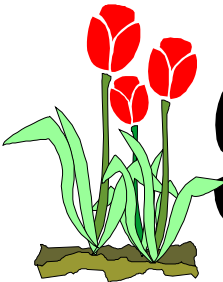
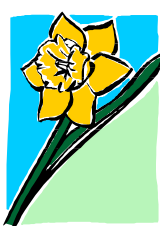


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The next edition of this Magazine will be published on the
1st June 2004

Copy Deadline is 20th May 2004

Your District Councillor Pauline Bailey-Wright will be holding her surgeries from 6.30 p.m. until 7.30 p.m. at the Parish Office, before the Full Parish Council Meeting. Please come along and meet her. Watch notice boards for dates of next meetings.

**19th
May**

Fast Internet Access for Sixpenny Handley Now we have a DATE!!

BT have now advised that ADSL will be enabled on the Handley exchange on **19th May**. That may seem a long way off, but it is a lot quicker than most exchanges !! Most people are having to wait a MINIMUM of 5 months. We are on a reasonably short list and are about 20th in the queue.

Nick Sherman

HOW TO HELP YOUR FAVOURITE CHARITY

The Chancellor has made it possible for you to give to your chosen charity without any fuss and bother.

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Should you decide to do this, you have to say so on your tax return. The Inland Revenue will then donate to your Charity on your behalf. You can remain an Anonymous Giver if you wish.

The benefit to the Charity is that it will receive not only your donation but also Gift Aid without having to claim separately. And for the first time, the Charity can benefit from Anonymous donations.

St. Mary's Church, Sixpenny Handley is registered with the Inland Revenue under Ref.No. **BAB93AG**.
and **Sixpenny Handley Village Hall** is also registered - No. **XR67764**.

Sixpenny Handley First School

With the completion of our spacious new hall, well-equipped ICT room, Early Years' classroom, library and administrative facilities, we thought it appropriate to mark the occasion by commissioning some rather special artwork.



Class 2 enjoyed an exciting day of felt making with a very accomplished artist: Liz Clay from Wells. She has exhibitions of her work in the Mall Gallery and lectures at Bath Spa University, whilst researching wool fibres for a PhD. herself. The 6 - 8 year old pupils were engrossed in their work, learning the process of making felt and perfecting their skills using merino wool. The resulting colourful array of fabric is

being used to re-tell the Bible story of the creation of the world in an abstract style. Once finalised, this will be exhibited in the new school hall.



How to make felt
What you will need:
tray water
wool netting
bubblewrap sponge
soap

What you do:

. Get some bubblewrap and lay it on your tray.
. Now start collecting your wool and put it beside your tray.
. Next start pulling bits out of the wool and lay it in a square on your tray.
. Then put some more wool on top of

your wool turned 90°:
. When you have finished start decorating your wool.

. After you have decorated your wool find some netting and put it on top of the wool.

. Then get a sponge and a pot of water and dip your sponge in.

. Wet the netting until you can see the bubblewrap.

. Get some soap on your hands and rub it on the netting. (Make sure you don't pop the bubblewrap!)

. Now take off the netting very carefully

and put more soap on the wool.
. After you have put soap on the wool you have to rinse it out.
. Now it is a proper piece of felt.

By Kaye Y3

Do you have memories of the ' School Hut '?

Mindful of the imminent demolition of the old HORSIA classroom during the Easter holidays, Class 3 children (the present and final occupants) are very keen to gather information about the history of the old building, particularly from those who were taught there. If you have any memories (fond or otherwise) of lessons on the hill, please do get in touch. We will be glad to receive any written thoughts or comments, and of course photos if you have them, or perhaps you would prefer to arrange a visit and be interviewed by our young historians? We hope to compile a 'book of memories' to mark the demise of this special building (beloved by many, we are told), which has seen so many children educated within its walls.

Contact:

Sixpenny Handley First School,
Common Road, Sixpenny Handley,
Salisbury, SP5 5NJ.
Tel. 01725 552356.



Landscape in Textiles

Needlework artists at Sixpenny Handley First School

What makes up our beautiful countryside? Ask the children at Sixpenny Handley First School, and they will tell you: kestrels over the barrows at Pentridge, green hillsides with lambs and rabbits, a gnarled old oak tree, ripe cornfields with poppies and field scabious, a barn owl swooping low over evening hills, fallow deer on Cranborne Chase, a pony quietly grazing, an ancient road with the ghost of a Roman soldier, blue butterflies on the chalk, a woodland path through bluebells, hazel and beech, hedgehogs rustling through autumn



The first stage: painting the background design.

leaves, dusky bats in the secret black night, a harvest mouse clinging to corn stalks, furry bumblebees, pheasants strutting through the undergrowth. . . . these were the images that came to mind when the oldest children were asked to design a wall hanging for the new school foyer.

And these are the images they have recently been working hard to reproduce, in textile painting and embroidery, under the expert guidance of Mrs Brenda Weeks, a visiting textile artist. Each child

produced their own piece of work, according to their design, on calico, and the individual pieces will then be united into a single wall-hanging depicting the delights of the local environment.

The project involved a great variety of creative techniques. Using textile paints and different

printing tools, the background for the design was completed, and then the needlework began: the mysteries of running stitch, chain stitch, couching, applique, beadwork and other skills were unravelled as the children stitched patiently on. The textiles used were various: felt, velvet, netting and shiny, furry or metallic fabrics too - all contributing to the detail and individuality of the work.



Intense concentration as the needlework gets under way.

Interested parents kindly came into school too for the needlework sessions, and soon became involved in helping the children achieve the effects they wanted and, more particularly, in threading those elusive needles!

