Quidhampton Village Newsletter

September 2021

What's on in September

Thursday 2: all children back to school St John's primary; Years 7 and 12 first day Sarum Academy

Thursday 2: Quiz night at The White Horse Booking is a must. Please give your name and the name of your team.

Friday 3: all years welcome back to Sarum Academy

Thursday 9 and every Thursday except Quiz Night NEW at The White Horse: Thursday Steak Night Two steaks, all the trimmings and a bottle of wine £40

Tuesday 14: Quidhampton Parish Council meeting 19.30 Village Hall see pages 3 & 14 Note: parish council meetings will now be on the second Tuesday of the month Sunday 26: Music at The White Horse from 16.00 – 19.00 Mike Vickers will play for your enjoyment. More details later.

On-going at The White Horse

Super Senior lunches at The White Horse every Wednesday. One course £6.95; two courses £10. There's a great choice of dishes, and vegetarian options.

Sunday roasts (also super!) every Sunday. Choice of four meats (lamb, beef, pork and chicken) and vegetarian. Weekday menu also available

Karen wants to thank everyone for their support in what are still unusual times, and for continuing to keep to their covid procedures. It really helps the staff keep healthy and safe, so the pub can stay open. And it's good for customers too, of course.

Those customers and more send very best wishes to Les for a good recovery after his recent operation.

No more newsletters this year

Special note from the editor: after eleven years of writing the newsletter I am taking an extended break until next year. I love producing the newsletter each month, advertising and reporting on village matters, but I need more time to myself for a while.

Thanks to everyone for the lovely comments. One villager who is fully occupied with her job and caring responsibilities said, "I have loved being part of this community even if it is just by reading about it." That is exactly what I wanted to achieve!

Thank you all for creating that community.

Village email The village email which reaches more than half the village homes will continue. If you are not on the list now would be a good time to join! Send an email to my address on the back page. (you can unsubscribe at any time).

Don't have email? Is there someone who could do a summary or copy and paste of the community emails in a word document once a month?

Jane Taylor has volunteered to print and distribute a summary to people who don't have email but she does not have the technical skills to put it together. Contact Jane if you could do it **or** if you want to receive a monthly printed copy of the emails. 01722 744534

What's On in Lower Bemerton

Wednesday 8: Bemerton Film Society Hannah and her sisters 15 certificate.

Oscar winning comedy about Hannah, her sisters and mother and their intertwined relationships. Usually considered one of Woody Allen's best films, St John's Place 19.00 for 19.30. Please wear facemasks and observe social distancing. Entry through the main (south) door. Wine and cold drinks available, no hot drinks. Entrance £6

Wednesday 15: Bemerton Talks: the St Thomas Church alchemist.

Alan Crooks once believed this alchemist was Simon Forman of Quidhampton (1552 – 1611) but he has now done further research. Come and hear his latest findings. St John's Place 19.00 for 19.30. Please wear masks and observe social distancing.

Ongoing at St John's Place on Fridays

Yoga with Louise Pitman 09.15 – 10.15 for all abilities. £11 each class for drop in, £9 if paid per month. Please bring your own mat.

Bemerton Live gentle exercise for the over 55s. Choose to do one or two classes £5 or £7. Refreshments included. 10.30 - 12.15. Wear loose comfortable clothing.

Quidhampton Parish Council meeting Tuesday 14 September 19.30 The public and press are welcome to attend but:

- You must not attend if you or anyone you live with has had covid-19 symptoms in the last 7 days
- No more than 15 people may attend to maintain social distancing. Contact the parish clerk if you want to attend (see back page)
- We ask that you wear a facemask in the interests of public safety If you attend and develop symptoms within 7 days you must use the test and trace system to alert others

Welcome Melanie, a new clerk for the parish council

The parish council is pleased to announce that Melanie Camilleri, who was mentor to the previous clerk, has agreed to stay on as the official clerk for some time. Here she tells us about herself:

Born in Bristol, I spent much of my career working in Financial Services as a qualified Trainer and Project Manager.

