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April Diary

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April Church Services

Weds 3 April	12.30 19.00	Lent Lunch Midweek Communion	Chestnuts, Wanborough Wanborough Vicarage
Sunday 7 April	08.30 10.30 18.00	Holy Communion Family Communion Evensong	Bishopstone Liddington Hinton Parva
Weds 10 April	12.30 19.00	Lent Lunch Midweek Communion	Liddington Warren Farm Wanborough Vicarage
Sunday 14 April	08.30 10.30 18.00	Holy Communion Family Communion Evensong	Liddington Bishopstone Wanborough
Weds 17 April	19.00	Midweek Communion	Wanborough Vicarage
Thurs 18 April Maundy Thursday	18.00	Village Supper	Hinton Hall
Fri 19 April Good Friday	14.00	Stations of the Cross	Bishopstone
Saturday 20 April Easter Saturday	20.00	Easter Vigil	Hinton Parva
Sunday 21 April Easter Sunday	08.30 10.30	Holy Communion Family Communion with Egg Hunt	Bishopstone Wanborough
Weds 24 April	19.00	Midweek Communion	Wanborough Vicarage
Sunday 28 April	08.30 10.30 18.00	Holy Communion Family Communion Evensong	Wanborough Hinton Parva Liddington

Details of Church Services can also be found at www.wanborough.info

Copy date for Lyden is the 14th of the month for following month

Vicar's Letter

Dear Friends and Neighbours,

Welcome to April, a month of two halves. The first half brings Lent to its end while the second marks Easter and the beginning of it's season. Spring begins too. For farmers the main priority over Easter and through April will still be calving, which happens until the middle of May. All calves have their ears tagged for identity purposes, and each one will need a passport. Lambing is mostly finished by the end of April, but the lambs are very vulnerable to foxes and crows so the farmer must try and prevent their stock being killed. Female sheep that have finished weaning, will be dosed against worms and dipped in a chemical mix to stop the spread of disease and illness. April sees fertiliser being spread on grazing fields to aid spring growth, which will be cut for hay and silage later in the year. Potato crops are planted, and drilling starts on oil seed rape and vining peas, while cereal crops will be top-dressed and sprayed, usually with fertilisers or pesticides. Depending if the weather is good, azaleas and cherry trees can blossom in April. Spring, especially early spring, can be a quiet time around some parts of the UK for sea fishing, as many of the winter species will have moved away and the summer species have yet to arrive.

Later spring can be seen as a transitional time as many of the species which have migrated away from the UK for the winter will begin to come back. Plaice arrive in many parts of the UK in later spring, and mackerel, sprats, sand eels and garfish may start arriving. Other species such as pollock and wrasse are present throughout the year but spend the colder months in deeper, offshore waters where they are mostly out of range of the shore angler. Once the seas start warming up they will begin to come back into shallower waters and can be targeted by anglers. However, the sea temperature lags behind the air temperature and it can take a sustained period of warm weather to get the sea to heat up. Silver eels can also be caught around estuaries and rivers during this time due to their migration patterns. Some parts of the UK see an upturn in cod fishing as the cod feed to fatten themselves up before setting off for their migration to colder Scandinavian and Nordic waters. So there's a lot of new life beginning to show itself at this time of year. It's what Jesus is all about. And in certain areas there seems to be a coming together of old time religions with new ones.

The common ground is around the point that we are all connected, to each other and to the planet on which we live. Illness is directly linked to stress and so an increased level of kindness will have a far greater impact on an overstretched NHS budget than anything else. Kindness, along with charity and any every other aspect of being fully human begins at home. Not the four walls and the roof. No, the one that is deep within us. Spiteful people are hurt people and for these we pray, turn the other cheek and so on. Massive improvements in health outcomes and indeed radical remission can indeed be achieved by attitude an attitude of gratitude, voluntary work and very importantly quiet meditation. It's in these moments of calm and thankfulness that our own healing can really take off. Drug companies test people with their new drug and other people with something that only looks like the real thing and yet nearly as many people taking the dummy drug can improve. So a lot of good health outcomes are a matter of belief. Jesus came to tell the world that we are all loved, each and everyone of us. Once we realise how much, great things can and do happen. Happy Easter.



With best wishes and prayers,

Bill

If you have anything that you would like our village prayer group to pray for please telephone 790088 or email villageprayers@gmail.com

Farmers' Market and Community Connect Café



April's Farmers' Market and Community Connect Coffee Morning is on Easter Saturday, 20 April. Come down to the Village Hall between 9-12 to buy your fresh, local produce and enjoy free tea, coffee and homemade cakes.

This month we're supporting the Barnabas Fund, an international charity, based in Pewsey, Wiltshire, providing hope, aid and support to those who face persecution and discrimination because of their faith, worldwide.



Huge thanks to all who came in February and donated to Headway Swindon, the head injury charity. We were able to give them just over £310!!