The children are now anxious to see the finished product of their labours, once it has been sewn together, and glad that, although they themselves

are soon to be leaving the school, there will now be a permanent reminder in the new school building of the images they treasure most in their precious local landscape.



Hard at work to get the finished result just right.

Mobile Library - Changes to timetable

The mobile library service will be adopting the following timetable from 7th June

<u>Location</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Times</u>	<u>First Visit</u>
Handley School	Thursday	Fortnightly	2.10-2.30	10 June
Roebuck Inn	Thursday	Fortnightly	2.35-2.55	10 June
Dean	Friday	Fortnightly	12.50-1.05	11 June
Woodyates	Thursday	Fortnightly	2.45-3.00	17 June
Dean Lane	Thursday	Fortnightly	3.20-3.35	17 June
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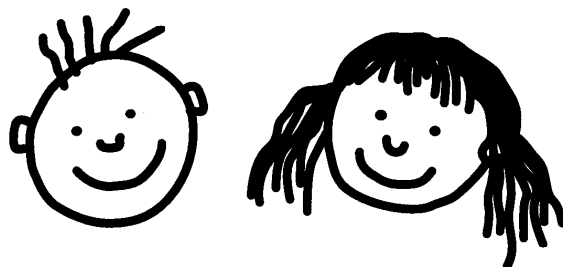
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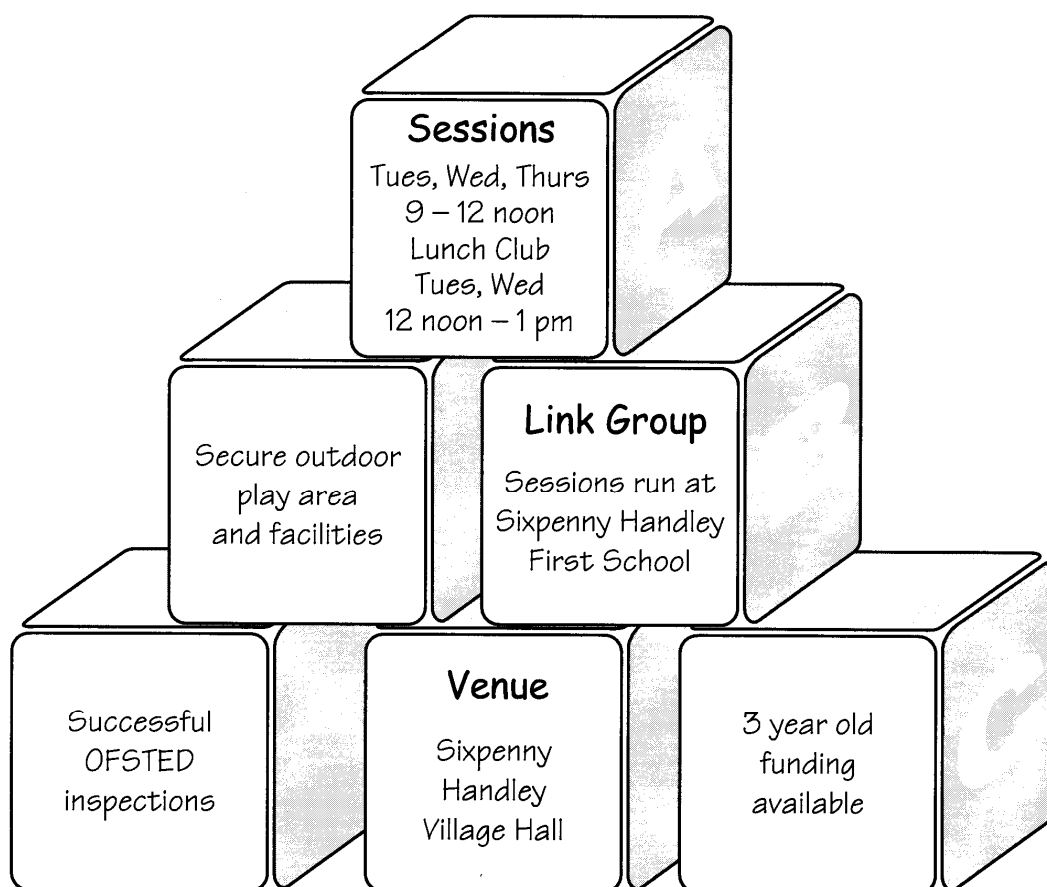
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Village Hall News

Sorry I missed the last issue but personal circumstances took over.

Dare I say that the heating has now been sorted and I have reports of it being too hot!! It took three months to discover the thermostats were wrong for the new boilers, so fingers crossed all is well.

The next urgent thing needing doing are new windows for the toilet block, as the windows are falling to bits. We have had a few estimates but it will cost thousands, so much more fund raising is needed.

Since the last issue the hall has had a performance of Cinderella, which was very enjoyable and it was nice to see a full house of people.

Then in February we had a performance by the Ukulele Orchestra; again it was a brilliant evening. Both were sponsored by Artsreach and we managed to make a profit.

Also Artsreach put on a display of Crafts at the hall. I would like to thank the many people who acted as stewards on the Saturday and the Sunday. Items sold over the weekend reached £700 so the group was well impressed. Again many thanks to all who came (over 200 attended).

March 19th was an evening that will have a lasting memory to everyone who attended. The W.I. Fun Night.

It was called Mad March Hare Nite. So we were all wondering as to what was involved.

We had comical poems, songs, miming, plays and what a professional performance it was. The food was superb as well.

The talent of the local ladies was endless. The Producer Bobbie Carter, who put together the production, was better than you see on the TV.

So well done and thanks to you all connected with the WI (of the Village). They donated over £400 towards the Village Hall and can I book you for next year?

It was really encouraging to have good support at all the shows. So please keep on coming and giving your full support and the Hall Committee will be able to book more shows in the future.

