

# *SPOTLIGHT*

## *Seend & Bulkington*



*See pages 5 & 11 for details of our village celebrations*

# *June 2012*

## DIARY DATES FOR JUNE

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Jubilee Church Fete: Vicarage Garden : 2pm  
3<sup>rd</sup> Bulkington Jubilee celebrations, Bulkington Playing Field, 2-5pm  
3<sup>rd</sup> Live Music in the Brewery Inn, 2-5pm  
4<sup>th</sup> Seend Jubilee celebrations – afternoon on Lye Field, evening in Community Centre  
5<sup>th</sup> Seend Acoustic Club – guests Light Garden, upstairs in Community Centre, 8pm  
6<sup>th</sup> Buzz Group, 4 Northfields, Bulkington – 7.30pm  
6<sup>th</sup> Shuttle Shopping Trip (ring Terry on 828203 by Monday 4<sup>th</sup> to book)  
6<sup>th</sup> Melksham Area Board meeting, Semington Village Hall, 6.30 for 7pm  
8<sup>th</sup> Rural Arts Wiltshire – Tim FitzHigham in ‘The Gambler’, Pavilion, 7.30pm  
9<sup>th</sup> Seend Cleeve Open Gardens – 1pm to 6pm  
9<sup>th</sup> Scouts & Guides Reunion, Community Centre, 7.30pm  
10<sup>th</sup> Deadline for Fete programme cover competition entries, noon  
12<sup>th</sup> Gardening Club evening outing to Rowdeford  
16<sup>th</sup> The Manor House open garden in aid of Seend School, 1-5pm  
**16<sup>th</sup> LAST DAY FOR ENTRIES FOR JULY SPOTLIGHT**  
18<sup>th</sup> Mobile Library: 9.35am Seend The Lye; 10am Seend Cleeve phone box;  
10.55am; Well Inn car park, Bulkington  
19<sup>th</sup> Seend Acoustic Club – guests Home Fires, upstairs in Community Centre, 8pm  
19<sup>th</sup> Buzz Group discussion, Seend Vicarage  
22<sup>nd</sup> Messy Church in the Pavilion  
22<sup>nd</sup> Seend Ramblers, 6pm start from The Longs Arms, Steeple Ashton (share transport)  
23<sup>rd</sup> Bath Opera touring production of ‘Carmen’, Community Centre, 7.30pm  
24<sup>th</sup> Free film show for Seend Club Members, 7.45pm ‘War Horse’  
26<sup>th</sup> Seend Parish Council meeting, upstairs in Community Centre, 7.30pm  
27<sup>th</sup> Nosh & Natter Lunch Club, Community Centre, 12 for 12.30pm  
28<sup>th</sup> Seend Parish Council by-election  
30<sup>th</sup> Seend Brownies’ 90<sup>th</sup> birthday party, Pavilion 12 noon-3pm  
30<sup>th</sup> Abba’s Angels at Leaze Farm, Bulkington, 7.30pm

## DIARY DATES FOR JULY

- 1<sup>st</sup> Armed Forces Day Drumhead Service, Lye Field, 3pm  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mobile Library: 9.35am Seend The Lye; 10am Seend Cleeve phone box;  
10.55am; Well Inn car park, Bulkington  
3<sup>rd</sup> Seend Acoustic Club – Rob Lear Band, upstairs in Community Centre, 8pm  
6<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Dinner Dance, Community Centre, 7.30pm  
7<sup>th</sup> Violin recital for Friends of Seend Church, 7.30pm  
10<sup>th</sup> Theatre Club outing to Bath Theatre Royal  
14<sup>th</sup> Start of Summer Saturday Breakfasts, Community Centre  
15<sup>th</sup> Seend Ramblers meet Rusty Lane at 9.30am  
16<sup>th</sup> Mobile Library: 9.35am Seend The Lye; 10am Seend Cleeve phone box;  
10.55am; Well Inn car park, Bulkington  
17<sup>th</sup> Seend Acoustic Club – Dan Donnelly, upstairs in Community Centre, 8pm  
22<sup>nd</sup> Free Film for Seend Club Members – Woman in Black, 7.45pm  
30<sup>th</sup> Mobile Library: 9.35am Seend The Lye; 10am Seend Cleeve phone box;  
10.55am; Well Inn car park, Bulkington

### **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](http://www.seend.org.uk) for past editions of Spotlight & ‘Happenings!’, local history, ‘What’s On’, links to other village sites etc

## Welcome to June 2012 Spotlight



After a wintry early May turned to glorious summer, let's hope for a seasonal June. Whatever the weather, we have some great events lined up during the month. We hope everyone, and that includes you, will turn out to support the **Jubilee celebrations** in Bulkington on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and in Seend on the 4<sup>th</sup>. There are also special Jubilee Sunday services in the parish's churches and the **Church Fete** on the 2<sup>nd</sup>. We can enjoy a **Rural Arts** touring show on the 8<sup>th</sup>, and Bath Opera's production of '**Carmen**' on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. We also have the **Seend Cleeve Open Gardens** on the 9<sup>th</sup>, and the **Manor House Open Garden** on the 16<sup>th</sup> to look forward to, and a free showing of the film '**War Horse**' for Seend Club members. **Scouts and Guides** can be reunited on 9<sup>th</sup> and **Brownies** celebrate their 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on the 30<sup>th</sup>. You can **ramble** on the evening of the 22<sup>nd</sup> or listen to **acoustic music** on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> (great guest bands!). The month ends with a bang as **Abba's Angels** return by popular demand to Bulkington on the 30<sup>th</sup>. Please book tickets in advance where possible.

**Wanted – help with distributing Spotlight:** After many years, Anne Salter is retiring from her voluntary duties counting out copies of Spotlight ready for the individual distributors. If you can take her place, please ring one of the numbers below. Thanks. And, of course, many thanks to Anne.

### **THE SPOTLIGHT CONTACTS**

Contributions for the July issue (**copy deadline 16<sup>th</sup> June**) can be emailed to [spotlight@seend.org.uk](mailto: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. Sasha Heseltine – [sfhesealtine@gmail.com](mailto:sfhesealtine@gmail.com) - deals with advertising queries.

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

**Lost emails:** Emails to Spotlight sometimes go 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:

**When sending emails to [spotlight@seend.org.uk](mailto: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

**PDFs:** Please note that we cannot use PDF files of posters etc if they are designed to fill a full page (which we rarely if ever can provide because of the volume of items contributed to the magazine). Word documents give us the flexibility to adapt your wording and pictures to fit the space available. Thanks.

**Village events in May and beyond**  
(see pages 10-11 for Bulkington events)



**Seend Acoustic Club**

**1st & 3rd Tuesdays upstairs in Seend Community Centre at 8pm**

Admission £3 – including a free chocolate!

**5th June - Light Garden**

**19th June - The Home Fires**

**3rd July - Rob Lear Band**

See [www.seendacoustic.org](http://www.seendacoustic.org) for full details

Tickets also available for **Seend Acoustic Festival** – 7th-8th September.

Early bird discount until 4<sup>th</sup> June!

**Free Film Show for Seend Club Members  
in Seend Community Centre**

Film starts at 7.45pm. The bar opens at 7.30pm. Membership cards must be shown, or non-members can join on the door.

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June – ‘War Horse’**

See leaflet enclosed for future film programme. Visitors from outside the village accompanying local Members can take out temporary membership for the film show for just £1 each.



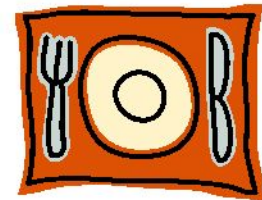
**Nosh And Natter Lunch Club!**

**at 12 for 12.30pm**

**on Wednesdays May 30th and June 27th**

Advance booking essential - ring 01380 828540

*(Please also ring this number if you can help at future lunches)*



**Jubilee Church Fete**

**Do Join Us In the**

**Vicarage Garden, Seend**

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June from 2-5pm**

**Stalls, Children's Games, Face painting, Crafts, Raffle, Bric-a-Brac, Toys, Books etc Ice Creams, Teas & Homemade Cakes**

In aid of Church funds

Programme Subject to Change



Sunday June 3<sup>rd</sup>

Live Music at The Brewery Inn, Seend Cleeve - 2pm - 5pm.