For more information about the Farmers' Market, contact David or Sue Birley on 740438 or sbirley@gn.apc.org

News from Wanborough and Liddington Towers

It is just over two years since the new peal of bells at Liddington were installed and in that time we have welcomed many visitors to the tower, rung for services and practices, and other occasions of local, national and international importance. In February, one outstanding milestone was achieved when the first full peal was rung on the bells by local ringers, with a little help from friends in the Swindon area. A peal is an extended piece of high quality ringing, and is rung non-stop without a break. Just for the record, details of the peal are:

Saturday, 2 February 2019

A Peal of 5040 Doubles was rung in 2 hours 29 minutes

In 7 methods, comprising 6 extents each of:

Grandsire, Winchendon Place, St Nicholas, Reverse Canterbury,
St Martin's, St Simon's, Plain Bob

Treble: George Eycott

2nd: Anthony G Pullan

3rd: Michael J Woodward (Purton)

4th: Alan M Eyles (Christ Church, Swindon)

5th: Daniel P Knight (Royal Wootton Bassett)

Tenor: Malcolm D Barnes

It was George's first peal, (and he says the last), it was Daniel's first as Conductor, and it was especially arranged on the occasion of Malcolm's 70th birthday.

I can also report a lapsed ringer has been recruited to help ring at both of our churches. Liddington now have two ringers with Paul joining Chris as the only ringers in the village. It is the long term aim for the Liddington band to be self-supporting, so they are looking for at least another ten recruits to come forward and join them. Details of ringing activities are available from Tony, whose contact details are in the Lyden.

Tony Pullan, Tower Captain.

Bishopstone Pottery Open Days



A chance to see your local craft pottery at work. Open days on Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 April, 10.30am – 4.30pm. Some great gifts for the home.

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Wanborough Parish Council

Storyboard and Trail Project

Parish Council are pleased to confirm that the Parish Clerk has successfully gained a grant from Landfill Communities Fund for £5,000 towards the Storyboard and Trail Project.



Parish Council have also agreed to allocate £4,911 from their Community Infrastructure Levy (CiL) payments to this project. This means that, with the recent pledges for sponsorship of information posts, we are now close to gaining enough money to ensure that this project is fully funded.

Progress with the project is going well and Parish Council would like to thank Anita Basevi for the hard work that she has put into this project. Parish Council have submitted an application to SBC Highways in respect of the location of some of the information posts around the village, which will be located within their land (e.g. highway verges). Hopefully we will receive a positive response over the coming weeks in order that the project is not held up.



The aim is to have the trail installed and ready to use by July 2019. To the left are pictures of examples of how the posts and interaction boards will look, taken from Uffington village. The two interaction boards will be located at the starting points for the trail at Hooper's Field and St Andrew's Church. There will be ten information posts located at points around the trail.

Sponsor a Post

Many thanks to everyone who have come forward and agreed to sponsor an Information Post. At the time of writing we have received interest for 9 out of the 10 posts. This leaves just 1 post. If you are interested in sponsoring the last Post, located on the High Street then please contact the Parish Clerk by e-mail clerk@wanborough.info, or Anita Basevi.

Hooper's Field Project

Please look out for Parish Council's newsletter which includes details of a questionnaire. It would be great if as many residents as possible could spare some time to complete this questionnaire either online using the link on Parish Council website www.wanborough.info, or by completing the hard copy and returning to Calley Arms Pub or Parish Clerk, 15 Springlines by 12 April 2019.

Village Litter Pick

Join us for a third litter pick on Saturday 6 April, meeting at Calley Arms pub at 10am with the aim of clearing litter around Upper Wanborough including along Church Road upto Callas Hill junction. If you are able to help and can spare 1 hour of your time please contact the Parish Clerk.

Footpath Walks

Future dates are planned as follows:-

Tuesday 30th April, meeting at 1pm at Wanborough Village Hall and finishing at Hooper's Field for refreshments.

Tuesday 21st May, meeting at 1pm at Calley Arms pub and finishing for refreshments at venue to be confirmed.

The aim is for the walks to be around 3 miles long. There are some stiles that need crossing and paths can be muddy in places so please ensure suitable footwear is worn. Look forward to seeing you all there.

Future Events Calendar

On the Parish website www.wanborough.info there is a "Future Events Calendar", if you have an event that you want to ensure doesn't get double booked then why not add your event to this calendar, just e-mail the Parish Clerk who can add it for you. Likewise if you want to hold an event in the village check the calendar to see if the date is free.

Next Parish Council meeting will be held on 29 April 2019, residents are welcome to attend Annual Assembly Monday, Monday 13 May 2019, more details next month.

Angela Raymond, Clerk to Wanborough Parish Council

Liddington Parish Council



Angus Macpherson, Police and Crime Commissioner

Angus Macpherson attended the Parish Council Meeting on 6 March 2019. His talk gave the Parish Councillors an interesting insight into the last year of Policing in Wiltshire, especially due to the Novichok incident which had involved drafting in Officers from Police forces all over the country. The Parish Councillors were able to raise several issues relating to Liddington, the important one being the speed of the traffic using the B4192. Angus has taken an action to research the feasibility and practicality of the use of average speed cameras. We will keep you informed of any progress.

Commemorative Oak Tree

At the time of writing, the oak tree was due to be delivered and planted on Wednesday 13 March.

Play Equipment

Lots of positive comments have been received about the new play equipment. Please get your children to try it out and let us know what you think.