I moved to the village of West Dean in 2014 with dreams of semi-retiring, working part-time as the local Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer. I guess I wasn't ready for the 'R' word after all, and here I am 7 years later, working as a CiLCA qualified Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer for five Parish Councils across Wiltshire, Hampshire, and the New Forest.

Never being one to stay still for too long, I've climbed Mount

Toubkal, Kilimanjaro, and the Great Wall of China. Nowadays, in what spare time I do



have, I'm content to go for long walks through the splendid SSSI Bentley Wood, and focus on home, garden, and my six gorgeous Turkish Angora Cats.

I'll be attending the next Quidhampton Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 14 September in person (rather than zoom) when I hope to meet members of the community.

Vacancy on the parish council page 14

Looking ahead: the organisers of the Christmas afternoon tea party (recently known as Not the Bus Pass Party) have decided that it will not take place this year. The 2019 one may well have been the last. They are sad to make this decision but hope to plan a summer event in 2022.

GREEN TIPS from the parish council's climate change group

The climate emergency may seem overwhelming but we can all make changes to help.

This is a regular feature and will continue in the village emails

Reducing food waste

We've all done it, but throwing food away does waste vital resources. Think of the energy and packaging that goes into producing food. And it's been estimated that a home with two adults and children wastes £700 on uneaten food every year. So what can you do?

1. Make a shopping list and stick to it. Cut out impulse buying!

This is proven to be best way to reduce waste. And it's cheaper too.

2. Beware special offers.

Buying special offers (e.g. 3 for 2) is only cheaper if you know you really are going to use all of them.

3 Use up left overs

It's so easy to forget leftovers but they can make a tastier meal than freshly cooked, or become a handy packed lunch. Cool them quickly and store in the fridge, maybe in see-through jars so you are reminded of them

4 "Use by" and "best before"

These are not the same and some companies don't use 'use by' any more. Many things are fine to eat after the best before date. Too Good To Go, an anti-food waste app, says: "Look, smell, taste, don't waste." Use your common sense; don't eat it if it smells off or is mouldy.

5. Real surplus: give it away

Several villagers put garden produce outside their homes for people to take but you can also offer all sorts of food to the community fridge and larder in St Michael's Community Centre on Bemerton Heath. Don't hesitate to take food from there too. It all helps reduce waste.

6. Not fit to give away? Start a compost heap (raw plant based food only)

If you have other ideas for reducing food waste or would like to join the climate change group contact them via the editor.

The community fridge and larder are open from 10.30 – 14.00 Monday to Friday, next door to St Michael's church.

Goodbyes

There have been several goodbyes in the village recently.

lan Lovett and Pep Morgan of Wellington set off in their motorhome for an adventure that could take them anywhere. As far as we know they are still travelling but, aware of developments in the property market, they have bought a house they love in Martin, Hampshire. Ian was chair of the parish council for 6 years from 2006, and chair of the PTA of St John's school before that, but he has always seemed a free spirit, perfectly matched by the lovely Pep.

They sent this message and photo: Although we have left we intend to call back periodically and eat in the pub so we will still have some contact with village folk. So many fantastic times with wonderful people.

Very sad to leave after 26 years but as the old chapter finishes the new one begins.

Love to all Ian and Pep xx





Sallie Davies and Bob Philips

Sallie has been working at her new job – deputy medical director of a South Wales medical board – since July, coming home at weekends to Sovereign Close where the estate agents board continued to say "Under offer". This email from Sallie and husband Bob on 27 August brings their story up to date:

We heard in the last couple of days that we will be moving in two weeks' time. Like all house moves it felt as though nothing was happening for months then suddenly it's frantic.

We'll be very sorry to leave Quidhampton. We love the community and have made some good friends here but new adventures beckon which is very exciting. We'll be taking away some fond memories and will keep in touch.

