

# Quidhampton Village Newsletter

January 2020

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## What's On January 2020

*Notes from The White Horse for January: monthly quiz night is the second Thursday, not the first as usual and Rock and Roll Bingo is on a Saturday.*

**Monday 6:** first day of term for Sarum Academy

**Tuesday 7:** first day of term for Bemerton St John school

**Wednesday 8:** Pilates re-starts Village Hall 10.00-11.00. Limited to ten people. New participants contact Sabine.

**Thursday 9 Monthly charity quiz at The White Horse.** Kitchen open from 18.00, quiz from about 20.00. Best to book a table to be sure

**Tuesday 14 2Quidy club first meeting of the year** Village hall 13.00 – 14.00. £2  
If you can make a cake for the first week contact Hannah Kimnell on 238038.  
*2Quidy is a weekly friendly get together for all villagers, a chance to chat over tea or coffee and cake, to get to know your neighbours better and oil the wheels of community. (and you do not have to be able to make a cake to come along!)*

**Saturday 25: Rock and Roll Bingo at The White Horse** Starts 21.00. £75 cash jackpot to be won.

**Tuesday 28: Parish Council meeting Village Hall 19.30**

*Reminder: Villagers are welcome to attend and can express their views about matters concerning the parish council at the beginning of the meeting but cannot take part in the parish councillors' discussion once the meeting has begun. If possible please inform the clerk beforehand if you wish to speak at the beginning of the meeting.*

*Items for the agenda should be with the clerk before 09.00 on 16 January 2020.*  
*The agenda will be displayed on the parish council noticeboard and the website.*

**Friday 31 Live music from Gray Smith at The White Horse from 21.00** Landlady Zoe says "This guy is awesome! Don't miss him". See his facebook page for more reviews

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## What's On at St John's Place, Lower Bemerton

**Wednesday 8** Bemerton Film Society The Story of the Weeping Camel.

This is a touching documentary drama about a family of nomadic shepherds in the Gobi Desert trying to save a rare white camel calf rejected by its mother.

Doors open 19.00, programme starts 19.30. Film length 93 minutes. U certificate entrance £6

**Sunday 19** Bemerton brunch 10.00 – 12.00 bacon sandwiches, croissants, coffee, tea and the Sunday papers

**Wednesday 22** Salisbury Military History Society: 37 Howitzer Battery RFA: The Curragh to Le Cateau, August 1914. A talk by Mike Watson about the backgrounds and experiences of some of the Gunners (including 3 VCs) who were deployed from Ireland to France in August 1914.

Free for members, non-members £10 cash only at the door. Doors open 19.00, talk begins 19.30.

**Special note: Bemerton Talks** The next talk, jointly promoted with Salisbury Museum, is on **Wednesday 5 February**. Professor Alice Roberts of the Digging for Britain series will talk about her personal twenty year journey exploring Britain's past. The unexpectedly large pre-sale of tickets means that there is only a limited number left and priority will be given to regular supporters of St John's Place. Contact Margaret Wilmot if you are interested: 07790 287062 Tickets £15, talk begins 19.30

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Are you concerned about  
potholes? a flooded road? a fence falling down? fly tipping?

**Then use the MyWiltshire App to report it**

*The app is available for android, microsoft and apple devices  
from your usual app store*

*You can also report online at [Wiltshire.gov.uk](http://Wiltshire.gov.uk)*

**Don't just moan – report it!**

Salisbury City Council does not have responsibility for any of these matters. Pauline Church, the Wiltshire Council member for our area, will chase Wiltshire Council if you are not satisfied with the response. Contact details on the back page.

### **Poor parking increases the danger**

A pothole caused one of the helpers at the Christmas tea party to trip and fall in Lower Road. The pothole was reported and filled in but that was not the only danger. Inconsiderate car parking meant it all happened in the middle of the road and it was lucky that other people were there to direct the traffic away from the fallen helper. The Parish Council is very concerned about parking across the footway in the eastern part of the village, parking that blocks the footway and forces pedestrians into the road. Blocking the footway is a matter for the police, not Wiltshire Council, and they are aware of it happening in Quidhampton.

There were no serious injuries this time but one day there will be. What does it take to get drivers to think about the way they park and what it means to people who are walking?

### **Clever parking could help reduce traffic speed**

At the November parish council meeting a member of the public talked about parking and used photos of good and bad parking to illustrate his point: cars parked up against the pavement or beside verges or gardens make a natural pinch point, narrowing the road so drivers are forced to slow down. It happens elsewhere - think of Church Lane and parts of Lower Road in Lower Bemerton. The speaker believed it could slow traffic down as much as speed bumps would.

This would be a great and immediate support to our loyal and hardworking speedwatch volunteers and the whole community would be safer. It costs nothing – why not try it?