Village Clean-Up - reminder

Don't forget the annual Village Spring clean-up event will take place on Saturday 6 April 2019, meeting at 9.30am at Jubilee Gardens. All Volunteers are most welcome to join us.

The next meeting of Liddington Parish Council will be held on 3 April 2019 starting at 7pm in the Village Hall.

Val Curtis, Clerk to Liddington Parish Council

Liddington 100 Club

The winner for February is Vic Pound - congratulations Vic.

I will be sending out the membership forms for 2019/20 during the next few weeks so please ask friends and family if they would like to join and support All Saints Church. **Caroline Tams**

Ward Councillor update from Gary Sumner:

Ward Councillor Surgery – Saturday 13 April, 9-10.30am, Wanborough Village Hall

Future surgery dates found at www.ridgewayvillages.co.uk

M4 Junction 15 update: This major £9.4m scheme is being led by Highways England and will commence September 2019 and take c.15 months. It will increase the capacity of the junction and add a dedicated London-bound lane on the A419. During construction some measures will be put in place to deter rat running via Badbury etc towards Liddington and Wanborough.

A419 White Hart Junction: Due to commence later in 2019, this £30m scheme will signalise the junction, add a new direct 'on ramp' to the A419 Northbound and add considerable capacity to the roundabout.

A419 Gable Cross Junction: Another scheme which will be signalised to make access easier and accommodate planned growth of the New Eastern Villages.

Southern Connector Road: We have an application in for additional Government funding - if successful this would fully fund a £30m scheme which would deliver a new single carriageway road from around Lotmead to the Commonhead Roundabout. This is to future proof access arrangements and provide an alternative to travelling via Wanborough to Commonhead.

Problems with the above: I have requested details of interventions during construction to deter 'rat running' to avoid the expected queues. More to follow!

Lotmead: I anticipate an application shortly for some 2600 homes including a 'first phase' of 200 homes with direct access to the Wanborough Road. The previous application was refused at appeal but the promoters 'Ainscough' have been working on what I trust will be an improved scheme. The 2400 would not come forward until they have access to the North/East (A420).

Speeding: Some interesting events and conversations recently. A 90mph police chase via Liddington ended with a 4x4 crashed on the Commonhead roundabout (3 arrested, 2 escaped). It was a miracle no one was killed. Whilst doing Community Speedwatch in Liddington I recorded one driver at 54mph who was so cocky he had to wave – **I spoke to the Police and Crime Commissioner appealing for more police support**, but in the meantime more volunteers (particularly in Wanborough) would help establish how much of a problem we have. Parish Councils can use their own funds to purchase more advanced speed warning signs and many residents seem keen to see more of these. Let's make this a priority?

If residents have any questions or need to reach me, please call me on 790814 or email: gary@ridgewayvillages.co.uk for the quickest response.

SSPG Update



The Swindon South Protection Group continues to campaign to oppose the planning application for a so called "Science Park" off Pack Hill at Inlands Farm. We are using your contributions to our Fighting Fund to engage consultants and specialists to report on the robustness of the proposal and its claims. Specialist reports will be published on our web-site as they are received; SSPG.org.uk.

What is being revealed is that the promotion of the proposal as a "Science Park" (SP) appears to be in name only - suggesting a flattering branding exercise designed to try to over-ride the local plan with a development of substantial scale and mass in a rural location.

The 33,500m² Phase 1 packaging facility - twice the size of the DB Symmetry Warehouse next to Sainsbury's on the A420 - does **NOT** plant the seedling required to grow a "Science Park".

There is no evidence in the documentation that links the substantial Phase 1 facility to any third party hosting University or Science establishment - an overwhelming criteria for a Science park. Phase 2 includes further industrial units totalling 48,000m2 including another huge warehouse. "Association with a packaging warehouse operation or manufacturing plant alone on an isolated site would not qualify as a Science Park".

"To qualify as an SP a site must have on-site specialist management professionals whose role is to work the SP's physical, economic and network assets to develop a culture of innovation and competitiveness for businesses". We cannot identify in the proposal any hosted research facilities, on-site management or funding commitments for venture capitalists that would support a community of business participants - all required to nurture the exchange of ideas and practice on a wide range of engineering, technology, social science or innovative incubation opportunities.

The Masterplanning, Design and Conservation team in SBC have acknowledged that "the proposed scheme would cause irreversible harm to the surrounding designated heritage assets and open countryside".

The number of new jobs (speculated up to 600) in the application is **not in keeping with the size of the greenfield land grab** proposed for industrialisation in a sensitive rural area - and can so easily be accommodated in SBC's currently identified employment development sites.

Fund Raising Event - with Captain Cyril; Please join us for an update on our expert led investigations to be given by John Warr and the team in Wanborough Village Hall on **Friday 12 April** at 7.30pm. This is a fund raising event where we will reveal the latest information about our campaign, followed by an entertaining and insightful talk by former pilot (Tornados, 777s, Hercules) Cyril Mannion. "Captain Cyril - from routine to abnormal in the blink of an eye" - how some airliner incidents came perilously close to being major disasters... warning: you may never want to fly again!! Tickets £10 (includes a glass of wine or tea/coffee) - will be limited to 90 so reserve your place asap. Call 01793 790634 or email comms@sspg.org.uk. Or bank transfer 30:96:26 A/c 45819868 ref "your surname" and Cyril.

