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## A letter from the Vicar – July 2025

*Dear Friends*

After many years of keeping our feet firmly on 'terra firma' Jennie and I recently returned from a wonderful trip visiting members of our family who live and work in Maylasia and Northern India and exploring parts of Borneo and Sri Lanka. It was an amazing and rich immersion in another culture and we had some wonderful engagements with places and the people we met and travelled with.

In Sri Lanka we visited the beautiful Stukas of the landing place of Buddhism in that country at Anuradhapura and mingled with Hindu worshippers as they offered their burning bowls of food to one or more of the gods of Hinduism as they sought blessing and favour. We also passed many Mosques and Churches. It certainly makes you reflect upon your own faith journey. Once home we then watched the gentle and beautiful three-part series 'Pilgrimage'. This programme followed 7 individuals with a moderate public profile as they followed the ancient pilgrim route of the Camino through the magnificent Alpine landscapes and visited churches, monasteries and charitable foundations established during the past Christian civilisation in those parts. Each person reflected on their own personal faith journey and issues they were grappling with as adults from their upbringings, family history or current experience.

It was a lovely programme but I couldn't help reflecting that there wasn't really any engagement with the nature or being of God or with the issue of if, or how, we can know him. The programme, perhaps naturally, kept strictly to the world view of postmodern western culture which states emphatically that there is no one truth, or no absolute truth, and that everyone's chosen beliefs are equally valid. The Pilgrims were hoping that during the pilgrimage their inner feelings about faith and God would suddenly spark into life and give them a new assurance of the faith they had once known or a new faith if they had none. Rational argument about God and how we can know him was kept out of the final programme by and large. The issue of truth was never raised as probably being too problematical. The programme did put forward the familiar belief that all religions are but different pathways up the mountain of God. Clearly freedom to believe what you want to believe, within reason, is an essential good. Faith and sets of beliefs can never be, and should never be, forced on anyone. Jesus himself invited people to believe and follow him – their response to his claims was always theirs to decide, as ours is today. But all beliefs about the nature of reality, or God, or the pathway to knowledge and relationship with him cannot all be equally true. Different religions all say very different things about God and the way to know him.

So, as finite beings in our time-space bound world, how can we know what may lie beyond? Is there any way to a sure knowledge of the transcendent? Well, only if that transcendent reality, God, chooses to reveal himself to us, in a way we can comprehend. Gloriously this is precisely the claim of the Christian faith. That in Jesus, God became human, revealing God the Father to us and opening the way for us into a personal relationship with him. This is a claim very well worth investigating if you have never seriously done so before. Jesus claimed to be the personal embodiment of the divine in human form and that through faith in him and his death and resurrection, we can come to know God as His precious forgiven children. Wow, what a blessed relief that we have not been left trying to guess and feel our way towards the essential truth of our existence. As Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life" or to Phillip in John 14 "Whoever has seen me has seen the Father." If you would like to know more, try reading one of the Gospels (eg. Luke or John), or come to one of our Sunday services, or speak to me anytime and look out for a midweek course for modern pilgrims which I hope to run this Autumn.

*Kind regards*

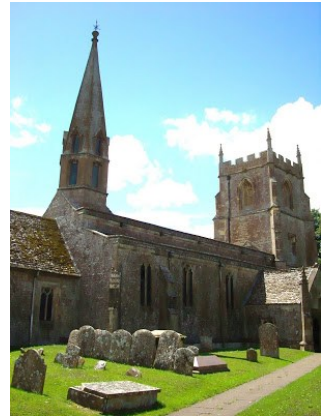
*Revd, Steve Paynter*

*Stevedpaynter@gmail.com*

*01793 296870*

**Prayer:**

Eternal God,  
in the stillness of the first Christmas,  
you sent your almighty Word  
to pierce the world's darkness with the light of salvation:  
give to the earth the peace that we long for  
and fill our hearts with the joy of heaven  
through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.



### *Church Services July 2025*

*For the villages of Liddington and Wanborough in The Parish of Wellspring Villages*

| Date                              | Time    | Church                            | Service                                                    |
|-----------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2025  | 10.30am | All Saints', Liddington           | Holy Communion                                             |
| Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2025 | 10.30am | St Mary's Church, Bishopstone     | Holy Communion                                             |
| Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2025 | 10.30am | St Andrew's Church, Wanborough    | Holy Communion                                             |
| Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> July 2025 | 8.30am  | All Saints', Liddington           | Book of Common Prayer Service from 1962 and Holy Communion |
| Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> July 2025 | 10.30am | St Swithun's Church, Hinton Parva | Morning Worship                                            |

*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.*



## Dates for your Diary - July 2025

| Date                      | Event                              | Time    | Location                 |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|---------|--------------------------|
| Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> July  | Liddington Parish Council Meeting  | 7pm     | Liddington Village Hall  |
| Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> July  | Liddington Summer BBQ              | 6pm     | Liddington Village Hall  |
| Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> July  | Liddington Coffee Morning          | 10am    | Liddington Village Hall  |
| Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> July  | Gardening Club                     | 7pm     | Bishopstone Village Hall |
| Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> July | WI                                 | 7pm     | Bishopstone Village Hall |
| Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> July | Wanborough Primary School PTA Fete | 12.30pm | Wanborough School        |
| Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> July | Hinton Parva Village Fete          | 12 noon | Home Farm                |
| Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> July | Farmer's Market & Community Café   | 9am     | Wanborough Village Hall  |
| Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> July | Wanborough Parish Council Meeting  | 7pm     | Wanborough Village Hall  |

### In addition to the above dates

Wanborough Coffee morning every Thursday at 10.30am at The Brewer's Arms

Wanborough Toddler Group every Tuesday at 9.30am at Wanborough Village Hall

Liddington Art Club every Friday 2-4pm at Liddington Village Hall

Freedom Church 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month at 10.30am at Wanborough Village Hall

### Save the Date - Future events in the Benefice

| Date                                              | Event                                   | Time    | Location                |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------|-------------------------|
| Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> August 2025                  | Wanborough Show                         | 12 noon | Church Meadow           |
| Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup> Sept 2025 | Local Artists -Open Studio's            |         | Wanborough Village      |
| Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2025                    | Old Boilers – Wine Tasting Evening      |         | Wanborough Village Hall |
| Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2025                    | Swindon Half Marathon                   | 9am     |                         |
| Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2025                     | Old Boilers – Cardiff Xmas Markets Trip |         | Wanborough Village Hall |

*If you have a village event that you would like to advertise so that we can all save the date e-mail details to [lydenmagazine@gmail.com](mailto:lydenmagazine@gmail.com).*

## Prospect Hospice Quiz Night - Friday 30th May 2025

Thank you very much to all our Quiz teams and those who bought raffle tickets, for supporting our Prospect Hospice Quiz Night.

With your help we raised the tremendous amount of £3,045 for prospect Hospice.

Good luck to our Starlight Wanborough Wonders who will be walking for this cause on June 28th. We are very grateful for your support.

Best wishes from the Quiz and Raffle organisers.



### Save The Date

Local artists will be open as part of Swindon Open Studios on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 21st September.

More details to follow.

### Front Cover

This month's front cover was taken by Em Wood at Redlands Grove, a view from their home.

Please send photos that you would like to see on the front cover to - [Lydenmagazine@gmail.com](mailto:Lydenmagazine@gmail.com)



# WANBOROUGH FARMERS MARKET

## WANBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL

### COMMUNITY CAFE

9AM-12  
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#### Wanborough Farmers' Market

The next Farmers' Market is due to be held on Saturday 19th July 2025 at Wanborough Village Hall starting from 9am. Please come along and support this great facility in the village. There will be many stalls selling local produce in addition to the craft stalls.

Look forward to seeing you all there.

