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In Aid Of The Community Fund
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‘Country Life’ Flowers & Fete

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Brian Hansford who passed away last month - read his tribute is on page 8

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Get set for Summer

I feel summer got off to a very good start, with that beautiful weather, then we took our family on it's first Scout Family camp with 1st Woodcutts. True, the weather wasn't quite as summery but the experience was fantastic and I'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone involved in the planning and delivering of the weekend... you can see photos on page 29.



What a lovely line-up of events we have in the village this month. On the 6th & 7th the Church is celebrating summer with a floral display... combined with this event will be the fete with all the usual stalls and cream teas on the Saturday afternoon. For more information see page 13.

Then after a few weekends rest there will be The Big Session... music, workshops, fun and food all held on the Cricket Ground and in the Village Hall. Tickets are already available for this and all money raised will go to The Community Fund. Details of the line up are on page 12.

Speaking of the Village Hall, as many of you will know a new roof is needed as the old one is rusting through... there is a consultation about the changes needed on page 9, so do respond to the committee with your thoughts.

The Village Hall is one of the locations for our sports and fitness clubs - which is the focus of 'What We've Got', you can see more on page 18.

On a sadder note, as you will have gathered from our cover Brian Hansford the Downsman treasurer and instigator and supporter of so many village activities over the years passed away last month. You can read more about him on page 8.

There are so many lovely things, from sports to live music and fetes that people of this parish organise and get involved in. I enjoy meeting and talking with many of you, and there are many I have yet to meet. I hope to see you out and about, enjoying the best of what we have!

Naomi Booth

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c/o The Parish Office, Unit 6, Town Farm Workshops, Sixpenny Handley, SP5 5PA

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To the Editor

Community Litter Pick

Thank you to everyone who took part in this really worthwhile effort organised by Handley Mini Market, 1st Woodcutts Scouts and the Parish Council. Fifteen community volunteers and twenty-five Scout volunteers and young people managed to collect about 30 bags of rubbish, 4 tyres and a tarpaulin!

There seems to be a desire to continue to keep our village tidy, look out for details in Octobers Downsman.

Thanks again, Paul Styles.

Brian Hansford

I was saddened to hear of the death, recently, of Brian Hansford. It was Brian who, with Ian Davies, originally persuaded me to take up the role of Editor of this magazine in July 1997.

For Brian, however, it was not enough to get someone to take on the role of Editor, he continued to help, becoming the production "team" for the printing operation and leading his Bowlers in the collation and completion of the 700+ copies that were produced.

In the, almost 10 years, that I was the Editor, Brian never once failed to produce the magazine on time, often working for hours, persuading a recalcitrant machine to print something approaching 50 pages for each copy. In that time Brian produced almost 40,000 copies of the magazine.

The progress in the development of the magazine I was able to make in that period would not have been possible without his efforts.

Take a break, Brian!

*Alan Vincent
Editor of The Downsman 1997-2006*

Bus Services

From Tuesday 26th May 2015 bus services 183 Blandford-Dorchester-Weymouth and 184 Blandford-Sixpenny Handley-Salisbury will be renumbered to X12 reinstating a single service number for the route again.

Lent Soup Lunches

Lent, & the weekly Soup Lunches held in St Mary's Church, now seem a long way back in memory, but this has been the first opportunity to put something in the Downsman.

The most important thing to say is a very big THANK YOU - to the many people who made soup, bread, biscuits, cakes, helped serve or set up & wash up and gave lifts, and especially to all who came - without them it would all have been a waste of time.

It certainly wasn't a waste of time as we had around 30 customers every week, enjoying the meal, the company and learning a bit about the charities we supported.

Each week we supported a different charity, the aim being to raise awareness about what they do, and to give them a small donation towards their work. We saw interesting and informative film clips and photos, and listened to brief talks - we all learnt a lot! And - we are pleased that we were able to give £800 to the charities listed below:

Neonatal Unit at Salisbury Hospital £110
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Thank you again. Watch out for the advert for next year's Soup Lunches!

Margaret Durrant





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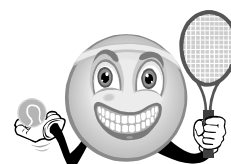


Fete
a celebration of 'Country Life'
June 6th
*St Mary's Church
Sixpenny Handley*
2pm - 5pm
in aid of St Mary's Church




Full details on page 13

Sixpenny Handley Tennis Club



**Needs Your Support
Players Wanted**

Full details on page 16

4TH PAWS IN THE PARK

**WIMBORNE ST GILES
18TH OF
JULY**

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Downsman Noticeboard

If your group is staging an event or needs help, use this free space to tell everyone!



“Country Life”
a celebration of flowers & craft
June 6th & 7th
floral displays
music
cream teas
11am-5pm Saturday
12pm-5pm Sunday
St Mary's Church
Sixpenny Handley
Saturday 6th 2pm - 5pm FETE
Stalls, plants, pets corner
traditional crafts and games
refreshments & much more...
in aid of St Mary's Church
Full details on page 13

Sixpenny Sessions presents



The Big Session

Live Music & Children's Workshops
Saturday 27th June
2pm-10pm

With headliners:
THE HIGHTOWN CROWS

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Sixpenny Handley Bowls Clubhouse
Full details on page 12



18th June

Sixpenny Handley Village Hall
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EXTRA DATE ADDED

Full details on page 10



Once a month in Sixpenny Handley Village Hall we hold a day center with a 3 course lunch for £5.00 followed by entertainment

Please contact
01258 841321
Transport, interest clubs and help also available
full details page 44

Bowls Club Jumble Sale

12th September

Sixpenny Handley Village Hall

Pop it in your diary now!!



Bereavement Support Group

INFORMAL SUPPORT GROUP
WITH TEA, COFFEE AND A CHAT

2nd Monday of the Month
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Parish Centre, Blandford
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Clerk's Corner

Sixpenny Handley with Pentridge Parish Council
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Clerk to the Council (Lisa Goodwin) 01258 840935

Assistant Clerk (Ciona Nicholson) 01725 552211

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Annual Parish Meeting on 21st April which was really well attended. An interesting meeting with reports from various organisations working within our community. The Minutes of this meeting are available to view on our website, however, the Annual Report of the Parish Council is published in this Downsman edition for your information. At the time of writing this report, the Parish Council is preparing for the forthcoming AGM (21st May) when the Chairman and Vice Chairman for 2015-2016 will be appointed. We also welcome three newly elected councillors, Stuart McLean, Paul Chalmers and Andy Turner. We are also confident that we are able to now fill the four remaining vacancies by co-option which is good news.

The Parish Council is consulted on a number of matters by the Local Authorities, the latest being the Electoral Review of Dorset County Council (having only recently completed the review of East Dorset District Council). Members will also be responding to the East Dorset Community Infrastructure Levy. If you are interested in any items on a Parish Council agenda, please let us know and we will be happy to provide further information. Both these items are available on the dorsetforyou.com website too.

We recently installed two solar bollards to improve lighting to the Village Hall entrance and a further bollard will be

installed. We are continuing to pursue the possibility of installing a ramp to the footpath between the High Street and Sheasby Close to improve pedestrian access. The Village Hall Roof and general improvements to the building are also being considered (please see separate article). We have responded to Dorset County Council expressing interest in holding flood warning signs at the Parish Office. This will give us the opportunity to notify drivers promptly when our roads are severely affected by flooding.

As always, Ciona and I are available to help in any way. If you do not have access to the internet or have difficulty finding what you need, then please call in to the Parish Office, open Tuesday mornings 10-12pm and Friday mornings 8:30-10am or you are welcome to call my home office number 01258 840935 anytime.

Streetlife – A new local community website for East Dorset

Streetlife is supported by Dorset County and East Dorset District Council. The local social network, has a simple aim to help people make the most of where they live by connecting with their neighbours. The website provides a free and easy place to share local news, views, recommendations and resources, enabling people with busy routines or reduced mobility to keep in touch with their community. Conversations started on Streetlife have helped unite lost pets with owners, expose doorstep scammers, save threatened

Opening Hours:
 8.30am – 10.00am Fri,
 7.00am – 7.30pm Thu
 10.00am – 12 noon Tue
For Parish Council
information visit:
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The Parish Office
Unit 6 Town Farm
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 Come and take a look when we are open on Tuesday mornings or Thursday evenings or arrange a visit with Ciona.
£10 per session
Book in with Ciona on
01725 552211 or 01725 553040

public services and recall local history. The site is also encouraging real-world friendships, with neighbours sharing gardening equipment, IT advice and dentist recommendations, organising craft groups, street parties and book clubs. Streetlife has just launched across East Dorset, and everyone – residents, groups, local government representatives and businesses – is invited to share their knowledge, discuss the local issues they care about, and help build a stronger, better connected community. Residents are invited to be involved by signing up at www.streetlife.com with your postcode and email address. You'll automatically be linked to the people and conversations where you live, post messages, events, polls and pictures, and locals will be able to respond. You can customise your account so you control how often you receive local updates.