Patricia Wells; pr@sspg.org.uk 01793 790054 John Warr: john@ducksbridge.co.uk 07956 306940

News from Wanborough Bowls Club

Hello to you all, the Bowls Club members have hopefully emerged from their winter hibernation to face an extensive bowling calendar. Its contents vary from competitive league matches played on a home and away basis on both afternoons and evenings, to friendly games scheduled for weekends.

Our season commences late April, always subject to the weather. If any of you are interested in wanting to know more about bowling please give me a ring and I will arrange a visit to the club and a session of bowling on the green. **Tony Glasscoo (Male Captain, WBC) Tel: 791439**

The Ridgeway Link

We are holding our AGM on Thursday, 4 April at 7.00p.m. in Bishopstone Village Hall.

Everyone is welcome – why not come and hear more about what we do?

The meeting is usually quite short with a chance for an informal chat afterwards over a drink and biscuit.

Hope to see you there. Louisa Barnes

Community Lunch

Following the ongoing success of the village coffee, cake and chat mornings which are held weekly each Thursday, we thought a once a month lunch might be a good idea !

So, from Friday 29 March, you are invited to call in at the Harrow Inn between 11.30 and 2.30 to join in a special reasonably priced lunch, where you can make new friends and meet old friends, chat and enjoy a light meal.

The lunch will be held on the last Friday of every month, which in April will be 26th.

Bring yourselves, your friends and neighbours, everyone is welcome, young, old or in the middle! Look forward to meeting you there.

Need a lift? Have a question? **Lorna Naseem 01793 791206**

Wanborough Primary PTA Update

Spring has arrived, and with the clocks going forward, we can enjoy longer days and hope we have as good a summer as last year. We have lots to update you this month. It feels like a long time ago now, but back in Jan, we held a film night at the school showing Hotel Transylvania 3. The night was enjoyed by all and we raised **£599.19**. In Feb we then had the PTA Quiz which we hope many of you were able to attend. We have put a full update on our Facebook page and so please take a look for more details of the evening. It was one of our best quizzes yet, with a record 18 teams squeezed into the hall, helping to raise **£1,225.90**! Following a tie break question, Flapping in the Tallow End were crowned PTA Quiz Champions. We want to thank everyone who helped out on the evening, and for those who attended to make it such a success.

SAVE THE DATE – School Fete – Saturday 29 June

To make this event as successful as possible, we have to start planning early. As such we have a few requests for community help:-

Donations – We would welcome any contributions towards the ‘Barrow of Booze’ raffle and so please leave any donations at the school office. In addition, if there are any teddy’s in need of a new home and perhaps you were thinking of including them in Bags 2 School, then please keep them separate as we can use them for the adopt a teddy stall at the school fete.

Raffle prizes – If you know of any local firms, or you are a firm who would like to donate a prize, please let us know as we greatly welcome any contributions – it is a great way to raise money for the school at the same time as promoting your business.

Sponsor an event – The football tournament will be back, along with a few other new events and so if any local firms would like to sponsor an event, this again is a great way to promote your business.

Stalls – This year we would like to introduce the opportunity for businesses to rent a stall at the fete. If you would like to come and sell, or advertise your business, please contact us for further details.

Volunteers – Although a huge amount of organisation goes on behind the scenes, we also need helpers on the day. If you can help at this event or any other, please let us know and we’ll put you on our volunteers list.

Easyfundraising

For those of you who shop online, there is a really easy way to be able to donate to the school whilst doing this. It doesn’t cost you anything, but by signing up, it will really help our fundraising for the school. We have already raised £1000 with on 35 people signed up. Imagine how much we could raise if we increased the number of people using it. To sign up, go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/UXYA85>, search for Wanborough Primary School PTA and follow the instructions.

Charitable Donations Co-Ordination

We are seeking volunteers to explore how we can use Gift Aid and corporate donation programmes to boost fund-raising efforts. The school has a large list of additional funding requirements, which the PTA hope to be able to financially support. However, our small PTA Committee needs help to fully explore the options. If you able to give up some time to help explore these different fund-raising avenues, then please contact us at the below e-mail address.

Upcoming Events for the Year

5th April – Easter Bake Sale 1.30 @ School Hall

15th May – Bags 2 School

17th May – KS2 Disco

19th June – Sports Day Refreshments

29th June – Fete

E: contactpta@wanboroughprimary.org www.wanboroughprimary.org/PTA FB: Wanborough Primary PTA

Wanborough Churchyard Clear-up

Our next Wanborough Churchyard Clear-up session will be on Saturday 6 April from 3-5pm. All welcome, especially families and newcomers to the village. There will be ivy to clear, paths to tidy up, the carpark flowerbed to weed, etc. Please bring gardening gloves, secateurs, etc. Queries to David Birley on 790438

Wanborough Playgroup News

Thank you to everyone who supported our Jumble Sale and Pop up Prosecco Night. Both events were extremely successful and have raised vital funds to keep Playgroup running. As a registered charity (1026150) we rely heavily on fundraising.