#### Community Café

Alternative Angels is a Swindon-based registered charity founded by three friends who understood the effects of housing instability.

From a small beginning in the Wyvern car park, Alternative Angels now welcomes approximately 100 of our community's homeless and most vulnerable members every Monday and Tuesday at the Pilgrim Centre, offering home cooked meals and snacks, a sense of community and assists in accessing essential services.

This is the charity we'll be supporting at the Community Café in July, so come down to the Farmers' Market on Saturday July 19th between 9am and 12 noon, you can have a hot drink and a slice of home-made cake – for a donation to our charity of the month.

We look forward to seeing you there!

And if you'd like to lend a hand to keep this going, please let me (Jo) or Lorna know, thank you!

Jo 07780 718880



#### Swindon Half Marathon - Sunday 28th September 2025

This year's half marathon will be held on a closed road route (shown on the map to the right), on Sunday 28th September 2025, starting at Coate Water at 9am.

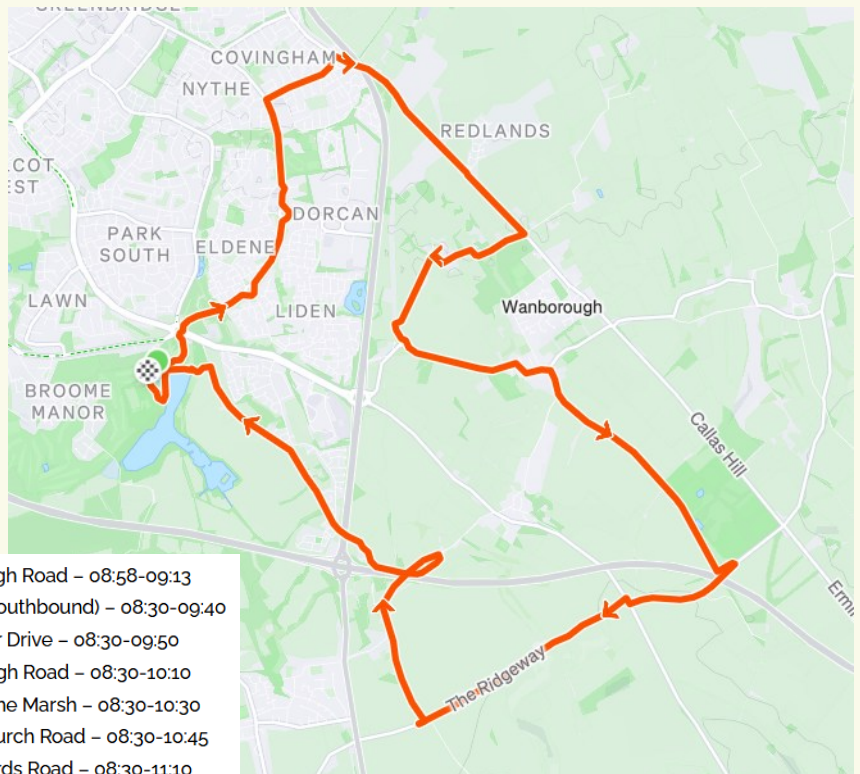
For further information and if you would like to enter the half marathon, details can be found on their website:-

[www.swindonhalf.co.uk](http://www.swindonhalf.co.uk)

There will be plenty of opportunities for Wanborough residents to watch the race as the route goes along Wanborough Road, turns into Burycroft & The Marsh then up Pack Hill, along Church Road, Ham Road and then up The Hollow.

Road closures will be:

Marlborough Road – 08:58-09:13  
Dorcan Way (Southbound) – 08:30-09:40  
Kingfisher Drive – 08:30-09:50  
Wanborough Road – 08:30-10:10  
Burycroft, The Marsh – 08:30-10:30  
Pack Hill, Church Road – 08:30-10:45  
King Edwards Road – 08:30-11:10



#### Liddington 100 Club

The winner for May - Vince Newman - Congratulations, Caroline



## Wanborough "War Book or Defence Scheme"

### Summary and Feedback.

The War Book provides a snapshot of life at a turbulent time in the history of Wanborough. Using the Book as a guide this series of articles has looked at the places and key characters who featured in the preparations at the Home Front to counter aerial attack and possible invasion. As May Archer noted in an article in the Lyden in April 2024: "*Wanborough was very important to the war effort*".

Much of the research is from the Census returns up to 1921. Unfortunately, the 1931 Census for England and Wales was destroyed by fire in 1942 and there was no census in 1941. However, the 1939 Register records details of the entire population. It included less detailed information than a census and was used to issue ID cards and ration books, and later to administer conscription with possible conscripts noted as "HEAVY WORKER"! From 1948 the Register was used by the NHS and entries updated, with change of name, until 1991 when the paper records were discontinued.

|                                |    |   |                       |   |                          |   |                         |              |
|--------------------------------|----|---|-----------------------|---|--------------------------|---|-------------------------|--------------|
| The Forge, Upper Wanborough    | 51 | 1 | Moss, Frederick -     | M | 27 <sup>th</sup> Aug 88  | M | Master Blacksmith       | HEAVY WORKER |
|                                |    | 2 | Moss, Anna M -        | F | 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct 91  | M | Unpaid Domestic Duties  |              |
| 15 to 47<br>176 D              |    | 3 | Moss, Maria F. -      | F | 14 <sup>th</sup> Aug 30  | S | At School               |              |
|                                |    | 4 | Costello, Charles N - | M | 5 <sup>th</sup> July 22  | S | General Builders Labour |              |
| The Vic, Upper Wanborough      | 52 | 1 | Blackwell, Thomas -   | F | 29 <sup>th</sup> May 91  | W | Unpaid Domestic Duties  |              |
| M                              |    | 2 | Brown, Marjorie -     | F | 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept 19 | S | Railway Clerk           |              |
| Prater House, Upper Wanborough | 53 | 1 | Miller, Edgar H. -    | M | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Aug 06   | S | Long Driver             | HEAVY WORKER |

This clip from the 1939 Register for Upper Wanborough shows Frederick Moss at The Forge opposite The Calley Arms and Edgar Miller at Prater House (now Hilltop in Kite Hill) are noted as HEAVY WORKERS and the names of Maria Moss and Marjorie Bown were updated to their married names.

Articles in the local papers give more background to events and concerns in Wanborough and **George Gibbs**, the Parish Clerk, submitted regular articles to the North Wilts Herald.

**WANBOROUGH**  
Correspondent: Mr. G. W. GIBBS.

George was born in Swindon and worked at GWR as a Messenger and then became a Telegraphist, but by the turn of the century the family had moved to 2 Burycroft Row and George worked as a Market Gardener. In 1971 George was honoured for 50 years' service as Parish Clerk by a plaque set into a local sarsen stone at Box Hedge, High Street, and was presented with an armchair and writing case. George made a donation for annual awards for outstanding performance at Wanborough Primary School which has been continued by the Parish Council. George died on 27<sup>th</sup> January 1972 and although the War Book gives no credit to who compiled it, with his knowledge of the arrangements being made through his work as Parish Clerk and his familiarity with parish residents George is a possible candidate for being the author.

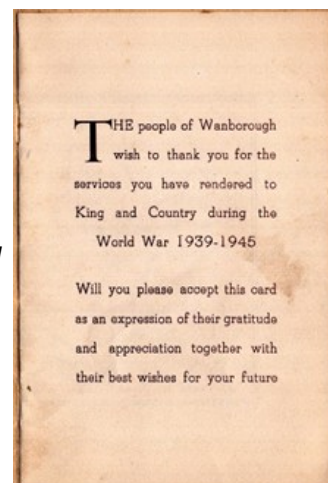
The official records show the basic information about the families and where they lived and news reports add the events and matters of concern, but they do not give any insight about the day to day life during a time of heightened tension and increased hardship caused by food shortages.

