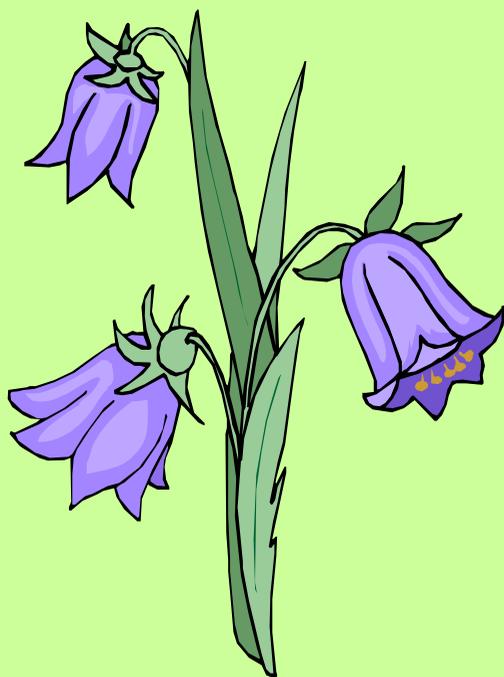


SPOTLIGHT

Seend & Bulkington



May 2011

DIARY DATES FOR LATE APRIL

29th Watch out for Royal Wedding events in the village pubs, Seend Club etc.

DIARY DATES FOR MAY

- 3rd First Steps Service, Holy Cross Church, 2.15pm
- 3rd Seend Acoustic Club - Boo Hewerdine, Community Centre, 8pm
- 4th Shuttle Shopping trip - ring Terry on 828203 by Monday 2nd to book
- 4th Bulkington Parish Lunch, The Well at 12 noon
- 7th Ian Keable Magic Shows: 3.30pm for children & 8pm for adults in the Community Centre
- 9th Mobile Library: 9.35am Seend The Lye; 10am Seend Cleeve phone box; 10.55am Well Inn car park, Bulkington
- 10th Gardening Club evening walk at Lacock
- 14th **LAST DAY FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO JUNE SPOTLIGHT**
- 14th Seend School May Fayre,
- 14th Seend Historic Houses Club outing to Marlborough, depart 10.15am
- 14th Strictly Seend Dancing, Community Centre, 7.30pm
- 15th Seend Ramblers meet in Rusty Lane, 9.30am
- 15th Free film show for Seend Club members only: "Mamma Mia!", 7.30pm
- 17th Seend Acoustic Club - Lavington Bound, Community Centre, 8pm
- 21st Chinese Evening at Seend Community Centre, 7 for 7.30pm
- 21st-22nd Keevil Scarecrow Trail
- 23rd Mobile Library: 9.35am Seend The Lye; 10am Seend Cleeve phone box; 10.55am Well Inn car park, Bulkington
- 24th Seend Shuttle AGM, 7.30pm Pavilion
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- 29th Rogation Day United Service at Rew Farm, Seend Cleeve, 10am

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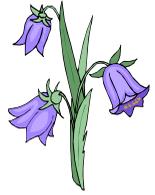
- 5th 'The Big Lunch' picnic at Seend Community Centre, 1-4pm
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- 7th Seend Acoustic Club - Nicola Clark, Community Centre, 8pm
- 11th-12th Seend Open Gardens weekend
- 18th Scouts and Guides Reunion, Seend Community Centre, 7.30pm
- 20th Mobile Library: 9.35am Seend The Lye; 10am Seend Cleeve phone box; 10.55am Well Inn car park, Bulkington
- 21st Seend Acoustic Club - Pete Christie, Community Centre, 8pm
- 22nd Nosh & Natter lunch club, 12 for 12.30pm, Seend Community Centre
- 29th Free film show for Seend Club Members only: "M. Hulot's Holiday", 7.45pm

Newcomer to Seend?

Call in at the shop/PO and ask for your copy of the **Welcome booklet**, which tells you all you need to know about the village.

Visit www.seend.org.uk for past editions of Spotlight & 'Happenings!', local history, 'What's On', links to other village sites etc

Welcome to May Spotlight



Can the recent glorious spring weather continue into May? Let's hope so - as long as farmers and gardeners get some rain overnight!

As usual, this edition of Spotlight is full of information about things happening within and without our villages, and you will find a copy of 'Happenings!' inside, with more details of what's on in Seend Community Centre.

ADVERTISING IN SPOTLIGHT

We shall soon be renewing the annual adverts in Spotlight from the July edition. Should you wish to advertise in Spotlight, the rates for 10 issues are as follows:

£120 full page £60 half page £30 quarter page

As there is a limited amount of space available for adverts, we will try to give preference to local businesses, provided the advert and cheque is received by 15th May. After that it will be on a first come, first serve basis.

Adverts can be e-mailed to spotlight@seend.org.uk or sent by cd together with your cheque (made payable to Seend PCC – No 1 Account) to Spotlight Advertising, c/o 61 Seend Cleeve, Seend, Melksham SN12 6PX. Please note that for those adverts sent by e-mail, the Spotlight team must receive a cheque for the advert to qualify. Please make sure the words Spotlight Advertising appear in the email subject heading.

If you would like to speak to someone about advertising, then please contact Sue Bond on: 01380 828537.

N.B. After several years of organising the ads in Spotlight, for which much thanks, Sue would like to stand down next year. If you would be interested in taking on this vital voluntary role, please contact Sue to find out what is involved.

THE SPOTLIGHT CONTACTS

Contributions for the June issue (**copy deadline 14th May**) can be e-mailed to spotlight@seend.org.uk or delivered to Seend Post Office. Comments and queries to Joanna Goddard on 828488, Tessa Doe on 828617 or Anne Ewing on 828557. Juli Wilfort collects and types up the items deposited at Seend PO.

N.B. Anne and Tessa now share the editing of Spotlight, so please send all emails to the Spotlight address or deliver entries to the Shop/PO.

Lost emails: All too often, an email to Spotlight goes astray for no obvious reason. If email correspondents don't receive an acknowledgement by the end of the Monday after the Spotlight deadline, please ring Tessa or Anne (see above) to check if all is well. And please read the following:

N.B. When sending emails to spotlight@seend.org.uk please include the word SPOTLIGHT in uppercase as the first word of the Subject. This will help the editorial team sifting through all the messages stopped by the SPAM filter, which sometimes include genuine messages for SPOTLIGHT.

Letter from the Vicar

Why Bother?

I'm writing this in Holy Week – in fact I'm late with this article (sorry Ed.) I've just walked back from Bulkington Church, where we had a service of Night Prayer. By "we" I mean just the three of us. ... Why bother?

Last Sunday was Palm Sunday. It was a gorgeous day and so attendances at church were noticeably down on what I'd expected, given that this was one of the major points in the church year. One person told me a neighbour had said it was a question of church or the dandelions in the garden. The dandelions won the day: Why bother?

I've been told that those things we as Christians believe in are just fairystories: Why bother?