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Annual Report of the Parish Council

Those of you who were here last year may recognise the words 'it's been another busy year for the Parish Council'. The previous year's big issue was the floods and whilst happily this was not a problem this winter, the road to Tollard Royal still has restrictions on it.

One good thing that did come out of this however is that there is a much more proactive approach from Dorset County Council in particular, with a number of ditches having been cleared before the winter.

A recent visit by our County Councillor and the Highways team has led to a number of other areas being identified which need attention and we expect these will be sorted out in the coming weeks.

The Community Land Trust has now been set up with the objective of delivering some additional affordable housing within the Parish and you will be hearing more about this later.

Now that it has been set up it may be able to help protect other village assets, but first things first.

The Sports Association has been a major focus for the Council over the last few months. We are very grateful for the work that has been put in over many years by members of the Sports Association Committee.

Following a series of meetings, responsibility for the Sports facilities has now been taken over by a working group of the Parish Council.

Again, more later but you should note that spending on the recreation ground represents a substantial proportion of the Parish Council's total expenditure. We would like to see much higher utilisation of the facilities by all ages but most particularly by the younger members of our community. We are open to all suggestions as to how to achieve this.

The Waistcoat Festival was a great success

last summer and is likely to be repeated next year. Our thanks to all those involved. I'm sure many of you will have seen the new wheel which commemorates the great Handley Fire of 1892.

The Waistcoat Festival provided additional funds for the Community Fund which has been operating as a Committee of the Parish Council for the last couple of years. Following the disappointing lack of candidates prepared to stand as Parish Councillors on 7th May, for technical reasons we will have to consider the way in which the Committee operates going forward.

As the Chairman has mentioned, a substantial proportion of the current council is stepping down at the coming election but on the plus side, Jane Henry was co-opted from Pentridge last summer replacing Judith Gillespie-Smith who stepped down after a period of illness.

On the staffing front, Ciona Nicholson took over from Gill Martin as our Assistant Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer and she, together with our experienced clerk, Lisa, has been keeping us on the straight and narrow.

Our larger Parish Office is being used to an increasing extent with a regular police presence, pilates, the WI flower club and more recently coffee mornings.

We have good relationships with other nearby Parish Councils and our District and County Councillors with a get together over lunch to discuss common issues. We hope to broaden these further.

We have held 35 Parish Council and Committee meetings over the year dealing with all the matters above and a wide range of other issues including;

- The Community Speedwatch scheme
- Hedges and Footpaths
- Grass cutting and maintenance
- A tree planting plan
- Allotments
- The path from Sheasby Close to the

High Street

- Finger posts (thanks to Sixpenny Tap)
- Telephone boxes (which are now fulfilling a different role from that designed)
- The cleaning of the War Memorial
- Consideration of 12 planning applications and, unusually, two applications for certificates for lawful use

We did well in last year's Best Kept Village competition, winning an award for our sports facilities in particular and are hopeful again this year. Our entry this year will be helped by the litter picking which took place on Saturday led by Paul Styles and the Scouts.

As part of the Parish's assets on this large recreation site, the Village Hall will need a new roof in the near future and we will, with others, be looking at funding opportunities for this substantial expenditure.

We are grateful for the help from the Regard Partnership who have been carrying out inspections for the play equipment area and emptying the rubbish bins in that area and, of course to Rob Jesse who has been emptying other, perhaps less savoury, bins. And thanks too to Dave Adams who has been working on the Sports Pavilion.

All the activities of the Parish Council are open to inspection and for information from various sources;

- On the website at www.sixpennyhandleyparishcouncil.btck.co.uk
- On the 'Clerks Corner' page of The Downsman
- On Noticeboards in our villages
- At the two surgeries in the week, held in the Parish Office (Tuesday and Friday mornings)

By attending Parish Council meetings which members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend.



Lisa Goodwin, Clerk to the Parish Council
www.sixpennyhandleyparishcouncil.btck.co.uk

Brian Hansford – An Appreciation

Brian Hansford was the brains behind the Downsman. Long before it was produced in its current form, Brian produced a parish magazine - not only did he pull it all together, he printed it and distributed it. Up until last year Brian would spend hours printing the Downsman in the Parish Office prior to carting the reams of paper to the Sports Pavilion for the team of collators to gather it all together and staple it ready for distribution by the HomeWatch network.

Brian was a Dorset man, a Sixpenny Handley man, he was the son of a policeman. Following his father's death Brian lived in Common Road with his mother until she died when he moved to the new flats in Sheasby Close.

This community owes a tremendous debt to Brian; he has been the cornerstone of village life for over sixty years. Having spent his National Service in Singapore, where he kept the mosquitoes at bay in the military hospital, on his return to the village, as a keen sportsman, he was a founder member of Handley Sports Club playing football and serving that club for the rest of his life. He was also a founder member of the Bowls Club, a sport he also enjoyed playing. I am sure both clubs will be paying their own tributes.

Brian was Parish Clerk for over 30 years during which time he was instrumental in submitting one of the first lottery bids which saw the creation of the current recreation ground which boasts some of the best facilities in rural Dorset. As part of the parish fund raising effort he helped organise gymkhanas at Upwood for a number of years. When the Sports Association was formed in 1996 Brian became the Secretary and Treasurer.

Brian's prowess on his allotment led him to form the Sixpenny Handley Flower Show and Craft Fair which ran shows for more than two decades, attracting at its peak more than a thousand entries. The marquee on the recreation ground in the middle of August was often full of flowers, vegetables, and produce submitted by



young and old – the show was affiliated to the National Dahlia Society which brought entries from further afield than just the village. The crafters always enjoyed setting up their stalls in Sixpenny Handley; the arena and static displays drew good crowds.

Brian's efforts on behalf of the village were recognised in 2008 when he was nominated by the Parish Council and awarded an East Dorset District Council Community Service Award. He never retired; he still looked after various accounts until his sad death at the beginning of May.

There will be a Memorial Service to remember Brian's life at St Mary's Church at 2.30pm on Wednesday 3rd June 2015.

AHG



Crossroads Café Thank You

The café is up and running on a regular weekly basis, open from 1030 to 1200 every Wednesday. The numbers attending after the two trial sessions in February and March have continued and proved that there is a need for this social event. The venue, the Parish Council Office, is ideally situated being easily accessible and providing all the necessities needed for small group activities and meetings. This facility is the result of an earlier vision of the Council to lease larger premises for the combined use for council and community. This is now a valuable community asset which has enabled the setting up of this little enterprise, a café style drop in, providing an opportunity to informally socialise together over a cuppa and biscuits. You can come and go as you please for as long as you wish. We hope younger members of the community will come and get acquainted with another generation. Thanks are due to the Council for purchasing, through a grant from the Community Fund, the purchase of additional crockery to support such an enterprise. To Chris and Bronia Styles, our gratitude for so generously donating a Hot Water Boiler which is a real boon when making lots of cuppas and is for the use of whoever uses the venue. Do come along and enjoy a cuppa and a chat – we look forward to welcoming you.

David Salmons

Village Hall Repairs and Consultation Period

Thank you to everyone who has supported our village hall in 2014-15 either as a hirer or just attending an event. We extend a warm welcome to our new Chair, Carole Wyatt and new trustees. We want to continue to offer you a great multi-purpose venue. As you may or may not be aware our village hall is in need of a new roof! It is planned for this work to happen next year in Summer 2016. Don't worry the hall will remain open until then.

Your Village Hall trustees and the Parish Council will be working together now to raise the money to cover the cost of the new roof largely through grant funding. During these major works there is an opportunity to also make some internal and external improvements to our hall. We have lots of ideas of what we could do to improve our hall facilities to make it easier to use but we want to hear your ideas too. As regular or occasional users of the hall you may have spotted something that needs rethought, replaced or improved.

Below is a list of some of the ideas we are considering. We would love it if you could go online and have your say. We have set up a survey monkey (anonymous) here please take a few minutes to complete this and leave your comments too. This will remain online until the 12th June. Alternatively we will display the information in the Parish Office on Tues 2nd and Tues 9th June and in the village hall from 2nd – 12th June, where you can also leave your comments.