Thanks to the feedback from the previous articles information about daily life in Wanborough can now be added to the story. Because of the nature of their work some members of the Committee, the Vicar, the Schoolmaster and the Policeman, were only living at Wanborough for a relatively short time and had no family connections. Examples of the information received are:

The background of Rev. Ernest Milner Swift is recorded in news reports and ecclesiastical records but his wife Dora's niece paints a vivid picture as she recalls: "*My father Robert Ivor Jones, younger brother of Dora, emigrated to Argentina after WWI with a job with British Railways. After my father died I was only 9 and we came to the UK in 1946 but coming from Argentina where food was plentiful, food was rationed in the UK and I still have visions of Ernest slicing the loaf of bread very thinly and only giving me one slice! They both seemed to live, by my standards, a very strict life and I still think of living with them as living in Charles Dickens' era.*"

Similarly, the great grand-daughter of the Schoolmaster Eric Pittard provided news of Eric and Dorothy's daughter Rachael following her parent's death. However the early career of PC George Slater is not known and neither is his life after leaving Wanborough.

Several artefacts have come to light; Colin Hatch has an original photo of the Home Guard taken in front of The Brewers Arms, and a couple of copies of the welcome home card given to the men who



served have been found. Perhaps the most articles, guidance leaflets and even the gas masks from the Hinton family were saved when the loft at The Croft was cleared and saved by Richard Fisher.

It was interesting to learn that these Lyden articles have been cut out and filed in a copy of the Wanborough in Pictures book. Any missed articles can be found in the back issues of The Lyden magazine at the wanborough.info website and when all the new information has been added it is hoped that the extended articles will form a section about the Home Front in the story of Wanborough during WW2, and added to sections about:

The Men on the Memorial – details of the five men who lost their lives for our country and are remembered on the memorial plaque in St Andrew's church.

The Bevin Boys – the story of Jack Morse, the only known Bevin Boy from Wanborough.

The Military Landscape – details of the AA Gun Battery and camp at Redlands, the RAF airfield on Wanborough Plain, the Searchlights and the Observation Post on Liddington Hill which acted as an observation post for the AA Battery and control bunker for a Starfish Decoy.

That leaves one section outstanding, the men and women from Wanborough who served and returned. Elizabeth Wilson's book mentions "*ninety villagers served in the armed forces during WW2, five did not return*", so there are possibly 85 villagers to identify. Unfortunately the WW2 service records are not yet available online so if anyone has any connections with National Archives or knows a way to get this info please get in touch, and if you have any family anecdotes, artefacts or photos please get in touch so we can add to the story of Wanborough during WW2.

Dave Hayward. Email c/o: [lydenmagazine@gmail.com](mailto:lydenmagazine@gmail.com)

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## Liddington needs your support . . .



I'm hopping mad.

On 10 June, I gave a speech opposing a Bio Station at Commonhead roundabout, between the GW hospital and Liddington village. Gordon Wilson, more grounded than me, gave the technical speech. We had five minutes each to sway the councillors in Swindon Borough Council (SBC). Andrew Popplewell delivered a Parish council letter threatening a judicial review. Gary Sumner was superb, unflappable, to the point.

Despite our efforts, we lost.

I don't mind losing a fair fight, but this wasn't fair. It was contrived to get the approval under the radar. SBC sent out a few letters, we believe to those who opposed it a few years ago. Those letters arrived three days before the hearing. Even so, we got fifty villagers to attend, and we acquitted ourselves well:

*Three councillors voted against the motion and asked questions of the planners.*

*Six councillors never asked a question. Of those, 4 voted for the motion.*

*Two councillors abstained. They didn't like the application, so sat on their hands to mollify their conscience. They are gutless.*

Those who had no notice included the majority of Liddington, Upper Wanborough, Badbury Park and Liden. The Chair and CEO of GW Hospital knew nothing about it.

It was the first foray by Swindon Borough Council into an area of AONB (Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty). It was billed as a "green" win for the council. In fact, it turns out the station will provide 99.9% fossil fuel. We have a new word: *green-washing*.

The Bio Station will be seen from Liddington Hill, the Clump, Liddington Village, Ham Road, Ridgeway Road, by the

church in Upper Wanborough. It'll stand like a carbuncle, as King Charles said elsewhere, and when we go out at dusk, the setting sun will be eclipsed by the light from the Bio Station.

Polluting the skies with artificial light is an abomination. It disrupts circadian rhythms and sleep patterns, negatively affecting human health and increasing risk of diabetes, heart disease etc., a public health concern for Liden and Badbury Park close to the site.

And here's a gem. The architects of GW Hospital changed the plans so the windows in the wards faced the panorama around Liddington Hill. Very soon the patients will have a new view, light pollution from the Bio Station. But there's more . . .

Given the short distance to GW hospital from the Bio Station, a single lorry fire of toxic fumes with the possibility of an explosion of gas could have devastating consequences for nurses, doctors and patients. Imagine an evacuation with only one exit from the hospital, ambulances and cars in gridlock.

We'll be taking all of this to a judicial review.

There's a plaque on Liddington Hill dedicated to nature writers, Richard Jefferies and Alfred Williams. The view from that ancient site will be the Bio Station. Richard Jeffries wrote:

*Sweetly the summer air came up to the tumulus, the grass sighed softly, the butterflies went by, sometimes alighting on the green dome. Two thousand years! Stars, ruddy in the vapour of the southern horizon, beamed at midnight through the mystic summer night, which is dusky and yet full of light.*

What would he write now?

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## Liddington Parish Council



Three key topics were the focus of the June Parish Council meeting:

- **CNG BioGas Planning Application on Purley Road.** Cllr Sumner had called this into the Planning Committee on 10 June 25 as the Planning Officer was recommending approval. See additional update below.
- **Footpath Working Group.** Maurice Spillane provided an update on the work completed so far and a meeting with SBC to discuss future plans. Huge thanks to everyone who is helping clear the verge along Purley Road. It's already looking a lot better.
- **Traffic Calming on Purley Road.** The next step is for Cllr Sumner to send the data from the existing speed indicators to SBC and ask them to implement their own monitoring devices such that we can make the case for additional calming measures.

### CNG BioGas Application Update

More than 50 residents joined the Parish Council and Cllr Sumner at the SBC Civic Offices on 10 June to attend the Planning Committee meeting. The SBC Planning Officer was recommending to "Grant" permission of the application so we knew we had a fight on our hands.

Cllr Sumner, Cllr Wilson and Maurice Spillane presented the case for rejecting the application despite the meeting being a shambles. Some representatives on the Committee did an excellent job and it felt as though we were making progress, until it came to the vote. The application was approved by a majority of one. Given the application is now approved, the only option for us to prevent it happening is to instigate a judicial review. At the time of writing, we are taking external advice and will engage with residents in determining the best way forward. Thank you to everyone who has supported us so far. It really does make a difference.

We haven't forgotten about the Christmas Tree, the Bench on Purley Road that is falling apart or the sign opposite the pub that needs repair. We are a very small Parish Council team and there is a lot going on. If anyone would like to join us to share the load then we'd be delighted.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 2 July 2025 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall. Residents are welcome to attend. Please note that the section where the public can speak is to be held at 7.30pm. Alternatively if you would like to raise an issue or ask a question, please contact the Clerk via [parishclerk@liddingtonparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:parishclerk@liddingtonparishcouncil.gov.uk)

**Laura Evans, Clerk to Liddington Parish Council**

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### **Your Ridgeway Borough Councillor update from Gary Sumner**

**There is no Ridgeway Ward Surgery in July, but Danny Kruger MP and I will be at Redlands Grove on the 5<sup>th</sup> July at 12.00 to look at some resident's issues.**

**Bio Compressed Natural Gas HGV Refuelling Station:** On the 10<sup>th</sup> June I attended Planning Committee to speak against this highly inappropriate application on a greenfield site at the start of Purley Road in Liddington. This is within the 'National Landscape' (formerly known as the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty).