Kind regards Sallie and Bob x

Any community would be proud to welcome Sallie, working as hard as she does for the NHS, and of course she has always been the star performer of quiz nights. When Bob came along he fitted right in and has recently also been a star as village hall treasurer. It will be hard for anyone to match his ability to get grants and funds for the hall. Thank you both. *The photo shows their romantic wedding in Crete where they met.*

Sandie and Martin Smith

Sandie, quietly supported by Martin, worked tirelessly for the village in so many ways...the once in-a-lifetime poppy display, hundreds of facemasks, the 20 mph speed limit, speedwatch, and all those wonderful cards. What a legacy!. Sandie writes:

I arrived in Quidhampton some ten years ago and knew life would be different, living in a small village. Encouraged to take a stall at a craft fair at Bemerton school I met Bea, our brilliant newsletter editor. Through Bea - and the medium of paper, ribbon and bling — I soon met a lot of my fellow villagers, and it was an honour to make personal cards for them, and special cards for them to send to family and friends.

It's amazing how much can be achieved in a small place when the passion to create and celebrate



takes hold. I loved being a small part of the unofficial 'events' team, not just for big occasions, but joining in too, with smaller weekly meetings, such as the 2Quiddy Club in the village hall, where help and encouragement abounded. It was there in early 2017 the first plans for the 2018 village Poppy Field came to life, over coffee and cake. It was there too I learned to crotchet, after 65 years of trying.

My real passion became road safety, and the slowing of the traffic on Lower Road. After joining Speedwatch it seemed a natural progression to become a parish councillor to further my efforts. With a committed team at the roadside and parish council support a great deal was achieved, and I am proud to have been part of both of those teams. The traffic calming plans continue and I will follow their progress with great interest. The handheld 20mph sign? I regret nothing!

What will I miss about village life ... caring, compassionate friends, the pub, the lambs, the wine club that reads a book every month, picking blackberries around the golf course, and so much more. I will especially miss the cheery waves from friends walking past my kitchen window, and stopping for a chat (or several!) when I posted a letter.

Apartment living is very different, and as there are only ten homes here I am already living in a small community set in a large beautifully landscaped garden. One of my 'floor' neighbours delivers luxury yachts around the world, and a couple of winter evenings are already in the diary to hear about his latest adventure: he's just set sail and is not due back till February!

I have been invited to join a book club nearby, and I have registered as a volunteer at a hospice.

After 49 years in Salisbury it was a huge leap to move away, but loving this area as we have for our 33 years together, Martin and I knew the seaside was the perfect location for us.

And finally ... there is no truth in the rumour I gave up the speed gun for a surfboard ... but never say never!

Traffic safety

Community Speed Watch (CSW) report by Joy Wagstaff

We share the speed device with Wilton and have it for two weeks every month. The police identified the sites where the team can stand: the Bullnose (where Skew Road joins Lower Road), Footshill, the White Horse and Hampton Court. We would like to thank all households for their patience when we are near their property.



If drivers go over the legal speed limit their details are sent to the police speed watch team. Depending on the speed, the police send letters telling car owners that their speed did not comply with the village speed limit. If their speed is excessive the drivers will have a police visit.

Can you volunteer? The figures from the past few years provide solid evidence to Wiltshire Council that at certain times there is a huge speed problem. We are in need of more volunteers to support the team in continuing to collect data. Please consider joining us! It can be for just one hour a month, that would really help. There is full training by the police.

Speed Indicator Device (SID)

The parish council bought the SID and Wiltshire Council identified four places where it can be placed. There is a sign at Eveque Court to which it can be attached but except for Eveque Court, the pole has to be moved each time it changes site. It is very heavy, but fixing it to a golf trolley helps!

The batteries last approximately 10 days and in discussion with Tim Duncalfe (parish councillor) there is a proposal to move it on the first weekend of every month. Tim is downloading the speed records. These will be given to other council members who will use the data to support our case for traffic safety measures. The data will also be published on the village website.

Note from editor: amount of traffic. SID also records the number of vehicles in both directions and those numbers will be very important indeed in showing that the village already has too much traffic and cannot take the increases from the 600 plus homes planned for the new development near Netherhampton. Before the pandemic CSW volunteers twice recorded more than 300 vehicles in an hour in one direction on Lower Road.

Pauline Church, our Wiltshire Councillor, advises us to be vociferous when it comes to the amount of traffic. Lower Road was left out when the traffic report was done for the Netherhampton development.