**Manor House Open Gardens**

*In aid of Seend School*



A one-off Open Garden event on **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June** at the Manor House. Tickets are £5, with free entry for children. The gardens will be open from 1.00 pm until 5.00 pm. Parking on the Lye Field, Teas in the Pavilion. All proceeds go towards Seend CE Primary School's building fund.



**The Cleeve Open Gardens  
at Seend Cleeve**

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June, 1-6pm

Beautiful gardens, Stunning views

Cream teas, cakes, ice creams

Tickets £5 per adult (children free),  
includes parking & Shuttle service.

Follow signs to Car Park (Post Code – SN12 6PU)

**Bath Touring Opera presents  
that most popular and tuneful opera  
Bizet's 'Carmen'**

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 7.30pm  
in Seend Community Centre**

Tickets £10, or £5 for under-16s  
available from Seend Shop/PO  
or by phoning 01380 828617



Book early to avoid disappointment!

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**RAW (Rural Arts Wiltshire)**  
**presents**  
**Tim FitzHigham 'The Gambler'**  
**on Friday 8th June 7.30pm in the Pavilion.**

This multi award winning comedian, author and explorer returns to the rural touring scheme with a show about the ten greatest bets in history.

Tim investigates the most daring and bizarre wagers from several hundred years of history, including where he bets he can cycle from London to Dover faster than fellow comedian Alex Horne can draw a million dots on a piece of paper...

What happens? Come along for 90 minutes of hilarious but occasionally thought-provoking entertainment by an energetic and true English eccentric.

**Tickets only £7, £6 concessions and £4.50 children**  
**WHAT A BARGAIN NIGHT OUT - TREAT YOURSELF!!**

Phone Jan Crabtree 01380 828687 for advance booking or more info. Tickets also available from Jan Harding, the Post Office and Tessa Doe.

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What's happened to the Summer Ball? I hear you ask yourself!! Have I missed it? No! It's the next big event on Seend's horizon and its been reinvented as:

## **Seend Jubilee Dinner Dance**

on  
**Friday 6th July, 7.30pm-midnight.**



**in Seend Community Centre**  
**Black tie**

**Two- course meal plus cheese and biscuits**

7.30-8.30pm is for ballroom dancing, eating nibbles, chatting with friends, having a Pimms, buying a raffle ticket or two, getting in the Jubilee mood....

Food will be served at 8.30pm. Disco dancing will be around 9.30pm with quite a subdued sound so chatting can continue for about an hour after which Alex of 'Bespoke DJ Events' will ramp up the atmosphere and have you serious dancers bopping along to his brilliant beat till the late hours!!

**Tickets are £20** per head and tables can be in groups of 6/8/10/12

For more information and table reservations  
please phone Jan Crabtree 01380 828687

*All proceeds go to the Community Centre*

## Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations

Monday 4th June

***Don't forget the Seend Jubilee event on Monday 4th June.***

***There's something for everyone!***

***3.00-5.30pm - Come along to a bring-and-share tea on the Lye Field with a cake competition and games for the children***

***6.00-7.30pm - Softball on the Lye Field***

***8.00-11.00pm - Live music from the Fallen Apples, a Hog Roast, Quiz and Beacon lighting all at the Community Centre.***

***Tickets for the evening event are £7.50 and include the hog roast (or veggie alternative). Tickets are on sale at the Post Office, Brewery Inn and Community Centre.***



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

### **Thank you**

Clare and Michael Stynes would like to say a huge thank you to all their friends, neighbours and local businesses who donated prizes, sponsorship and their time in to helping them raise money for the Anthony Nolan Trust. Clare and Michael completed the marathon last month, Michael in 3.53 and Clare in 4.24, and have now raised nearly £3000 for this cause. We have been overwhelmed by people's generosity and the Anthony Nolan Trust send on their thanks to everyone.

### **RNLI – House to house and Devizes Flag Day Collection: April 2012**

Thank you everyone from Seend, Seend Cleeve, Martinslade and Bulkington for giving your time and effort to collect for the Life Boats. Here are the results. The figures in brackets show last years totals.

In the village, we collected £553.05 (£576.93) – 4% lower than last year but, considering one of our regular collectors was unavailable, this was a good result. The total house-to-house amount for all areas was £4564.71 (£4826.98) - 5% down on last year. The Flag Day in Devizes raised £923.53 (£1074.65) – down on last year by 14%.

The overall total (Flag Day and villages) was £5488.24 (£5997.42) – 8% down on last year. Although the figures are down on last year, these are very good results when we consider the weather on Flag Day and, in particular, the economic situation; many charities are noticing a fall in contributions.

Thank you once again, everyone, for another outstanding effort for a worthy cause supported wholly by charitable contributions.

Bob McCulloch

### **Craft Materials Needed**

My name is Sam Jackson and I live in the village and go to Dauntsey's School. On July 14th, I am travelling to Romania to work with the Nightingale Project. I will be staying in an Orphanage to help and work with disadvantaged children. I am looking for donations of Art and Craft materials, that may be spare, that I can take with me to use with the children. I would be grateful for any donations of pens, crayons, paints, etc, even perhaps a football for the boys!

My contact details are : 828224 or at Moiety, Spout Lane, Seend. Thanks.

Sam Jackson

### **Seend Lye Recreation Field Committee**

would like to record their thanks for the planting of three trees on the field in memory of the late Barbara Booth. A cherry, an oak and a beech have signs that they are growing, and will bring pleasure in the future.

Could I draw attention to some items of clothing that have been left inside the Irene Usher Hall, probably by Playgroup members, that seem to be too good to dispose of. If you have mislaid clothing, mainly coats, by all means call in and collect them.

**The British Heart Foundation** scheduled their ninth annual Wiltshire Cycle ride to commence from the Lye Field on the 13th of May 2012.

You are all aware of the dreadful weather conditions at that time, and ever mindful of the condition of the field, used on that day by in excess of 400 cars and cycles, a decision had to be taken as to whether it could go ahead. This was done early in the week, when it was pouring down, and the field was unusable. As soon as the following day dawned, the sun came out for four days nonstop. The decision had been taken, and the event is now rescheduled for 23rd September, 2012. I blame the weather!! Apologies to anyone who was affected.

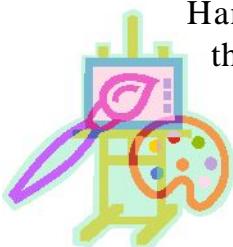
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### **Reminder to all budding Artists and creative geniuses!!**

Hand in date and time is **12 noon on Sunday 10th June** for entries for the fete programme cover competition.

All entries to be A4 portrait in red, white, blue and black only. The information '**Seend Fete 12.30 Saturday 11th August Lye Field**' to be included.

Post to Oriel Villa , 10 School Road with name, address, contact details, age or date of birth in pencil on the back.





## Seend Scout and Guide Reunion

Last year 39 past members came together for the reunion which took place at the Community Centre.

If you were in the movement between 1946 and 1985, why not just come along for this year's reunion – and the final one – which will be held at Seend Community Centre on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June from 7.30-10pm, and relive with your friends memories of early years in camp and other activities.



Gwyn Hopkins, 01225 425695

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## CHURCH AND CHAPEL NEWS

### Vicar's Letter

What a wealth of things we've had to look forward to already this year, in the shape of our Queen's Diamond Jubilee. I've been triply blessed because I'm spreading myself between the many wonderful celebrations being held in each of our three parishes. I especially hope that it will be an occasion the children will have lasting and fond memories of these amazing and historical events for the rest of their lives – let alone the rest of us!