We have been enjoying having a "Book of the Week". This term we started with "The Tiger who came to Tea" and had great fun acting out the story and learning more about tigers and other wild animals. Our next book was "The Gruffalo" which had our role play area set up with a Den for the Gruffalo to hide. The children enjoyed taking torches and books to read in the den. We also made Gruffalos out of clay as well as finding out more about animals who live in woodlands. At the time of sending this report our book is "A squash and a squeeze" where we have been learning about capacity, making pens and seeing how many animals can fit in each one. We have been filling different sized containers with oat bran and trying to estimate how many spoonfuls we can fit in each one. The children have been exploring and finding shapes both inside the hall and outside in our lovely garden as well as looking at spider webs with rain drops on them. Running around in the wind has also been great fun as well as acting out our stories outside too! We were certainly very loud tigers and gruffalos.

World book day was run over 2 mornings. Children came dressed as a character of a favourite book. It was lovely to see so many different books and costumes.

We look forward to making things for Mother's Day and having lots of Easter Fun. before we break up for Easter. If you would like to see what we get up to each day why not find us on Facebook @wanboroughpreschool. If you would like to visit please telephone 790428 or contact us by email: wanboroughplaygroup@hotmail.co.uk.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday, 14 June. - Comedy Night at Wanborough Village Hall

Come and join us for a night of comedy with up and coming comedians.

Tickets priced at £20 each (to include a complimentary glass of wine and an Italian meat or Ploughman's.) There will be a licensed cash bar. Over 18s only Tickets must be purchased before the event. Tickets available via Playgroup email: wanboroughplaygroup@hotmail.co.uk or by messaging us on our Facebook page

@wanboroughpreschool or by telephoning Hayley on 07850 348219 **Saran Ingram, Playgroup Supervisor**

Wanborough Tennis Club

A reminder, that our AGM is on Monday 8 April, 8pm at Hooper's Field. To be eligible for the Wimbledon ballot, held at the end of the AGM, you must have paid your 2019/20 membership subscription, due 1st April AND have 'opted in' to Wanborough as your LTA affiliated club.

As a requirement of our registration with the LTA, we will be audited in April. Prior to the visit, we have to send a questionnaire to all members about how they feel we are meeting Safeguarding and other standards. Please respond to the questionnaire – it will only take a few minutes! Full policy details are in the clubhouse and on our website :<https://clubspark.lts.org.uk/WanboroughTennisClub>

Any queries or concerns, contact a member of the committee or Jane Howes, our Safeguarding officer 07951563367

JUNIOR CLUB MEMBERS

Easter camp dates are: 8/9/10/11 April. £20 for 1 camp; £30 for 2, etc. There is a 10% reduction for members.

Well done to Junior members, Megan, Angus, Michael & Jamie, who competed in our recent team challenge event at the Delta. They came 3rd overall.



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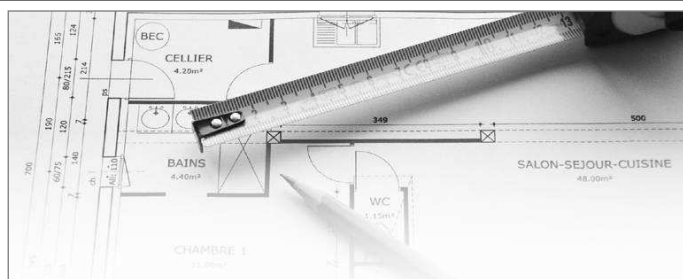
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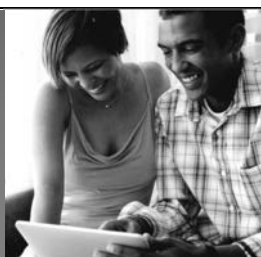
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The Wiltshire Lieutenancy

Wanborough is lucky to have the Lord-Lieutenant of Wiltshire, Sarah Troughton, as one of its residents. Here are her thoughts on the history of the Lieutenancy and what life holds for one of Her Majesty the Queen's Lord Lieutenants today.

"My main job is to be HM The Queen's representative in the county and "to uphold the dignity of the Crown". Old fashioned words possibly but ones I proudly attempt to adopt. L-Ls (Lord-Lieutenants), in every county in the UK are appointed by HM on the recommendation of the Prime Minister. Before that, a consultative process is undertaken by an officer from the Cabinet Office who takes soundings from organisations around the county - the church, voluntary organisations, businesses - as to who might suit the post. I was shortlisted with others, perhaps because I have been involved in the voluntary sector with Youth Action Wiltshire and The Community Foundation for many years or perhaps because I am a woman! I was interviewed and a week later a letter arrived from the then Prime Minister David Cameron inviting me to accept the position. I talked it over with my husband Peter, accepted, and I retire when I am 75. The role is unpaid.



Lord -Lieutenant Sarah Troughton, with two of the L-L Cadets in Salisbury Cathedral

Lord-Lieutenants were created in Tudor times by Henry VIII. There was no regular Army at the time, so in times of threat and invasion the monarch asked local noblemen, later called Lieutenants, to assemble defensive forces and militia to quell frequent local rebellions and restore order. These Lieutenants were more than often Lords themselves and the term Lord-Lieutenant grew from there.