Resurfacing of Lower Road: it was reported in an earlier newsletter that this is planned for 'next year.' It should have said 'the next financial year' meaning between April 2022 and March 2023. It is hoped that the work will include some of the extra traffic calming measures described at the annual parish meeting.

Meanwhile go on reporting the potholes to Wiltshire Council. Surely they are the worst they have ever been.

Do you want something different in your life? Do you want to help people when they really need it? Would you be good in an emergency?



Wilton Fire Station needs firefighters!

Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service need more firefighters throughout the two counties. Wilton is particularly short and **cannot respond to calls 25% of the time**. They need TWO more recruits to join them. These are paid positions.

Wilton fire station is crewed by on-call firefighters, ordinary people doing extraordinary work.

If you are working from home or live or work near Wilton you could volunteer. You would be helping people in need and making a real difference to your community.

You should be able to commit between 40 to 120 hours a week (though this may vary) during which you must be able to respond to the station without hesitation.

Candidates must be over 18, physically fit and have the right to work in the UK.

Further information is available online (search dwfire.org.uk) or call the HR team: 01722 691444 for a chat.

Contact details during the coronavirus pandemic It isn't over yet; the figures have been rising

If you need someone to talk to ring Jane Taylor 744534

If you need shopping or prescriptions collected or transport to medical appointments ring Jane Morgan 07880 550321 or Zoe Hoare 07747 717877.

For free counselling call or text Rachella Michaels 07778 102086

For other help call the Wiltshire

Wellbeing Hub 0300 003 4576 who can refer you to a range of other services.

Opening hours 09.00 – 17.00 Monday to Friday, 10.00 – 16.00 Saturday.

Email: wellbeinghub@wiltshire.gov.uk

Summer Garden Show

Once again Clare Herring, helped this year by Hannah Kimnell, organised a successful garden show in spite of the changing covid regulations that in the end didn't change until two weeks later than advertised. (remember that?)

Although there were not as many entries as in previous years the flowers, vegetables, cakes, bread and handicrafts made a splendid show in the marquee and were all admired by the judges.



Pauline Donne adjusts her "single rose" entry

Prizewinners: there is not a complete list of prizewinners this year but more cups were awarded than before, because a prolific past prizewinner discovered several in his attic .. well done, Duncan!

Gardening Shield for the most gardening points: Mavis Singleton with 23 points Women's Institute Cup for the most points overall: Susie Bale with 24 points Family Cup for different generations competing in different classes: the Kimnell family (below)



Rose Cup given for the best of the rose classes: Bea Tilbrook for her rose spray which the judge described as "perfect". Judge Daphne Smith trained at Constance Spry and has a flower arranging business in Great Wishford. Bea says: the rose was Sweet Juliet and the perfection was entirely due to god or nature, I just picked it!

Best in Show: Ava Kimnell for her showstopper cake, a chocolate and strawberry sensation.

The Jack House Cup:
Katie Emmett for the most points in the last 3 years.
The Stokes Cup for the most enthusiastic entrant:
Tilly Jackson. Not only did Tilly compete in the children's classes, she also went head to head with adults with courgettes and roses.

Lockdown Cup for crafts: Jennifer Tyler won this for her world map (right). The judge preferred the amazing shells wall hanging but said the needlework on the world map was technically better. The judge was Ghislaine Greenwood who



studied haute couture in Milan and now makes wedding dresses in Salisbury.

Effort Cup for quantity of entries and the most effort: Kimnell family

Vegetable plaque: Fiona West

Children's Cup for the best entry from a child: Lilia Kimnell for her flower picture. **(below)**



It felt good to be with people again, taking part in a village event. Everyone really appreciated what Clare had done, working so hard to put the show on in difficult circumstances. And enough money was made to pay for one of the new chairs in the village hall.

Ideas for next year: holding the show in September, more encouragement for children to enter – what classes would they like to see? Best Lego creation perhaps? And a small prize for each entrant. All ideas welcome. Contact Clare Herring, Hannah Kimnell or newsletter editor. Editor's note: selling slices of some of those wonderful cakes would be popular with me!

What else has been going on?

There have been two notable activities for older residents, both free thanks to grants for work with older people..