To celebrate the Diamond Jubilee, the Bible Society is inviting us to say 'thank you' to our "Diamond Geezer". In the Bible, Jubilee was a special year when wrongs were forgiven and debts written off. So in this very special Jubilee year, the Society is asking Christians across the country: 'who are you indebted to?' It could be an old school teacher, a midwife who delivered a baby or someone who prayed steadfastly for you – just someone to whom you feel 'indebted' because of their kindness and help. I can see absolutely no reason why this idea should be just targeted towards Christians though. Surely we all have someone to thank for the difference they've made in our life?

With our busy lives it's often easier to text or e:mail a quick 'thank you' but wouldn't it be great to take the time and **hand-write** a letter to that person to thank them for everything they've done. After all, don't we all appreciate a 'thank you' card? Go on, why not go for it – you might be surprised to see what a difference it will make!

I don't know about you, though – certainly I wouldn't be able to limit such sentiments to just one person. There are so many people to whom I owe huge thanks – all the people of our parishes (you!), for example, who greet me with a sunny smile and spare the time to chat and share with me their joys and their concerns - all the people who look after our churches, in particular our churchwardens, but also those who serve on church councils, and all who just keep the buildings looking beautiful in so many different ways – the entries in the visitors' books only give a passing nod to just how much all that work is appreciated by them. And I think this is borne out by the fact that we had 16

weddings booked this year! For me, however, there are way too many people to write to individually so, please, would you all accept this note as my thanks to you for your loving support?

... but in all this let's not forget the only one to whom ALL thanks and praise are due. I speak (write), of course, about our Lord Jesus Christ. We've just held an open air Rogation service at Little Thornham Farm, by kind permission of the Haines family. We were so blessed with the weather – sunny and warm. We were surrounded by beautiful countryside, cows and lambs. It was a true joy to give thanks to our Creator God for all our blessings in such surroundings, as indeed we continue to do, week by week, in our beautiful churches, and in great company.

Praise the Lord indeed! I count my blessings every day. May you know His blessings too.

Renée



### **BENEFICE "BUZZZZ" GROUPS**

The informal discussion groups have started. Everyone is welcome - you don't need to be a churchgoer. You can dip in and out, attend any or indeed all of them, just as you wish!

The groups will meet in June on the 6<sup>th</sup> (Bulkington), 19<sup>th</sup> (Vicarage) and 25<sup>th</sup> (Poulshot) and in July on the 4<sup>th</sup> (Bulkington), 17<sup>th</sup> (Vicarage) and 30<sup>th</sup> (Bulkington). Spare copies of the schedules are available at the back of church - please help yourself. If you have difficulty in getting to a venue please let us know, and we will arrange transport.

### **Church services during June**

#### **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**

- 8.00 am Holy Communion at Seend
- 9.30 am Jubilee Celebration Service at Bulkington
- 11.15 am Jubilee Celebration Service at Seend
- 6.00 pm Jubilee Celebration Service at Poulshot

#### **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June**

- 8.00 am Holy Communion at Seend
- 9.30 am Matins at Poulshot
- 11.15 am Parish Communion at Seend
- 4.30 pm 2Church4T at Bulkington
- 6.00 pm Evensong at Bulkington

#### **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June**

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

### **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June**

- 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

### **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July**

- 8.00 am Holy Communion at Seend  
9.30 am All Age Worship at Bulkington  
11.15 am All Age Worship at Seend  
3.00 pm Armed Forces Day Drumhead Service on the Lye field  
6.00 pm Parish Communion at Poulshot  
6.00 pm Deanery Service at Bromham

### **Church Notices (see page 27 for 'Messy Church' notice)**

#### **Weddings**

- 19th April: Christopher Michael CRELLIN & Sarah Louise ANGELL of Westbury  
26th April: Ben Ellis JONES & Stacey Louise DILLEY of Westbury  
28th April: Peter John ELIOT & Emma Louise Esme PRESTWICH of Putney  
5th May: Paul Michael ROWLAND & Wendy Margaret CORMACK of Seend

#### **Baptism**

- 22nd April: Constance Jorja daughter of Michael & Claire HOGG of The Lye, Seend

#### **Floodlights**

- 27th/18th May: Remembering the birthday of Michael WOODRUFF with love from his wife Corinne.  
10th June: From Roger Urch. Remembering the anniversary of Ebby and Verna URCH (nee Abbott) married this day in 1946 at Seend Church.  
20th/ 21st June: In loving memory of Michael WOODRUFF from Corinne.

### **FROM ROY**

There will be people all over our country and in many parts of the Commonwealth celebrating the Diamond Jubilee of the Queen. She is the monarch who has served the longest and only Queen Victoria has reigned for longer. More importantly she has carried her official duties as Head of State with diligence, dignity and fidelity. Her Diamond Jubilee will be celebrated joyfully with services of thanksgiving, pageantry, ringing of bells and all kinds of parties.

It is good to mark special occasions in our lives and in the life of the nation. Some of us may like to do this with big parties. Others of us may prefer more modest celebrations. Life's comings and goings need to be recognised. When we are children we get excited by birthdays. When we are older, we may be

more reflective - even glad to see another year. Yet we go on marking out our lives.

The church too has feast days when we celebrate significant events in the making of the church. The most notable are Christmas when we celebrate Jesus' birth, Easter when we celebrate Christ's death and resurrection (it begins solemnly and ends in joy), and Pentecost when we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the beginning of the church. In keeping our feasts, we keep our faith alive.

Celebrating is good. The Bible evens likens our final destiny as a heavenly banquet to which all are invited to share in equal measure in the goodness God has to offer us. And as we anticipate sharing in the great feast, we realise again that we are called to share the feast of life with all.

Happy celebrations and God bless,



### **SEEND METHODIST CHAPEL - Services for June 2012**

3 <sup>rd</sup> June	10am	Rev Tony Barnes (from Swindon)
10 <sup>th</sup> June	10am	Revd Roy Fowler with Holy Communion

On June 24<sup>th</sup> Rev Stanley Pipet and Derek Gard will be celebrating Chapel Anniversary at Calne Methodist Church at 10:30 am.

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### **BULKINGTON NEWS**

# **ABBA'S ANGELS**



## **Live Tribute Band And Disco**



**Saturday 30th June 2012 | 7.30 pm - 11.30 pm**

**At The Hay Barn, Leaze Farm, Mill Lane, Bulkington.**

**Catering Van and Licensed Bar**

**Tickets: Adults - £12, Children under 16 - £6**

**Tickets from Seend Post Office,  
Jane Coles- (01380) 828145, Sue Noad- 870343**

All Proceeds to Christ Church Bulkington



**Bulkington village  
celebrates Her Majesty the Queen's Diamond Jubilee  
on the Playing Field on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2-5pm**

An afternoon of **FREE** fun and entertainment for all villagers and guests—bring your own picnic, chairs and rugs and share in the live music, sports and lots of fun for all ages!

**LIVE MUSIC** from Jess Vincent and Benny Sensus.

2.00 – Jubilee oak tree planting

2.15 – Open air church service led by Rev'd Maureen Allchin

2.45 – Village photograph—all villagers asked to assemble

3.15 – Rural Olympics; for all ages, big or small

- wellie wanging, egg & spoon race, swede putt, sack race,  
hay bale hurdles, wheelbarrow race, tug-o-war, carrot relay

4.00 – Time to enjoy your picnic on the grass to the accompaniment of great live music.

Sponsored by AVID kitchens & Bathrooms Ltd

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**The church-hosted Bulkington lunch** takes place on Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2012 at 12.15pm at The Well. Everyone in the village is welcome. It is a great village occasion with a good value two course meal for £12.00 a head. Contact Jane Coles in advance for the menu (828145).