Having worked with residents we brought a very credible 60 residents to the meeting.

At the last minute the Planning Officer of the North Wessex Downs National Landscape Office submitted a highly damning letter of opposition as Swindon Borough Council has a legal duty to 'Conserve or Enhance' land within the area. This was not shared with Planning Members, nor was a letter from the Parish Council threatening a Judicial Review.

I insisted these were relevant and shared so the meeting was paused whilst they were printed and circulated and then after 15 minutes the Head of Planning read out the contents for the benefit of residents and the committee members.

The planning officer said he had considered the alleged 'green benefits' of bio gas as more important than the National Landscape. In my view he used the 'tilted balance' incorrectly. For information the site needs a connection to the gas grid as bio fuel is created elsewhere in the country and fed into the grid. 99% of the gas in the grid is fossil fuel.

I spoke strongly against the proposal, as did the Parish Council and a resident. The committee then considered the application and three of my colleagues tabled a motion to refuse the application. This was not supported by the other members, and they voted to approve.

Sadly, this was passed. The Parish Council have now instructed Planning Agents and are taking advice from a barrister on a Judicial Review.

**Please call me on 07855957133 or email: [gary@ridgewayvillages.co.uk](mailto:gary@ridgewayvillages.co.uk)**



## BISHOPSTONE WITH HINTON PARVA WI

Suddenly it was the middle of June and that meant it was time for the annual Flower and Handicraft Show which was held in Bishopstone Hall. The local WI have kept the tradition of an annual show going for a long time and are very proud to be one of the few WI's that still host something like this.

This is an opportunity for WI Members to showcase their many varied talents and skills whether it be baking, knitting, painting, craft, flower arranging or photography. This year's floral art classes included 'A table decoration to celebrate Wimbledon' and 'An Arrangement based on a Book Title'. Photography classes varied from 'A Room with a View' to 'Happiness'. The creativity and ingenuity of our members never fails to impress!

Bishopstone school are also included in the show and this year the theme for the KS2 entries was pets. These exhibits were all stunning. KS1 pupils submitted some fabulous paintings all in lovely bright colours.....members of the wider school community came along at the end of the day to view all the entries.

Entries were judged in the afternoon, and in the evening there was an 'Open House' for Members, family, friends and other visitors. This was a chance for everybody to see who the winners were and to agree (or disagree!) with the judges! The cups and trophies were given out and the President thanked everybody for all their hard work.

The evening concluded with with an auction and a raffle. As always there was some fierce bidding during the auction.....it's always interesting to see who goes home with the most cake or who goes home with a bunch of herbs at an inflated price!!

The next meeting is on **July 10th** at **Bishopstone Hall**. There will be a talk on **E-safety and Protecting Yourself from Scams** given by **Paul Dykstra** from **Ability Net**. As this is of general interest, visitors are welcome to join us. It would be helpful to let Jan Chapple know on [janatwan@icloud.com](mailto:janatwan@icloud.com) if you would like to come along.

**The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. and doors open at 7:00 p.m.**



Liddington Village Hall



# Summer Family BBQ

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July, 6:00pm  
at the Village Hall

Barbecue – Licensed  
Bar – Raffle

Adults: £10 Children: £5 Family: £25

Tickets must be pre-booked from:  
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Matthew Bowman S. 791401  
John Mathieson S. 791396  
or email [lvhbookings@liddington.org](mailto:lvhbookings@liddington.org)

Blue badge and limited other parking at Village Hall

SAVE THE DATE!

# HINTON PARVA VILLAGE FETE

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BISHOPSTONE WITH HINTON PARVA



# WANBOROUGH JUNIOR FC

## NEWS



As another exciting season comes to a close, Wanborough Wasps Junior FC takes a moment to celebrate the incredible journey of our young players, coaches, and volunteers. From the first whistle to the last, this season has been filled with skill, determination, and an unwavering spirit of sportsmanship.

Across all age groups, progress has been remarkable. Our Under-7s, Under-8 Girls, and Under-9 Girls stepped into competitive play for the first time, showing enthusiasm and continuous improvement. Meanwhile, our Under-12s through Under-16s faced league challenges head-on, demonstrating resilience, teamwork, and a growing tactical awareness. A special mention goes to the young referees who earned their qualifications this year, displaying confidence, leadership, and a passion for the game that extends beyond playing.

None of this would be possible without the dedication of our coaches, referees, parents, and committee volunteers. Their tireless efforts ensure that every player has the opportunity to develop both on and off the pitch, fostering a true sense of community within the club.

A heartfelt thank-you also goes to our kit sponsors, whose generosity allows our players to take to the field with pride and confidence. Their support strengthens the club's identity and reinforces the values of teamwork and unity that define Wanborough Wasps Junior FC.

Looking ahead, our annual AGM will soon provide a platform to celebrate the season's highlights, acknowledge standout performances, and recognize top goal scorers, most improved players, and those who have exemplified the true spirit of fair play. Of course, the much-anticipated coaches vs. parents game promises to be another memorable occasion!

As we prepare for the 2025/2026 season starting in September, excitement is high. With a full complement of teams from Under-7 through to Under-18, Wanborough Junior FC now welcomes over 250 young players into the world of football. Here's to another fantastic season ahead, bring on the next season!



We are always on the lookout for new players with a love of football to join our squads ready for next season. We are currently recruiting for additional players in the following age groups: -

25/26 U7's - Current Year 1's  
25/26 U11's - Current Year 5's  
25/26 U14's - Current Year 8's  
25/26 U16's - Current Year 10's

Interested? Contact [secretary@wanboroughwasps.com](mailto:secretary@wanboroughwasps.com) and come along for a taster.



# UEFA WOMEN'S EURO 2025

All the Lionesses at the club are eagerly anticipating the UEFA Women's EURO 2025 which kicks off in Switzerland soon. Hopefully, the England Lionesses will make it all the way. One thing we are sure of is that we will be spoilt with local Village pub offerings matches throughout, with initial group matches being on:

- **Saturday 5th July**  
France v England
- **Wednesday 9th July**  
England v Netherlands
- **Sunday 13th July**  
England v Wales



## WANBOROUGH TENNIS CLUB

Discount for new members joining during Wimbledon (see below).

We have lots going on at the club to suit all levels and we have some very exciting news about our brilliant coach, Becky. She has just been selected along with seven other coaches in the country to go to one of the best under 12 events in the World being held in France in October. This is in recognition of her impact on British tennis. We are very lucky to have her as the Wanborough Club coach where she runs group sessions (beginners, intermediate and match play), cardio tennis and individual coaching. There is also regular social play, rusty rackets, walking tennis and pay and play.

And there is more good news. Our under 10 team of Lowri, James, Freya and Daisy won the Wiltshire team event in Royal Wootton Bassett last month so many congratulations to them.

We're hoping that lots of people are inspired by Wimbledon and we are offering a 10% membership discount if you apply during the Wimbledon fortnight – Monday 30th June until Sunday 13th July.

Please contact Wendy Broughton [wanboroughmembers@gmail.com](mailto:wanboroughmembers@gmail.com) for details.

We would love to welcome new members of all age and level. Do take a look at the website if you're interested in joining. All the information is here : <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/WanboroughTennisClub/Membership/Join>. We are looking forward to seeing past, present and new members on court.