Noticing Nature, organised by Celebrating Age Wiltshire, was a series of three art workshops for more senior and housebound residents. They were held in Audrey Catford's garden (thank you, Audrey) in June and led by North Wiltshire artist James Aldridge.

Comments included:

'It was so nice to meet with other people after we had been shut in for so long.'
'James was kind and encouraging. He generously brought a variety of things for us to use, feathers, animal skulls, shells and seed heads; and ink pads for leaf-printing, and such a lot of art materials, even a sketchbook for each of us!' 'He took a real interest and encouraged us to look at nature in a more personal way.'

'The afternoons were pleasant and relaxing, with no competitiveness.' 'I thoroughly enjoyed the workshops – they

were so peaceful.'

Two Techie Tea Parties took place in the village hall. They offered help to people unsure about using any form of IT or with only a basic understanding. Organiser Jane Ebel said they were very successful. Seven people took part in the first and eight in the second, numbers that Jane said were 'just right.' With two instructors everyone had plenty of individual attention.

Comments from people who took part were appreciative: I



feel much more confident and interested in learning and using my iPad;' 'I feel pressure to respond to grandchildren when they send me things. It's very time consuming but I now feel much more able to do it'.

It is easy for younger people to take for granted the independence of being able to shop online for instance, but it can be more important for an older person whose mobility may be limited.

Most of those who attended said they would like monthly sessions. Jane says there may be the funds to do this. Funding comes from the Get Connected project via Safer and Supportive Salisbury.

The photo shows some of the participants and an instructor and the new village hall tables

The Village Hall

Yes, there are new tables and new chairs will follow. Thanks to claims made by treasurer Bob Philips, the hall received government grant money during the period of closure and the committee have been able to replace the old heavy tables and motley collection of chairs. The old tables were advertised on Freecycle and gratefully taken by a community crafting group.



There has been an increase in bookings as Covid restrictions eased a little.

The limited size and the excellent internet connection seem to be popular. As well as the Techie Teas there have been:

- A yoga class and a cardiac exercise class both filming sessions which are broadcast online.
- A martial arts self-defence group meets on Wednesdays at 19.30 and is looking for new members. Contact rich-lane@outlook.com
- The Royal British Legion Band practises twice a month
- Cookstars holiday workshops hired the hall for six Thursdays for their cooking for children sessions

For enquiries about the yoga classes which continue at 19.00 on Mondays email Polly: yogawithpc@gmail.com

Much of this success is due to Sabine Dawson, hall booking secretary. Quidhampton is lucky to have someone who is as conscientious and who cares as much about the village hall as Sabine. Every booking comes only after a lot of contact between her and the hirer, including a meeting and tour of the hall, and there are also enquiries that take up just as much time but don't lead to a booking. She would love to see more bookings by local people but remember that permitted numbers are still limited. Other members of the hall committee: Denese Rowley has taken over as treasurer, Hannah Kimnell is secretary, Jennifer Tyler is chair and John Cater helps look after the hall building.



Reginald Bernard Gale 1894 – 1921 Private, Royal Marine Light Infantry

The last of the First World War names on the lychgate memorial is that of Reginald Bernard Gale. He died in September 1921, from the long term effects of a gunshot wound. His death was three weeks after the cut-off date for official war deaths but the memorial committee allowed his name to be added, one of its several acts of generosity to grieving families. The photos show the lychgate at the entrance to St John's. The bottom one shows where R B Gale has been added out of order.

His death is a reminder that there were thousands of men who lived into the 1920s and beyond with wounds, both physical and mental, that limited their lives. These men and their families often lived in poverty as well as pain.

Family history

Reginald Bernard Gale's father was from a Salisbury family who were general labourers but in the middle of the nineteenth century Reginald's grandfather, Benjamin, got a bricklaying apprenticeship and worked as a bricklayer throughout his life. He married Eliza Carr from Newbury and their only surviving child, Charles, was among the first to take advantage of free education, attending St Martin's school from 1875 – 1882, and then the Salisbury School of Science and Art.

Charles became a leather worker and married Fanny Elkins from Bishopstone. Her family were farm workers who had at times of hardship lived in the workhouse. Her younger brother Arthur also died in the First World War.