Date to Remember: **Annual General Meeting – Monday 26th April** – All welcome

Rob

Thank You

I would like to thank everyone for cards, gifts and flowers during my recent stay in hospital.

Also many thanks to friends who visited Mum in Castleman House during her recent respite care.

Mothers Union Programme 2003 – 2004

1 st April	'Lent – Words and Music' Graham Martin
13 th May	'Mombasa' Mary Fisher
10 th June	Quiet Day – Grove Farm
July	Half Day Outing

Meetings are at 2.45pm at No. 2 St. Mary's Court unless advised differently.
If you need a lift please contact either Jean Mayne on 552692 or Mary Macleod on 552041.
All are welcome to come to any of these meetings – visitors are always welcome.



Sixpenny Handley Homewatch

The village suffered its first really serious theft for some time when the Post Office was burgled on the night of 18th March. The safe alarm went off but thieves were still able to escape with a substantial amount of cash before the Police arrived some time later. Anyone who saw anything suspicious between 0300 and 0400 that night is being asked to come forward. Nothing else was taken and, most importantly, no-one was hurt. Nonetheless, our thoughts are with those affected. No crime is pleasant for the people on the receiving end.

Homeowners have recently received the County Council's guide to Council Tax 2004/5. The contribution that we all make through the Council Tax to the Dorset Police Authority has risen by 9.7%. Accompanying literature explains that Dorset Police receives a lower grant than many from Central Government, which is one reason our Council Tax contribution is high. They say they intend to respond to people's demands for more policemen on the beat. It would be nice if police presence in the village was to increase by 9.7% but we shall have to wait and see.

Other reported crimes in the parish include the theft of heating oil from an unsecured domestic tank in the village during mid-March. Most tanks have fittings for a padlock but few are secured with one. The message is obvious. A stereo and laptop were stolen from Farnham overnight on 20/21 March, entry having been gained via a ground floor window. Theft related to riding equipment remains high in the area and horse owners are asked to review their security arrangements. Unattended vehicles are also being broken into from time to time. Don't leave anything interesting on show in a parked car.

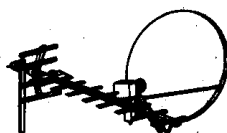
Despite recent events, we must remember that our part of Dorset remains one of the safest in the country. The need is for vigilance rather than panic. Homewatch co-ordinators continue to attend a range of police liaison meetings on your behalf and PC Collins, who covers our area, has said he hopes to spend more time on the beat.

Finally, a reminder that if you are reporting a current or very recent crime, please call the police first and the Homewatch later. A few minutes could make all the difference!

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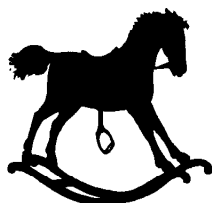
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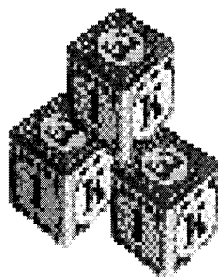


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A VIEW FROM WOODYATES

I was fascinated to discover in the parish archives recently a letter from a Blandford Town councillor living at 18 Market Place, Blandford – now a clothing store with a firm of accountants on the first floor. The letter, dated 24th of February, 1898, was addressed to Handley Parish Council and referred to “A Proposed Railway Salisbury, Blandford & Weymouth”. Although the letter is difficult to read in places, I have tried to reproduce it here as accurately as possible:-

“Dear Sir

The Blandford Town Council and The Farmers Club, and Milborne St Andrews Farmers Club have petitioned the Great Western Railway Co in this matter and it is most necessary to bring as much pressure to bear, as possible, to induce them to take it up.

Will you bring the subject before your Council and get all the Ratepayers you can, to sign the enclosed petition, to return to me before March 10th?

Or if preferred sent direct to G.W.R. & Co and intimate same to me.

I need hardly point out that a great saving in cost of transit must be effected for all Agricultural produce if the Railway can be secured.

I am

Yours truly CH Curtis Town Councillor.”

There was no response to this letter in the archives and therefore it is difficult to determine how the parish council viewed the petition. Clearly no railway was built between Salisbury and Blandford, and I am sure this was partly due to the engineering problems GWR would have encountered crossing the 23 miles of hills and downs - and the Romans weren't around in those days to help. But had it been built it is difficult to imagine what Sixpenny Handley would look like today, and indeed how the whole area would have been transformed.

The delivery of Council Tax bills prompted me to look once again at the old parish documents, and I discovered that the parish precept for 1896 was £20, and not all that was spent. This compares with the recent bill to council tax payers of £17,500 for the parish in 2004. Incidentally, for those supporting the Is It Fair campaign, the latest bill brings the total increase in council tax over the last seven years to 77%. I cannot think of anything else affecting my disposable income that has risen by such a high percentage in this period.

I also came across a map in the archives of the Sixpenny Handley Recreation Ground showing the extent of the land given to the parish; “land to remain in community use”. This also included the large grass area beside the School. I was surprised to see that, when compared with current maps, some 2700 square metres of land had been lost at the eastern end of the Ground. I could find no explanation in the archives to account for the missing area, and so I'd be interested to hear from anyone connected with the parish about how and why this land was re-allocated.

The Parish Council have asked me to raise the question of the BT telephone box at the Copley Lane turning in East Woodyates. There have been many occasions over the last few years when the phone box has been out of order or the phone has been missing completely. This has done nothing but aggravate the people who stop to use the phone only to find the facilities not available. If anyone in the parishes, specifically anyone from East Woodyates, thinks it is worth while keeping the telephone box, please contact me accordingly.