We held a fun Open Day a few weeks ago with lots of tennis and an introduction to pickleball. If anyone is interested in pickleball do contact the club and if there is a group who would like to get it going, the club would be very happy to support with things like marking out the court.

And an update on our used tennis balls. We aren't able to recycle them any more, so we have donated them to two local schools.

**Coming up:** The club is hosting a number of Wiltshire Tennis Junior WTC tournaments over the summer and everyone is welcome to pop down to watch the very high standard of play. On 16th August the Under 18s will be competing at 9am.

Becky will be running summer camps on the dates below. 10 – 3pm with drop off from 9.30am. £25 for members and £27 for non members. Please contact Becky direct to book your places [beckyprince@live.co.uk](mailto:beckyprince@live.co.uk)

- 28/29/30th July
- 4/5/6th August
- 18/19/20th August







## WANBOROUGH PETANQUE CLUB UPDATE

### Bienvenue to Hooper's Field Terrain

Our club is affiliated with Pétanque England and we are now ready to start recruiting members for the season running through to 31 March 2026.

The yearly subs are **£20 for a single player** and **£40 for all members of a household**. If you could please pay using the bank details below and enter your name as the reference.

Bank details as follows : Wanborough Pétanque Club , 50784386 , 23-05-80.

If you could then email Mark the names and contact details of the players you have paid for I can start to build a membership database. Thankyou so much - please use the following email address: [treasurer@wanboroughpc.co.uk](mailto:treasurer@wanboroughpc.co.uk)

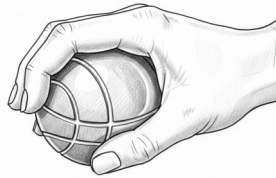
### Coach Tip - Throwing A Boule

Lee is a Pétanque England qualified coach with DBS clearance and many years experience in competition play.

Pétanque can be played by **ALL ages and physical ability**. The technique described is coached for the most reliable outcome. However, players can adapt as there is no rule restriction on throwing a boule, coaching will help along with practice for improvement where the following seems unnatural initially.

- **Holding The Boule:**

With the boule resting in the palm of the hand, try to keep all four fingers together and the thumb resting on the side (not underneath). When softly gripping the boule you should now be able to turn your hand over so it does not drop to the ground. Please refer to the June article if the boule is too large or heavy, if not possible!



- **Swing**

Holding the boule palm down, knuckles horizontal at eye level when fully stretched you can now slowly swing back like a pendulum, The wrist bends backwards before descending towards the line you started from.



- **Release**

As the swing goes above eye level the hand should open with the four fingers still together and pointing up to create a backspin. The speed should be natural and physics will want you to let go!

- **Eyes:**

When looking at the landing spot when pointing or the bottom of the target boule when shooting this will keep your head position relatively still, all movement should be in the arm swing.

- **Stance:**

Ideally you are practicing from a 50cm wide circle, the throwing arm should force that same foot to point where aiming and slightly forward than back foot. A small knee bend will help to secure the feet, the actual rule is both need to be on the ground until the boule stops.



### Diary Dates (latest news will be posted on social media)

- Tues 4pm Coaching
- Thurs 10am Melee (Doubles/Triples turn up and play)
- Sat 9:30 am Coaching
- Sat 10:30 am Melee (Doubles/Triples turn up and play)
- Western Cup Shield at Cirencester WON next round in

July, final date to be confirmed.

- Cotswold League - 20th July at 10.30am, home match
- Quiz Night Fundraiser TBC

For those using the terrain and unsure of the rules they can be found on the Club website [www.wanboroughpc.com](http://www.wanboroughpc.com)

*Vince Witts* (Chair)

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## Keen on Model Railways and Modelling?

Ramsbury and District Model Railway Club are a recently formed club, located in a rural setting near Ramsbury, Marlborough, Wiltshire with a permanent clubroom.

Members are currently building a heritage exhibition layout in OO gauge, with plans to also build N gauge and 009-gauge layouts.

Whether you are an experienced model maker, just starting out or considering building a model railway, please come and join us for a cuppa and a chat.

We are a friendly bunch and meet every Saturday 9 am – 1 pm and Tuesday evening 6.30 pm - 9 pm.

For more information, please visit [rdmrc.co.uk](http://rdmrc.co.uk) or email, [info@rdmrc.co.uk](mailto:info@rdmrc.co.uk)

At rdmrc we believe that building a strong and supportive community is the key to our success.

## Bishopstone and District Gardening Club

At the meeting in June we welcomed **Timothy Walker** whose talk was entitled **"A Blaze of Glory: Making Your Garden Colourful in Autumn."**

Timothy worked at the University of Oxford Botanical Garden & Harcourt Arboretum, firstly as Director, and during his time the OBGHA won 4 gold medals at the Chelsea Flower Show. He is now a lecturer in plant Sciences at Somerville College Oxford, Pembroke College and Hertford College.

Timothy took us on a virtual tour of the world with photos of a host of plants and trees which will thrive here giving an amazing array of colour during the autumn, that season when the leaves change colour and begin to fall. He explained that we are fortunate in our climate that we can grow plants from almost anywhere in the world to enhance the colours in our gardens in the late season and through the winter.

He took us to Japan with its incredible slope of intense colour shown off by the green foliage and the late flowering Fatsia giving nectar for the insects followed by berries for the birds.

Then on to China, through Europe and down to South Africa and another beautiful array of colour and foliage. Across to the American continent and Chile, Mexico, and up the west coast of America where we find the Californian Holly, the plant that inspired the name of Hollywood and hence those famous letters above the town in the forested hillside.

From there to the East Coast and the familiar colours of the Virginia Cornus before heading back to Europe and the Algarve where we find the Arbutus or Strawberry Tree.

Back in Britain we have our own native colourful trees and shrubs including the Hornbeam and Sea Buckthorn.

Timothy is passionate about the variety of plants, their colours of flowers and foliage as well as the variations of texture and shapes which can give contrast and form to enhance our gardens. Autumn need not be a dull time as we have so many options and "Plants that Die Well": those that create striking seed heads and structures to add interest as they become dormant.

His entertaining talk was full of enthusiasm and anecdotes making it a very enjoyable and uplifting evening.



### Diary Dates

**Wednesday 9th July : Bishopstone Village Hall 7pm : David Cramp ( from RSPB Gloucestershire)**

**"Swifts, Swallows and Martins"** A talk about our treasured summer visitors

**Wednesday 19th September: Clare Mitchel "The Garden Editor"**

**"Climate Change and Gardening : What Does It All Mean?"**

Everyone is welcome at the meetings, a one off charge for the night or £10 for a year's membership. Come along, enjoy a complimentary cup of tea or coffee, meet the members and enjoy some fascinating talks.

**Marion Peck, 01793 791001**



## Wanborough Scarecrow Trail

**We are pleased to announce that the total raised at this year's trail was £2,380!**

This total has been distributed as follows:

Wanborough School PTA (in recognition of our use of the school premises): **£200.**

1st Wanborough Scout Group: **£1,090.**

Wiltshire & Bath Air Ambulance: **£1,090.**

### The Prize Winners

Out of all the trail sheets that were returned, there were only 4 who got all 45 answers correct

The four were all put into a draw and the winners pulled out by Wanborough Squirrels (the youngest section of 1st Wanborough Scouts)

**1st prize: £150 Amazon Voucher:**

**Lucian Kociuba - Wanborough**

**2nd prize: £100 Amazon Voucher:**

**Lorna Dyton - Swindon**

**3rd prize: £50 Amazon Voucher:**

**Wendy Broughton - Wanborough**

**Children's Activity Sheet: £50 Smyth's Toy Voucher:**

**Logan Davidson**

**Favourite Scarecrow prize: £50 Hobbcraft Voucher:**

**The Beatles: number 19**

**A Big thank you to everyone who helped make this event another success.**







# Wanborough Beer

## A record-breaking 7th Wanborough Beer & Cider Festival.

The Old Boilers and the New Calley Arms were delighted to host what turned out to be a record beer and cider festival, with 20 real ales from as far afield as Sheffield, Barnsley, Worksop Notts, Nuneaton, and Burton Upon Trent, to name a few.