Our difficulty in the country is that the village church tries to reach out to everyone. Nothing we do will ever satisfy all the people all the time, of course.

In these parishes we are constantly looking at all sorts of ideas to try to draw people in, to know the love of God. You will read about some of them over the next few weeks.

Being your minister is certainly challenging at times and yet there are also occasional glimpses of encouragement. For example we have five young people attending Confirmation classes at the moment. When I asked them "Why bother?" they gave very good reasons for their commitment. Praise the Lord!

There are two points I'm trying to make here. First, we as your church in these parishes need to adopt the Post Office motto – "Use it, or lose it!" Please believe me, this is not an idle threat. Churches are being closed around us and many of you will know that the ministry here has been "downgraded" from full-time paid Vicar (or Rector) to part-time (ie two days plus Sunday) unpaid Priest in Charge. That in itself is a bit of a warning shot across the bows surely? But then maybe you don't care.

So how about this? My second point relates to your own salvation. We all have to die someday and yet we're so very unprepared for that next step on our journey. It's a sad fact that the church has been popular during periods of war and depression yet people tend to forget about God when the sun shines bright and the weather is fair, as it was on Palm Sunday. Commitment to our Lord is everything. Just imagine when it's time for you to turn up at the pearly gate, only to find it firmly locked and barred, and on it a notice saying "Gone Fishing. Back soon ... or maybe not at all. God." Mmm. Now there's a thought.

A little teaching – and more points to ponder as we journey through this Easter season towards Pentecost.

Renée

Church Floodlights

To make arrangements to have the church floodlit please contact Tina Yockney on 01380 827139. Suggested donation £10.

EVENTS IN MAY & JUNE

(See also Bulkington News on pages 9-10)

Rogation Day United Service

Rew Farm, Seend Cleeve - Sunday 29th May

The last Sunday in May is Rogation Day and the Benefice Churches and Seend Chapel are holding a special united Rogation Day Service at Rew Farm in Seend Cleeve, starting at 10am. Historically, at this time, priests led processions round the fields, blessing crops and praying for good harvests. For our service we shall remain at the one place, but our theme will still be agriculture and the challenges it faces today, and a collection will be made for Farm Crisis Network. The speaker will be Richard Whitehead. Everyone will be most welcome to attend this special informal service. Refreshments will be provided before the service, so come and enjoy a bacon butty with us beforehand.



NOSH AND NATTER LUNCH CLUB

12 for 12.30pm

Wednesdays 25th May & 22nd June

Advance booking essential

- please ring John and Lilian on 828540

Saturday May 7th in Seend Community Centre

Two Magical Shows from award-winning Ian Keable

3.30pm 'Magic and Laughter Show' for children.

Tickets £4 - family deal 4 for the price of 3!

8pm 'Nothing Up My Sleeve' Tickets £6.50

or £5 for 12- to 15-yr-olds (not suitable for under-12s)

Tickets for both shows available from Seend Shop/PO,

Seend Community Centre or tel: 01380 828617



FREE FILM SHOW! for Seend Club Members only:

"Mamma Mia!" (the karaoke version!) 7.30pm Sun 15th May



**Don't forget The Seend Shuttle AGM
Tuesday 24th May , at 7.30pm in the Pavilion**



STRICTLY SEEND DANCING

Seend and Steeple Ashton Guides are holding a fun Dance evening in the Community Centre on Saturday May 14th. At 7.30pm. Michael Kyberd Professional Dance Teacher of London and Essex has offered his professional services for our Guides in order for them to raise some funds.

So please come along and enjoy a fun evening learning, some Ballroom/Latin steps. Even if you just wish just to watch and help judge the potential winners.

Included in the ticket price of £12.50 will be a 2 course Buffet Supper. So please buy your tickets soon, before they run out, from the Brewery Inn, Seend Post Office, Jackie Hamblin 01380828171 or Christine Glover 01225 705798.



Saturday 21st May
7 for 7.30pm
in Seend Community Centre

Chinese Evening

Buffet meal - film - music - calligraphy

Tickets (in advance only) £15
 from Fiona (828401) Marion (828612)
 or after 26th April from Seend PO

In aid of Community Centre funds



Seend Acoustic Club

1st & 3rd Tuesdays upstairs in Seend Community Centre

3rd May - Boo Hewerdine - admission £8

(highly-esteemed songwriter, singer and guitarist)

17th May - Lavington Bound (4-piece vocal & instrumental group)

7th June - Nicola Clark - 'Think female Jake Thackray'

21st June - Pete Christie - brilliant finger picker and vocalist

8pm start or earlier to book a floor spot.

Admission £3 unless otherwise stated.

See www.seendacoustic.org



The Big Seend Picnic - Sunday 5th June

Bring your own picnic to **Seend Community Centre** between 1-4pm. We provide somewhere to sit (indoors or out, depending on the weather), children's games and a licensed bar.



Seend Tennis Club will open up their courts for tennis fun during the afternoon, you can try your hand at short mat bowls, see what zumba is all about, and pick up information about other activities in the Centre.

See the Big Lunch website for the background to this event.
www.thebiglunch.com

Seend Open Gardens Weekend 11th-12th June In aid of Church Funds More details in June Spotlight



ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please let us know of any births, marriages, deaths, special birthdays, thanks etc that you would like to see included here.)

Parish Council Elections 24 March 2011

I would like to thank all those parishioners who voted for me during the recent election. I will endeavour to support the work of the Parish Council and our community, to the best of my ability.

Tony Murch

Christian Aid Week

This issue of Spotlight brings your Christian Aid envelope. Please put your contributions in, ready for your collector who will come in the week 15th-21st May.

I hope we raise a really good total again. Last year, it was almost £1,000 from Seend and Bulkington.

COFFEE MORNING IN AID OF SEEND CHURCH FLOWERS

You are cordially invited to a coffee morning in aid of flowers for Seend Church at 10.30am on Wednesday, 11th May 2011, at 15 Dial Close, Seend. Along with the usual chatter there will be a raffle and a bring and buy stall.

Lilian Smallshaw



SEEND FETE 2011 - Saturday 13 August

Once again, a quick reminder of our village fete. Please put the date in your diaries and tell all your friends and relatives to keep the date free as well! It will be a fantastic day!

We are always looking for new people to add to our list of willing volunteers to help on the stalls and games, so please give me a call if you can help us even if it's just for one hour.

URGENT REQUEST

Tony and Sylvia Ewin have organized the Grand Draw for many years but are unable to be with us this year so we desperately need two people to take on this stall!

Now is the time to be planning your float entry, the police have confirmed that they will be closing the road for us so no problems this year! The more floats we have the better!

Wiltshire School of Gymnastics will be performing in the arena and The Falconry display is making a welcome return. A brass quintet from Shrewton Silver Band will be providing the music for the afternoon.

From next month we will be starting to collect any items that you would like to donate to the various stalls. We're busy collecting the Grand Draw and Tombola prizes so if you have any suitable prizes hidden away then I'd be pleased to hear from you now!!