Ian Davies

ROBS COLUMN

A Tender Heart

Take a good sized tender heart, extract all seeds of selfishness. Proceed to stuff with 1lb crumbs comfort.

1 quart of milk of human kindness and happiness, some good dripping from the eaves of loves dwelling.

Blend all these well with a little of the oil of time.

To mellow and soften place the heart on a warm hearth with loves rays full on it adding to the light of other days.

Move it now and then but do not probe it, keep the world's cold blasts from it if possible but do not allow it to be absorbed in its own juices.

It will take time to prepare but when ready is fit for King or peasant being welcome at any table.

To make a good sauce for the heart take a pint or more of good spirits, a few honeyed words and add a little cream of society (This is not necessary but it can improve the flavour).

Carefully avoid cold water, vinegar and acidity in any form.

The above will then keep for years.

Tea Break

Be sure to heat the earthen pot
And have your water boiling hot
Put in a teaspoonful per cup
That each of you intend to sup
Allow to stand for minutes four
Then off the leaves be sure to pour
When serving put the milk in first
Add sugar and allay your thirst
With this delightful fragrant brew
You'll be refreshed and live anew!

Words of Wisdom

The most Bitter word is Alone
The most Beloved word is Mother
The most Tragic word is Unloved
The most Cruel word is Revenge
The most Peaceful word is Home
The most Warmest word is Friendship
The most Coldest word is Indifference
The most Comforting word is Faith

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Tuesday	8.30-1.0 ½ DAY CLOSING	9.0-1.0 2.0-6.15
Wednesday	9.0-1.0 2.0-6.15	8.30-1.0 ½ DAY CLOSING
Thursday	8.30-1.0 2.0-6.0	8.30-1.0 2.0-6.15
Friday	8.30-1.0 2.0-6.15	8.30-1.0 2.0-6.0
Saturday	9.0-12.0	CLOSED

Sixpenny Handley And Chalke Valley Practice Newsletter March - 04

Team News

- Sadly, Kate Trevelyan-Thomas has decided the time has come for her to move on. She has found a job in London, which starts at the beginning of February. She will continue to work on Monday and Friday, at least to the end of March.
- Hazell Thomas has decided to leave us and increase her time working in Hospital-based nursing.
The diabetic clinics will now be run by Jane Flint under the leadership of Dr Morgan

Travel Clinic

Please remember to contact the travel clinic in good time to arrange the required vaccinations. We ask for a minimum of 4 weeks to allow us to process your travel details. Judith Craig will be off work for up to two months from the start of March. If you contact as early as possible, it will assist us during her absence.

Vandalism

We have had a number of acts of vandalism in and around the Handley Surgery building.
Can all patients please remind their children of the serious nature and the consequences if they are caught damaging our property.

Half Day Closing

Commencing from the 19th April, the Practice will be changing its opening times as per the timetable opposite.

The most notable change is the introduction of half day closing on a Tuesday in Sixpenny Handley and Wednesday in Broadchalke. It is hoped that these changes will make us operationally more efficient and enable the Practice to continue to provide a high standard of care to all our patients.

Dispensing

A number of patients have been confused when receiving prescribed tablets, which have changed in shape, colour or come in different packaging. We are under pressure to provide a cost effective service and therefore use a number of manufacturers to supply equivalent products.

We are very sorry for any confusion caused.

Patient Information Group

The Patient Information Group exists to represent your views to us. Please do not hesitate to make contact if there is an issue you would like to raise. The date of the next meeting is Monday 26th April 2004 at Broadchalke.

Patient Information Group Members

Col Gordon Beard, Tollard Royal 01725 516296, **Miss Joan Bissett**, Bowerchalke 01722 780205, **Mrs Patsy Geddes**, Gussage St Michael 01725 552395, **Mrs Mary White**, Broadchalke 01722 780024, **Mrs Christine Foley**, Tarrant Hinton 01258 830433, **Mrs Sue Fry**, Broadchalke 01722 780093, **Mrs June Head**, Chettle 01258 830206, **Mr Ian Fowler**, Broadchalke 01722 780519, **Mr Lionel Hunt**, Gussage All Saints 01258 840468, **Mrs Sue Shepperd** Sixpenny Handley 01725 552784, **Mrs Judith Sampson** Ebbesbourne Wake 01722 780717, **Mrs Diane Lanham** Broadchalke 01722 780718, **Mrs Catherine Rose**, 01725 552872, **Mrs Kate Phillips** Alverdiston 01722 780767.

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ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that:

The Annual assembly of the Parish Meeting for the above named Combined Parish will be held in:

**Sixpenny Handley Village Hall
Thursday 29th April 2004
At 7-30 pm**

Such persons only as are registered as local government electors for the parish will be entitled to vote at the meeting, but the meeting will be open to the public during the proceedings unless the Parish meeting by resolution direct otherwise.

AGENDA

1. Welcome by the Chairman of Parish Council – Cllr Mrs P Bailey Wright
2. Provision of BMX/Skate Board facility Way, and ahead for Sixpenny Handley Sports Association. Mr N Farmer – Head of Leisure Service, East Dorset District Council, will be in attendance.

Any person wishing to submit formal questions may ask them on the evening, or forward them in writing to the Parish Office prior to the meeting.

Refreshments will be available

Dated this 19th day of March 2004

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Clerk to the Council

Handley Bijou String Orchestra

This elegant looking group is the Handley Bijou String Orchestra, a popular local dance band of the 1930s.

That's Harry Cooke on Piano, Lyttleton "Tiny" Goddard on Violin, Joe Sheasby on phonofiddle, Cyril Adams on drums, Harry Bailey on cornet and Doug White on trombone. A phonofiddle - very popular then - is bowed like a violin, but has a brass tube and bell rather than a sound-box.