Our Ideas so far

- New roof and guttering
- Carpet in the entrance hall
- New Front doors
- New curtains for the windows and stage
- Outdoor area fenced off, making it secure for children
- Restore patio or alt surface to rear
- Long communal table to rear for parties/events
- Outdoor brick built BBQ
- Better storage for Happy Nappy
- Remove storage on stage so we can have theatre/shows
- Bi-fold doors to the rear of the



Take our survey here

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/YRSLDV6>

- community room opening up to the rear
- Community room - new flooring and furniture
- New PA system with universal docks for phones and Mp3's
- New microphones and basic lighting rig
- New ceiling
- Paint to interior
- Wooden cladding to exterior
- A slide and/or landscaping to hillside for children to play
- Better online booking calendar linked

to a new village website

- Better notice board with guide to what's on inside and at the roadside
- Better outdoor lighting and on driveway.

*Please note repairs to toilet lighting and replacement of the cooker will happen this summer.

In the meantime our hall is still a fantastic venue and available to hire at very reasonable rates over the next year so please do contact Ros to make your booking 553032.

Dog walkers who don't clean up their pet's mess to face £100 fine

Under a new law designed to tackle Britain's dog poo problem, owners caught without a poop scooping bag will be fined £100.

People who fail to pay the fine within a week could be prosecuted in a magistrates' court, with their fine rising to up to £1,000.

The new rules, introduced as part of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act passed last year, will be enforced by dog wardens or other council officials.

Frequent offenders can already be fined, but the law's latest language includes people guilty of "failing to have the means to pick up after [their] dog".

Daventry in Northamptonshire is set to become the first town in the country to adopt the measure, and many other areas are expected to soon follow suit.

There's been a bit of resistance from dog owners' groups, with a spokesperson for the Dogs Trust saying: "We'd rather see time and resources spent on tackling irresponsible dog owners who are behaving

in an anti-social way."

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/dog-walkers-who-dont-scoop-their-pets-poop-to-face-100-fine-10170854.html> Accessed 16 April 2015

*Zachary Davies Boren
Sunday 12 April 2015*

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Sarpenela

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The team at Sarpenela have just had amazing recognition for their commitment and expertise to the holistic industry by being nominated for the Kindred Spirit International Awards at the mind body spirit festival at The Olympia Arena in London.

Sarpenela always supports charities. This year they are supporting Carers UK raising money at their Open Day on the 7th June. All profits are going to this worthy cause. The event will be a day of live music, workshops and fun for all the family, taking place in the beautiful surroundings of Farnham Farm house, home to Sarpenela natural therapies centre. For full details on the Open Day go to www.sarpenela.co.uk Sarpenela is also supporting the Tashi Lhunpo Tibetan Monks charity at the Dharma Festival at Gaunts House Wimborne in July by running the healing area. www.tashi-lhunpo.org.uk

Sarah Lownds Reiki Master/Teacher, holistic therapist, workshop & meditation leader and founder of Sarpenela natural therapies centre is passionate about her industry and keeping the pathways open for everyone to feel comfortable to explore and benefit from the holistic natural therapy approach. Ultimately Sarah and her team enjoy helping people to live a happy, healthy and full life.



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Sixpenny Sessions & The BIG Session

A huge thank you to everyone who came to Stone Donkey Pilots @ Sixpenny Sessions in April, together we raised £462.70 for the Community Fund. The music was superb blend of funky blues, we enjoyed ales from Sixpenny brewery & burgers expertly cooked by 1st Woodcutts Scout volunteers. The Scouts ran a brilliant raffle, the proceeds from the food & raffle went to fund cooking equipment for Scout camp. The community fund has already helped fund disabled access to Pentridge Village Hall and bought new crockery for Crossroads cafe, a brilliant new community

cafe, bringing our community together.

The BIG Session

We are extremely lucky to have a fantastic team at Sixpenny Sessions with boundless energy. Our next community event is 'The BIG Session' on Saturday 27 June - hope to see EVERYONE there. Just £10 per adult; £20 for families (2 adults + 2 small people) plus £2.50 per additional small person. We have NINE hand-picked bands + 1 community slot, loads of fun stuff for small people (and larger ones too) including music workshops. BBQ + Pimms, Sixpenny Ale and/or Cranborne Cider + sunshine + great music.

Get your tickets now via www.eventbrite.co.uk or Sixpenny Handley Shop and don't miss out on a truly fabulous event all in aid of a great cause and there'll be a raffle with some amazing prizes too... keep up to date via our Facebook page.

Sixpenny Sessions would like to thank all our sponsors and supporters.

September

In the future we have the much sought after, 'Miranda Sykes & Rex Preston' on Friday 4th September. The English folk & roots duo are described as "A musical partnership made in heaven. Scintillating, sensitive and brilliant!", "striking combination of the flame headed double bass player & virtuoso mandolin player". Keep a look out for details. Then looking to December we are hoping to secure 'Show of Hands' acclaimed frontman and BBC award winning singer-songwriter Steve Knighthley.

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4pm - 5pm
Djembe Drumming Workshop
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with a Fete from 2pm
Sunday 12-5pm with Cream Teas**

A fabulous weekend of flowers and fete is planned at St. Mary's Church Sixpenny Handley when they will host a celebration of the best of country life with floral displays in the church taking centre stage. All the displays have been designed by local groups and individuals.

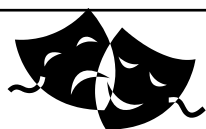
On Saturday there will be also be a traditional Fete with the best in traditional crafts, plants, stalls, books, cakes, jams, preserves, live music, Raffle, Tombola, Bouncy Castle, Pets corner and traditional games from 2pm – 5pm, all accompanied by Pimms and live music! On Sunday there will be cream teas on the vicarage lawn.

There will be additional parking at Church Farm Campsite, SP5 5ND.

Entrance is donation only with proceeds to the upkeep of St. Mary's Church and a new heating system.



“Country Life”
a celebration of flowers & craft
June 6th & 7th
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music
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Sixpenny Handley First School



The Grasshopper class have been absorbed in their new topic of 'rocks and fossils'. They are keen to visit the Jurassic Coast to learn more about this amazing landscape. They are therefore trying to research, organise and fundraise in order to visit the world heritage site. They will be holding a 'find the fossil' fund raiser and a 'fossil-iced fancies' cake sale in order to raise the money to pay for a coach to the coast and a tour guide to dig for fossils. Good luck Grasshoppers!

This term the Year 4s headed back to Q.E again for the famous Tag Rugby Festival. Both our teams got off to a slow start in the morning, but thanks to some tactical intervention from some of our parents, we were given the opportunity to really showcase our skills in the afternoon! Everyone played incredibly well with lots of determination and we even had one of our teams finishing top of their group! Well done Scorpions!



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This is the second presentation that St.James's Place Wealth Management have given locally and those who attended the first one found it very useful and informative.

If you would like to attend, please contact Val Martin 01725 552607 or Paul Chalmers 07964769159 so that the bowls club has an idea of numbers.



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Getting the Message across about SHCLT Affordable Housing Project

Following our article in the last issue of the Downsman, SHCLT Steering Group HEARD feedback indicating there appears to be three main concerns:

- (i) People are not on the Housing List anymore as they missed the one month 'window' to re-register, or were unaware that the re-registration process was taking place;
- (ii) Misconception that local people cannot register as they are currently in private rented accommodation; and/or
- (iii) Lack of understanding that people CAN register NOW purely on the basis they are local or have a connection to the village.

SHCLT Steering Group investigated and CONFIRMED

Look at the East Dorset Housing association link - <https://www.dorsetforyou.com/housing/east> an explanation of the process for re-registering exists. There was a prioritisation at the end of last year which has since been lifted. **ANYONE CAN REGISTER NOW** regardless of whether you rent privately or renting with Synergy.

If you think you are registered please check as there have been some changes over the past year and you may need to re-register, even if you are in a House managed by Synergy. You can REGISTER NOW at <http://homechoice.dorsetforyou.com/DorsetHomeChoice/Content.aspx?wkid=4>.

For some, this may indicate that you

have a low priority with regard to the Housing List, BUT once SHCLT negotiate a S106 Agreement with the HA for the new houses a higher priority may be allocated to you. S106 is an agreement between the CLT and the Housing Association who are contracted to manage the Affordable Housing. This agreement defines the 'tiers of eligibility' when allocating the houses. To understand what this would require, members of SHCLT attended a meeting with EDDC and Synergy on 13th May, to better understand the housing allocation process and how it could be aligned with the affordable housing project to ensure local people receive priority for the houses SHCLT are looking to build.