'Taxi For Elon' was voted the favourite sponsor name, a collaborated ale produced by Hop Kettle and Broad Town Breweries, a 7.3% Abv IPA.

The New Calley Arms did an amazing job serving large quantities of typical festival food, paellas, pizzas, burgers, and hot dogs.

**Save the dates;** Friday 26th September - Wine Tasting evening in the Village Hall

And coach trip to Cardiff Christmas Market - Saturday 29th November.

## 7th Wanborough Beer & Cider Festival – Results

### FASTEST SELLING BEERS

| SPONSOR                            | SPONSOR'S BEER NAME  | BREWERY                          | BREWERY BEER     | STYLE & ABV              |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Dave Gay, South West Fasteners  | Bolt out of the Blue | Kettlesmith, Bradford-on-Avon    | Mission Bay      | Rice Pilsner 4.7%        |
| 2. Mike Thompson                   | Taxi For Elon        | Hop Kettle & Broad Town          | Brothers in Arms | Strong Hazy DDH IPA 7.3% |
| 3. Roy Swapan, The Burj Restaurant | Burj Bhaji Brew      | Burton Bridge, Burton Upon Trent | No Half Measures | Speciality Red Ale 4.5%  |

### FASTEST SELLING CIDERS

| SPONSOR                  | SPONSOR'S CIDER NAME        | CIDER FARM         | CIDER NAME  | STYLE & ABV                   |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Linda Harrison        | Lind's Lovely Jubbly Cider  | Lilley's Somerset  | Pina Colada | Pineapple, Rum & Coconut 3.4% |
| 2. Lotmead Pick Your Own | Lotmead Luscious Strawberry | Broad oak Somerset | Strawberry  | Sweet, Fruit Cider 4.0%       |

### CUSTOMER'S FAVOURITE BEER

| SPONSOR                           | SPONSOR'S BEER NAME  | BREWERY                         | BREWERY BEER     | STYLE & ABV             |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Roy Swapan The Burj            | Burj Bhaji Brew      | Burton Bridge Burton Upon Trent | No Half Measures | Speciality Red Ale 4.5% |
| 2. Shaun King, Byrne & King       | The Stumbler         | Acorn, Barnsley, Yorks          | Gorluka          | Imperial Stout 6.0%     |
| 3. Chris & Romo Palmer            | Chrispos Collapso    | Welbeck Abbey, Worksop, Notts   | Saint James      | Strong Golden Ale 5.3%  |
| 3. Dave Gay, South West Fasteners | Bolt out of the Blue | Kettlesmith, Bradford-on-Avon   | Mission Bay      | Rice Pilsner 4.7%       |

### CUSTOMER'S FAVOURITE CIDER

| SPONSOR                                     | SPONSOR'S CIDER NAME       | CIDER FARM         | CIDER NAME  | STYLE & ABV                     |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Linda Harrison                           | Lind's Lovely Jubbly Cider | Lilley's Somerset  | Pina Colada | Pineapple, Rum & Coconut 3.4%   |
| 2. Jenny Thompson, Jen's Elegant Nails      | Hair of the Dog            | Mates, Wiltshire   | Linnet      | Sweet, Rhubarb Cider 5.6%       |
| 2. Alex Hornby, Richard James, Estate Agent | Itsy Bitsy Cider           | Lilley's, Somerset | Crazy Goat  | Medium Sweet Cider & Perry 6.8% |





# Festival 2025



## CUSTOMER'S FAVOURITE BEER NAMES

| SPONSOR                     | SPONSOR'S BEER NAME                   | BREWERY                       | BREWERY BEER     | STYLE & ABV                      |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Mike Thompson            | <b>Taxi For Elon</b>                  | Hop Kettle & Broad Town       | Brothers in Arms | Strong Hazy DDH IPA 7.3%         |
| 2. Dick Mattick             | <b>Prostate Pickler</b>               | Neepsend, Sheffield, Yorks    | Blonde           | Blond Session Ale 4.0%           |
| 3 Russel Evans & Tom Foxton | <b>Top Shelf Second From The Left</b> | Welbeck Abbey, Worksop, Notts | 43 South         | New Zealand Hopped Pale Ale 4.3% |
| 3. Rev, Bill O'Connell      | <b>Ale Mary</b>                       | Abbeydale, Sheffield, Yorks   | Daily Bread      | Traditional English Bitter 3.8%  |

## CUSTOMER'S FAVOURITE CIDER NAMES

| SPONSOR                        | SPONSOR'S CIDER NAME              | CIDER FARM             | CIDER NAME  | STYLE & ABV                   |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Linda Harrison              | <b>Lind's Lovely Jubbly Cider</b> | Lilley's Somerset      | Pina Colada | Pineapple, Rum & Coconut 3.4% |
| 2.. Warren Cook, Save On Tyres | <b>This Old Tyre</b>              | Dunkertons, Cheltenham | Black Fox   | Medium Dry Cider 6.0%         |





# 69th Wanborough Beer Run 2025



**Annie Riggiero**  
**1st Lady**



**Sam Crossley**  
**Fancy Dress Winner**



**Sarah Chew**  
**2nd Lady**



**Julie Viret**  
**3rd Lady & 1st Vet Lady**

| Place | Name           |   | Running for: |
|-------|----------------|---|--------------|
| 1.    | Matt Raymond   | M | Cross Keys   |
| 2.    | Richard Martin | M | The Plough   |
| 3.    | Nicolas Bell   | M | The Brewers  |
| 4.    | Harry Lowe     | M | The Harrow   |
| 5.    | Sam Jone       | M | The Harrow   |
| 6..   | Nigel Farrelly | M | Calley Arms  |
| 7.    | Tyler Kleiff   | M | Calley Arms  |
| 8.    | Cameron Brown  | M | The Plough   |
| 9.    | Haydon Aynes   | M | The Harrow   |
| 10.   | Ross Tremlin   | M | Cross Key    |
| 11.   | Jon Beeden     | M | Calley Arms  |
| 12.   | Annie Riggiero | F | Calley Arms  |
| 13.   | Tim Greenway   | M | Calley Arms  |
| 14.   | Sarah Chew     | F | The Brewers  |
| 15.   | Guy Morse      | M | Calley Arms  |
| 16.   | Steve Lowe     | M | The Harrow   |
| 17.   | Stuart Skeates | M | Black Horse  |
| 18.   | Julie Viret    | F | The Harrow   |
| 19.   | Adrian Bell    | M | The Brewers  |
| 20.   | Andy Pinnell   | M | Calley Arms  |

Above are the results of the first 20 runners out of a total of 61 who took part. Well done to all. A big thanks to everyone who came along to support and take part in the 69th Wanborough Beer Run, to all the many people out, and the weather just about behaving itself.

Thanks also to all the marshalls for keeping everyone safe & all the traffic moving, and to Jo for the beer. Special thanks to everyone at The Harrow, The Brewers Arms, The Cross Keys, The New Calley Arms, and the Old Boilers & Nigel at the Old Black Horse for their continued support and for Beer. It will be the 70th run next year & this event couldn't continue for so long without this kind of support. Hopefully see you all again next year, with the **Start/Finish from The Brewers Arms**.