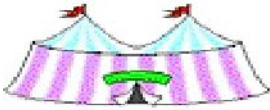
The **Mobile Library** will be visiting the car-park of The Well in Bulkington on the 18<sup>th</sup> June 10:55-11:25am at The Well. Please support this.

There will be two **JUBILEE SERVICES** in Bulkington on Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June. The first will be a service for all the family in the church at 9.30am led by the Revd. Renée Coulson and the second will be an informal and celebratory Open-Air Service on the playing field at 2.45pm, led by the Revd. Maureen Allchin. The church will give gifts of a Jubilee New Testament on that day and there will also be a card to sign for the Queen.

**THE SAFARI SUPPER** held by The Friends of Christ Church, Bulkington was great fun and a great success. 31 people were involved – enjoying good food and getting to know fellow villagers and Friends.

A huge thank you to all who were involved. The next Friends event will be the multi-media, family **QUIZ NIGHT** on Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 7.30pm in Seend Pavilion. Please put this date in your diaries.

## **SEEND CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS**



### **Seend Fete 2012 - Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August**

Only just over 2 months to go until the Seend Fete!

I'm pleased to announce that Paul Martin, from BBC's Flog It, has kindly agreed to visit the Fete again this year.

Among the attractions in the arena will be a fantastic Dog Dancing display and a return visit from the amazing Wiltshire School of Gymnastics. A local theatre group called Curious Company will be entertaining the crowds throughout the afternoon. Shrewton Silver Band Brass Quintet will be performing, and by popular request, John Alderslade and Mr Snuffy will be entertaining the children (and adults)! There will be static displays, train rides, and all the fun of the fair.

We are still 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. The more helpers we have the better.

Please enter the procession, we need floats, floats and more floats, plus as many in fancy dress as possible! Let's make it the biggest procession yet! This year's theme is the Diamond Jubilee so put your thinking caps on and join in the fun!

Now is the time to put to one side all those items which would be suitable for the many stalls which include White Elephant, Books, Toys, Bottles, Grand Draw and Tombola. We are always so grateful for all the donations that are so generously given.

Do visit the Fete website at [www.seendfete.co.uk](http://www.seendfete.co.uk)

### **Seend Flower Show: Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2012**

Another year and another chance to for you to bask in the glory of growing the prettiest dahlia, the gaudiest zinnia, the perfect rose, the sweetest sweet pea. Then of course there are the vegetables, which don't feature in the show's title but they are VERY important, - will you grow the best carrot, the biggest marrow, the longest bean, the most succulent tomatoes ...?



Do you fancy baking the choicest scones, the mmmmiest bread, the prettiest cupcakes, the most melting sponge ...? If you do you might not then have time to enter your painting, your knitting, your embroidery, your photographs, and all the other stuff in the other classes - but fortunately there will always be some people who do do those things!

The show has gained its more than local reputation on the basis of the outstanding quality of the exhibits in past years and there is good reason to think that the coming parade of goodies will maintain that standard. So we invite YOU to get a copy of the show schedule (50p, but no other fee per entry) when it becomes available in July and prepare an entry (entries!).

Most of the classes of entries are competitive in the sense that first, second, and third 'prizes' are awarded as appropriate (no money sorry, but some winners get silver cups) but don't let that spoil the fun of having made a contribution to the showiest of local shows.

Ah yes, but there is room for some *non-competitive* exhibits. Oh yes! Last year we had a display of, and how-to-do, Canal Art, and a display of Quilting.

If you take pride in having a skill that is not represented in the official classes then we invite you to create an exhibit to inform and delight the audience. Space is limited so in the first instance please contact Brian Jaques (01380 827137) for more information and a discussion of the project. We are sure that there are local people who do and make things worthy of a wider audience so here is your chance to show the world (of Seend, where else?) the talent that otherwise lies hidden.

Even if you don't manage to create an entry you will still be able to make a very important contribution to the success of the show by coming along and seeing what others can do ( it might well make you consider trying it yourself next time).

Oh, and there's also the Seend Fete in the adjoining field so there will be something else to do and see as well.

Brian Jaques



## **SEEND WI**

Our speaker for the May meeting unfortunately had to cancel at the last minute. We were very grateful to Malcolm Jago who came at short notice and gave us a fascinating talk, with slides, about Jane Austen's Bath. We were amazed at his knowledge and I'm sure that we all learnt

something new about Jane Austen and Bath that evening.

Next month's meeting is on Wednesday 13th June when our speaker will be Jane Arnold whose talk is entitled 'Herbs in History, Gardening and Cooking'.

Visitors are always welcome. All meetings take place in the Pavilion, Rusty Lane, Seend at 7.30pm on the second Wednesday of the month unless otherwise notified. For more information please contact Gill Acornley on 01225 707218 or check the website [www.seendwi.weebly.com](http://www.seendwi.weebly.com)

## **SEND US YOUR MEMORIES!**

Seend WI is once again on the hunt for memorabilia, photos, news cuttings, programmes of village organisations events and functions, meetings, AGMs, dances and discos, fete pictures, sports pictures, school, playgroup and panto. Many villagers will be familiar with the **Seend scrapbooks** which members of the Seend WI put together so well. In this Jubilee year, the Seend WI will be building on these books, which records a lasting legacy of history of the village. The books are kept safely on a day to day basis, in the Wiltshire History Centre

in Chippenham, but will be on display in the Lye Field Pavilion from 3pm on Monday 4th June at the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations. Come along and take a look to see what has been done, you may find someone you know in the pages!

Please help us in creating this new book by letting us have your contributions and hopefully a photo, a heading, or names of people in the photo, particularly those of teams, eg tennis, skittles bowls or football or groups, eg panto, ramblers and club outings eg gardening, historic houses.

You can contact any member of the WI committee or call Fiona Johnson on 01380 828401

### **The Launch of Holy Cross Church Friends: All welcome**

Thank you to all those people who have so far become Friends of Holy Cross Church. Since the publication of our leaflet in February there has been a steady stream of people wishing to become a Friend.

We are now celebrating our launch with a first Friends Event: on **Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm** in the Church there will be a violin recital by the brilliantly gifted young violinist **Katherine Stonham** followed by a Cheese and Wine Party.

Admission to the recital is **free whether or not you are Friend** and we are asking those attending to make a donation for the cheese and wine.

If you have not already joined the Friends Scheme please pick up a leaflet in the church or the Post Office and return to the address shown. Membership is £15 per annum, £25 for a couple. Your contribution will help greatly towards funding a number of new developments and ensuring that the Church remains at the very heart of our community.

Michael Johnson (Chairman) 828401

### **DAY TRIP to BUCKINGHAM PALACE**

**Thursday 6th September 2012**

This special day trip to London which is open to all family and friends within the benefice, is to visit the State rooms at Buckingham Palace and to see an exhibition of "Diamonds : A Jubilee Celebration". There are a few places remaining and if you would like to join us the closing date is the 14th July at the latest and it will not be possible to apply after this. Tickets for this event are £16.50 + return travel by coach from Seend. It will leave at 0730hrs (not 0830 as previously stated) from Dial Close. A letter with further details and a request for payment will be sent before the end of June to those who have applied for tickets.

Please contact Tina Yockney 01380 827139 as soon as possible to book your place. Thank you.





## **SEEND SHUTTLE**

### **Seend Shuttle committee AGM**

This was a very small meeting of six committee members and two others. Hopefully this means that people in general are as happy with the running of the Shuttle as was born out by the village appraisal. We are in a good financial position and can carry on with the process of buying a new bus which the Parish Council are keen that we should do. The process of getting quotes for this has been slowed by new safety legislation but hopefully it won't be too long before our drivers can start trying out possible buses. All the committee, drivers and volunteers were thanked by the chairman for all they do and again by Anne Salter. It is still the case that the whole running of the bus depends on very few. Alison would be very happy to hear from any of the many people in the village who can now drive the bus if they would be prepared to do the occasional scheduled run. Contact her on 07951 030491.