Talk, Browse, Chat

SHCLT really want to get the 'word-on-the-street' and to that end have launched a communications initiative. There will soon be a new email address and website, managed by 'The Web Booth' www.sixpennyhandleyclt.org.uk, thanks to work from Matt Gibbons. Working with the SHCLT Board, Andy Turner has kindly agreed to assist in establishing a community Communication Plan. This will ensure that all forms of communication are used to keep EVERYONE informed and to ensure feedback on SHCLT activities is received. Andy is looking to use Facebook and Twitter to back-up the website - not forgetting the tried and trusted paper and word-of-mouth. Andy is looking

to establish a network of trustees and shareholders to spread the word as well as gather feedback. This is to ensure the 'grapevine' is put to good use.

What are SHCLT doing NOW!

A considerable amount of work has taken place in putting together a grant application which has been successful. This will now provide funds for the site investigation work and initial architect plans. We are also still on track to take advantage of the current funding grant for the build.

Following on from the meeting with EDDC and Synergy SHCLT will need to establish the approach for selecting a possible partner Housing Association. The Board have been advised that there are only two possible contenders - Synergy or Hastoe. This will be addressed, and tested thoroughly, over the next few months as the project progresses. This process will also involve deciding upon and negotiating the type of homes to be built and the tenure, i.e. rental and/or shared ownership. As always, please do let us know if you are interested and if so, which type of home you would like built. This will add weight to our discussions with EDDC and an HA partner.

Please remember everyone from the village involved in SHCLT is a volunteer and therefore have to fit this work in with their home and work commitments. If you would like to help ease the workload and be involved please contact a member of the SHCLT Board.

Please feel free to call any of us listed below.

Sixpenny Handley CLT Board:
 Simon Parker: 552554,
 James Reed: 516390,
 Matt Gibbons: 07825666412,
 Jenny Chapman: 552070
 SHCLT Comms only: Andy Turner 552735

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Whist!!

My prediction in the last issue of The Downsman that for the top four contestants at the end of the 12th round 'it would take a total disaster to drop them out of the ten prize money positions' has been turned on its head. Readers may recall that Stuart Haskell, reigning champion, held second place ten points clear of Ness Park in third. Then, enforced absence from round 14 resulted in Stuart dropping back to sixth while on his return for round 15 he carded the lowest score of the evening [124]; this relegating him to thirteenth place - a miracle was now required. And, it would seem, such might be the case for by the close of round 16 Stuart had clawed his way back to ninth and all appeared set fair on the final round when he reached the halfway point with a score of 86. But fickle is the fortune when it comes to cards and in the second half by losing nine of the twelve deals he sank to a lowly 63 and 149 overall. With the likes of David Brine, Barry Park and Christopher Haskell all returning above average scores, Stuart finished the contest in twelfth spot. He was, however, not the only one to be disappointed; Doreen Leverton started the final round in seventh place and twenty-four hands later with her card showing a miserable aggregate of 124, Doreen had plummeted to fifteenth. So, who triumphed?

The answer; Sylvia Morrison who had held first place for most of the competition, only to drop back to second overall at the end of the penultimate round with Susie White the new leader with a cushion of five points. At the end of the first half of round 17, Susie's card read 88 to Sylvia's 84 and on deal fifteen Susie increased the margin to eight on the night and thirteen overall. But it was not to be and when the cards were signed on completion of hand twenty-three they were level on aggregate. Both lost the final hand of the evening, but Sylvia's six pipped Susie's five and in doing so she won the 2014-2015 competition by a single point. Ness Park, meanwhile carded two equal halves of 83 and finished third with an aggregate of 2691 points. Olive Meaden held on to fourth while Kingsley White

replaced Sam Webber for fifth overall. Thus, the final table shows:

1. Sylvia Morrison 2706
2. Susie White 2705
3. Ness Park 2691
4. Olive Meaden 2689
5. Kingsley White 2666
6. David Brine 2660
7. Sam Webber 2658
8. Sylvia Thorne 2651
9. Barry Park 2646
10. Christopher Haskell 2644
11. Rita Austin 2643
12. Stuart Haskell 2638
13. Bill Chorley 2636
14. Yvonne Bundy* 2629
15. Doreen Leverton 2620
16. Chris Napier 2619
17. Amy Caines 2603
18. Bill Peach 2583
19. Christine Haskell 2577
20. Geoff Peach 2559
21. Pam Cole 2553
22. Gerald Trickey 2546

Highest individual score over the seventeen rounds: Doug Haskell!!! 184

* Winner of the final round with 175.

Bridge!

This year our meetings have been held under the shadow of illness affecting one of our regular players and although not from the village it saddens me greatly to report the death of Magdeline Evans of Pimperne whose cheerful countenance graced our bridge tables for many years. My more usual bridge notes will resume in the next issue.

Bill Chorley

Village Hall 100 Club

March 2015

1st £25 105 Mrs Wyatt
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What We've Got...

In the Downsman in 2015 we would like to take a more proactive approach to promoting our parish facilities, groups and clubs. In this issue we are looking at the sports and fitness groups that are available in the village.



Claudine's Pilates

Location:	Village Hall, Common Road, Sixpenny Handley
Contact:	Claudine 07788 587937
Day & Time	Monday at 16:30pm
What to expect:	Low impact exercises to strengthen and lengthen muscles safely. Improves joint mobility, back and core strength and flexibility. Delivers better posture, blood circulation and bone density. Improves balance, body shape, happiness and self-awareness. Promotes relaxation and stress reduction through correct breathing in a relaxed and fun environment.
Who can join:	Anyone
Cost:	£7 per week
How to join:	Please contact Claudine for further information.

Football

Location:	Recreation Ground Common Road, Sixpenny Handley, SP5 5NU
Contact:	Team Manager Div 3 Mark Young 01725 552741 Team Manager Div 5 Adam Day 01258 452481

Sixpenny Handley Tennis Club

Location:	Recreation Ground Common Road, Sixpenny Handley, SP5 5NU
Contact:	Tracey Lownds 01725 552414
What to expect:	Access to use the Tennis Courts at your leisure
Who can join:	Anyone
Cost:	£75 for a Family a Year or £35 for Adult. Courts can be hired at £5.00 a session.
How to join:	Karen Miller 01725 516340



Equilibria Pilates

Location:	The Pavillion, Common Road, Sixpenny Handley, SP5 5NU
Contact:	Shelly Burleigh 01725 552624/07875345510
What to expect:	Tuesday's 7 til 8 mother/daughter/son class 8.15 til 9.15 improvers Thursday's 9 til 10am improvers 6.45 til 7.45pm beginners 8 til 9 pm intermediate New beginners class starting soon , Monday evenings ,
Who can join:	Safe , effective exercise for all ages and abilities
Cost:	£8.00
How to join:	Contact Shelly



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Monday 10:15	HIT	Broadchalke Sports Hall
Monday 13:45	Pilates	Broadchalke Sports Hall
Monday 16:30	Pilates	Sixpenny Handley Hall
Tuesday 09:15	Pilates	Coombe Bissett Village Hall
Tuesday 14:00	Pilates	Radnor Hall
Tuesday 18:30	Pilates	Britford Memorial Hall
Wednesday 09:30	FP	Bishopstone Village Hall
Wednesday 18:00	Pilates	Bishopstone Village Hall
Wednesday 19:00	HIT	Bishopstone Village Hall
Wednesday 19:30	Pilates	Bishopstone Village Hall

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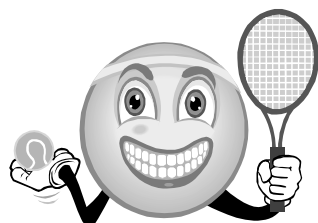
Location:	Recreation Ground Common Road, Sixpenny Handley, SP5 5NU
Contact:	Paul Chalmers, president 07964769159 Colin Chambers, secretary, 01725 552796 Club captain Dave Adams 01725 552284
Day & Time	Wednesday evenings 6pm onwards Sundays 2.30pm onwards, though members can play at any other times.
What to expect:	A friendly, vibrant and active club, dedicated to enjoyable bowls both competitive and social. From April to September we play outside on our new artificial, all-weather surface and in the winter there is the option of playing 'short-mat' bowls in the village hall. Also during the winter there are fortnightly club sessions in our recently built clubhouse, when members meet for a drink from our licenced bar, a chat and games of cards, dominoes and darts. Throughout the year we have a busy events calendar of social and fund-raising events, many of which are open to all members of the public.
Who can join:	Membership open to anyone, all age groups.
Cost:	Full annual membership is £70, annual social membership is £20. Winter-only membership is also available.
How to join:	please contact the president or secretary, telephone numbers above, or just come along to one of our club sessions on a Wednesday evening or Sunday afternoon.