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**Parish council:** with the co-option of two more members the parish council is at full strength. The councillors are:

Howard Rowley (chair), Paul Cripps (vice-chair), Viv Bass, Dani Fox-Rennie, Zoe Hoare, Sandie Smith, Ken Taylor, Fiona West, and Mandy Whelan.

**Defibrillator:** the grant for this has finally been received. Councillors Viv Bass, Fiona West and Mandy Whelan will form a working group to get this project underway and arrange the installation of the defibrillator in the old phone box.

**Village hall:** the recent roof repairs have been completed satisfactorily. The funding for this included £500 from the parish council, agreed at their last meeting.

And the windows now have smart new blue blinds kindly donated by Jennifer Tyler, chair of the hall management committee.

**There will be changes to recycling in 2020** Details are on the Wiltshire Council website though no date for the changes has been announced. All households will be sent a leaflet before they begin and there will be information in the newsletter when the date is known.

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## **Village events in November**

**Fireworks:** Jonathan Young reports:

We were blessed that the rain held off for the village fireworks event. About 530 people enjoyed the friendly atmosphere at The White Horse, with sparklers for the children in the garden and DJ Kevin Lawrence providing entertainment in the marquee, followed by the spectacular aerial firework display. Congratulations and thanks to Howard Rowley and his team for organising the display, to those who helped set up in the morning, manned the gate, supervised the sparklers and made sure the event ran smoothly. Thanks also to Zoe, Nick and all The White Horse team, to Glynn Reeve for being first aider, and to everyone who helped with the Sunday morning clear up. A special mention to Denese Rowley; without her involvement this event would not be possible.

The £941 profit has been paid into the Village Entertainment Fund to support other entertainment events within the village.

*The V E fund welcomes applications from all villagers who would like to run events.*

*It supported several in the village in 2019 for example paying the hall hire for Quidditch Club toy swap. It means organisers do not always have to worry about covering all the costs.*

## **Remembrance events on 11 November**

**Coffee morning in the village hall** This new event to remember the eleven Quidhampton men who died as a result of the first world war was well attended and included a short act of remembrance led by Jane Taylor, the reading of the names and the two minute silence. Villagers appreciated being able to pay their respects while staying warm and dry.

A collage of photos from last year's unforgettable poppy display has joined other collages on the wall and a framed list of the names of the men was also displayed. Thanks to Joy Wagstaff for organising this.

**Service at St John's lychgate** Other villagers joined the rest of the parish at St John's where remembrance of those who died in both world wars has taken place for 100 years. The short service was taken by Gillian Newton and was also well attended. A group of schoolchildren represented the school which is opposite the church and still uses the buildings attended by most of the men who left the parish to serve their country.

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## **Doing your bit: re-using, not throwing away**

**Salisbury Repair Café** meets on Saturday 18 January at the Quaker Meeting House Wilton Road from 10.00 – 14.00, last repair check in 13.30. They say you will get good advice on repairing something even if they cannot do it on the spot. Repairs save money, resources and landfill space. If anyone has been to the café how about writing about it for the newsletter or talking to the editor about your experience.

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Cleaner wanted: once a fortnight for two hours at Tall Trees. £10 an hour.

## **Regular community events at St John's Place – an up-to-date list**

**Mondays Pilates with Alex** 19.30 – 20.30  
advance booking needed text Alex on 07795 026220 £8 per session or £7 if booked as a block of six.

### **Tuesdays Aspire Martial Arts**

**Taekwon-Do classes** 17.30 – 19.30  
Little Dragons for 4 to 6 year olds and Family Taekwon-Do for 7 to 107 years  
Make friends, build confidence, improve fitness and flexibility and have fun  
First two sessions are free! For more info see facebook page or website, email: info@aspire-martial-arts.co.uk or ring 01722 744554

**Thursdays Just Juju** 09.15 – 09.45  
Singing and story sessions suitable for 2 to 5 year olds but younger children very welcome. £35 for seven sessions booked in advance or £6 a session. For further information email: justjujuandted@gmail.com

### **Fridays**

**09.00 – 10.00 Yoga with Louise Pitman**

**10.15 – 12.00 Bemerton Live**

Bemerton Live is a social coffee morning aimed at the over 55's with gentle half hour exercise classes at 10.30 and 11.30 and coffee and chat at 11.00. 1 class: £5; 2 classes £7. Refreshments included. No charge for the first one you attend.

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## **A happy new year to all our readers.**

The round-up of Christmas events (and there were some great ones) will be in the February newsletter.

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## **Waste and recycling dates**

### **January 2020**

Household waste Tues 7 & Mon 20

Recycling Mon 13 & 27

Garden waste Fri 17 & 31

This month's newsletter has been paid for by a villager who wishes to remain anonymous

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**Quidditch Club:** occasional activities

organised by and for parents and children of all ages. Contact Abi by

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**St John's Place Lower Rd**

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**Community Speedwatch**

HGVs: please send the registration

number and name of the company of

any HGVs you see in the village to

Sandie Smith, speedwatch team

leader. A photo would be great

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