There is now a Seend Fete website! Do have a look at www.seendfete.co.uk Our thanks to Steve Gee and Kerrin Theron for setting this up.

Fiona Johnson Fete Chairman (828401)

SEEND SCOUTS AND GUIDES REUNION

Last year I organised the reunion for all who were members of the Scout and Guide movement up to the year 1985. The evening was a great success, and 45 members all agreed it was excellent and interesting to talk to so many friends from past years looking at a great array of photographs of activities and camps at home and abroad.



I was persuaded on the night to hold another, and last, reunion this year. This will take place at the Seend Community Centre on Saturday, 18th June, from 7.30-10.30pm and hopefully we will have a greater number of members present.

If you were a Scout, Wolf Cub, Sea Ranger, Guide or Brownie, why not come along and enjoy the evening? Tea and coffee will be served.

Gwyn Hopkins, 01225 425695

CHURCH AND CHAPEL NEWS



First Steps

The next First Steps Service will be on Tuesday, 3rd May at 2:15pm at Holy Cross Church

A letter from the Revd. Maureen Allchin.....

Since March I have been supporting our Vicar, the Revd. Renée Coulson, as Assistant Priest, taking services, etc. As you may see me around the Benefice I thought you might like to know a little about me.

I was born in 1950 and brought up in Ealing, West London, living on a council housing estate with my parents and two older brothers. My secondary education was at a girl's school which seemed to specialise in producing teachers and nurses. I eventually joined the ranks of the former, and have taught in inner-city schools in Liverpool and London and later in Steyning, West Sussex, where I became the Pastoral Deputy of a school of 2,300 students. I became a Christian whilst a student myself, and joined a Baptist church. Whilst teaching in London I was involved in youth work and drug rehabilitation work. In 1975 I joined a Christian community at Whatcombe House in Dorset, running a Conference and Counselling centre which particularly focused on the healing ministry of the church. I grew to love the Anglican liturgy and centrality of the Eucharist and was confirmed into the Anglican Church in 1978. I was ordained priest in 1994 – the first year women were able to become priests. I left teaching in 1993 and became a Curate in Storrington, West Sussex and then became a vicar with 6 churches in the Bridport area of Dorset. I was there for 10 years before moving to Wiltshire in 2005.

Due to my limited mobility problems I do not work full time now, but support the church as an interim minister – managing change in challenging situations. I have recently been the Rector of the Canalside Benefice (around Hilperton) and Holy Trinity Church, Trowbridge. I am an obsessive traveller, and have, for many years, been organising pilgrimages to Israel/Palestine (with three trips currently being advertised), Jordan, Egypt, Syria (with a trip planned for 2012) and South Africa. I am passionate about genealogy and now have over 16,000 names on my family tree! I enjoy music and watching TV and happily admit to being a fan of Eastenders (thanking God that Walford is not my parish!!) I love living in Wiltshire and in Bulkington. You can contact me at 4 Northfields, SN10 1SE or at maureen@mallchin.co.uk

Church Register Notices

Wedding

9th April Henry Alexander Bonas and Katie Helen Evans of Yanworth Cheltenham.

Funerals

25th March - Robert Hardy NOYES of Melksham. Service at Crematorium

28th March - Barbara Roberts BOOTH, age 89, of Seend Cleeve

6th April - Muriel BUCKLEY, age 91, at Ravenscroft Nursing Home, Trowbridge. Service at Crematorium.

Church Services during May

Sun 1st May

8.00 am Holy Communion at Seend
 9.30 am All Age Worship at Bulkington
 11.15 am All Age Worship at Seend
 6.00 pm Evensong at Poulshot

Sun 8th May

8.00 am Holy Communion at Seend
 9.30 am Matins at Poulshot
 11.15 am Parish Communion at Seend
 6.00 pm Evensong at Bulkington

Sun 15th May

8.00 am Holy Communion at Seend
 9.30 am Parish Communion at Bulkington
 11.15 am Parish Communion at Seend
 6.00 pm Parish Communion at Poulshot

Sun 22nd May

8.00 am Holy Communion at Seend
 9.30 am Family Communion at Poulshot
 11.15 am Family Communion at Seend
 6.00 pm Parish Communion at Bulkington

Sun 29th May

8.00 am Holy Communion at Seend
 10.00am Joint service for Rogation at Rew Farm Seend Cleeve

Seend Methodist Chapel Services for May

8 th May	10:00 a.m.	Mr Bernard Cooper
22 nd May	10:00 a.m.	Mr Tom Hill
29 th May		United Service 'On The Farm'

Please refer to list of Anglican services for details

From Roy

It is easy to believe in Easter when we live in the countryside. We only have to see new born lambs in the field or ducklings on a stream to believe in new life. We only have to see the spring flowers or the newly planted seeds breaking through the soil to believe in new life.

Then, we begin to think of the news. How hard it is to rebuild lives after earthquakes in Christchurch and Japan. How difficult is the struggle for a new order and freedom in Libya. Then it seems harder to believe in Easter.

But Easter is always like that. The cross seems so final and then disciples experience the risen Christ. But the gospel accounts of the Easter story suggest

that wasn't as straight forward as it seems. Why else would the disciples return to fishing in Galilee unless the Easter experience took time to take hold in their lives? Yet, change them it did.

We should take heart and let our Easter experience go on growing in us and inspiring us to go on seeking new life and living new life even when it seems like the unobvious thing to do.

God Bless

BULKINGTON NEWS

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK (15th-21st May 2011). There will be a delivery of envelopes in Bulkington Village at the beginning of the week and then a collection of envelopes throughout the week. Please be generous in your giving – it is a great charity to support. See details on <http://www.christianaid.org.uk>

CHRIST CHURCH, BULKINGTON held its Annual General Meeting on 10th April. Liz Futter and Anne Saywell were re-elected as Churchwardens and the Parochial Church Council members are Jane Coles (Secretary), Andrea Dobson (Electoral Roll Officer), Andie Elliott, Barry Forsey, Audrey McDonald, Sue Noad (Deanery Synod Rep), David Raby-Cox (Treasurer and Deanery Synod Rep). If you have any queries or positive suggestions for the church, please contact any of these people.

THE CHURCH HOSTED PARISH LUNCH will be held on the 1st Wednesday of the month (4th May) from 12.00 at The Well. It is a great village occasion with a good 2 course meal for £10.00 a head. If you would like to come along please contact Jane Coles in advance for the menu. (828145).

On 26th May the **DEVIZES DEANERY SYNOD** will be meeting to discuss the legislation required to permit the consecration of women as Bishops in the Church of England. If you have any thoughts on the issue that you would like to share with Christ Church's Deanery Synod rep. please phone Sue Noad (870343) or David Raby-Cox (828274) .

The **MOBILE LIBRARY** will be visiting the car park of The Well in Bulkington on 9th and 23rd May from 10.55-11.25 (always fortnightly each month). Please support it. In these times of economic cut-backs this valuable resource could be lost if it is not used regularly.

BULKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL are meeting on 18th May at 7.30 in the Village Hall. Observers are always welcome.

Have you looked at the **BULKINGTON WEBSITE** recently? See www.westwilts-communityweb.com/site/bulkington. Calum Ogivilly is the webmaster and does a great job!



ABBA'S ANGELS



This popular tribute band has performed on the BBC and will be coming to

Leaze Farm, Bulkington, on Saturday, 28th May 2011

to take us through the whole ABBA repertoire - starting at 7pm.

They will be singing in the barn in the height of summer, on a bank holiday, in beautiful surroundings. A BBQ and licensed bar will be available.

Please come and have fun at what is sure to be a wonderful evening.

Funds in aid of Christ Church, Bulkington.

Tickets: Adults £10, Under 16s £7, Two adults and two children £30 (family ticket.). Tickets available from: Seend Post Office., Jane Coles 828145, Liz Futter 828485, Anne Saywell 828931, Audrey MacDonald 828376 & Sue Noad 870343

SEEND CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

SEEND AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

On the 12th April we held our 37th AGM at which the committee was re-elected en bloc with the addition of Peter Fisher who was volunteered, with great acclaim, to replace Monica Ridgway who has decided not to continue. Monica was thanked for her work, particularly with organising day trips. Carole Vince will continue as Chairman, Sue Johns and Joyce Brand as co- Secretaries and Joe Hardstaff as Treasurer. The officers and committee were thanked for their work by David Raby-Cox. The Gill Edgely cup for the most points in our monthly competitions was awarded to Jenni Raby-Cox, who asked more members to have a go at entering, as it is becoming a very small, select group. The business being finished very quickly, members moved on to refreshments and socialising. Many thanks to all the members who provided a wonderful spread, and David for fetching and serving the wine. We were then entertained by Nikki Softley from The Bridge Inn at Horton who talked about the tradition of canal art. Decorating the canal barges and everything in and on them with castles and roses has been going on since the birth of the canals themselves and probably before, as members have come across this work in various parts of the world. The decoration possibly started because the barges were working boats on which families lived and the women who spent their lives in these surroundings would have wanted to cheer up their homes and utensils. There were, and are, recognised artists for this work and they belong to the Waterways Craft Guild. Nikki is now a Journeyman member. She paints for pleasure and decorates and sells jugs, bowls, mirrors and other items for the home. She then demonstrated to a changing group as we cleared up around her!



We have a very good number of members attending the Lacock walk and the trip to Sudely Castle. There is still space on the coach for the latter. The deadline for the Thursday 14th July trip to Mapperton and Tintinhull is May 31st at the latest.

Enquiries for that to Monica. Details and timings for all the outings are on the leaflets so don't lose them!

Last but not least we need plants to sell at the school May Fayre on 14th May (excess veg and flower seedlings for instance) and Seend Fete on 13th August. Thank you to the members who volunteered help for both these events. We will be in touch nearer the time.

Sue.



SEEND SHUTTLE

Don't forget the **Seend Shuttle A.G.M.** on Tuesday 24th of May at 7.30 in the Pavilion. We'd love to see you there to get involved, have your say or just to listen. You will not be press ganged onto the committee against your will! Also, all you lovely drivers who are on our insurance list having kindly driven the bus, if any of you would like to be asked occasionally to drive for someone else do let Alison Cobbing know (828568) and state your preferences. You might fancy a day at the races, a trip to the theatre or just be prepared to do a quick local run. If there is anyone who hasn't driven the bus before and would like to, please contact Pete Wallis (828757) and he will arrange to take you out for a trial run. Many thanks.

First Wednesday Shopping Trip

Please phone Terry on 828203 by Monday 2nd May to book your place on the shopping trip on Wednesday 4th.

SEEND & DISTRICT RAMBLERS

What a beautiful day for our walk of seven miles on **Sunday 17th April** starting from the village hall in Monkton Farleigh.

Denise and Colin Noad led 16 walkers over some most interesting countryside, down through woods with bluebells and wild garlic most prevalent. On banks and in the fields, spring had sprung with an abundance of wood anemones, primroses, violets and cowslips.



Walking the pastures beside the river, with railway and canal adjacent, we climbed very steeply onto the Dundas Aqueduct. A breather was necessary before ascending towards Conkwell, back through more woodland, skirting Farleigh Wick to the finish. Our most grateful thanks to Colin and Denise for introducing us to, as far as I am aware, a lovely new walk for us all.

The next walk will be on Sunday 15th May. Meet in Rusty Lane for a 9.30am start. Terry and Sheila Williams will be organising an interesting walk for us, but due to their holiday details are still in the planning stages. Should you wish to know where and how long the walk will be, please telephone them on 01225 704800 a little closer to the date. Bring the usual refreshments for a stop.

On the evening of Friday 1st July, Frank Teasdale and Tessa Doe will be organising a local Seend village walk of around five miles. Their intention is to finish at the Brewery Inn for a buffet supper, which Louise at the pub is willing to lay on for us. Please let Tessa and Frank (01380 828617) or myself (01225 706451) know as soon as possible whether you wish to join in the walk and partake of the supper as we will need firm numbers. More details of this and the June walk will be in the next edition of 'Spotlight'.

Lin Salter

SEEND & BULKINGTON MOTHERS UNION

Future Dates



19th July – Deanery Quiet Afternoon at Seend, 2p.m. at the Church of the Holy Cross

9th August – Mary Sumner Day. Deanery lunch in the Vicarage Garden, followed by Service in Holy Cross Church

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

As a result of the appeal in the April issue of Spotlight, a number of people have come forward and expressed an interest in joining the scheme. This is very encouraging and hopefully will result in more people wishing to join (remember it is free!!). The more watchful pairs of eyes there are about, the less likely our villagers are to lose valuable and maybe sentimental items. Please keep your telephone numbers and email addresses coming, the scheme will only work efficiently if you join.

Please pass your details to:-

Seend Cleeve - Owen Burton. Tel. 07765774908. Email: wigglybus@yahoo.com

Sells Green - Cavan Moroney. Tel. 01380 828606. Email: cavanm833@g.mail.com

Seend Village - Brian Hunt. Tel 01380 828581/07771962103.

Email - balh1942@yahoo.com

Brian Hunt.

SEEND FAWLTY PLAYERS' PANTO

At a presentation in the Brewery Inn on 17th April, the Players handed over a cheque for £600 to the British Heart Foundation, in memory of Joe Burbidge, in the presence of his wife, daughter and granddaughter, Joyce, Jackie and Molly, Our director, Anita Shea, reminded us of Joe's long connection with the Players, starting off in character as Pumpkin Joe in our first production back in 1980. We spoke about Joe's many contributions to the village, such as the daffodils, August Bank Holiday cricket match and pumpkin competition.

We have also donated £100 from the panto proceeds toward the new village printer.