### **First Wednesday Shopping Trip**

Please ring Terry on 828203 by Monday June 4<sup>th</sup> to book your place on the trip on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>. Numbers have been declining of late for these trips. Have people had enough of Salisbury and is it time to try other destinations? Please ring or email Terry with your thoughts (terryofseend@btinternet.com). Thanks.

## **ROYAL BRITISH LEGION**

### **Armed Forces Day ( 1st July 2012 )**

On Sunday 1st July, the Armed Forces day will be celebrated by the Seend Branch of the Royal British Legion having a Drumhead Service on the Lye Field. The Service will commence at 1500hrs, will last approximately 30 minutes and will be open to all comers, regardless of whether they are members of the Royal British Legion or not. Medals may be worn.



Seating will not be provided, therefore anyone wishing to sit during the Service should bring their own chair.

On completion, a cream tea will be available in the pavilion for all those who have attended the Service.

In the event of inclement weather the Service will be held in the Church.

### **County Parade and Service of Dedication**

A parade and service of dedication will be held in Chippenham on Sunday 10th June 2012. The parade will form up at the bottom of the High Street at 1430hrs and march to St Andrews Church for a service at 1500hrs. After the service, Standards will be trooped and the parade will march back to Neeld Hall where refreshments will be provided.

The Shrewton Silver Band will play for the Parade and Service.

Members are encouraged to attend as this is the 90th Anniversary of the

Chippenham Branch and they hope for a large turn out. Members are reminded that this year is also the 90th Anniversary of the Seend Branch.

### **Committee Meeting**

The next Committee meeting will be held in the Community Centre (Parvis Room) on Thursday 26th July 2012 commencing at 1930hrs.

### **Dates to Note**

1. The Annual lecture will be held in the Community Centre on Saturday 6th October 2012 at 1900 - 1930 hrs. The subject is The Development of Pilotless Aircraft and it will be given by Wing Commander Andrew Brookes RAF.
2. The AGM will now be held on 1st November and not on 8th November as previously advertised.



AT THE HEART OF  
OUR COMMUNITY

### **SEEND COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS**

It's a busy month again in the Community Centre, with the **Jubilee** celebrations, two great **Acoustic Club** nights, **Nosh and Natter** and a musical treat from **Bath Touring Opera**. Details are all in the 'events' section at the beginning of this magazine.

Don't forget that to see the **free films** you need to join Seend Club (£8 per annum or £5 for over-60s and 14- to 17-year-olds). You can join at the bar.

Congratulations to John Wiltshire who won the **Club snooker tournament**, beating Russ Collins in the final 2-0. Thanks to Russ for organising it.

Please note that **White Horse Opera's** production of The Beggar's Opera in the Centre has been postponed from September 15<sup>th</sup> to January 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **TGI Friday evenings**

The Members' lounge bar opens at 5.30pm on Fridays (7.30pm on other days) for that end of the week get-together. The bar is staffed by volunteers for those two hours, and there are usually nibbles on the bar. The patio and lawn – with outdoor games for children on request – are there to enjoy. Come and join us!

### **Three-a-side Skittles Competition**

Welcome to Paul Waylen, running the competition for the first time in its 32<sup>nd</sup> year, assisted by Phil Harding, Cliff Bainton, Mr BJ and Doreen Munro (selling draw tickets like no other). Thanks also to Molly Hamblin, Harry Waylen and Darcey Clarke who are doing a great job keeping the games running by putting the pins upright. With entries at about 40, we are slightly down on our average but are sure that those who have entered will have very enjoyable and competitive evenings.

Cliff Bainton

### **Cribbage Team (Stan Wiltshire, Andrew Waylen, Cliff & Alan Bainton)**

We've had a reasonable season, with rather too many drawn tables, but finished third in the league – down from number one last year. We are hoping for a

consolation as we are in the final of the knock-out competition (playing the George & Dragon, Rowde)!

I'm sure we could find another team from people in the Centre if they would consider it. We could also run a league in-house if we could find around a dozen players who were interested.

Cliff Bainton



### **SEEND & DISTRICT RAMBLERS**

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May:** Bob and Brenda Jones organised a 5½ mile circular walk. 15 ramblers took part. Parking in Hullavington village we walked on tracks and over fields, exploring the interesting and varied countryside to the west of the village, passing the outskirts of Surrendell House and Dunley Wood. An attractive old bridge was crossed to the upper reaches of Gauze Brook, where a roe deer was spotted. The weather was kind to us, and everyone appreciated Bob and Brenda's efforts in selecting such a wonderful route.

**Friday evening 22<sup>nd</sup> June:** A two-hour walk will start at 6pm from the Longs Arms in Steeple Ashton, returning there for supper at 8pm. Parking is limited, so please share transport wherever possible. The menu will be available in advance to pre-order your meal. Please contact the walk leaders: Tessa Doe (01380 828617) or Anita Shea (01380 828757) to let us know if you are coming for the walk and the meal, just the walk or just the meal as we have to confirm numbers with the pub. Thanks.

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July:** Depart Rusty Lane at 9.30am for a walk of approximately six miles, probably in the Cherhill area. Do ring leaders Tim and Sandy James (01380 723394) nearer the time to obtain more details, or see the next edition of 'Spotlight'.

Lin Salter

### **SEEND & DISTRICT LINK SCHEME**

Some readers will know that, at the Annual General Meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2012, Mike Moore resigned as chairman after five years in post. At the same time, both Vice-Chairman Susan Bolton and Secretary Jane Goman resigned for personal reasons. The post of Recruitment & Support Officer had been vacant for some time.

In the wake of the AGM, Joan Savage has agreed to take on the role as Chairman and Pauline Robertson has agreed to take up the post as Recruitment & Support Officer. As a temporary measure the existing Honorary Treasurer, Joe Hardstaff, has agreed to act as the Honorary Secretary until such time as a volunteer appears to take on the secretarial duties.

Meanwhile, Rosemary Jay continues to give splendid service as the co-ordinator and both Jo Waldeck and Roger Brind serve as active members of the committee.

The Seend & District Link Scheme provides an essential service to our community. Those who would like to help, either as a member of the committee or as a volunteer driver, should contact the Acting Secretary on 01380-828458. Please help.

### **Seend Brownie pack 90th Birthday Celebrations**

Seend have had a Brownie Pack since 27th June 1922 and as we are still going strong we feel that this is an achievement that cannot be ignored. On Saturday 30th June the 1st Seend Brownies will be celebrating their 90th Birthday in the Irene Usher Memorial Pavilion and anyone who has been a member of this pack is very welcome to join us. The party will start at 12 noon and finish at 3.00p.m The Guides are kindly providing a barbecue for us and the afternoon will have activities for all including some campfire singing.

If anyone has any memorabilia that we can borrow for the day please get in touch. To help with ensuring we can cater for everyone, if you wish to attend then please give me a ring on 01380 828477 to let me know or e-mail me at helenhook@btinternet.com

Many thanks,  
Helen Hook

### **SEEND AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB**

Our first get together since the AGM was a visit by a select group to Exbury on April 28<sup>th</sup>. The weather was dampish but we were able to enjoy the gardens and caught the last of the daffodils together with magnolias and azaleas and the start of the rhododendrons. We all recommend the restaurant as well. Those of us who paid in advance for the train were given a free return ticket for the gardens for the Autumn and we think we will try and make it another joint trip for those who are interested in returning. Thanks to Carole for organising this trip. The next one will be the evening walk around Rowdeford garden on June 12<sup>th</sup> followed by a pub supper. If you put your name on the list for this you should by now have received information and menus. If not please let Sue know. There is also time to add your name to the list if you wish to come after all. There are spaces on the list for Hinton Ampner and Hilliers on 14th July. Any queries on that one to Jackie on 828454.