Douglas Judd, Bill Parsons and Laurie Mullins also played with the band at different times, and maybe there were others. If anyone out there knows any more, or has memories of the band, or their gigs, we'd be delighted to hear from you.

Thanks to Norman Clarke for the original photograph, David Eynon for enlarging it for publication, and Lorna Starr for the information.



UNIT 8 AND DORSET ART WEEKS

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The Downsman Literary Page - Book Review Section

The Secret Diary of St. Gargoyles by Ron Wood

Not only is our vicar a cartoonist of repute, he has now shown us his abilities as a writer of humour to equal that of his cartoons. For those of you who have not read his recently published book, do so now. He makes fun of the church, himself, his family, his position as a minister of the church and the church hierarchy; as well as the situations in which the vicar of a country parish can often find himself.

You might even recognise people you know or indeed yourself, in this hilarious account of a year in the life of a country parish.

Above all it shows that our vicar is human with both feet planted firmly on the ground, even if they are in cowboy boots. And if his head is in the clouds sometimes it will probably be topped off by one of his many cowboy hats, to prevent him leaving us completely. He is human after all.

Buy it, read it, laugh with it, I challenge you to be able to say you didn't enjoy it.

I was going to send this anonymously, or even posthumously but then thought I'd brave it out.

Ted Cox

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Wondering at Woodcuts

When I sat down last night to write about the happenings, here in Woodcuts, of the past two months, I suddenly thought whatever am I going to say? However, once started I began to realise that during this period an awful lot had occurred. In fact, now that I am committing my thoughts to paper, or rather the computer screen, I am beginning to wonder how I am going to get everything in. Although I don't like mentioning snow, frost, cold rain, I am afraid I have to, to get the rest of nature in perspective.

The two sessions of snow and the frosts since Christmas, have slowed up the natural events of our calendar. For instance the violets are some days later this year compared with last. I saw blue violets on the common some three weeks ago, but they did not appear to be enjoying life. Three days afterwards white violets were out in Woodcuts, but it was quite an inferior show. However they have improved wonderfully since then, and there is an abundance of large white flowers. Thinking back, the snowdrops were also off to a slow start but have put on a wonderful show since, especially in the churchyard and well into the third week of March they are just going over.

Another flower to be rather shy this year is the primrose, there are plenty of leaves showing but there appears to be a reluctance to produce flowers in profundity yet. No doubt in their turn they will be there to brighten up the countryside, and us as a result. An exception to the rule this year seems to be the celandine, in places it seems to have been as early as normal, although my indicator patch was destroyed by the very late working of a hedge and verge cutter. In fact there appeared to be quite a lot of late hedge cutting taking place this year, this could be quite serious if birds are nesting. In fact, on the way up to Guildford last week a hedge cutter was seen working on a hedge row of hawthorn already in leaf. Also conspicuous was the blackthorn in flower, not just occasionally but everywhere north of Winchester.

Obviously the cold snaps weren't too serious. In fact insect life is abundant, with a ladybird being spotted on the grass yesterday, March 15th. Also butterflies are flying, particularly the peacock, as are several moth species including the heart and dart. Obviously they all found warm resting places as refuges during the cold spells.

A good, active, insect presence bodes well for small birds, who are in abundance and noisily and busily search the highways and bye ways of Woodcuts.

Last week three siskins were seen on the lawn of the cottage at the end of the lane. These birds are quite rare here, coming down from the north when food is short. Their natural habitat is conifer woodland, and thank goodness there isn't much around here. Conifers generally don't enjoy calcareous soils, such as ours, it is a great pity that there is one exception to the rule, the leylandii. I suppose they are useful for birds to roost in.

Returning to birds, I must tell you about one Meg brought to my attention about ten days ago. It is definitely a Cock Robin, it's colouring tells you that, but it is enormous, being about half as big again as the norm. At first I thought I was seeing things, but he has been around a lot since.

Everything seems to be bigger and better around here. For instance the deer herds are getting larger and larger, the one ranging the land south of here but north of the common, has reached twenty-seven in number. A wonderful sight no doubt, but to the farmers whose winter cereals they graze, it isn't quite so beneficial. In days gone by, stock particularly sheep were used to graze winter cereals. The object was to eat the main stem so that the plant in defence produced several new shoots. This meant that at harvest time each plant had more than one ear of grain. Unfortunately when deer graze they cannot be taken off and put elsewhere as is the case with sheep. Their continuous grazing can cause the cereal plants to continuously produce leaves and not have the energy left to produce an ear of grain.

You might not think this is serious, but I am afraid it can be for the farmer. An individual could easily have his harvest reduced by 20%, on a twenty acre plot with an expected average yield of three tonnes per acre, (ten tonnes per hectare) with wheat fetching a hundred pounds per tonne, this amounts to a loss of £30 per acre or £600 over the whole field. On an acreage basis, or even as a field this doesn't sound much, but for a farmer with one thousand acres the gross loss would be £30,000.

So you see everything comes at a cost. However the fact that the deer graze down cereals to ground level make it easier for rabbits and hares to move in, perhaps another plus for the nature watcher, but for the corn another serious problem since the area becomes very suitable for the pigeon flocks to move in on and feed. Who would be a farmer?

There are great losses to be made in the countryside, but of course there are great savings to be made too. It is about one loss/gain situation that I would like to talk about now. It concerns those with gardens or allotments. There is a natural cycle of nutrients in the growing world. Plants in the natural state, i.e. away from human influence get there nourishment from the soil, water and air, grow, fruit, die and decay and they become the nutrients for new plant life. Man in his wisdom becomes part of the system and buys in from outside, huge amounts of fertilisers, composts mulches etc. (I apologise to people like Sue and other providers of these products.) but this situation is environmentally harmful and certainly unsustainable. Furthermore garden "WASTE" is bagged up put into the car and taken to points for collection to eventually find its way to landfill sites.