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION



County Parade and Service of Dedication

A parade and service of dedication will be held in Wootton Bassett on Sunday 12th June 2011. The parade will form up close to The Town Hall at 1430hrs and all members are invited to take part.

Trowbridge Armed Forces and Veterans Weekend 2011

Trowbridge Town Council are organising the following events during the weekend of 24th -26th June 2011(see local press for detailed timings.) All members are invited to take part.

Friday Evening March to Remember in aid of The Royal British Legion.

Saturday Displays by Serving and Veteran military personnel. Evening show on Bandstand.

Sunday Parade of Standards through town followed by a Drumhead Service.

Collecting Pyramids

Anyone having one of these, should hand money they have collected to our Treasurer (Lt Col Tony Hill) and not send it to Head Office as stated on the Pyramid.

Committee Meeting

Committee Members are reminded that the next meeting will be held in the Community Centre (Lower Room) on Thursday 26th May 2011 at 1930hrs.

Roger Brind

SEEND LINK

At the Seend Link AGM on Thursday, 14th April it was reported that although Link continued to help people in the village and surrounding areas the number of requests for transport was down compared with the previous year.

Link is a Good Neighbour scheme with a team of local volunteers who help the community by offering care and transport to people in need in a friendly way. Anyone living in the area who requires assistance or help, regardless of age or circumstances, can use the service.

Although we make no charge for our services, we are always grateful for donations from those we are able to help as our volunteers receive a mileage allowance and out of pocket expenses.

If you think we can help you, or you would like to become a volunteer, please contact the Co-ordinator on 075320 55560.

SEEND COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS

Details are all in '*Happenings!*' and the events pages at the front. - magic & comedy, film, Chinese evening, dance, music, lunch club etc - Do join us.



SEEND WI

Our Annual General Meeting which took place on Wednesday 13th April was combined with a social evening. Susie Rawstron and Joy Stack resigned from the committee and were replaced with Pauline Robertson and Bron Davies-Murch. Susan Bolton was elected for another year as President, Gill Accornley as Vice-President, Fiona Johnson as Secretary, Ann Hunt as Minutes Secretary, Jo Vaux as Treasurer, Sarah Todhunter will continue to produce the monthly newsletter and Karen Diffey and Carola Thorpe were re-elected as committee members.

The President reported that two of the Trustees, Rosemary Ham and Valerie Wiltshire, had resigned. They have been replaced by Sarah Todhunter and Joanna Goddard. It had been a pleasure to welcome several new members this year and to see the group thriving. We had a variety of speakers to entertain us. The allotments are going from strength to strength thanks to Jo Vaux's stewardship and all the members were thanked for their continuing support.

After the business had been concluded the members enjoyed wracking their brains with several quizzes and a glass or two of wine, and we all look forward to another year filled with friendship and fun. Why not come and join us?

All meetings take place in the Pavilion, Rusty Lane, Seend at 7.30pm unless otherwise notified. For more information please check on the web site www.seendwi.weebly.com or contact Fiona Johnson on 01380 828401.

SEEND ACOUSTIC CLUB

On May 3rd we have one of the country's top songwriters Boo Hewerdine (Google him!) performing for us along with support from local acts The Home Fires, Phil Cooper and harpist Jennifer Crook. Tickets are just £8 and it's on your doorstep, what's not to like? Our last acoustic night was sold out, so call Malcolm on 01380 827041 be sure of a ticket.



SEEND PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting held on 29th March was attended by seven Councillors, with Mrs. A. Heatley in the Chair. Apologies received from Mrs. T. Carr, Mr. J. Padfield, Mrs. J. Savage, Mrs. L. Waylen and Cllr J. Seed.

Casual vacancy on the Parish Council, due to the resignation of Nick Haines - The Chairman welcomed Mr. Tony Murch, who had recently been elected to fill the vacancy on the Parish Council. Mr. Murch thanked the other two candidates who had stood, and said it was a very friendly election.

Police Matters - PC Emily Thomas reported that charity collection bags for the Great Western Air Ambulance are being used illegally within the County. The bags were stolen and are now being used by thieves in the area. Keevil seems to

have been targeted. If collection bags are received, always check the number on the bag to ensure that they are collecting in the area legitimately. If in doubt, take items to charity shops. Arrests have been made in the area. A hedge trimmer was stolen in Sells Green, and lead had been taken from The Bell Inn roof. Patrols have been increased around the canal as a priority because of thefts of heating oil and damage to trees.

War Memorial – The PCC will apply for permission from the Diocese for the work to go ahead. The Clerk had obtained information on grant funding from the War Memorials Trust. This will require an application to be completed, and a further quote to be obtained.

Village Appraisal – Mr Murch said that the Community Centre and WI had agreed to take part; the Chapel had declined because of their lack of amenities. There will be a meeting in May; he asked what questions the PC would like to see in the questionnaire. Mrs. A’Bear suggested that the same questions that were used in the last appraisal should be asked again, to see if things had changed in the meantime. Mr Diffey and Mrs Savage, with Mr. Manning as reserve had agreed to take part in the meeting following the survey.

Allotments – Community Payback have now finished digging and marking out the allotments, and they are ready to use. There are currently 10 plots. The annual charge will be £30 for a single plot, and £50 for a double. Water will be connected in due course. Anybody wishing to acquire an allotment, please contact the Parish Clerk.

Spout Lane – Work is now completed to the car parking/layby area. All agreed this was a great improvement.

Seats around village – Work has commenced on treating the seats around the village, starting with Pelch Lane. The Chairman thanked Mr. Manning for volunteering to undertake this work.

Bus stop, Bath Road – **The bus stop is the responsibility of the Highways Dept.; they advise that there are no plans for improvements along this route. The Parish Council would like to gauge how many people use this bus stop, and how frequently, as it could be a safety issue if children or disabled persons are using it. Please contact the Parish Clerk.**

Highway Matters – E-mail from David Bullock at Wiltshire Council to advise that one of his Engineers, Mark Stansby, supports the Melksham CATG (community area transport group). The next meeting is on April 19th at 3.30pm at Melksham Town Hall. He has asked him to raise the matter of the school signs at either end of School Road, additional grit bin at the entrance to The Lye, traffic sign for bottleneck at eastern end of the High Street (by Wesley Cottage) at the meeting and respond to the PC. The matter of traffic speed on Bollands Hill and footpath maintenance along the A361 from The Bell to The Stocks, will be raised as Area Board issues.

The Lye – The Clerk to obtain more information about the additional charge being made to some tenants in The Lye for grounds maintenance.

Plans for approval

E/11/0195/FUL The Stables, Cleeve House, Trowbridge Road
Retrospective application for a change of use of land from residential (C3 use class) to the storage and sale of motor vehicles (change to site location and block plans to incorporate customer parking spaces)

Letters of objection had been received. Mr Norris was in attendance, and answered questions from the Councillors, following which a vote was taken with five in favour and one against. Comments: Provided the three conditions specified by the Development Control Engineer (below) are adhered to:

1. There shall be no visitors (i.e. cold callers) to the site, other than pre-arranged visits arranged by telephone/internet prior to a vehicle meeting/inspection.
2. There shall be no roadside adverts for the site.
3. The capacity of the proposal shall be limited to a maximum of 15 cars only.