Please support our stall at the church fete coming up soon. Plants and helpers are both needed as usual. Don't forget to nurture your fuchsia entry for the flower show. Mine is doing really well and is in flower already although I'm not sure if it should be!

Sue

**Wheelchairs** available for Seend and Seend Cleeve residents.  
For hire free of charge, ring 01380 828354.



## **SEEND SCHOOL NEWS**

Very many thanks to those of you who donated clothing / textiles to our collection. In total £256 was raised. More thanks also to those of you who attended the May Fayre which netted us £541. Those events proved a good few days work.

The year 5/6 children are off on their residential to Danywenalt for the last week of this term. They will be involved in various activities and studies for the few days that they are away and it will be a well earned treat for them having just finished a week of tests!

The younger children are off on a trip to Bristol Zoo for the day whilst the year 3/4 children are going to the theatre and are also having a visitor in from the Roman Museum.

As mentioned last time, The Manor House is opening its gardens on our behalf on June 16<sup>th</sup> from 1-5pm so we are very much counting on your support in visiting the gardens on that day. Having had a look a few weeks ago at the gardens, they are sure to be spectacular when everything is in bloom. I look forward to seeing you there.

In keeping up with an Olympic theme, we are having a special Olympic day on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. All morning the children will be involved in various physical activities provided by the Trowbridge Town Council Sports' Roadshow. The afternoon will be our usual sports' day, after an opening ceremony where an "Olympic Torch" will be relayed around the field.

Rehearsals will start soon for our Summer Production – "Hoodwinked" – a modern and witty take on the Robin Hood Story. The performances are due to take place on July 9<sup>th</sup> (matinee) and July 12<sup>th</sup>.

Jackie Chalk, headteacher.

## **Seend School Parent Social Club**

In the last couple of weeks, letters have gone out offering places to the new intake to Holly Class. It would be great if any parents / carers would like to become involved with planning fund raising events. Likewise, any existing parents are welcome to come along. We meet once a month and our aim is to help provide the school with items that do not come out of the school budget. Please become involved, new ideas are always welcome.

May Fayre - Thank you to every one who came along to support us. A lot of planning goes into this event and it couldn't be done without the help and support of parents and friends. We made £540.

Table Top Sale in Brittox – Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May. A big thank you to anyone who has provided us with cakes, jams, chutneys and garden produce. We raised £282.

### **Seend School 100 Club Needs You!**

April Winners: 1. Davina Balnave      2. Jayne Bertie      3. John Steele

May Winners: 1. Sarah Todhunter      2. Sian Lythall      3. Susie Barnett

Thank you to everyone who has signed up or renewed their membership this year.

However .....we only have 44 members to date this year. With this low number of membership, we will not make any profit and may even have to reduce the prize money, just to break even.

The 100 Club, with the assistance of the PSC, helps to raise money to fund purchases which do not come out of the school budget but which greatly benefits the children.

If you would like to support your school, (whether you have a child there or not!) and be in with a chance of winning one of the monthly prizes (£20, £15, £10) please forward your details and a cheque for £12 made payable to Seend School 100 Club, or give it to a member of the PSC. The odds of winning are better than the lottery.

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

Emma Smith 01380 828056      Victoria Bowes 01380 827264 (100 Club only)

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## **SEEND PARISH COUNCIL**

### **By-election on Thursday 28 June 2012**

An election has been called in the following electoral area: Seend Parish Council – one seat. Prospective candidates must meet the qualifying criteria to stand as a candidate and complete and return nomination papers by the statutory deadline. All the information on the qualifying criteria and all the necessary forms to complete are included in the nomination packs.

Nomination packs can be obtained from the Parish Clerk or from Wiltshire Electoral Services, Monkton Park, Chippenham, Wiltshire SN15 1ER.

Candidates must return their nomination papers to Wiltshire Electoral Services, Monkton Park, Chippenham, Wiltshire SN15 1ER during office hours Monday to Friday from Wednesday 23 May 2012 **but no later than NOON on Wednesday 30 May 2012**

The meeting held on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April** was attended by 9 Councillors with Mrs. T. Carr in the chair. Apologies received from Mr. Padfield.

*Bus shelter, Sells Green* – Mr Johnstone explained that he had recently moved into the new house built next door to Windsmere Stone in Sells Green, and that the current wooden bus shelter was, if fact, in his front garden. Whilst undertaking garden landscaping, it was obvious that the bus shelter was in a poor state of repair. Mr Johnstone said that he would be prepared to replace the current shelter with a brick shelter, on the same footprint, using materials left over from the building of his house. Councillors thanked Mr Johnstone for his kind offer; the Clerk to contact Planning Dept to ascertain whether planning permission was needed, and advise Mr Johnstone.

*Allotments* – The authorisation to commence work on the entrance to the allotments has now been received from Wiltshire Council (received 23<sup>rd</sup> April). Phil Dyke to be advised and a date obtained for the start of work.

*Rusty Lane* – Finger post received from Barkston Plastics, but post not yet received. Clerk to follow up.

*Footpath SEEN4, Three Magpies* – E-mail received from Stephen Matthews, Cleansing Technician on 5<sup>th</sup> April, still awaiting delivery of bin. The Clerk to follow up.

*Rusty Lane, traffic speed* – The signs had been collected by Paul Manning, but the wording on the smaller sign should have been on the larger sign, and vice-versa. Mr Manning to return them to Barefoot Signs for amendment.

*Seend Shuttle* – Mr Murch reported that there had been a lengthy delay in getting a quote for coachwork, because of changes in legislation. The Shuttle AGM will be held on 14<sup>th</sup> May, the representatives from the PC, Mrs Savage, Mr Murch and Mr Manning to attend if possible. Mr Diffey asked if the terms of reference will be discussed on 14<sup>th</sup> May, Mr Murch said they would, and would then be brought back to the PC.

*Smiley SID* – The metro count is now in place. Some Councillors felt that it is in the wrong place, but the Clerk explained that it could not be placed within 100 metres of the start of the 30 mph limit coming into Seend from the west, nor within 100 metres of the Bell crossroads.

*Grange Farm, West Ashton* - Response from Carol Hackett, Clerk at West Ashton PC, including copy of questionnaire to be circulated to parishioners in West Ashton. The current position is that Wiltshire Council has recently agreed planning permission for a wind measurement mast at this site. The mast will be erected to provide information on wind speed and intensity before a planning application is submitted by the energy company for three wind turbines. West Ashton Parish Council has not taken a formal view as yet, but indications suggest that Parish Councillors are unlikely to support the wind farm. West Ashton PC will be sending out the questionnaire in the next couple of weeks to all houses in their Parish asking for their opinion on the proposed wind farm, and there is also various information on the West Ashton PC website.

*Bridge at Barge Inn* – E-mail received from Richard Leigh, Principal Waterway Engineer, to advise he has a meeting with the regional engineering team shortly and they will be discussing the bridge, and he will provide an update after the meeting. The Clerk to follow up if nothing received.

*Telegraph Pole, Rusty Lane* – The PCs comments had been passed to the utility company by Stuart Renfrew at Highways.

### **Parish/Neighbourhood Plan**

Mr Murch reported that he had tried to convene a meeting to begin work, but it had not proved possible to get dates when everyone was available, but he would try to get it arranged as quickly as possible. The Clerk had forwarded an e-mail from Community First, who want to run an event “Supporting Communities and Neighbourhoods in Planning”. To apply for the funding to run an event, they need to be able to show that they have seven communities who fulfil the criteria; a response was needed by 27<sup>th</sup> April. Councillors were all in favour of Seend PC attending.

### **Jubilee Celebrations**

Mr Diffey reported that plans were proceeding well; he showed Councillors a sample of the mug purchased for the children of Seend, these will be distributed to the children on Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> June; also a leaflet that will be enclosed with Spotlight. A4 posters had also been produced and will be laminated and posted around the village nearer the date. There will also be a note in Spotlight outlining the various events. The church bells will be rung on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, and there will be a special service.