Reginald was Charles and Fanny's third child (of seven) and grew up on the Friary. The family moved to 5 Cecil Terrace Bemerton in 1910, by which time Charles was a foreman on the railway.

Reginald Bernard Gale

Reginald seems to have taken a different path in life to the rest of his family. In 1907, aged thirteen, he was bound over





by the police for breaking into an office. He worked as a polisher in a clock factory, probably in Tollgate Road, but the factory burned down in 1909. Other firms took on the redundant workers but in February 1910 Reginald Bernard Gale travelled to Gosport and enlisted with the Royal Marine Light Infantry (RMLI). He claimed to be only one month away from his eighteenth birthday but he was in fact only fifteen and a half. His records thereafter recorded that he served one month under age and the deception (that he was actually two and a half years underage) was never discovered. It is unlikely that his parents would have approved of it so he probably left without telling them, a bold step for someone so young.

It is not easy to interpret everything in the old records but we know Reginald was soon on active service and received the Persian Gulf clasp for taking part in operations against pirates, gun runners and slavers between 1909 and 1914.

Service during the war

Reginald was on HMS Achilles in British waters when war was declared. The ship was sent to Shetland to reinforce defences. Back in Portsmouth in 1915 he was in trouble again, being arrested in July for drunk and disorderly conduct and violently assaulting the police sergeant who arrested him. He was fined £1.

Reginald Gale's service record lists eleven occasions when he forfeited days towards good conduct badges and his pension. That meant those days were deducted when it came to working out his entitlements. On each occasion he was confined to cells for a number of days which varied from 3 to 23 and totalled 93. The behaviour causing the punishments was not recorded. These forfeited days have not appeared on other RMLI records we have seen.

Interestingly these punishments did not occur before he was eighteen; perhaps he was careful to stay out of trouble until then in case his true age was discovered

On 16 February 1916 Reginald Gale embarked with the Royal Marine Brigade to join the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force and did not return until March 1918. The RMLI served with the infantry but exact details are not available as they are with army battalions.

His service record shows he was wounded four times, the first being 12 days after leaving Portsmouth. In June 1916 he was transferred to the Expeditionary Force in France and his last wound was recorded in November 1917. He could therefore have been at both the Somme and Passchendaele. Overall he was at the front line for two years. For two months in 1916 he was an acting lance corporal.

Back in Portsmouth in March 1918 Reginald Gale sailed to Scotland again in May, on a supply ship for submarines. He was there when the armistice was declared and returned to Portsmouth in July 1919.

After the war

There is no record of how Reginald got the gunshot wound that led to his being invalided from the navy on 6 November 1919. On 9 September he was put in naval detention for 23 days but nothing is recorded after that.

He returned to his parents' home at 5 Cecil Terrace but was arrested six months later having broken into the Scout Motor Company on Churchfields with a Quidhampton man, William Grainger, who worked there as did Reginald's brother. They stole two twill overalls and a jacket.

The newspaper report was headlined "Futile housebreaking" and they were given one month's hard labour.

In August 1920 he was arrested again and charged with breaking and entering the home of the manager of a dairy company, Sidney Taunton, in Church Street (now Mill Road). This time he was found not guilty. He was working as a builder's labourer.

Death

Reginald died in Salisbury Infirmary a year later on 26 September 1921. The death certificate gives cause of death as "1. diaphragmatic hernia 3 years following gunshot wound. 2. Acute intestinal obstruction 4 days." Other naval papers say he died of a gunshot wound.

Even this is a bit of a mystery. If the wound was 3 years old that meant he would have been injured in 1918, but there is no mention of it on his records and he did not leave the navy for a year after that. Perhaps the doctor's information was incorrect. Reginald Bernard Gale was buried in St John's but his grave is unmarked. His parents, Charles and Fanny Gale, lived in Cecil Terrace until they died and were both buried in St John's. No descendants have been traced though two of his sisters lived locally all their lives. Their married names were Cissie Singleton (died 1978) and Hilda Kate Marston (died 1974).

Bea and Wendy would be glad to have any information about them.

QUIDHAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL Councillor Vacancies



If you'd like to make a difference, and be involved in shaping the future of your local Community, why not step forward and apply to become a Parish Councillor?

You may apply provided you live within 3 miles of the Parish Council boundary. Persons applying for the role of Parish Councillor at application date must:

Be a British subject or a citizen of the Commonwealth or European Union

Be 18 years of age or over

Be able to meet at least one of the following qualifications:

- i) have been registered as a local government elector for the Parish
- during the whole of the twelve months preceding the date of application, have occupied, as owner or tenant, land or premises in the Parish
- iii) have had a principal or only place of work during the preceding twelve months in the Parish
- iv) have resided within the Parish during the whole preceding twelve months or within 3 miles of its boundary.

Not be disqualified from being a member of a Local Council under the Local Government Act 1972.

How to apply: Ask for an Application Form from the Clerk

parishclerk@quidhampton.org.uk

Closing date: Friday 10 September 2021

Community email catch up

Information from July and August's emails that is still relevant, does not need an internet connection and is not covered elsewhere

Walk-in Covid vaccinations: City Hall is open 08.00 – 19.30 seven days a week. Walk-ins are accepted, including 16 and 17 year olds, every day as long as stocks last.

The White Horse after 19th July: message from Karen and Les

We want to keep our customers and staff as safe as possible so for everyone's sakes please keep to our rules

- face masks should be worn when coming in and moving around inside the pub
- you can come to the bar to order drinks but there will be no seats at the bar
- hand sanitiser will be on all the tables
- please be sensible about social distancing

We hope everyone will understand we need to take these precautions for a bit longer. Nobody wants another lockdown!

Recreation Ground The chain link fencing round the north and west sides of the play-ground has been replaced.

Thinking ahead: Quidhampton Calendar 2022?

There may be another calendar produced from the many wonderful photographs that didn't make it into the 2021 one. Further details available later.

Contact Mandy Whelan if you don't want your photo to be considered this time.

Has your life been affected by dementia?

Sadly many of us have friends and relatives who live with dementia and it is very hard to watch as the disease develops and the person you love goes further away. The Alzheimer's Society offers all kinds of advice and support as well as funding

research into treatments and prevention. Their work includes all kinds of dementia, not just Alzheimer's.

Three strong women (villagers and ex-villagers) are walking a marathon to raise funds for the society on 11 September. They each have a page on the just giving website where you can donate. Search for Dani Fox-Rennie, Zoe Hoare and Sallie.

And a final word..... well, it wouldn't be a village newsletter without mentioning dog poo. Mandy Whelan heroically collected enough in Locke's Lane to half fill a standard bag-for-life. Not nice for Mandy or the other residents. And not nice on the footpath round the recreation ground either. You know what to do: watch your dog, bag it and bin it in any litter bin.

Late news:

Stella Garry, aged 98, of Coronation Square died on Friday 27 August. She had moved into a nursing home after a few weeks in hospital.

Stella lived in Quidhampton all her life. An interview with her when she was 90 was published in the newsletter in November 2013 and can be seen on the parish council website.

Our thoughts are with her family especially her sons John and Michael.

Waste and recycling services from September 2021 to March 2022

September 2021

Recycling and garden waste Friday 10 and 24

Household waste Monday 13 and 27

October 2021

Recycling and garden waste Friday 8 and 22

Household waste Monday 11 and 25

November 2021

Recycling and garden waste Friday 5 and 19

Household waste Monday 8 and 22

December 2021

Recycling and garden waste Friday 3, 17 and 31

Household waste Monday 6 and 20

January 2022

Recycling and garden waste Friday 14 and 28

Household waste Monday 3, 17 and 31

February 2022

Recycling and garden waste Friday 11 and 25

Household waste Monday 14 and 28

March 2022

Recycling and garden waste Friday 11 and 25

Household waste Monday 14 and 28

This month's newsletter is paid for by four villagers who all want to thank the community for their kindnesses during lockdown

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Quidditch Club: occasional activities by and for parents and children of all ages. Contact Abi by email for details: abi.kingston@talk21.com

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