E/11/0209/FUL Seend CE Aided Primary School, School Road
Proposed single storey flat roof & single storey pitched roof extension

Mr. Nichols and Mr. Diffey declared an interest and stood down from this discussion. Following discussion, a vote was taken with three in favour, and one abstention. Comments: Trees are planted to replace trees that are removed.

E/11/0251/LBC Loiterton Farmhouse, Inmarsh
Proposed repair and remedial works to property

Unanimously in favour.

E/11/0290/TCA Broomhayes Farm, Inmarsh Lane
The felling of a small oak tree at the property which is sited in close proximity to the house.

Unanimously in favour. Comments: Tree to be planted to replace tree that is removed.

E/11/0295/FUL Broad Lane Farm, Broad Lane
Replacement dwelling with garage (re-submission of E/10/0642/FUL to amend design)

Unanimously in favour.

E/11/0307/FUL 80 Seend Cleeve
Rear conservatory.

Unanimously in favour.

E/11/0329/TPO**Seend House, High Street**

Works to an area of trees sited along western boundary of the property which are protected by Tree Preservation Order 75.

E/11/0330/TCA**Seend House, High Street**

Works to trees within the grounds of the property.

Unanimously in favour.

The PC will consider setting up a small Planning Committee to look at planning applications prior to PC meetings, and bring comments back.

Old Railway Bridge, Station Road – Following the outcome of the inquest into the fatality on this bridge in 2010, the recommendation was for a high friction surface on the north side of the bridge, with additional white lines on the south side.

Barbara Booth – Sadly, Mrs Booth died on 17 March, but had requested in her Will that donations in lieu of flowers be used for tree planting in the village.

The date of the May meeting is Tuesday, 31st May at 7.30 in the Community Centre.

Mrs Rosemary Fisher, Clerk

Parish Council meeting minutes can be found on www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk

News Update from Wiltshire Council

Wiltshire Council has been in the news recently and to the local newspaper reader it would seem to be for all the wrong reasons. After a marathon 12 hour Council Budget meeting last month, the local newspapers chose to report some minor smart phone squabble relating to about .001% of the annual Council budget as headline news. This is in spite of the fact that at its Budget setting meeting Wiltshire Council set a budget for £850million, made NO front line service cuts, froze Council tax for the year and set a four year financial and business plan that is unique across the Country. Still perhaps we should look beyond our borders and not only appreciate but defend the right of our free press to publish what they want whether we like it or not - and with the outside world in such turmoil perhaps we should be grateful that a minor squabble about smart phones is all that our local press have to focus on.

Locally we have much to look forward to. The Melksham Area Board has now made recommendations that should lead to the modern Community Area Campus being delivered in our Area within the next two years. If the proposals are accepted all the Leisure, Library and Council services will be in one centre next to Melksham Oak School together with a café facility. This Campus will be within easy reach of the village and should make access to all the facilities on offer much easier for residents. People may well change how they structure their days; they may well drive to the Campus (which will have ample free parking) and use the

Library or leisure facilities either before or after they drop or collect children from school. What is important is that there should be such a facility available to the people in our area to use - and we are getting that facility ahead of every other Area of Wiltshire. *(A debate within Spotlight about the pros and cons of the campus idea would be interesting. Ed.)*

Even more locally we have finally managed to secure much needed traffic improvements in Spout Lane. The construction of the new lay-by has greatly eased the traffic flow and allows cars to park safely. This was achieved by a combination of lobbying in County Hall and the provision of community finance to help the project. The combined financial contributions of the Melksham Community Area Transport Group, the Melksham Area Board and the Seend Parish Council together with Wiltshire Council highways department are what really made the lay-by feasible. This is a very good example of different local community groups coming together to make things happen to the benefit of the local community.

So as the daffodils surface from their long sleep and the sun starts to warm we have much to look forward to in our lovely part of Wiltshire whether it is the prospect of summer, extensive new local facilities or even the village Royal Wedding celebrations at the end of April.

Jonathon Seed



SCHOOL NEWS

Seend School Parent Social Club

May Fayre – Saturday May 14th

This is our second biggest fund raising event of the year, after the Christmas Fayre. There will be something for everyone - Refreshments, Barbecue, Inflatable assault course, Tombola, Splat the Rat, Coconut Shy, Welly Wanging, Toy & Book Stall, Raffle, Phoenix cards, Olive oils, local cheeses and much, much more! We look forward to seeing you.

Cake Stall in Devizes

Following the success of last year, we will be in the Brittox again on Thursday 19th May selling cakes, plants and other home produce. If you have anything you can donate, even if it is garden produce, a bag of flour or sugar for the mums who bake, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact me or the school if you can help. If you are in town, please come over and support us.

Schoolfunds.co.uk

This is an excellent way for everyone to raise money for the school whilst shopping on line. By going to the schoolfunds website and locating Seend School, you can then access all the main on line retailers whilst also accruing points for the school. The school can then redeem the points against purchases from educational suppliers.

Seend School 100 Club

Please become a friend of the school, anyone can do it, whether they have a connection to the school or not. The odds of winning are better than the lottery, so please send details to either the school, Victoria Bowes or myself. Cheques need to be made payable to Seend School 100 Club.

For your chance to win, all we ask is that you pay £12 a year and each month you will have the opportunity to win a share of £45. First Prize is £20, 2nd Prize is £15 and 3rd Prize is £10.

The winning tickets are drawn during Gold Book Assembly. The winners will be published in the Spotlight. Best of luck and thank you!!

March

3rd prize £10 58 Ann Newman
2nd prize £15 37 Doris Baker
1st prize £20 36 Davina Balnave

April

3rd prize £10 3 Catherine Cooper
2nd prize £15 65 Jan Crabtree
1st prize £20 10 Suzie Barnett

Emma Smith
01380 828056

FRIENDS OF KEEVIL SCHOOL - May 2011

With Easter and the Royal Wedding behind us we are looking forward to this year's Keevil Scarecrow Trail. This will take place on the weekend of the 21st and 22nd of May. The theme this year is going to be Pop Groups /Popstars and Heroes and Villains. There will be a barbecue, ice creams, teas and coffees, and activities for the children. We will also be looking for donations of cakes and plants.

If anyone from the villages is interested in making a scarecrow, this would be very welcome, please contact Catherine Cosgrove (01380 871032) or Maria Banfield.

Also a reminder that FOKS have an on-going project to collect used ink-jet printer cartridges for recycling. Please hand any used cartridges into school or any school family who will be happy to hand in at school for you.