No Limits Fitness

Location:	Recreation Ground Common Road, Sixpenny Handley, SP5 5NU
Contact:	Tim on 07771366223
Day & Time	Thursday / Saturday Bootcamps
What to expect:	• 1-2-1 Personal Training • Bootcamps / HIIT • Goal Specific Training • Nutrition Advice
Who can join:	Anyone
Cost:	5 bootcamp sessions £25 get the 6th for free Contact for other session costs
How to join:	Contact Tim 07771366223

Caroline Wilkinson Yoga

Location:	Village Hall. Common Road, Sixpenny Handley
Contact:	Caroline 01722781185 cj@wilkinsonyoga.co.uk
Day & Time	Thursday 11.30am - 1pm
What to expect:	Postures, breathing and relaxation, to improve strength, flexibility, and balance... Benefiting your physical, mental and emotional health... Bringing harmony within.
Who can join:	Anyone
Cost:	
How to join:	Contact Caroline Wilkinson 01722781185 cj@wilkinsonyoga.co.uk www.wilkinsonyoga.co.uk



Sixpenny Handley Tennis Club

Needs Your Support Players Wanted

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for further details

What is Parkinson's and what is Parkinson's UK?

In 2002/3 my husband, at the age of 65, was suffering from niggly pains. For a man who very rarely needed the doctor this was a strange experience. After numerous tests, Dr Morgan mentioned to Chris that he suspected Parkinson's Disease - in the same period an orthopaedic specialist supported this diagnosis. In no time at all Dr Walters the Consultant Physician confirmed and so started our journey of discovery into the "mysteries" of Parkinson's (as it is now called).

Like anyone faced with a devastating illness, the usual questions are asked - "What is Parkinson's Disease and how did I catch Parkinson's"? "What causes Parkinson's?" and "Is it curable?" Immediately we explored the internet and found an incredibly helpful website - www.parkinsons.org.uk - To this day we go to the website for all manner of information and importantly, support. Parkinson's is a neurological condition - part of the brain is no longer producing a certain chemical which enables one's body to move properly. Hence people have stiffness and difficulty controlling movement. Parkinson's causes some people's hands and bodies to shake.. The illness is not infectious or contagious. To date the cause is unknown and there is, as yet, no cure. Modern medicines help to manage the symptoms.

In our journey, we learned that Parkinson's UK, was formed in February 1969 by a lady called Mali Jenkins who, whilst nursing her sister with Parkinson's, was frustrated at the lack of information or advice available. Mali even found that the medical profession was lacking knowledge - not surprising, as statistically, only 1 person in 500, usually people over 55 years of age (though there are younger people affected), may suffer from the illness compared with those with cancer, asthma and diabetes etc. Ms Jenkins with the help of 12 other people who had experience of Parkinson's, formed the Parkinson's Disease Society - now known as Parkinson's UK. (abbreviated to PUK)

The ideals of the Society are :-

- A) To help patients and relatives with problems arising from Parkinson's
- B) To collect and disseminate information on Parkinson's.
- C) To encourage and produce funds for research.

In the first year, this small group of people had set up many help groups. Area offices were subsequently opened to "spread the word". In 1969, £205 was raised for research - in 2012 - £5 million was invested in research! Parkinson's UK is a charity and relies entirely on donations and fund raising projects.

Parkinson's UK has progressed since 1969, but keeps to the core principles of the founders. For example, Parkinson's UK finances the first 2 years of a Parkinson's Specialist Nurse - thereafter, the NHS takes over. The first specialist nurse was in Truro hospital with all the SW and Channel Islands to oversee. Salisbury was one of the very first hospitals after Truro to have a Specialist Nurse. Specialist nurses support patients at clinics and in their homes and co-ordinate treatment between consultants and GPs. From experience these Specialist nurses are invaluable. Parkinson's UK then went on, and still to this day, employs Information & Support Workers (ISW) who can advise and support on welfare matters and guide families to claim the correct benefits and apply to correct authorities. Parkinson's UK aims to have a specialist Parkinson's nurse in every major hospital and an Information Support Worker in every region of the UK. Parkinson's UK continues to promote awareness, information and research.

How does the Salisbury & District Branch for Parkinson's UK (formed in 1978) help those with Parkinson's? Once one comes to terms with one's diagnosis, one has to cope with it and adjust one's life accordingly. Though Parkinson's UK provides information - it is helpful to talk to others in the same situation either as a sufferer or as a carer. It's good to

be with those who understand one's partner's shakes and wobbles, suddenly stopping "freezing" and other symptoms. It is good to know that the outings and meetings have been researched and have taken into account one's mobility limitations. There is much enjoyment and laughter at the meetings and events despite the seriousness of the situation. Salisbury Branch listens to its members and endeavours to provide something for everyone - exercise in form of Tai Chi and "Dance for Parkinson's," coffee mornings for a chat and a regular monthly meeting with speakers giving information or just talking of something interesting. There are coach outings, visits to the Playhouse and Cinema and Sunday lunches. Fund raising is in the form of concerts, coffee mornings, sponsored events and just the generosity of "well wishers".

Should you have Parkinson's or are caring for or know someone with Parkinson's, why not contact Parkinson's UK or a local support group?

Remember there is an organisation that cares, is there to support all the family coping with Parkinson's and is supporting research to find a cure.

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Country Life – a Celebration of Craft and Flowers



There is no Waistcoat Festival this year, but make a date for the Sixpenny Handley Church Flower Festival and Fayre over the weekend of 6-7th June.

The church will be full of flowers, cream teas and cakes will be available on both days, and there will be all the fun of the fayre around the church and in the vicarage garden on Saturday.

We will finish Sunday evening with a very special *Songs of Praise* at 6.00 pm.

Thank you if you supported the Easter campaign for more fairly traded Easter eggs! Around the world over 22,000 people petitioned supermarkets to increase their certified Easter egg range next year. Many others took campaign postcards and spoke directly to their local supermarkets. Fantastic! You'll be pleased to hear there was a good response. Read more about what happened and their response on: www.stopthetraffic.org/traffikfreeeaster

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UPDATE



Stop the traffik have also been campaigning to Make Fashion Traffik Free since 2013. If you want a reminder as to why this campaign is so poignant I recommend watching the short film on the Stopthetraffic website called *Suman-gali: the untold stories* which tells of the young women and girls who are trafficked into the cotton factories in the Tamil Nadu region of India. Those caught in this are often paid as little as 98p a day and have no choice in their lives. This is not just a poverty issue; it is an issue of justice as well.

It is a year since the disaster in the Rana Plaza fabric factory in Bangladesh, when 1,129 people died as the building collapsed. In the coming months Stopthetraffic will be asking leading fashion brands to increase their efforts to eliminate trafficking in the cotton supply chain. If you want the t-shirt you're wearing to be #traffikfree make sure you follow the campaign on social media and get ready to take part.



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FROM THE REGISTERS



The funerals took place of
Alan Bone
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Win Judd

Get a tax break!

If you are buying or selling a house in Sixpenny Handley, remember that you do not have to pay for a search for *Chancel Tax*. This was an historic tax that might be payable by property built on land that was once owned by the church. This tax is out of date and cancelled. If you need written proof to go with your documents, please contact the church office.

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Dear
Friends

Let's talk about... MONEY

I remember my father passing sixpence down the line to my brother and me for the collection in our village church. Even as a small boy I found this embarrassing. I knew that sixpence (2½p) was very little to give. And I knew that God knew it wasn't even *my* sixpence. I knew I wasn't giving enough.

We are often embarrassed to talk about money, but there are over 2,300 verses in the Bible on the subject of money, wealth and possessions. This is a challenge. What we do with our money says everything about what we believe and who we are. We need to talk about money.

People often think that the Church of England is funded by the government or by a rich central organisation. Nothing could be further from the truth. There is no funding from elsewhere. We have to pay our own way. If we want there to be a church in our village, then we have to pay for it.

In fact, having a church is a bargain! For instance, it costs only about £5 an hour to keep St Mary's open. Please think about paying for an hour. After all, this is only the price of a coffee and cake in town. You won't put on weight and it will last much longer!

Our running costs in Sixpenny Handley are about £40,000 each year. (This does not include Pentridge, which is a separate parish, or maintenance and conservation work at St Andrew's, or the improvements at St Mary's).

The church is a presence and a place, offering time and space for celebration and mourning, song and quietness. The church is your church, and it needs everybody's help to continue. Please think about if you would like to help. The most efficient way of giving financially is by Standing Order. These can be set up through your bank or building society and can be monthly, quarterly or yearly. You know how much you are giving and we know how much we are getting. Importantly, we can claim the tax back if you are a UK taxpayer through gift aid. This means we can claim an extra 25% from the Inland Revenue on donations at no cost to you: If you give £100 we actually get £125.

So where does the MONEY go?