This cannot continue indefinitely. Firstly the transportation uses up fossil fuels and in doing so produces huge amounts of greenhouse gases in the form of carbon dioxide and water vapour. Secondly once buried in the landfill site instead of normal break down, as where there is plenty of air; anaerobic organisms break down the grass cuttings, soft weeds, the hedge trimmings, prunings, vegetable waste, dead plants and unwanted flowers producing another powerful greenhouse gas, methane.

What is he on about? I hear you asking. Well I am trying to convince one and all, that there should be a Sixpenny Handley Recycling Centre, for all unwanted, organic material produced in the village. This would mean no transportation of garden rubbish to distant sites, no loss of valuable nutrients from the village gardens and every chance of the buying back of useful compost and possibly mulches.

The system won't run itself, there has to be a suitable site; initially there will be need of cash to prepare the site, buy materials, pay for insurance etc. but grants are available and of course there has to be a human input. Initially the machinery required will be a small tractor with loader, (already available and at no cost apart from fuel), and plenty of forks with willing engines.

If you are interested please phone me on 01725 552801.

If you are wondering why I am interested since I don't live in the village, there is a simple explanation. I am obviously interested in environmental matters, as those who come into contact with me know. Because of this I have been doing an environmental course with the O.U., which is due to finish this year. Part, in fact most, of this years work relates to a project which I have to write up. I would like this project to be the building of a village recycling system of organic matter, in your village of Sixpenny Handley. I am not sure whether it will be to the village's advantage or not to have it written up, but the final document will be produced for the web.

So please help me by helping yourselves and the village. Ring now if interested in taking part, on 01725 552801

Now a reminder to all the children of the parish. There is a Natural History Competition based on our Living Churchyard, with valuable prizes to be won.

For more information approach The Rev. Ron Wood, myself or anybody at the church.

God bless you all.
Ted Cox (17.03.04)

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Wednesday Club meets at the Village Hall every other *Wednesday* afternoon- (surprise, surprise!) - to enjoy a talk by a variety of different speakers or sometimes an entertainment. So far this year, we've had talks on the Countryside, Railway Holidays, Heraldry, Lifeboats and the History of Kingston Lacy, as well as a concert of the Sandroyds School Choir.

The programme ahead includes The Story of the Tivoli Theatre, Silver and Silversmithing, Wiltshire Wildlife Rescue, a concert by the Tee Gees and a talk by the Wimborne Town Crier.

Transport to and from the Village Hall can easily be arranged; although anyone who can offer lifts is especially welcome! The current entrance is £1, which includes your tea and the speaker. Anyone is free to come along on a Wednesday afternoon, 2:30pm (see "Whats On" for the current dates), and as a special Spring Trial Offer your first visit will be free. So do come!

For more information, phone Carole on 552572 or Pam on 552608.

The Chase Garden Club

Meetings are held on the last Thursday of the month,
 7.50pm for 8.00pm, at The Barleycorn House, Deanland.
 Talks, demonstrations etc are held in an informal atmosphere.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday - **29th April.**

A new 'Garden Club' year has just started so please do come along and join us.

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Police Support Unit

The Police Support Unit will be visiting Sixpenny Handley on the following Saturdays between 10.00 and 12.30.

April 24th, May 22nd, Jun 26th

Please visit them if you have any queries or problems you wish to discuss. If we do not use this facility, we could lose it.

OPENING DAY OF THE 2004 OUTDOOR BOWLS SEASON

Sunday 18th April at 2.30pm



More members and players
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You will never know how good you are until you try it
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ADVANCE NOTICE

On Saturday, 12th June 2004, we will be welcoming the
DORSET POLICE MALE VOICE CHOIR
in a concert at St. Mary's at 7.30 pm.
For tickets and details, please see the June Downsman
But make a note of the date NOW!

GOOD FRIDAY is the day Christ was crucified

This year, we are remembering Jesus' journey from trial to execution on that first Good Friday by saying prayers at all the "Stations of the Cross" around the village.

Wherever you see an orange poster, there will be prayers said on Good Friday, starting at Oakley Lane at 10.00am.

Come and join us, if you would like, at any or all of the "Stations of the Cross".
Or just pause for a moment to remember that Christ died for YOU.

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Sixpenny Handley Bowls Club



It is always difficult to write about something that is being held between me writing this article and the actual date that the Downsman is issued – yes I am referring to our first Quiz evening for 2004. As we haven't had a bad one yet, I am going to hope that it was a real success and thank everyone for coming and those that worked behind the scenes. I know some people are scared of going to quizzes but if you were brave and attended your first one, you would realise that it is just a fun evening and nobody worries about wrong answers – only the scorers! Anyway, why I am going on about the quizzes is because the date of the next one has been changed – please note new date is **20th November**. Tables for the 'Christmas' one are always booked quickly, so get in first.

Enough of quizzes, the Club plays bowls and the news about the Blackmore Vale League is not so good this year. Our A Team have one more match to play and are unfortunately second from the bottom with 34 points. If they can gain full points from their last match they may escape relegation to Division 2. We will have to wait and see. The Tanners however, have had some good results with their last few matches and after playing their last one of the season have also finished with 34 points, which should see them safe in sixth place in Division 4.

With so many league games being played, it is difficult to find Clubs for friendly matches – however we did have a very enjoyable match against Dinton Short Mat Bowls Club at Handley – they are a new club this year. We did win which was even better, but as our club has been in existence since 1991 and theirs since 2003 we did not have that easy a time. We failed miserably on the return match on their mats though.