Rachel Harvey

SEEND SPORTS RESULTS AND FIXTURES

Football - Manager Mike Hopkins

Assistants Mark Newman and Ben Grinham

There have been three matches since last month's Spotlight. The team beat Foresters 1-0, a goalless draw with The Deverills and lost 2-0 to Freshford

Goal of the month – in fact the only goal scored this month was Joe Flower with a header having already hit the woodwork.



Tennis - Chair Elaine Davis

The Chippenham and District league matches are underway with forthcoming fixtures as follows:



Mixed A – playing in the first division – 18th April vs Trowbridge A

Stop press result : lost 0-8

Mixed B – playing in Division 4 – play Trowbridge B on 18th April

Result not yet known

Mens – playing in Division 5 – the first fixture is not until 4th May, when we play Urchfont

Ladies – playing in Division 3 – start on 20th April against Bath

Stop press – result : lost 0-8

As always, any keen players welcome – contact Ric Ellinger or team captains.



Short Mat Bowls - Master of Ceremonies – Colin Waldeck

Sensibly, with April 29th already well booked, Colin decided to have an early royal wedding party last Saturday to which I was fortunate enough to obtain an invitation. As one would expect, no expense was spared – a tribute band, acres of sausage rolls, 800 metres of bunting (that's 880 yards imperial), some superb costumes and a children's crèche with entertainer. What can I say, other than that the SMB ents committee have certainly made up in my book for the wine tasting debacle last month. You can't win them all Colin, but I now know whose name I would like to see in the birthday honours list

Results:-

Stop Press: Seend Short Mat Bowls Club are Wiltshire League Champions, with a convincing win in the final. Details next month.

Colin reached the SMB national single finals in Milton Keynes where four groups of 16 players fought for the title. Unfortunately the punishing round robin preliminary proved fatal.

Cricket – Captain John Wiltshire

Match Report vs Canal Taverners – 17th April 2011

After a hard winter training in the nets, the first fixture of the 2011 season on Sunday 17th April saw us take on the Canal Taverners at home. After losing the toss and being given the bat first, the opening batsmen failed to impress, with none of the top three in the order getting above ten. Thankfully, the lower order batsmen came through, with Tom Wallis and Scott Cameron scoring in the twenties, as well as John Wiltshire knocking an impressive 29 before being cut down by a somewhat dubious LBW shout, if reviews were permitted then they would have been used! However, the resurgence continued with the partnership of Jake Sainsbury (top score of 37)



and Nathan King coming in at the tail to put on an impressive unbeaten partnership of 50, taking the team to a respectable score of 173 runs at tea.

As we took to the field, opening bowlers Nathan King and Jake Sainsbury started strongly, taking two wickets each. Four good catches from Ben King, along with some great bowling saw the Canal Taveners bowled out for just 73 runs.

All the players say a big thank you to Rosemary and Walter Mayall for providing the fantastic teas.

Forthcoming fixtures:

8th May – away Vs Broughton Gifford

15th May – home Vs Frome Incidentals

22nd May – away Vs The Golden Fleece

28th May – home Vs Trinity

SKITTLES

Results for the three men's Seend teams in the Melksham and District skittles league.



Seend A – captain John Wiltshire

The A team finished second in the premier division, rounding off the season with three straight wins:

Vs Spencers A – won 6-1

Vs Comrades – won 6-1

Vs Spencers B – won 6-1

Seend B – Captain Nick Easton

Vs Staverton B – lost 5-2

Vs Avon D – won 5-2

Vs Lacock – lost 0.5 – 6.5

Vs King's Arms – won 7-0

Seend C – Captain Graham Hamblin

Vs Cavaliers – lost 3-4. Top scorer was Glen Smart with 29

Vs Cons B – won 6-1. Top scorer was Harry Waylen with 26

Vs Cooper Avon B – won 6-1. Top scorer was Will Goodier with 24

Vs Cons B – won 6.5-0.5. Top scorer was Josh Hamblin with 25

Captain Graham Hamblin writes “after a lacklustre start to the season, we came good in the end and have managed to stay up in division one, a big thank-you to all players for helping to achieve this. The player with the highest average for the season is Harry Waylen with 21.4 – a special mention for Charlie Waylen and Danny Brophey who have played all 22 league games.”

Meanwhile, in the Devizes League, Seend Cleeve Sailing Club won promotion to the 1st Division in an exciting final game of the season.

Results fixtures and news for June Spotlight to the Long Room by 12th May please. Frankie Goddard 828488.

SEEND CRICKET CLUB

The new cricket season is upon us and our wonderful summer sport season has already begun. After a very successful season last year under the guidance of Ben King, we have a new captain in John Wiltshire. We wish him and the team every success during the coming season and I would like to thank Ben King for his efforts during the past three years. For any newcomers to the village who might be interested in playing, we usually play on Sundays, and games are 40 overs per side. We are not in a league but nevertheless the games are still competitive and at the same time still retaining the correct degree of sportsmanship and friendliness.

Our home fixtures for May are as follows:-

Sun. 15th May v. Frome Incidentals

Sat. 28th May v Trinity (Southend)

PERSONAL ADS

(Small personal ads - not from businesses - can be left at the Post Office or delivered to Tessa Doe at 6 New Buildings with payment of £2 please.)

Wanted

Grazing – Seend Cleeve or surrounding area – to lease with view to purchase. We are looking for an area of grazing which we can fence securely to make a safe haven for our ponies and their feed/water following numerous incidents of theft and now criminal damage at our current location. Anything considered, although 5 acres plus is preferred. We are happy to include uplift clauses etc to alleviate any concerns regarding development etc if required. Please contact us at 108 Seend Cleeve or on 07885 103071 without any obligation. Thank you S & J Wilfort

ODDS AND ENDS

German Conversation

Bernie Prolze (01380 828391) and Tessa Doe (01380 828617) would be interested in starting an informal German conversation group in the village. Please let one of us know if you would be interested: beginners or fluent speakers equally welcome.

Painting Days at Wilton Windmill

Sundays June 19th, August 14th, August 21st
 Open to artists of all levels. Professional artist/tutor on site to offer help.
 Entry £5 per artist. Contact Hilary Arnold-Baker on 01672 870360 or
 email hilaryarnoldbaker@talktalk.net



A selection of sponsored walks and rides

Sponsored 10 mile midnight walk for Salisbury Hospice on 4th June Call 01722 416353 or email info@salisburyhospicecare.co.uk

WALK TEN for Marie Curie Cancer Care: You can register now for a 10km twilight sponsored walk around Stourhead on Saturday 3rd September. Phone 01884 703536 for an application form or visit www.mariecurie.org.uk/walkten

Children's Hospice South West are holding two Midnight Memory Walks this year – for the first time ever in Bath on Friday 1st July and we return to Bristol on Friday 16th September! Many ladies are walking as part of teams from companies, groups and organisations and we can tell the papers about your team which could help raise your profile too! Simply register online at www.chsw.org.uk/midnight or call 01275 866600 and join us on a night to remember.