74% Nearly three quarters of our income goes on the Share. This is our contribution to the ministry of the parish and the diocese. It comes back to us by paying for the vicar, housing, pensions, training and all the support costs of ministry as well as the running of the diocesan staff and offices in Salisbury. In fact, we get slightly more back in services than we pay out in money. No money goes to Salisbury Cathedral itself, which is completely self-supporting.

16% – About £7k goes on running costs, utilities and expenses for our buildings and office.

10% – goes on Outward Giving. We see part of our work supporting others, and as a church body we support a range of charities both at home and abroad. It is what we do. The list is on the notice board. Of course many individuals and groups within the church are also very generous, and one-off events raise money and awareness for different causes. Each year we review our giving to see if we can give more. This is part of being a Christian.

There are also gold and coloured envelopes that can make planning your giving easier. If you are a taxpayer, giving in a gold envelope and filling in the front means we can claim gift aid. These are ideal for any one-off donations and are available in the church. For more regular giving, please ask for details of the coloured envelope scheme. You sign a covenant (an agreement) that you will give an amount of your choice regularly, which helps us plan our budget. In return you are given 52 envelopes (the colour varies from year to year) to help you plan your giving. Like the other methods of giving these can be gift aided.

Our God is a giving God and has already given generously to us. He gives us life and his giving is renewed daily. In giving to others we have the opportunity to reflect something of God's nature. Of course, there are many other ways of giving and I would like to thank all the people who give so generously of their time and talents to make our churches what they are today. Thank you.

Your friend and vicar, Mel

THE HOUSE OF OPPORTUNITY

Brighter futures for Bulgaria's orphanage leavers



150 children are abandoned to orphanages every month in Bulgaria, and over 8,000 children live in institutions. At age 18, young people living in orphanages have to leave. Most have nothing – no home, no money, no family and no idea of life outside an institution. Many turn to crime and prostitution to survive. Vulnerable and alone, they become prime targets of human traffickers. Extreme poverty means these young people are highly likely to be forced to abandon their own children in the future.

The Trussell Trust works tirelessly with its partners, the Foundation for Social Change and Inclusion (FSCI), to give these young people a better future and break the cycle of poverty and abandonment. The House of Opportunity Programme provides two years' residential training to equip vulnerable young people with the skills they need to live successful, independent lives – budgeting, cooking, IT, and help to apply for and retain a job. House parents provide each resident with individual care and support in a small, family style home.



Ivayla is an example of what can be achieved. She arrived at the House of Opportunity in Skravena when she was 19 years old. She graduated after 20 months with a job and ambitions to be a teacher. She is now married with a little girl, but still has plans to be a teacher and perhaps a coach of a football team! After a few months at the House of Opportunity Ivayla said: "In the orphanage you learn by yourself. No one tells you whether the things you do are right or wrong and whether there is a better way to do something, the simple daily stuff. This way you learn wrong. It is as if I am starting a new life now. I learn everything over again, but now the way they are."

The Trussell Trust and FSCI share a vision to transform the lives of Bulgaria's orphanage leavers by opening Houses of Opportunity right across the country – enough to offer any suitable orphanage leaver a place on their programme. They also believe that this project is needed in some other Balkan countries and new partners have been found to bring the House of Opportunity to Bosnia & Herzegovina and Serbia this year. By equipping young people with skills they need to provide for their own children, they are working to break the cycle of poverty that sees so many young people abandoned to state care. www.fscibulgaria.org gives more details about the impact their work is making on the lives of vulnerable young people.



The Trussell Trust has also been running an annual Christmas box appeal which has enjoyed strong support from the Sixpenny Handley community over the years. Last year the Trust received 8,545 Christmas presents from its supporters and hundreds of people gave their time to sort and pack the boxes before they were shipped to Bulgaria. Rich Parsons, The Trussell Trust's Bulgaria Operations Manager, said "We are very grateful for the generosity of the people at St Mary's Church and the community of Sixpenny Handley. The boxes you have donated have made a lot of very poor children and families happy at a time of year when they feel particularly left out. It is a privilege to deliver the presents on your behalf and we hope that you will continue to be involved with the work of The Trussell Trust in this way."

Rich Parsons
Bulgaria Operations Manager (UK)



+ Bible Study Group

As we hope you see from *The Seeker*, the Bible is THE Book! Read it and understand more in good company on alternate Thursdays at 7.15pm. Details from Mike on 01725 552 720.

Come and meet friends

▼ **Drop into St Mary's!** — on most Saturday afternoons from 2.30pm during British Summer Time for a cup of tea and a chat with someone trained to listen.

* **Drop into...** the Post Office Coffee Shop on the first Monday of the month from about 11 o'clock, or The Walnut Tree on the last Wednesday, for a coffee and chat with the vicar or curate.

T Teddy Bears

Pre-school children and their carers are invited to St Mary's on Thursday mornings during school term from 10.30am to noon, for fun, drinks and biscuits and maybe a Bible story or two. There is no charge.

◆ Fellowship Group

The Fellowship Group (usually) meet on alternate Thursdays for chat, laughter and biscuits, some talk around serious themes with a Roebuck steak on the first Tuesday of the month! Phone Paul Skinner (552 785).

☕ **Men's Group** — A beer and a chat usually on the last Thursday of the month. Details from David Lockyer (552 492).

🌸 **Mothers' Union** — Tea, company and a good talk, usually on the second Thursday afternoon of the month, from 2.45pm. Phone Sheila (553 133) or Mary (552 041) for details.

Join us this Summer

SUNDAY SERVICES	St Mary's Sixpenny Handley				St Rumbold's Pentridge	Gussage St Andrew
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July 5 th	HC		Informal	Evensong	HC	#
July 12 th	MP		Informal	Evensong	#	HC
July 19 th	HC		Informal	Evensong	MP	#
July 29 th	MP		#	Evensong	#	HC

HC

Holy Communion

MP

Morning Prayer

SofP

Songs of Praise

#

No service

Farthering Sunday — 21st June

Fathers — We are celebrating parents! After our Mothering Sunday before Easter, we are celebrating Fathering Sunday, on June 21st (Fathers' Day) beginning at 11am. Please come along — after all, we can all show fathering love as well as mothering love! Come along and celebrate with us — come early for a cup of coffee and a biscuit!

Summer Holiday programme

Things settle down a bit in church at the end of July. Over the school holidays the Teddy Bears have a break (perhaps they have a picnic), and the 11 o'clock Service at Sixpenny Handley combines with the 9.30 service, returning in September. Evensong and services at St Andrew's and Pentridge continue as normal.

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Sat 6th – Sun 7th Church Flower Festival and Fayre. St Mary's

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Groups and Drop-ins

We have had a slight rethink of our church groups — the Fellowship and the Bible Study groups now alternate on Thursdays. The Fellowship Group still meet for a meal at The Roebuck on the first Tuesday of the month. Do join us.

And you are invited to have a coffee with the vicar in the Post Office on the first Monday of the month, from about 11 o'clock. (And the last Wednesday of the month at the Walnut Tree, which remains the same).



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Staff News

On the Move

We were sad to say goodbye to Dr Dan Henderson who, having done his final year of training with us, came back to help us out as a locum. He has now become a Partner in a Salisbury Practice and we wish him well. We will soon be welcoming Dr Gillian Hawdon back after her maternity leave. With two small children at home, General Practice should seem like a holiday!!

Health Matters

Consultation Time Lost

During the last week of April 4 hours 25 minutes consultation time was lost due to patients failing to attend appointments.

If you are unable to attend for your appointment, please let us know as soon as possible so that we can offer the time to another patient.

Medication and Driving

As from March 2015 it is illegal (in England and Wales) to drive with legal drugs in your body if it impairs your driving and if you have over the specified limits of certain drugs in your blood and you haven't been prescribed them. You are advised to discuss with your Doctor whether you should drive if you have been prescribed any of the following drugs: clonazepam, diazepam, flunitrazepam, lorazepam, methadone, morphine or opiate and opioid-based drugs (eg codeine, tramadol or fentanyl), oxazepam and temazepam.

A Big Request - Medication Ordering

We have had an unprecedented amount of orders for repeat medication, some of which have not been required and have been returned. Would you please check your medicine cupboard before ordering to make sure you only order what you actually need. Thank you.

Apologies

There was a problem recently with our computer system not sending out reminders of pending appointments to people who had requested these via text messaging. We are sorry if as a result you missed an appointment and we will do our best to try and ensure that it doesn't happen again. We never did get to the bottom of the matter but it was related to an upgrade in our computer software. This is now completed and there should be no more incidents.

Information

The Care Quality Commission - Update
The regulators didn't pay us a visit in March. Instead we expect them sometime in the Autumn.