We have a lovely wooden garden seat donated to our Club in memory of Mr and Mrs Penny (by Shirley and Malcolm Gerry) and this will be sited on our patio in time for the forthcoming season. It will be a very good addition to the green for our members. Grateful thanks are expressed for it.

A date has now been agreed for the opening of the 2004 outdoor season – Sunday 18th April -2.30pm. Everyone is invited and if you would like to come but are anxious about coming on your own, give me a ring and I will make arrangements for someone to collect you. If the weather is not too good, we will still be in the Pavilion with cups of tea and refreshments. So you can still come and have a chat.

When the new season gets underway we have 24 League matches and 20 Friendly matches to complete –so we are always looking for more members – so there will be plenty of opportunities to take part.

Gill Martin

Can Acupressure and Tui'na help you?

The origins of acupressure are as ancient as the instinctive impulse to hold your forehead or temples when you have a headache. Everyone has at one time or another used his or her hands spontaneously to hold tense or painful places on the body.

Acupressure is part of Traditional Chinese Medicine and makes use of the system of acupuncture for its success. Acupressure is a very ancient system of treatment and is often dramatically effective in treating many conditions that have not responded to more conventional approaches. Acupressure is an ancient healing art that uses gentle pressure applied to key points on the surface of the skin to stimulate the body's healing energies to release muscular tension and promote circulation of the blood and the life force (known to the Chinese as 'chi'). Acupressure points on the body are especially sensitive to bioelectrical impulses in the body, stimulating these points with pressure triggers the release of endorphins (chemicals released in the body to relieve pain) as the muscles relax and healing results.

The Chinese believe that energy circulates in the body along specific channels (known as 'meridians') and this energy flows in a particular direction. This is of great importance when using Acupressure and Tui'na (Chinese Massage) as Acupressure and Tui'na need to be applied in the direction of the flow of the meridian being worked.

For the body to be in balance the 'chi' must flow freely around the meridians, if there is a blockage in the meridians then ill health will follow.

There is a meridian for each major organ of the body and massaging or applying Acupressure to specific points along these meridians benefits the health of the organ concerned and so, the obvious benefits of Acupressure and Tui'na are that it maintains good health as well as promoting recovery from illness.

Acupressure and Tui'na can be used to enhance many aspects of life. In addition to managing stress, acupressure can relieve and prevent sports injuries and improve muscle tone, circulation and neuromuscular problems. The Chinese have also used Acupressure as a beauty treatment for thousands of years to improve skin condition and to tone and relax the facial muscles lessening the appearance of wrinkles naturally.

Both emotional and physical conditions benefit from acupressure and Tui'na, as the mind is relaxed by acupressure and Tui'na, tension is released and has positive effects on both body and mind making you feel not only better physically but also emotionally and mentally.

Acupressure has also proven to be an effective treatment when combined with chiropractic treatment. By relaxing and toning the back muscles, acupressure makes the spinal adjustments easier and more effective and the results will last longer, in fact, the two therapies were originally practiced together in ancient China.

If you think Acupressure and Tui 'na are for you why not give me a call and find out how you can be helped.

Sheila Ralph M.H., BSYA(Irid.), BSA (N.Th.), BSY A(Ad. C.M.A)

Master Herbalist, Iridologist, Nutritional Therapy and Acupressure & Tui 'na Practitioner.

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News and Information

NATIONAL
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MONTHLY MEETINGS

Our February meeting was delighted to welcome Kate Greenway, a sassy lady who entitled her talk 'Enjoy being a Woman'. We all laughed our heads-off at her most memorable events in her working life, which varied from model to Traffic Warden and many other jobs in between.

As your correspondent was laughing so much she missed some of them but who could forget her parading as she did in her model days and 'always showing a hand'. If you missed Kate you will of course miss the significance of this profound remark which we will all try to adhere to, whilst we will not forget the story of the sexy underwear.

The flower of the month was a superb hellebore grown by Norah North and the exhibit of a powder compact was shown by Janette Salmons (who was that dashing young man in the photograph)?

The March speaker was Frank Turnbull telling us about 'People and Places in Bournemouth'. The accompanying slides were of buildings that were made famous or infamous by the people who lived there. He showed us some Royal connections including The Langtry Hotel made famous by the then Prince of Wales who purchased the house for the Jersey Lily.

Many of us recognised the Gardens with the River Bourne running through and how pleasant it must have been to promenade on a Sunday afternoon in Edwardian times wearing your best outfit.

Stella Symes won flower of the month with her magnificent orchid and Win Judd, the exhibit for her photographs of Bournemouth.

**The WI meets in the Village Hall on the 2nd Monday of every month
except July and August at 7.30pm, visitors very welcome.**

The committee and members of Sixpenny Handley WI would like to thank most warmly everyone who helped to organise their Annual Jumble Sale, especially the gentlemen who came and helped to put up and take down tables, man stalls and dispose of the left-overs.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The April meeting is on the first Monday April 5th. This is our Annual General Meeting and

we will have a WIA talk by Mrs Margaret Knight. As always, all ladies welcome ~ WI refreshments at the end of the evening.

The Cup Competition is An Easter Arrangement (not exceeding 12" x 12")

The Spring Council meeting is in Weymouth on Tuesday 27th April. The speaker will be Nanette Walters, places must be booked.

The Spring Group Meeting is on Wednesday 26th May at Melbury Abbas and the speaker will be Mrs Hilary Warner 'Memories of the BBC'.

MAD MARCH HARE NITE

We would all like to thank everyone who came last Friday evening to watch the Sixpenny Handley WI members behaving very badly. Special thanks must go to Bobbie Carter who devised the programme and organised the catering, Mary Macleod who provided the music, members and non-members who helped to make props, decorate the Village Hall, sort the food, and to everyone who came, laughed and asked when we were going to do another evening. All profits went to the Village Hall Fund. Who knows what we might attempt next.