The Militia Act of 1661 made the office of Lieutenant permanent and gave it full power over the militia, and particularly in time of political uncertainty the L-L became key in the county.

The role evolved over the centuries from one of keeping law and order in the counties, certainly before there was a police force, to be the sovereign's representative.

Before County Councils were established in 1889, local government services were administered in the counties by magistrates who were led by the Lieutenants. They held the title *Custos Rotulorum* or Keeper of the Rolls, (which I hold today, but I am not a JP.) As Chief Justice of the Peace and the controller of the militia, the Lord-Lieutenant was central to the maintenance of order.

However, in 1871 the militia ceased to be under the command of the Lord-Lieutenant and in 1921 the L-L duties under the Militia Act came to an end. You will be pleased to hear today's L-L s have no power, but, in Wiltshire certainly, the military connection is still strong.

I have an office in County Hall in Trowbridge and am L-L of the historic county of Wiltshire which of course is governed by two Councils, Swindon and Wiltshire, and we all work closely together.

My duties are intermittent - some weeks I have 3 or 4 engagements, some weeks none, but average about 120 per annum. They vary hugely - one week I am with the Wiltshire Scouts, the next we have a Royal visit, the next a Police Awards Ceremony, the one after an evening with the Royal Artillery at Larkhill, and that is why I enjoy the job so much. I am President or Patron of a good mix of charities such as Wiltshire Churches Trust, the Multiple Sclerosis Centre in Warminster, RFCA [Reserve Forces and Cadets Assoc.], ABF The Soldiers' Charity, St. John's Ambulance, Friends of Salisbury Cathedral, Prospect Hospice to name a few.

My office organises a number of Royal visits each year - we had 12 in 2018. They are time-consuming and require unbelievably detailed planning, but I believe that they are appreciated and worthwhile! Wiltshire and Swindon this last year had visits from HRH The Duchess of Cornwall, including a visit to Arkell's Swindon Brewery and with HRH The Prince of Wales a wonderful and important visit to Salisbury after the Novichok poisonings. There were also visits from The Princess Royal, The Earl and Countess of Wessex and The Duchess of Gloucester, and there are more planned for 2019.

I am delighted to host a ceremony for those awarded the British Empire medal each year. We have held them at Bowood, Wiltshire Council, Great Chalfield and this year in Salisbury Cathedral.

I have a badge of office - a pretty red and white enamel and pearl Tudor Rose hanging on a bow. The gentlemen L-Ls have a military uniform with a sword and spurs. There is continual discussion as to whether Lady L-Ls should have a uniform. The first lady L-L to be chosen was the Duchess of Norfolk (a good Tudor name) in the 1960s, and there is now a healthy balance of ladies and gentlemen. I am the first Lady Lord-Lieutenant in Wiltshire, but not the first in the country.

I have 4 or 5 young people picked from the 3 Cadet Forces, assigned to me as L-L Cadets each year. They accompany me on lots of trips and are always present at Royal visits. They appear in full uniform, outsmart us all and are a credit to young people today. They would carry the male L-L's sword, in churches for example, but I do not ask them to carry my handbag! They often ask me what they should do on an engagement. I suggest that they should salute anyone and everyone at every opportunity, and if possible, find me a cup of tea.

I work with the High Sheriff - an even older title than the Lieutenancy, from the 1200s, which is an annual post and whose main duty is to care for the Judiciary. The High Sheriff of each county also tends to choose a cause to concentrate on. This year for example, the High Sheriff Mrs Nicky Alberry has chosen "Domestic Abuse" and next year's High Sheriff, Mr David Scott's cause will be "Youth".

I have a Vice Lord- Lieutenant and a number of Deputy Lieutenants to help me, to whom I am most grateful, and they often represent me and the Lieutenancy at Mayoral events and Citizenship Ceremonies, laying wreaths on Remembrance Sunday and other occasions.

There is a Lieutenancy website with Wiltshire Council, and we have a Lieutenancy Twitter page (@WiltsLieutenant)!

I thoroughly enjoy my post and am honoured indeed to be the Lord-Lieutenant of this wonderful county of ours."

Sarah Troughton, Lord-Lieutenant of Wiltshire

Wanborough Scarecrow Trail (27 April – 12 May)

If you haven't yet signed up to make / host a scarecrow please get in touch asap via email as there are still some places left on the trail. The theme is the World of Historical Events & Characters and I'm hoping to have about 56 scarecrows on the trail. Thank you to all those who have already signed up.

May Day Fayre (Monday 6 May 12-4pm)

We're running the May Day Fayre again this year and, as always, we will need helpers on

Friday 3rd (preparing games stall in the village hall)

Sunday 5th (erecting marquees on the rec, putting road cones and park & ride signage out)

Monday 6th (getting stalls onto the rec in the morning, running stalls in the afternoon, supervising the park & ride sites and putting stalls, canvas and road cones away after the event).

Please will families / individuals make contact and offer an hour or two or their time...we need about 130 people across the whole weekend if everyone does 2-3 hours....please offer to do your bit to help raise funds for Wanborough Community Trust if you can. Contact details below.

We also would gratefully receive any unwanted but good condition novels please for our book stall; any chipped / unwanted crockery for our Break a Plate stand and donations of raffle prizes.