Useful Telephone Numbers

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Sixpenny Handley Bowls' Club

The outdoor season is now under way, several matches in the Dorset County Men's League and the Mixed Triples' League having already been played. Our winter short mat season was brought to a happy close with a creditable third place in a competition at Sherborne. Congratulations to the players concerned: C.Chambers, D.Adams, M.Keech, V.Howard, S.Churchill and G.Martin.

The new green and clubhouse are looking very good thanks to much hard work by a team of dedicated volunteers. A maintenance day on 11th April saw several club members wielding sponges or hammers undertaking various cleaning, repair and maintenance tasks, coordinated by Dave Adams, the club captain and greenkeeper. Dave has also constructed some ingenious mechanical devices for rolling away the playing mats in the village hall; he has made an Honours board for the clubhouse and with V.Howard he has built a number of brick planters around



the periphery of the green, so it should be a blooming good season. He's a gem. The club is thinking of hiring him out to other organisations.

A race night was held on 18th April thanks to Vic and Helen Hatton. Participants 'bought' horses and gambled on the

outcome of races, prompted by Rob Jesse's indefatigable commentary. Refreshments were organised by Val Martin, the club's tireless social secretary. The evening was a great success and hopefully will be repeated before too long.

The club's outdoor season officially began on 26th April. Members met on a somewhat chilly afternoon to play a few games and enjoy tea and cakes provided by various members. The first bowl was delivered by former President Dave Adams (gem and engineering maestro) and it was heartening to welcome back onto the green Patrick Taylor, former treasurer, from a long and serious illness.

By the time this publication hits the streets we would also have held a fund-raising quiz (16th May) kindly organised by Bill Chorley. Our annual Open Day (30th May). However, there are other events planned including President's Day on 1st August and a week later on 9th August the club will be serving tea and cakes at Wimborne St. Giles village hall between 3 and 5 in the afternoon. Informal club bowls sessions take place on Sundays at 2.30 and Wednesdays at 6pm throughout the summer and new faces are always welcome.

Please contact the President, Paul Chalmers 07964769159, the club captain Dave Adams 01725 552284, the secretary Colin Chambers 01725 552796 or the liaison officer Vic Howard 01725 552180

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1st Woodcutts News

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Age 10½-14
Monday 7 to 9pm
Rob Easton
01725 552038



Age 6-8
Wednesday 5 to 6pm
Denise Turner (Willow)
01725 552735

Age 14-18
Wednesday 7.30 - 9.30pm
Anthony Brown
01725 552814

This issue sees us looking back at Family Camp 2015. The weather could have been better, but the 1st Woodcutts luck (or do we have friends in higher places) saw all of the rain fall once we'd finished our daytime activities. More on Family Camp later...

Beavers

Willow and the Beavers have been bug hunting in Garston Woods, accompanied by Maureen and Mike Swan of the ASU. They had a great time out in the early evening sunshine; as well as lots of bugs and mini-beasts they spotted loads of wild garlic (Ransoms) and an orchid or two.

We are sad to say that Denise Turner (Willow) has decided to tender her resignation as Beaver Leader, her term as Leader will end when the children break up for the summer holidays at the end of July. This won't be the end of Denise's involvement with the group, however, as she has decided to become an occasional helper with the Cub section. Denise was the founder Leader of our Beaver Colony (8 years ago). I'm sure you'll all join me in thanking her for all that she has done for our children - we owe her a lot for her hard work, dedication and enthusiasm.



Scouts

During this term the Scouts have been learning all things to do with communication. This included sending messages by semaphore (harder than you think!), using the phonetic alphabet on radios, team communication and writing in and cracking codes. All good spy stuff that Baden Powell would have known and loved when he was Scouting. The term culminated in the Scouts having a special night time visit to the Royal Signals Museum on Blandford Camp.



The young people were fascinated by the technology on display and the story of how communication has developed over the centuries, from the telegraph shutters criss-crossing the country to the enigma code breaker and modern bugging devices. If you have never visited the museum, we wholeheartedly recommend it!

The coming term is our favourite at Scouts, as we get to spend more time outside enjoying the long, lighter evenings and prepare for our Summer Camp in August. We now look forward to the lighter evenings and longer days to get out and about and continue enjoying the challenges and adventures Scouting brings.

ASU

The Active Support Unit has been very busy, primarily supporting Family Camp, where Mike Swan ran the backwoods cooking activity and Peter Briggs used his recently acquired qualification as an Air Rifle instructor to give the brand new 1st Woodcutts air rifles their first outing at the rifle range activity. Jaqui Blake was on call throughout the Camp as the lead first-aider; luckily the only things Jaqui needed to tend to were minor scratches and some thistle thorns in someone's foot. Any adult who would like to support and contribute to the work of the 1st Woodcutts Scout Group should get in touch with Peter Briggs, the ASU manager, on 01725 552026

or by email to
peter.briggs@firstwoodcutts.org.uk

AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the 1st Woodcutts Scout Group was held on the Saturday evening of Family Camp. Skip (our Group Scout Leader, John Curtis) took the opportunity of the extended 1st Woodcutts family being together to thank Denise for all of her hard work leading the Beaver Colony.

All of the Section leaders presented their reports of their section's activities throughout the last year. Rob Easton (Scout Leader) also took the opportunity to make a passionate appeal for more leaders to step forward from the community so that we can bring new experiences and the excitement of Scouting to even more young people. I'm pleased to announce that during the meeting Jane Scott offered to start on her way to becoming a Leader in the Cubs section.

The meeting ended with the our first ever joint investment of a Mother and Daughter into the Group, with Jane Mearns, the East Dorset District Commissioner investing Naomi Booth into the Active Support Unit and her daughter Miriam into Cubs. Emily Briggs was also invested into the Scouts and Sue Curtis into the Active Support Unit.

Family Camp

It's time to talk about Family Camp 2015. Wow! These camps just get better every time! This time we were able to offer air-rifle shooting, backwoods cooking, climbing, paddle-boarding, pot holing, shelter building, crate stacking, crafts and fire lighting. As if that wasn't enough to tire us all out, Saturday morning saw the surprise arrival of the biggest collection of inflatables (bouncy castles, giant slides, an obstacle course and a giant human table-football game) and other fun activities in 1st Woodcutts' history. Rather than waffle on about all the fun we had, here are some pictures to try to convey life at Family Camp. I, for one, can't wait until the next one in 2017!



If you have enjoyed these pictures, there are over 300 more on the Facebook Group. Simply search for 1st Woodcutts on Facebook or go to <http://www.facebook.com/groups/1stWoodcutts> (but please note that membership of this group is limited to those with a current active connection to the Scout Group).

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RNLI

I have decided not to have my Front Path Stalls event this year. I have held them for 11 years over the August Bank Holiday weekend. However – don't despair!! You will still be able to get your Christmas cards etc., because our stalls will be in the 'Shed', sharing the space with other craft stalls on Saturday 26th August from 12 to 4.0pm. Please put the date in your diary and come to support the RNLI in the same generous way you have done in the past. Thank you to Lee and Steve for letting us do this.

A very special 'Thank You' to David and Carol Cross for lending us, for the last 4 years, their superb big tent to put up on our path, which made life considerably easier for us and definitely drier!

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What are the contents of your shed garage or outbuildings worth? Cycles, power tools, mowers and sports equipment are all desirable objects for a thief. Some tools can also be used to break into your home. Although we have relatively few crimes in the parish, shed breaks feature high in the statistics, so this month we are focussing on advice issued by the police to help prevent them.

Most sheds are inherently weak and some could be kicked through in seconds. It may be possible to line it with weldmesh or similar but that's a big job. Perhaps you could have a strong box fixed inside for valuable items (and pesticides). But if your shed is of poor quality and you can't easily improve it, just don't keep any valuables inside.

Stronger sheds and outbuildings should have their doors and any windows properly

secured. Make sure the door hinges are through-bolted or at least have clutch-head screws so they cannot be undone. Fill ordinary screw slots with Araldite glue. Then fit a good quality hasp and padlock and window locks if appropriate. Next, get a shed alarm. They can cost as little as £10 and both these and 'whistling' padlocks can be bought from DIY stores or the Police Community Office at Ferndown (see www.ferndowncommunityoffice.org for details and opening times). Or if you already have a house alarm, it may be possible to extend the circuit to cover outbuildings. Ask your alarm company.

Finally, what about those garden tools that can be so useful for housebreaking? Well first, make sure they get back to a secure place after each use and don't leave a spade or fork in the vegetable plot for robins and robbers to use. Consider the strong box approach mentioned above or

a way of chaining tools to a secure point in the shed or perhaps to each other. It's quite hard to break into a house with half a dozen implements all attached to one another.