SPRING SPONSORED RIDE Sunday 8th May IN AID OF KENNET VALLEY DRIVING GROUP RDA (Riding for the Disabled) Registered Charity No. 1074356. Cross country & orienteering courses. Schedules and entry forms from: Mrs V Hemery 01672861676/ vhemery@hotmail.com

Neurological Fair to entertain and inform

‘This event is aimed at everybody affected by a neurological condition – come and find out more.’

Swindon & Wilts Neurological Alliance (SWNA) is pleased to announce its first Neurological Fair to be held at Stratton Community Centre on Saturday 21st May (11am to 3pm). The event is aimed at everybody affected by a neurological condition and any member of the public who wants to find out more.

The event will provide information on many conditions with lots of local ‘self help’ groups represented including MS, Alzheimers .Stroke, Parkinsons, ME ad many others. As well as providing information and advice they will also be offering some fun games and challenges for people of all ages and abilities.

There will also be opportunities to try out a range of complementary therapies and free taster sessions including Pilates, Yoga and Tai Chi.

David Wray, Chairman of SWNA, said: ‘When we established our organisation last year with the help of a grant from Swindon Council we were very keen to do something for the community. This is it. If you want to find out more or just to have some fun please come and see us.’

The event is being held on Saturday 21st May (11am to 3pm) at Stratton Community Leisure Centre, Grange Drive, Stratton, Swindon SN3 4JY.

More information from David Wray - info@swna.org.uk



Bowood Charity Dog Show and Summer Fair
 Sunday June 12th from 10am
 At Bowood House Calne SN11 0LZ
 The BEST day out for you and your dog!
www.bowood.org/dogshow

Devizes Area Committee
CANCER RESEARCH UK
COUNTRY HOUSE CAR BOOT SALE

The local committee of Cancer Research UK are once again holding an upmarket Country House Car Boot Sale at Manor Farm, Stert (off A342) following the resounding success of the 2010 event. It will be held on Saturday 21st May from 08.30 hrs. A pitch costs £25 for any vehicle and must be pre-booked and pre-paid. For further details, booking form etc, please visit www.devizescruk.org or call 07831 376688. Entry for buyers costs £5 per car.

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Seend Singers

It's been suggested that a singing group (no auditions, no need to read music, just for fun) would be a beneficial addition to activities in the village. First, there would have to be a group of people who would like to sing songs of their own choosing. A pianist is needed and, finally, somebody who can get people singing the same tune at the same time. If anyone wants to start up or join such a group, meeting regularly in the Community Centre, John Smallshaw (01380 828540) would be happy to hear from you.



The final (?) stage of the **public enquiry** into the proposed restricted byway at Seend Head is on Tuesday 17th May in the Community Centre.

And finally.....

*Two questions raised by Richard Digance, at his Seend Acoustic Club appearance last month (he's returning on November 1st):
 'If you set out to fail and you succeed, which have you done?'
 'Why is there no Salvation Navy?'*



USEFUL CONTACTS: (*contact Spotlight if your group's contact details change*)

CHURCH: Vicar: Rev Renée Coulson 01380 827285; Benefice Administrator: Mrs Sue Taylor 01380 828733. Churchwardens: Holy Cross Seend; S Taylor 01225 709360 Mrs Tina Yockney 827139; Christ Church Bulkington: Mrs Liz Futter 828485 Mrs Anne Saywell 828931; St Peter's Poulshot: Mrs Janet James - 724944 Mrs Paulette Bremner Milne 828527; LPA's: Mrs Audrey McDonald 828376 and Mrs Liz Futter 828485; Bell Ringers: C Mayell 828627

Minister Methodist Church - Revd Roy Fowler - 01249 813340

Irene Usher Memorial Hall (The Pavilion) Bookings - Richard Walker on 828250

Bulkington Village Hall - Nev Boulton 828101 or Roger Futter 828485

Seend Community Centre & Club - 828796 (bar opening times only i.e. 7.30-11pm)

Hall and meeting room bookings: Frank Teasdale 828617

Seend School - 828334

Seend Shuttle Community Bus: Private hire bookings - Alison Cobbing 828568

Seend Parish Council Clerk - Rosemary Fisher 828281 www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk

Seend's Wiltshire Councillor - Mr Jonathan Seed 01380 850696

Seend Website: www.seend.org.uk - Neil Yockney 827139

Bulkington Website: www.westwilts-communityweb.com/site/Bulkington

Public Footpath Warden - Mrs Esther Daly 01672 513157

Connect 2 (transport to RUH; book at least one day ahead) - 08456 525255

Community Beat Manager for Seend PC Emily Thomas. She can be contacted on

0845 408 7000, or e-mail melkshamruralsouthnpt@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

MP Claire Perry, 01672 519198 (10-5) or claire.perry.mp@parliament.uk

MEP - Graham Watson 01458 252265

CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

100+ Club Cash Draw - Bernie ProLze 828391

Acoustic Club - Malcolm Shipp 827041 - www.seendacoustic.org

Book Clubs - the original: Sylvia Ewin 828325 - the other: Frank Teasdale 828617

Bouncy Club - Paulette Pardoe 07944 300350

Brownies - Helen Hook 828477

Cricket Club - Peter Wallis 828757

Fawly Players Panto Group - Tessa Doe 828617

Fete Committee - Fiona Johnson 828401 - www.seendfete.co.uk

Football Club - Dave Beaumont 01225 785067

Fun Station, Bulkington - Anne Saywell 01380 828931

Gardening Club - Joyce Brand 828433

Historic Houses Club - Tony Ewin 828325

LINK Scheme - 075320 55560

Lye Field Committee - Dave Sawyer 828583

Mothers' Union - Elizabeth Campbell 828451

Neighbourhood Watch - Brian Hunt (Seend) 828581; Cavan Moroney (Sells Green)

828606; Owen Burton (Seend Cleeve) 828820; John Scott (Bulkington) 828026.

Preschool - Liz Futter 828485

Poetry Group - Tessa Doe 828617

Ramblers - Gerald Salter 01225 706451

Royal British Legion - Roger Brind 828830;

Poppy Appeal - Joan Savage

Short Mat Bowls Club - Colin Waldeck 828946

Tennis Club - Ric Ellinger 828683

Theatre Club - Sylvia Ewin 828325; Marion Whitehead 828612

WEA - Pam Church - 828597

WI - Sarah Todhunter on 828730 and Jo Vaux on 828970

Youth Club (Seend and Bulkington) Elanor Oddy 07517 905446

Seend Post Office & Village Store

01380 828250

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	Village Store	Post Office
Mon	9.00 - 5.30	9.00 - 5.30
Tues	9.00 - 5.30	9.00 - 5.30
Wed	9.00 - 5.30	9.00 - 4.30*
Thurs	9.00 - 1.00	9.00 - 1.00
Fri	9.00 - 5.30	9.00 - 5.30
Sat	8.30 - 1.00	9.00 - 1.00
Sun	9.00 - 10.30	Closed
Bank Holidays	9.00 - 10.30	Closed

* note early closing