Wanborough Community Trust

Wanborough Community Trust is now fully operational and a Trustees meeting during March will have finalised our grant allocation policy and application process. We already have applications from Wanborough & Liddington Bells Projects; Wanborough Trail Storyboard Project and the South Swindon Protection Group. It would be great to have sufficient funds in our reserve to provide grants to as many applications as possible. Please help to make this possible by providing your support for our two major fundraising activities this year: Scarecrow Trail & May Day Fayre.

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Wanborough has Hedgehogs!



Through the work I am doing to gather data for the Storyboard project, there has been plenty of interest in the local wildlife population. Some of our residents have come forward to let me know they are sharing their gardens with Hedgehogs, and as the weather has been warm through February some of these prickly little creatures have come out of hibernation early.

Of the four residents I know of, who share their gardens with Hedgehogs, one told me about their emergency rescue last year of four baby hoglets. Sue Owen, of Magdalen Road, told me that one Sunday night she noticed an adult hedgehog had been killed just outside their house. Four days later she came home from work and spotted 2 tennis ball sized hoglets walking across the garden. They were out in the day, so she knew they were in trouble. As she was picking them up, 2 more came strolling across the lawn. Sue knew that an adult had been living with them but had no idea that babies were under the shed too. It was mum that had died.

Vets have a duty of care for wildlife and most of them will treat wild animals for nothing. The hoglets were taken to a vet and, once assessed, they were transferred to Oak & Furrows Wildlife Rescue Centre in Cricklade. It was touch and go as to whether they would survive, they weighed less than 100grams and had to reach a healthy 300grams. Fortunately, all four recovered and were able to be released back into the Owen's garden, three females and one male, who quickly left home to find new unrelated female friends.

The females remained, so as Hedgehogs aren't territorial, they were likely to winter together. They stopped taking the food in late October/early November. Sue put fresh dry hay near the shed and it disappeared, hopefully they used it to build a cosy nest. Since going into hibernation, the girls haven't been seen, it's now just a waiting game to see if they have survived the winter. Let's hope they all emerge healthy and well!

Guidance for the care of Hedgehogs and the steps you should take to encourage them to share your garden, is available on the Oak and Furrows website www.oandf.co.uk. If you have a wildlife story to share please get in touch. I am also looking for photographs of any wildlife you see in Wanborough, please let me know if you have some you can share. **Anita Basevi - Anitabase6@gmail.com**

1st Wanborough Scout Group update

Six of our scouts (Giacomo, James, Wilfred, Alisha, Megan and Olivia) plus James our Assistant Scout Leader headed to Waterloo station early one Saturday morning in March to join hundreds of other scouts to play a live game of Monopoly for the day. Teams of scouts travel around London using buses and the underground trying to visit as many of the Monopoly property locations as they can. The first team to arrive at each location can buy the property, subsequent visitors have to pay rent. There are also opportunities to pick up Chance and Community Chest cards, plus get £200 for passing go (visiting 3 properties). Our team was in the top quarter of winning teams and were exhausted at the end of their day but had a great time and saw some amazing landmarks

Our cubs entered another competition this month and some of them had this to write about it.....

On Saturday 9 March two teams of Cubs from 1st Wanborough took part in the annual Swindon Ridgeway District Chess Competition at Lawn Primary school. The competition was made up of 8 other cub teams from across the District. Over the day each cub played a total of 5 games, getting 1 point for a win and ½ a point for a draw. At the end of the competition 1st Wanborough Team A won, with a total of 15½ points, claiming the trophy for the first time ever! Well done Oscar Bond, Noah Porter, Barnaby Sutcliffe and Henry Stuart-Brown.



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Part 3

Those who have read my previous articles will (I hope) recall that the Hall committee had decided to “take a leap of faith” and start a project to replace the old building by a brand new construction. The calendar year 1991 was taken up with, firstly intensive fundraising, and secondly, negotiations with Swindon (then Thamesdown) planning department.

Our architect, Geoff Drew, took the project to his heart, and came up with regular improvements and helpful suggestions. His original plans showed just a main room with a small kitchen; his final scheme included a much more spacious kitchen, disabled WC, and an additional meeting room on the first floor. Geoff applied for planning consent, and began many months of negotiations with the Borough. The Conservation Officer was much involved, unsurprisingly in view of the sensitive site near Grade 1 listed All Saints’ Church and other traditional properties. Planning consent for demolition of the old Hall and its replacement was granted in November 1992.



Meanwhile fundraising activities continued with enormous enthusiasm. Who can remember filling Smartie tubes with 20p pieces? Who could forget Barn Dances with the late John Cole leading his Southern Syncopators? Then there was the 60s Disco, the Golf Day, and, amazingly, the Coffee morning raising £830! Equally importantly, donations large and small came rolling in, and grants received from various bodies. The amount required crept up over the £100k mark.