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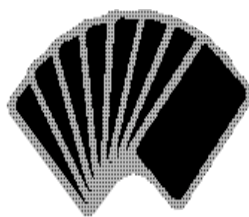
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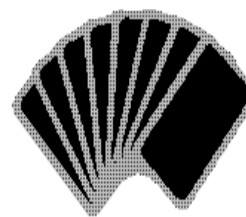
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Whist at The Village Hall



Twelve rounds have now been played in the 2003-2004 competition and the outcome is far from *cut and dried*. Eight players (as at the completion of the 12th round) are

vying for honours in the first division where, since the turn of the year, the lead has been passing between Rita Austin and Doug Haskell with neither player being able to draw clear of the other. On going to press, Rita has an aggregate score of 1775, a mere point clear of Doug. Christine Haskell has moved into third place with 1749 points and with four rounds remaining Chris could, with good fortune, displace either of the top two.

Division 2 continues to be headed by Mary Braithwaite with 1682 points, and with a margin of 75 points separating her from husband Peter, currently occupying second spot, it seems that her lead is just about unassailable. Peter's position, however, is by no means assured with Geoff Peach on 1605 and Ted Meaden on 1599 still well in contention. In fact, anyone currently in the seven places behind Mary could elevate themselves into the prize positions before the final round, which is scheduled for the 5th of May.

Edie Langley, meanwhile, heads a very depleted third division with 1430 points, well clear of Sylv Day in second place on 1393, while Doreen Leverton is somewhat adrift in third spot with 1312 points.

Attaining 13 tricks at whist (the equivalent of a Grand Slam at Bridge) is a rarity and in my last report I commented on Peter Braithwaite's and Sylvia Thorne's good fortune in the 5th round. Since then, two more partnerships have triumphed; in the 10th round Geoff Peach and Ruby Jacobs racked up the magic '13' and this was followed in round 11 with another '13' trick score, this time by Doug Haskell and Margaret Fowgies. To my way of reasoning, it is far more difficult to achieve this score at whist than at bridge. At whist the partnership literally has to play in the hope that one or the other will be holding the key card, but in bridge the partnership is able to assess his/her chances during the bidding sequence. So, many congratulations to all who have returned '13' in the present competition and commiserations to those who had to enter '0' on their score card.

Finally, Mary Braithwaite's score of 182, returned in the 7th round, remains the highest individual score so far, and the prospect of picking up a *crisp fiver* looms nearer!

Bill Chorley

The Dorset Countryside Guide is out now

The free Guide is packed with articles, features and competitions on the Dorset coast and countryside and contains a comprehensive 12-month listing of hundreds of guided walks and countryside events across Dorset.

From mini-beasts to marine monsters and Glow-worms to Little Terns, the guided walks and events pages contain something for everyone. Why not give them a try?

The Dorset Countryside Guide is free and available from tourist information centres, libraries, heritage centres and doctors' surgeries across Dorset. It can also be ordered by telephoning (01305) 224258 or by using the order form link on the Dorset County Council web site.

SIXPENNY HANDLEYSUMMER FLOWER SHOW

is on

August 21st 2004.

This year the committee has decided to support the Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance. We have been told that there is a good chance (weather & call outs permitting) that the helicopter will do a fly past over the village whilst the show is in progress.

The fund raising committee of the Air Ambulance will be bringing a stall. Many local people have reason to be very grateful to the Air Ambulance teams and by supporting the Flower Show this year we will be able to donate the profit to this very worthy cause.

The Air Ambulance relies on fund raising to keep flying ~
please help us to help them stay in the air



Knock Knock from A to Z

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Aardvark !

Aardvark who ?

**Aardvark a million miles
for one of your smiles !**

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Carol !

Carol who ?

**Carol go if you turn the
ignition key !**

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Carrie !

Carrie who ?

Carrie me home, I'm tired !

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Ferdinand !

Ferdinand who ?

**Ferdinand beats two in the
bush !**

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Jester !

Jester who ?

Jester song at twilight !

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Jupiter !

Jupiter who !

**Jupiter hurry, or you'll
miss the bus !**

Knock Knock

Who's there ?

Mandy !

Mandy who ?

**Mandy lifeboats, we're
sinking !**

Knock Knock

Who's there ?

Mayonnaise !

Mayonnaise who ?

**Mayonnaise have seen the
glory of the coming of the
Lord !**

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Patsy !

Patsy who ?

**Patsy dog on the head, he
likes it !**

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Peas !

Peas who ?

**Peas got the whole world in
his hands !**

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Pecan !

Pecan who ?

**Pecan somebody your own
size !**

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Pencil !

Pencil who ?

**Your pencil fall down if the
elastic goes !**

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Safari !

Safari who ?

Safari so good !

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Sam & Janet !

Sam & Janet who ?

Sam & Janet evening....

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Statue !

Statue who ?

Statue ?. This is me. !

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Stopwatch !

Stopwatch who?

**Stopwatch your doing right
now !**

Knock Knock

Who's there ?

Vampire !

Vampire who ?

Vampire State Building !

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Voodoo !

Voodoo who ?

Voodoo you think you are !

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Walrus !

Walrus who ?

**Why do you walrus ask that
silly question ?**

Knock Knock

Who's there !

Warrior !

Warrior who ?

**Warrior you been all my
life**

Knock Knock

Who's there ?

Zippy !

Zippy who ?

Zippydooda zippydeey !

Knock Knock

Who's there ?

Zookeeper !

Zookeeper who ?

Zookeeper away from me !

The Downsman

DON'T FORGET WHATS ON!!!

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