# Beer Run



**Richard Martin**  
**2nd Place**

|  | Time  |
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|  | 14.26 |
|  | 15.25 |
|  | 15.45 |
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|  | 20.17 |
|  | 20.21 |
|  | 20.39 |
|  | 20.45 |
|  | 21.08 |
|  | 21.27 |



**Matt Raymond**  
**Overall Winner**



**Nicolas Bell**  
**3rd Place**



**Steve Lowe**  
**1st Vet Male**



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Photos taken by John Henshall



## Puzzle of the Month - July 2025

We are pleased to confirm that **The Brewer's Arms** Pub have agreed to sponsor the "Puzzle of the month" for 2025 and are offering a £25 Amazon voucher to the winning person each month. Please complete the puzzle below, take a picture of your answers and send them to [Lydenmagazine@gmail.com](mailto:Lydenmagazine@gmail.com) by **14th July 2025**. In the event of more than 1 correct answer received, the winner will be drawn out of a hat - good luck!

**Winner and answers will be provided in next month's Lyden**

T H G I N K U T I R W K N  
T W C G N O P N L I C T E  
C G R O W R T C G I H M G  
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N N U I K G M B G M E M W  
I M N N E E I N L T L B B  
B M A M N F G T I K R I M  
E V A M U P A A M N A T O  
E E M L S T N N N I N H B  
C M N A I N U G B F G G P  
O I L K M G B A U E H U S  
I M S I G N N B M I L A A

This month's puzzle is a wordsearch

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Autumn  
Bomb  
Column  
Comb  
Feign  
Gnarled  
Gnat  
Gnaw

Gnome  
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Indict  
Knave  
Knee  
Knife  
Knight  
Limb  
Limn

Malign  
Mnemonic  
Numb  
Psalm  
Ptarmigan  
Sign  
Thumb  
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Wrong

THE BREWERS ARMS  
WANBOROUGH

June's Winner

Jean Ash

Well Done

Solutions for June's puzzle

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
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| 6 | 1 | 5 | 9 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 8 |
| 9 | 4 | 8 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 5 | 3 |
| 1 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 3 | 8 | 9 | 4 | 2 |
| 2 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 9 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 7 |

Well done to everyone who submitted correct answers. Winner was drawn out of a hat. If you didn't win this month please try again!



The Brewer's Arms

Our outside play area is now complete so come and see us and let the children have some fun outside while the adults enjoy a catch up!

Our main menu is now available for takeaway, collection and delivery to wanborough and redlands is available.

Finally, our offer of the month is a special pizza which will change weekly and cocktail for only £13.95 (eating in only available Wednesday and Thursday evening)

To book at table:-

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E-mail - [enquiries@brewers-arms.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@brewers-arms.co.uk)

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## Wanborough Parent & Toddlers

### Holiday Tots!

Wanborough Toddlers are going to be meeting each week during the school holidays.

Many of us find it's harder to keep our babies and toddlers entertained during the school holidays, because lots of other groups close, and attractions can get really busy and expensive! So it's nice to keep our group going.

School-aged siblings are welcome to come along, as well as any little ones who are usually at preschool/nursery in term time. We're planning a few different activities for the older children, alongside all the toys and crafts for the babies and toddlers.

When the weather allows, we like to go out in the lovely garden area with shaded patio. Please bring hats and sun cream, and a change of clothes and towel if it's warm enough for water play!

We meet on Tuesday mornings, 9.30-11.30am at the village hall. It's £2.50 per child, which includes a selection of snacks (card payments preferred please). We're a very relaxed group, and you can pop in any weeks and any time that suits you, with no need to book. Parents, grandparents and carers welcome - hot drinks provided, and a chance for a chat while the little ones play!

### Swap shop!!

On 5th August, we're planning to hold a swap shop of baby and young children's clothes and toys. Everyone is welcome to bring donations and take away anything you can make use of.

Feel free to contact us if you can't make it and would like to arrange a donation, or if there's something we can try to put aside for you to collect later. It's a lovely way to help each other out! Anything leftover will be taken to charity shops.

Have a look at our Facebook page for more details, or if you have any questions, you can email [Wanboroughtoddlers@gmail.com](mailto:Wanboroughtoddlers@gmail.com)

**Wanborough Toddlers**



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## Lyden Magazine – July Issue – Wanborough Primary School

**Reception:** The focus in term 5 was 'All creatures big and small'. First, we learnt all about dinosaurs and even had a 7-foot dinosaur visit our classroom leaving footprints and a golden egg behind! We created different dinosaur art on the iPads and learnt all about herbivores and carnivores. Next, we learnt about minibeasts. We had a special delivery of some caterpillars that we carefully observed as they went through their life cycle from caterpillars to chrysalis until, finally, emerging as butterflies. It was magical to be able to release them into the wild! We went on our own minibeast hunt around the school and used our learning to create minibeast fact files. We were also very excited to see three fox cubs emerging from under our classroom (where they had made their home) into the fenced off area of long grass.

**Year 1:** In Term 5, Conker Class were learning about the UK, finding out the countries that make up the UK and their capital cities. They enjoyed looking at a variety of resources such as maps, atlases and globes to find the UK, and understanding it's place within the world. In English, they looked at narratives and used the classic tale 'The Enormous Turnip' for our writing inspiration. The children eventually ended up inventing and writing their own version of the story; there was everything from an enormous drake, to a cow, an acorn, cake and a dress! It was great to see such creativity from all the children. In Art, we learnt about British land artist Andy Goldsworthy who uses the natural world to create his works. As well as in class, the children produced some lovely homework inspired by his art, and our unit culminated in the children creating their final piece using sand.

**Year 2:** Last term, Pinecone Class were learning about pirates. We found out about some pirates from history such as Blackbeard and Anne Bonney. We also read some stories about a pirate family called the Jolley-Rogers, and wrote a diary entry from the perspective of one of the main characters in the story. In Art, we learnt how to use clay to make different shapes and we created some gold coins and a parrot. In the final week of the term, we had a Pirate Day where the children and teachers all dressed in pirate clothing and we made pirate hats, necklaces and decorated cakes with a pirate theme. In Science, we learnt about different materials and how they are used. We learnt about their properties and why different materials are used for different purposes. We also looked at materials that are recycled and why recycling is important. What a busy term!

**Year 3:** In Term 5 we created our unique, beautiful, drip-paintings in the style of Jackson Pollock. Similar to the artist, we also put our canvas (sheet) on the floor and completed different splattering, dripping and flicking techniques to complete our work of art. In History, we learnt all about Egyptians and explored what their day in a life might have been like. We also wrote amazing non-chronological reports all about Ancient Egypt focusing on the mummification process, pyramids and the River Nile.



We also had the fantastic opportunity to go swimming at Dorcan swimming pool as well.

**Year 4:** Last term in Willow Class, the children began their Design and Technology learning about Ancient Greek vases. The children developed their clay-sculpting skills, focusing on slip and scoring, edging and thumb-gorging. After their skills lessons, the children designed, constructed and painted their own Greek pots illustrated with Ancient Greek mythological creatures. In Science, the children were learning about the digestive system and why it is important to look after your body. The children were able to recognise the body parts in the system and discuss their functions. They completed a touch-discovery lesson, where they felt the small and large intestines, the oesophagus, stomach, liver and the rectum (all parts were made up of different sweets, water or everyday materials). The children were fascinated and grossed out at the same time!

**Year 5:** Elm Class started their new topic '*The Natural World*' which began with sessions exploring the structure of a river. In the following session, the children identified rivers of the UK and wider world, using an atlas to locate the rivers. Once located, the children then identified the source of the river; the towns through which it passed; and the mouth of the river. Towards the end of the term, Year 5 spent a day up at the Coleshill Estate as part of the '*Earth Summit*' where the children engaged with a range of activities and workshops about the environment and sustainability. In Science, the children looked at different processes of reproduction in plants and explored the lifecycles of mammals, birds and insects - we even had some caterpillars metamorphosing in the classroom! Our art sessions last term focused on *Vincent van Gogh*. The children explored *Starry Night* and recreated it with oil pastels, before creating their own abstract prints. Year 5 participated in weekly swimming lessons at Dorcan Leisure Centre.