In January 1993 the committee appointed Leslie Parsons, a semi-retired quantity surveyor, then living at Hinton Parva, to supervise the building contract. Again we were very fortunate in our professional guidance. With encouragement of the Borough planners, we agreed to incorporate various features of the old building into its successor; hence the new Hall has a very traditional appearance. Leslie sent out tender documents to six local builders. The writer remembers clearly the meeting when the tenders were opened, and the relief when we realised that the lowest tender sum was affordable. So the contract was awarded to E. W. Beard Limited of Swindon, appropriately in view of the Beard family having a long association with Liddington. Work started in April 1993, with completion anticipated for the end of that year.

The writer had stepped down from the committee chairmanship after four years, and we were glad that David Bunce agreed to take over the lead role during the planning and building period. David was stepping back from his business responsibilities, and was able to devote an incredible amount of his time to the Hall project. He was on hand to greet the 11th Duke of Marlborough (“Sunny”) when he arrived on 1 March 1994 to perform the opening ceremony. (As previously explained, by a legal “quirk” the Duke’s trustees were and are the freeholders of the land.)

During the 25 years since then the Hall has hosted an enormous variety of events, functions and meetings, and has grown to be well loved by our community. Improvements to the Hall have been made steadily under the auspices of the committee with background support from the Parish Council. Sadly, many of the key figures are no longer with us, and we think especially of the late Robin Skillen, Geoff Drew, Leslie Parsons, David Bunce, and Basil Archer—the last mentioned at various times having chaired both the Hall committee and the Parish Council.

The writer, having completed this series of articles, has awarded himself a coffee, which of course he will drink from his commemorative mug, inscribed “Liddington Hall 1994”. **Adrian Moore**

Forthcoming Events at Liddington Village Hall

There will be a skittles evening at the Village Hall on Saturday 27 April. Tickets are £8.50 (Children under 12 free) which includes a Ploughman's type supper and a chance to be the toast of the village for the next 12 months

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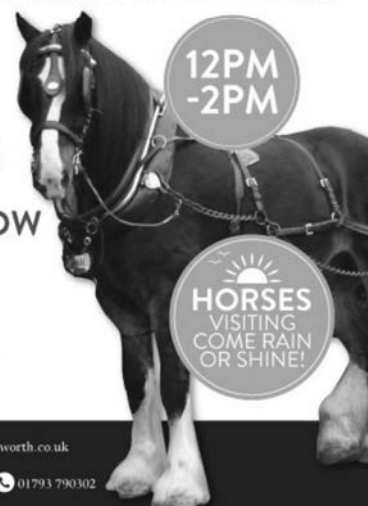
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Many apologies for the error in last month's Lyden, the burial of ashes on 14 February was Harold Albert Herring, not Norman Herring. We are very sorry for any distress caused.

If you are celebrating a birthday, anniversary, special occasion or want to send a message of thanks, let us know and we will add your message here. Send messages to Lydenannounce@gmail.com

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We want to ensure The Lyden is a must read for everyone in Wanborough and Liddington. To this end, we are looking for interesting articles and features to add variety to the content. It's great to have our regular contributors, but to keep it fresh, we'd like some new editorial from new writers as well.

"What sort of thing?" I hear you cry. Well, we are open to suggestions, but here are a few idea:-

- A day in the life of...
 - An activity or hobby you enjoy, what it is, why you like it, why others would enjoy it
 - Events - ones coming up, or reviews of ones that have happened (preferably local)
 - Walks you enjoy, with directions
 - Top tips - if you're an advertiser, perhaps related to your work
- If you are a young person, articles of interest to you

You've probably got lots of ideas, if you're interested in contributing to the magazine, whether one off or regularly call Andrea on 790307 or email lydenmagazine@gmail.com to discuss next steps. Hope to hear from you.

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St. Andrew's Church Wanborough

Sidespersons' Roster April 19

31 st March	10:30	Family Communion	B Caron
14 th April	18:00	Evensong	J Hales
21 st April	10:30	Family Communion	S Troughton
28 th April	08:30	Holy Communion	T Roddy

Lesson Readers and Sidespersons needed for St Andrew's

Would you be willing to be a Lesson Reader or Sidesperson at St Andrew's, at any service please? Helpers have become very few, so it would be greatly appreciated. If you are able to help, please contact Terry Roddy on 01793 791354

St. Andrew's Cleaning Rota

	<u>Brass:</u>	<u>General (on/by 2nd Saturday)</u>
April:	Volunteers please	Volunteers please
May:	G. Hayes & L. Barnes	Volunteers please
June:	J Hales & J Hobbs	Justina Lewis
July:	The Kosidowski Family	The Kosidowski Family
August:	Volunteers please.	Volunteers please

St Andrew's Flower Rota.

19 April – Easter flowers – Lyn Uzzell, Tina Roberts and Maggie Errington
 26 April – Lyn Uzzell, Tina Roberts and Maggie Errington
 03 May – Jane Robb and Kay Cullimore
 10 May – Jane Robb and Kay Cullimore

There are Books of Remembrance in All Saints', Liddington and St. Andrew's, Wanborough. If anyone wishes to have a name recorded there, please contact a Churchwarden.

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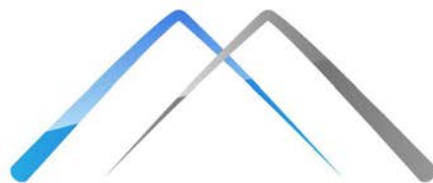
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