### **Planning Matters**

E/11/1013/FUL     Owls Corner, Martinslade

Extension and alterations to existing studio/bungalow to create separate self-contained dwelling

Councillors felt that the access is still not suitable, the reason Highways objected to the application last year. Councillors voted unanimously not to support this application.

E/12/0418/LBC     Old Wyatts, Row Lane

E/12/0417/FUL     Erection of single storey orangery & formation of new access. Removal of two trees.

Mrs Giles, owner of the property, was present at the meeting to answer any questions Councillors may have. Comments from Councillors included that they felt the design of the new orangery was not sympathetic to the character of the Grade II listed building, was too ornate and not in period; also that there was no indication why the two yew trees need to be removed. Mrs Giles stated that the trees were close to the house and made the kitchen dark, she also stated that she was prepared to replace the trees with mature specimens on another part of the site. A Councillor stated that the trees are close to the house, and could affect the



structure, although it was unlikely that a house of this age would have foundations.

Councillors voted on the application in two parts. On the erection of the orangery, Councillors voted unanimously against the current design. On the removal of the two yew trees, Councillors voted 4 in favour, 4 against with 1 abstention.

E/12/0470/FUL 18 Dial Close

Single storey rear extension

It was pointed out that, on the plan, they had omitted to draw in the back door which is being kept.

Councillors voted unanimously in favour of this application

**Bus shelter by The Lye** – It was noted that dog walkers are putting dog mess in the bin that is located inside the shelter; this will make the shelter unpleasant to use, and could be a health hazard. A laminated notice to be placed inside the shelter, asking dog walkers to refrain from doing this, and the bin to be moved outside the shelter if possible.

**Photovoltaic power generation** – The application for a solar farm at Craysmarsh Farm was discussed, although this is in Melksham Without Parish. The application had not been circulated to Seend PC, although the site will have a visual impact for residents of Seend. Cllr Seed has spoken to the Councillor for Melksham Without, and this application has been called in to the Planning Committee. Mr Murch will attend to give the views of Seend PC.

**Police Matters** – The Community Beat Officer has advised that a white van, registration number SV51 JWL with the Homestyle Paving logo had been seen in the local area, and the occupants had been aggressive.

The date of the next meeting is **Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> May 2012** at 7.30 pm in the Community Centre.

Mrs Rosemary Fisher, Clerk

Full copies of Parish Council meeting minutes can be found on:  
[www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk)

## **WILTSHIRE COUNCIL NEWS FROM JONATHON SEED**

April was a busy month within Wiltshire Council with several initiatives coming to fruition. During April we saw the first school holiday in which school children were able to take advantage of the free swimming offer and what a difference that has made with some swimming pools seeing a 50% increase in children swimming compared to the same holiday period last year. That has to be good for the health of our children and for the pockets of our adults alike and it is good to see such a well received initiative. Also in April the Council launched its loan sharks initiative to try to reduce the threat to some of our most

vulnerable families as well as launching the County Alcohol Initiative to improve awareness of alcohol related problems to individuals, families and communities. It would be good to receive feedback on these initiatives.

No major road schemes have been undertaken in the county since the Semington by-pass was opened in 2004. The cost of preparing a road scheme is very high but the development costs have to be spent before application can be made to government for inclusion in their funding programme. Such an application is a lottery where the other players are local authorities across the whole country. If government declines the scheme, the council has to write off a large sum of money with nothing to show for it and Wiltshire has rarely been at the top of the government's priority list. Now, however, government is proposing to delegate decision making on major transport schemes to local authorities working with Local Enterprise Partnerships. In our case that is the Wiltshire and Swindon LEP. That means that after 2015, some money will be available each year for us to share with Swindon. It may not be enough to upgrade our entire network immediately, but at least we can be confident of doing something in our County.

As I write we have just celebrated the visit of Her Majesty the Queen to the Wiltshire Diamond Jubilee event in Salisbury Cathedral Close on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May. What a superb expression of Wiltshire loyalty to the Queen that event was and how brilliantly the staff of Wiltshire Council performed in setting it all up and delivering the impeccable display in appalling weather conditions right up to the moment when Her Majesty arrived and the sun came out to match that very special smile. The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh were on great form and met literally hundreds of Wiltshire folk and showed great interest in the display of Wiltshire life. Spotlight continues to bring us all the news from Seend and Bulkington, and I look forward to joining in the Diamond Jubilee events in the village, culminating in the beacon lighting, and the Village Fete.

Jonathon Seed

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## **SEEND SPORTS RESULTS AND FIXTURES**

### **Football**

**Manager Mike Hopkins**

**Assistants Mark Newman and Ben Grinham**



The team recently had their end of season meal and award ceremony at The Brewery.

The "Golden boot" award for the most goals went to Mike Haines.

Mark Newman won not only the players' player award but also the manager's player's prize. This was Mark's (aged 35) third winning of the Manager's award with 2012 capping his successes in 1996 and 2002. Mark also tells me that his uncle won the same award in 1977.

The team finished just below mid table. Congratulations to management and players



### **Short Mat Bowls - Starting Pistol Loader- Colin Waldeck**

I had the privilege of watching the boys at practice again last Monday – with no sight of the elusive Colin, but for good reason I later found out.

Unfortunately Colin never got the call to carry the Olympic flame through Bath, although he did tell the committee that, at a push, and provided he had the necessary protection, he would be prepared to rush through Trowbridge. Sadly even that opportunity did not come to pass.

But our Colin is not one to be defeated by bureaucracy, and I was one of the few – in fact the only one – to see him drift along Seend High Street in the early hours of Wednesday morning – 4:30am to be precise – carrying aloft a replica torch which he told me was “one I made earlier”. Unsurprisingly he did not quite make it unaided from The Bell to the Magpies, his legs letting him down during his attack on Spout Lane, so I had to help him to the line – the memory of Dorando Pietri inspiring us! Hats off to this true Olympic spirit! (*I think you have just breached the Ol\*\*\*\*c copyright rules there – Ed.*)

### **TENNIS – Chair – Elaine Davis**

#### **Mixed A – Captain Elaine Davis**

Players to date – Mark Newman, Elaine Davis, Victoria Bowes, Richard Jolley, Sue Walden.



#### Results

Vs. Trowbridge – drew 4-4

Vs. Bradford – won 5-3

Vs. Trowbridge – drew 4-4

#### **Mixed B – Captain Ric Ellinger**

Players so far - Henry Hawkins, Tom Collins, Pam Akerman, Carol Whiteley, Jeanne Bergin, Ric Ellinger, Susie and David Meharg.

#### Results

Vs. Chippenham – lost 1-7

Vs. Iconclasts – lost 1-7

Vs. Devizes – won 5-3

Vs. Chippenham Park—lost 0-8

#### **Ladies – Captain Pam Akerman**

#### Results

Vs. Frome –won 8-0

Vs. Trowbridge—lost 0-8

To date the ladies team has included Phillipa Jackson, Emma Williams, Christobel Garrett, Jenny Davies, Jeanne Bergin and Pam Akerman.

## **Mens – Captain Frankie Goddard**

Players so far: Harry Waylen, Richard Jolley, Frankie and Freddie Goddard.

### **Results**

Vs. Trowbridge – won 5-3

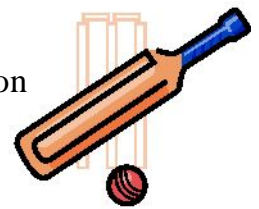
Vs. Corsley – lost 2-6

## **FUTSOL – England Captain – Luke Ballinger**

Although Seend does not sport its own team we are proud to have the national captain in our midst. Luke will be awarded his 50<sup>th</sup> cap for England in their forthcoming match against Denmark. Their last match was a 4-1 victory over Switzerland. Luke is presently the country's highest futsal goal scorer with 31 goals. Congratulations!

