break

Mon 27 Bank Holiday

Tues 28 Quidhampton Parish Council and Annual Parish Meeting 19.00 Village Hall

Tues 28 Bemerton Local History Society: Chris Usher and amazing facts about Bemerton Hedley Davis Court 19.00 All welcome.

Advance notice:

Bemerton Open Gardens: Sunday 9 June

St John's Primary School fete: Saturday 6 July

Quidhampton Village fete : Saturday 21 September

The White Horse is open all weekend when it is a Bank Holiday, otherwise closed Sunday evenings and Monday lunchtimes. Kitchen closed Tuesday evenings.

Sponsor forms are at The White Horse for Sara and Kris who are doing the midnight walk on May 11 in aid of cancer charities.

Wilton Community Land Trust is running the Green Doors

Open Weekend 18 – 19 May.

Ten energy efficient local homes will be open for the public to view. Leaflets with details were delivered to every home in the village. See

www.wiltshiregreendoors.org.uk or telephone 07980 612158 if you could volunteer to help for a few hours.

Sunday June 2

Wilton's Big Lunch 12.00 – 16.00

Plenty of entertainments, live music, children's games and races, a bouncy castle, fast food outlet, licenced bar, ice creams, teas and tables and chairs.

A great day out

Clare Churchill, parish clerk, writes: **The Annual Parish Meeting** will be at 19.00 on Tuesday 28th May in the Village Hall. This is the meeting of the electorate and a chance for village groups to make a report and inform the village of their past year and future plans. It will be followed by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council which will not start before 19.30.

The new council will consist of : Viv Bass, Paul Cripps, Chris Edge, Dave Roberts, Howard Rowley, Peter Strawson and Ken Taylor.

There are two vacancies which may be filled by co-option. Please can anyone who is interested contact me before the meeting.

Clare's contact details are on the back page. It would be good to have more women on the Parish Council. Anyone else interested in helping the community in this way?

Jennifer Tyler did not put herself forward for re-election this time after serving for almost twenty years. The newsletter hopes to have an interview with Jennifer in a future edition.

**Quidhampton Village fete 2013 :
Saturday 21 September**

The date has been set and if you are able to help with preparations on the day, run a stall or have a possible idea for a stall or activity contact Jo Penny to discuss. email

jpenny_onyourdoorstep@yahoo.com or phone 556559.

The fete will be in the afternoon in the pub garden. A brass band has been booked to help it go with a swing!

The other committee members are Sara Strawson, Clare Churchill and John Cater.

Quidhampton connection to the next Olympics?

Valley News recently reported that Joseph Coombs, who narrowly missed out on selection for the London Olympics, has been awarded a grant from Wiltshire Future Olympians scheme to help with his training costs this year. Joe's British ranking is U23 no 5 and senior number 11. His proud grandparents John and Margaret Willcox live in Quidhampton.

Gardeners available for work

No job too big or small, one offs or regular visits

Speciality: tidying gardens

Also house cleaning: regular work or just the bits you are unable to do or keep putting off.

CRB checked

Sarah and Daniel Overton

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Daniel grew up in Quidhampton

School News

There is a **waste battery collection point** in the reception area of Bemerton St John Primary School. Batteries are made from important resources, including lead, cadmium, zinc, and mercury. Each recycled battery can be taken apart and the materials recovered and used to make new batteries or other items. If you put your used batteries in your bin at home they will be taken to landfill and the resources lost. Batteries suitable for

recycling include: 6V, D, C, AA, AAA, 9V and button batteries.

This is welcome news, a handy local place to take old batteries which can leak toxic metals in landfill.

The school is also **collecting used stamps** to raise money for Swallows class's chosen charity, Canine Partners. The charity assists people with disabilities to enjoy greater independence and a better quality of life through the help of specially trained dogs.

Wilton Community Land Trust and Erskine Barracks:

public meeting 27 April

John Glen MP told the well attended meeting that Wilton CLT had achieved “something spectacular” in being part of the winning bid. Alan Caldwell, community planning consultant, and the CLT board led discussion to help those present identify principles they felt to be important in the development of the Erskine site. Redrow, the builders who now own the site, have said they want the development

to be an ‘exemplar’, and want to involve the public starting from a ‘blank sheet of paper’ for ideas.

Among the main principles identified were the importance of the involvement of Wilton CLT at every stage and the integration of the new development with the existing town of Wilton, with particular regard to infrastructure, especially transport links and community services. This was only the first in a series of meetings which will enable the public to have their say.

Church news from Rector Simon Woodley

Locking up St. Andrews

It has always been a joy to have St. Andrews unlocked during the hours of daylight - just as a church should be! However, it does mean that someone has to do the locking and unlocking every day. My faithful locker-upper is now moving to pastures new and so we need someone else, or a team of people, willing to do this small but significant job. The church is usually locked when it gets dark in winter and anytime between 6pm and 9pm in the summer. Please let me know if you are interested and would be willing.

Confirmations

Four more adults from the parish are being confirmed in the Cathedral on May 18th. If you are interested in baptism or confirmation or simply have questions

about faith or spirituality you'd like to explore, please let me know!

Simon's details are on the back page.

Music from St John's?

If you hear music coming from St John's church on Wednesday evenings it's OK, Simon knows all about it. A Christian Band has arranged to use the church for rehearsal space.

Children's Easter Service in St Andrews

This was another success for the partnership between Bemerton St John Primary school and St Andrews. The service celebrated the Easter story and it was great to have the children contributing readings and prayers. Seventeen children and fifteen adults attended and enjoyed refreshments afterwards. Watch out for the next one.

Report from Pete Jung, Neighbourhood Police Team, Beat Manager

Dear All,

Just the one incident to report for April - that being theft from a van at Coronation Square car park where by a disc cutter and 2 nail guns were stolen. We have also had 3 reports of lorries and all but one

have received a warning letter unfortunately one registration taken wasn't traceable. Please keep them coming by notifying me or Jenny at the usual email address or via the black box. Come to the Parish Meeting on 28 May if you would like to speak to me.
Regards, P C Pete

Women's Institute April meeting:

Joyce Harvey writes:

The meeting went well although not well attended. Sue Bowser gave a delightful talk about the Island of Iona, its history and scenery. The island is now a place of pilgrimage and peace used by everyone of any sect, especially in June when it has an abundance of wild flowers including orchids.

The May meeting is the AGM : members only.

Editor's note: I was amazed, during my recent holiday, to find myself attending a WI meeting in the middle of the Arabian Sea. I'd joined a friend for the last three weeks of her 16 week world cruise and discovered that every month they had meetings of organisations such as the WI and Rotary. We sang Jerusalem (we don't do that in Quidhampton!), listened to a talk by the ship's chaplain, and then chatted over tea and cucumber sandwiches made by the rather bemused crew. Yes, of course the crusts were cut off! Then we planned what to do for the Country Fair held at the end of every world cruise. Apparently passengers get rid of clothes, toiletries and jewellery to make room for packing their many purchases. It was surreal! And it was all filmed by the BBC who had a crew on board for the whole four months making a documentary series about the chaplain. It will be called "A Parish at Sea" and will be shown in the autumn.

The second part of the article about Chris Anderson's search for his father's plane will be in the next edition.

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Waste and recycling dates

Monday 6 May: household and garden waste;

Monday 13 recycling:

black box and blue lidded bin;

Monday 20: household and garden

waste; **Monday 27:** recycling

100 Club April winners

1st 5. E Warton

2nd. 182. P Gill

3rd. 78 P Watling