**Year 6:** Term 5 was a busy one for Oak Class as they completed their end of primary school national SATs tests. They worked extremely hard and made everyone at the school very proud. In the wider curriculum, time was spent studying the Maya civilisation and what life was like for these people. Year 6 then designed, made and painted Maya masks from clay. Auditions and preliminary rehearsals started for the end of year musical production.

### Whole School

**Debating:** Our school debating team, made up of four Year 5 pupils competed in the Blue Kite Trust Debating Competition final at Lethbridge Primary School. The team returned victorious with gold medals after coming in first place.

**VE day:** To commemorate the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Victory in Europe, children dressed in red, white and blue and undertook various activities in their classes.

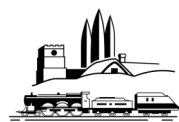
**PTA Disco:** The PTA held another very successful disco for KS2 where the draw of sweets and the bar was equal to the dancing!

**Music:** We listened to Eurovision music from across the ages.

If you would like to know if we have places available in certain year groups, please contact the school office for further information on 01793 790269 [admin@wanborough.bluekitetrust.org](mailto:admin@wanborough.bluekitetrust.org)

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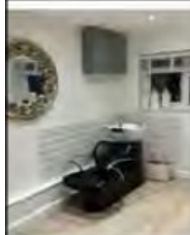
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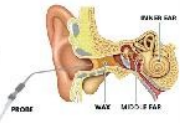
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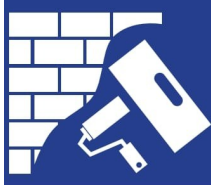
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In my experience, A garden full of plants and shrubs that are as self-sufficient as possible is the easiest to maintain. It's right back to 'Right plant, right place' principles with less need for watering, pruning, deadheading and weeding. Prioritise what you most enjoy, it could be vegetable gardening or colourful seasonal pots and make the rest of your garden quick to manage with these ideas:

- Swap high maintenance plants like Dahlias and Roses for easy long flowering perennials or evergreen shrubs.
- Use mulch, such as gravel or bark chippings to keep weeds down and retain water.
- Choose reliable plants, look for those with an RHS Award of Garden Merit that suit your gardens soil and aspect.
- Avoid bare patches of soil, fill them with ground cover plants to suppress weeds and brighten your borders.
- Lawns are beautiful but can be incredibly labour intensive so you might like to swap or reduce your lawn and embrace a gravel garden full of drought tolerant planting.

A final thought: Large containers dry out more slowly than small ones so go big, plant an interesting shrub or small tree that will stay in the pot all year and surround it with smaller plants or bulbs of seasonal interest.

**Plant Spotlight:** Four useful evergreen Ground Cover plants that tolerate shade:

***Pachysandra terminalis* (Japanese spurge)** forms a dense, evergreen carpet of shiny, serrated leaves, with tiny white flowers in May and June. It provides ground cover under trees and shrubs and does well in dry shade **H x S:** 25cm x 60cm

***Epimediums* (also known as barrenwort or bishop's hat)** have heart-shaped evergreen leaves and delicate, nodding flowers in spring. They make good ground cover plants under shrubs or trees in a shady spot. They look lovely planted with hellebores and other spring-flowering plants. For the best results, grow epimediums in dappled shade and cut back to near ground level in late winter to enjoy the spring flowers. **H x S:** from 30cm x 30cm

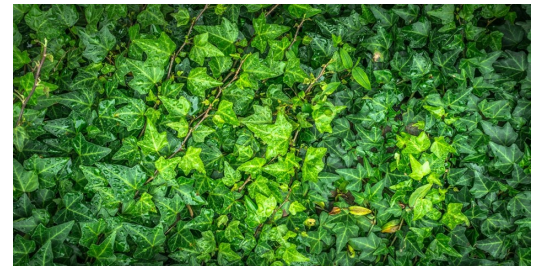
***Brunnera macrophylla* 'Jack Frost'** is an attractive evergreen ground cover plant with eye-catching heart-shaped silver foliage with dark green veins. It is perfect for brightening a shady spot. In April and May, it bears pretty blue flowers that look like forget-me-nots and are attractive to bees. Grow in moist, well-drained soil in shade. **H x S:** 45cm x 60cm

***Vinca minor*.** The pretty flowers of Lesser Periwinkle give a long season of interest under trees. 'Gertrude Jekyll' is a compact variety with pure white flowers and evergreen leaves, ideally for brightening shady areas. Cut back any unwanted shoots in spring to prevent it covering too large an area. Flowers: April to September

**The Potting Shed:** Things to do in June & July

- Deadhead bedding plants and repeat flowering perennials
- Pick courgettes before they become marrows!
- Start picking tomatoes as they ripen and continue to remove side shoots, feed and water.
- Clear algae, blanket weed and debris from ponds
- Don't worry if your lawn goes brown, it will soon bounce back when we have rain.

**Happy Gardening!**



### CHISELDON LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 16th July 2025 in the Church Hall, Butts Rd, SN4 0NN at 7.30 p.m. The subject is "Chiseldon Memories – a Magic Lantern Show" with David Bailey. Chiseldon Local History Group has a large number of photographs of the village and surrounding areas in our archive. Some of these are in slide format. David will present an evening running through a selection of these using a traditional slide projector. This in itself will bring about memories of yesteryear! Please come along and see what we have in our archive. We will welcome contributions from anyone in the audience who can recall the people and locations that appear in the slides. Perhaps we will be able to add to some of the information that we have!

Membership subscriptions are £20 per year, with the subscription year starting in October. Visitor fees for non-members are £5 per meeting. The schedule is published on the website (see below).

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#### Chiseldon Museum

The museum is now open for the summer season and will then be open on every Saturday afternoon from 2 to 4 pm until the end of September. The museum can be found at Old Chapel, Butts Road, Chiseldon, SN4 0NN. New displays this year include an archaeological map of the area, a look back at the Spearhead festival held in the village in 1975 and exhibits to mark the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day. The display featuring the railway has also been revamped to include a "then and now" section, and we have a new volume of village photographs available to view. **Elaine Jones (01793 740784) Keith Parsons (01793 741346) Email: [info@chiseldonlhg.org.uk](mailto:info@chiseldonlhg.org.uk)**



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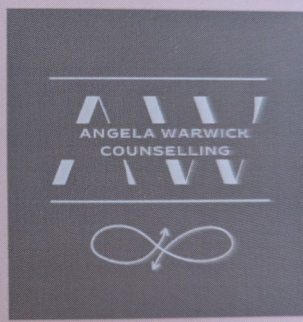
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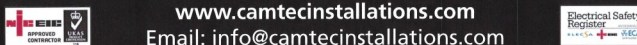
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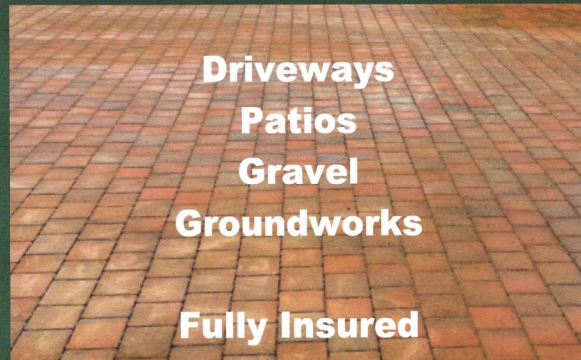
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