## **CRICKET – Captain – John Wiltshire**

Vs. Frome Red Star: Seend had their first away match of the season on the 13<sup>th</sup> May against Frome Red Star, batting first and scoring an impressive 237 for 9 after 40 overs. Top scorers were John Wiltshire, who hit an impressive 67 off 30 balls, Russell Collins scored 47 and Mark Wiltshire followed with 41. After such a strong batting display Frome, somewhat daunted, were bowled out for just 138, Mark Wiltshire taking 4 of the wickets for just 18 runs in his 8 overs to secure victory by 99 runs. Man of the match was John Wiltshire



Vs. Golden Fleece:-May 20<sup>th</sup>: In a shortened 35 overs per team match, Seend won the toss and batted first. Geraint Jones hit the top score with an impressive 84 not out. Other successes with the bat were Ben King with 77 and Russell Collins with 30. Such a good batting performance saw Seend score 245 for 4, an impressive score in just 35 overs. As the Golden Fleece took to the field it soon became apparent that they were unable to match Seend, John Wiltshire taking 3 wickets for just 7 runs and as the Fleece came into their tail Scott Cameron took one wicket for 2 runs. Good bowling and sharp fielding meant that the Golden Fleece were only able to reach 101 for 9 in their 35 overs, handing Seend a comfortable victory by 144 runs. Man of the match was Geraint Jones.

## **Running**

The 28<sup>th</sup> running of the Bishops Cannings 5000m Dash will take place at 3:30pm on the 14<sup>th</sup> July. See [bishopsconnings5000m.org.uk](http://bishopsconnings5000m.org.uk)

*Sports results and news for the July issue to the Athletes Village by the 14<sup>th</sup> June please.*

Frankie Goddard 828488

## **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.)*

For sale – one Olympic torch. Hardly used. See p.94 (Frankie Goddard)

## **BITS AND BOBS**

### **The Seend Fund**

The Seend Fund (previously two separate village charities) is available for the relief of hardship and also to use for educational purposes that are not covered by grants. If you wish to find out if you are entitled to some help, please email [anitashea@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:anitashea@hotmail.co.uk). All enquiries will be handled in strict confidence.

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**It's party time and YOU are invited!**

On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June we will be belatedly celebrating Pentecost, the Birthday of the Church..... not the Church in Seend, Bulkington or Poulshot, but the birthday of the Christian church.

The party runs from 3.45 – 5.45 pm in Seend Pavilion. There will be drinks and biscuits when you arrive, then the fun starts! Everything will have a birthday theme. There is even a craft activity for the adults. After the activities, story and messy things (and maybe even a game), there will be a cooked meal for everybody, so we do need to know in advance who will be coming. This fun afternoon is open to all children of Primary School age along with their parents or carers. To reserve your places, please ring Liz Futter on 828485 or Sue Taylor on 01225 709360. Booking is essential – so please do it now!

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### **Golden Gardens**

#### **Celebrating 50 years of nurturing Wiltshire's Wildlife**

Many of the gardens taking part in 'Golden Gardens' are privately owned and normally closed to the public. There are 16 gardens around the county taking part during the summer. For more information visit [www.wiltshirewildlife.org](http://www.wiltshirewildlife.org) or call 01380 725670 for a free leaflet.



#### **More Open Gardens**

There are also open gardens at West Kington on Sunday June 17<sup>th</sup> from 1.30-5.30pm, £5 entry. See [www.westkington.org.uk](http://www.westkington.org.uk) for details.

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### **White Horse Opera Summer Ball**

**Friday July 6<sup>th</sup> – 7pm for 7.30pm at the Bear Hotel, Devizes**  
**Tickets £39.50 from the Bear Hotel. See [www.WhiteHorseOpera.co.uk](http://www.WhiteHorseOpera.co.uk)**

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## **Wiltshire Citizens Advice**

In the current economic climate and with the major changes to the benefit system the demand for our service is ever increasing. With this in mind we need to recruit more volunteers for a number of roles within Wiltshire Citizens Advice.



To find out more about the value of volunteering come to one of our open days:

Devizes: Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2012 10.30am-12.30pm

New Park Street Devizes Wilts SN10 1DY

Salisbury: Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2012 1.00pm – 3.00pm

18 College Street Salisbury Wilts SP1 3AL

Trowbridge: Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2012 10.30am – 12.30pm

1 Mill Street Trowbridge Wilts BA14 8BE

Chippenham: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June 10.30am – 12.30pm

3 Avon Roach Monkton Hill Chippenham SN15 1EE

Further details:

Email: [volunteer@cabwiltshire.org.uk](mailto:volunteer@cabwiltshire.org.uk); Web address: [www.cabwiltshire.org.uk](http://www.cabwiltshire.org.uk)

Advice: [www.adviceguide.org.uk](http://www.adviceguide.org.uk)

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### **Midsummer Fair – food and drink**

in support of Wilton Windmill at East Grafton Village Hall  
on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June from 1-8pm.

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Alison, who runs **Pyjama Drama** for young children at the Community Centre on Thursday mornings, suggests this song for your little ones next time it rains (to the tune of Little Bo Peep):

*Arabella has lost her umbrella*

*And doesn't know where to find one*

*She really is dizzy, her hair will go frizzy*

*She'll just have to put her new hat on.*

See [www.pyjamadrama.com](http://www.pyjamadrama.com) for info about classes.

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### **Stop Press**

Spare **Jubilee mugs** are available on a first-come-first-served basis to children who live in the village but do not attend Seend School or nursery. Contact Georgina A'Bear on 01380 828288.

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### **And finally.....**

There was the person who sent ten puns to friends, with the hope that at least one of the puns would make them laugh. No pun in ten did.

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

**CHURCH:** Vicar: Rev Renée Coulson 01380 827285. Asst. Priest: Revd Maureen Allchin.  
Benefice Administrator: Mrs Sue Taylor 01225 709360. Churchwardens: Holy Cross Seend:  
Mrs Anne Ewing, 01380 828557, 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, Mrs Jane Goman  
827121 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 (7.30-11pm only). Bookings: 07703 814111  
**Seend Shuttle:** Booking: Alison Cobbing 07951030491; Keyholder: Gordon Galloway 828568  
**Seend Parish Council Clerk** - Rosemary Fisher 828281 [www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.seendparishcouncil.co.uk)  
**Seend's Wiltshire Councillor** - Mr Jonathon Seed 01380 850695  
**Seend Website:** [www.seend.org.uk](http://www.seend.org.uk) - Neil Yockney 827139. **Seend School** - 828334  
**Bulkington Website:** [www.westwilts-communityweb.com/site/Bulkington](http://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 101, or e-  
mail [melkshamruralsouthnpt@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:melkshamruralsouthnpt@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk)  
**MP** Claire Perry, 01672 519198 (10-5) [claire.perry.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:claire.perry.mp@parliament.uk)  
**MEP** - Graham Watson 01458 252265. **Melksham Area Board** - 01225 718443.

### **CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS**

*100+ Club Cash Draw - Bernie Prolze 828391*  
*Acoustic Club - Malcolm Shipp 827041 - [www.seendacoustic.org](http://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 01249 812088*  
*Fawlty Players Panto Group - Tessa Doe 828617*  
*Fete Committee - Fiona Johnson 828401 - [www.seendfete.co.uk](http://www.seendfete.co.uk)*  
*Football Club - Dave Beaumont 01225 785067*  
*Gardening Club - Joyce Brand 828433*  
*Historic Houses Club - Tony Ewin 828325*  
*LINK Scheme - 075320 55560*  
*Lye Field Committee - Dave Sawyer 828583*  
*Mothers' Union - Kay Beasley 828593*  
*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*  
*Seend Singers - Roger Brind 828830*  
*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 - Fiona Johnson on 828401 and Gill Acornley 01225 707218*  
*Wine Circle - Steve Parsons 828814*

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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