Realistically, it is difficult to make a shed 100% secure but the first call is to reduce the risk of opportunistic crime. The more time it takes a criminal to break in somewhere, the greater the chance of detection and the less likely he is to try. Make this summer the one in which you take some simple precautions to improve your outdoor security.

Services to the Community

Local estate agents, Bassets Sales & Lettings, were delighted to be announced as the runners up of the 'Services to the Community' award at the Wiltshire Business of the Year.

Managing Director of Bassets, David Clayton, said: "As an independent and family run business, we understand our responsibility to support local causes and charities and to give something back to the communities in which we work. We are very happy to be the runner up, and grateful to be recognised for the help and support which we provide."

Bassets is well known for its commitment to the community, having previously won three other local and national awards recognising the community work they do. Every year, each of their offices has a 'community' budget to support a range of local charities and projects. **The Big Session** in Sixpenny Handley is exceptionally grateful to Bassets for sponsorship this year.



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Mothers' Union

Our turn has come up on the diocesan rota, this month, for cleaning the MU caravan, which is sited at Rockley Park, Poole. Four of us will go to get the van ready for the next people who will be having a holiday there. As well as the cleaning, we also have to do the washing of the bedding and towels used by the previous people, making up beds with the clean linen and supplying a Welcome Pack. We have done our part for several years and the caravan has been a most successful place for a holiday, especially for families in need of a break.

Our Branch is going on an outing on June 11th to Alvediston church to have a guided tour and to end the visit with tea and cakes.

By the time you receive this 'Downsman' several of us will have attended the lunchtime service at Salisbury Cathedral on Tuesday, 26th May, taken by Rev Mel Durrant in his capacity as MU Deanery Chaplain. The lunchtime services are well attended by many MU members from different branches and there are always a lot of tourists and visitors as well.

Sheila Bradley



WI News And Information

NATIONAL FEDERATION
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INSTITUTES

Members thoroughly enjoyed yet another birthday meal at the Grasmere Hotel at the beginning of April. This has proved to be an excellent venue.

We held our Annual Meeting on April 13th beginning with a silence to remember Wynn Judd who had been a member in the past. Voting took place for President and Bobby Carter was re-elected. After enjoying refreshments of birthday cake and sherry, Jan Gibb gave a talk entitled "A Blast from

the Past". This was very interesting and informative especially as she has books and photographs of ladies who were in fact known to many of our current members. The evening finished with the presentation of various cups.

At our May meeting we were treated to some history and an entertaining demonstration of Egyptian dance after we had listened to lots of detailed information concerning this year's resolution. This will

be further debated at the Centenary AGM at the Royal Albert Hall in June.

Please don't hesitate to contact or come along to one of our future meetings. You will be made very welcome.

Future Meetings

8th June - Farm visit to Myncen Farm
13th July - Mr Malcolm Angel - "Isaac Gulliver, Dorset Smuggler"

Margaret Jones

Government £3,000 Internet Connection grants available to businesses across Dorset

From the 1st of April, BDUK have expanded the availability of the up to £3,000 Internet connection vouchers to a total of 50 cities. Bournemouth is one such "city", however the Bournemouth scheme importantly includes every postcode within Dorset. Andrew Skipsey, Managing Director of M12 Solutions says, "This is an amazing development for businesses across the

entire county of Dorset, particularly those who are in rural areas where our Wessex Internet enterprise doesn't yet reach and the incumbent BT upgrades are either not scheduled to arrive or being delayed as part of the wider BDUK superfast upgrades. We have the flexibility to provide the most competitive & innovative solution to businesses, either via our Wessex Internet

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Gardeners Notes

July

- Continue sowing salad leaves
- Protect soft fruits with netting
- Add shading to greenhouses to protect plants
- Regular watering of pots and growbags
- Tie up tall flowering stems and support growing plants
- Plant out non hardy and tender plants

If you have children you could think about some fun by creating cress heads either with tights and sawdust or into egg shells which they can decorate.

Aug

- Continue sowing salad leaves for regular supply
- Start digging early potatoes
- Put brassica plants in final growing position
- Pinch out sideshoots of tomatoes
- Dehead flowers allowing more flowering time
- Pick soft fruits

If you have too many raspberries and strawberries consider making them into smoothies or ice lollies which you can enjoy into the season.

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CATCHPOLE LAW.....on law

There is no longer a mechanism in law to remove directors and partners from a business on the grounds of mental incapacity

It is no longer possible to remove directors and partners of a business on the grounds of mental incapacity. The Mental Health (Discrimination) Act 2013 stipulates that directors and partners who have lost capacity must be supported in their role rather than removed from it. This relatively new law cannot be circumvented by contrary provisions in the Articles of Association or Partnership Agreement. But how can business people be supported and who has responsibility to prepare for the worst?

1. The management technique to be used is "Business Lasting Powers of Attorney"

Business Lasting Powers of Attorney ("BLPAs") appoint "attorneys" to act on director's/partner's behalf in the situation where they are unable to do so for themselves owing to mental incapacity. They are now paramount to the smooth running of a business, should the worst happen.

2. What happens in default?

In the absence of a BLPA, no-one has the right to take decisions for the incapacitated director/partner until a "deputy" is appointed by the courts.

The deputy steps into the shoes of the director/partner much like an attorney would, but it is still preferable to appoint attorneys.

It costs much more and takes many months to appoint a deputy and may leave the business effectively frozen and exposed to risks and unnecessary costs or losses. How can a business function with a director who must be involved with key decisions but who cannot make those decisions? Furthermore, directors/partners can discuss and choose appropriately qualified and experienced attorneys but, if no-one appropriate comes forward to be a deputy, the courts appoint a third party professional of their choice.

3. Directors/partners are personally responsible and liable

Each director/partner needs to put their own BLPA in place before they lose capacity but all directors/partners are responsible for ensuring the smooth running of the business. All directors/partners are personally liable to review

their business documents and ensure that BLPAs have been put in place by all of their co-directors/ co-partners as a management tool to support each other.

Directors/partners are free to appoint whomever they choose to be their attorney; although they must choose someone with relevant expertise and experience to avoid being criticised and personally liable. Family members may not be an appropriate appointment and conflicts of interest must be carefully considered. The other directors/partners have a duty to object if someone inappropriate is chosen so it is sensible to have an open discussion about who is to be appointed.

In the absence of a BLPA and should the worst happen, the co-directors/co-partners must ensure that someone appropriate (themselves in default) is pursuing a deputyship.

If you would like assistance to discuss BLPAs and ensure that you and your colleagues have mechanisms and procedures in place to avoid any criticism and liability, please do contact Catchpole Law.

CBA Services..... new Tax Year

Welcome to the new Tax Year. Yes it has started already – 6 April 2015.

HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) has always checked at whether an individual is truly self-employed or should be, for tax purposes, an employee; so I thought I would outline HMRC views especially as I have heard recently there has been a substantial increase over the last couple of years of individuals registering as self-employed. Does this mean HMRC will therefore be challenging this more in the future??

For UK tax purposes what factors determine a person's employment status? Who makes the decision? What if I do not agree?

These are the common-law terms that are used to distinguish employees from persons who are self-employed. The terms are confusing and are not defined anywhere in the tax legislation. The term:

- “contract of service” relates to a person in employment (as in the case of a domestic servant who is described as being “in service”);
- “contract for services” relates to a person who is self-employed and who provides services to clients.

The term “contract of service” is, however, referred to in the employment and tax legislation. A person who works under a contract of service is:

- an “employee” for payroll purposes;
- an “employee” for employment rights purposes; and
- a “worker” for other employment rights purposes.

In contrast, a person who works under a contract for services, i.e. a self-employed person, is neither an employee nor a worker. There is no requirement for an employer to put such a person on the payroll; rather payment may be made on invoice. There is no entitlement to any of the employment rights available to employees and workers.

How, then, are these two terms to be distinguished? Traditionally, there are two key tests to identify an employee, i.e. a person who works under a “contract of

service”. These are:

- “mutuality of obligation”, i.e. both parties to the contract have obligations to each other, the employee to perform work as directed, the employer to pay for the work performed;
- the “degree of control” exercised by the employer over the work performed by the employee;

Other factors, however, have been taken into consideration when courts and tribunals have endeavoured to distinguish between employment and self-employment. These include:

- whether the individual must perform the work personally, or is able to send a qualified substitute;
- the nature of the pay and benefits that are provided by the employer;
- whether or not the individual has a business structure;
- who decides on how the contract should be performed;
- the extent of the financial risk borne by

the individual; and

- who provides the materials and equipment necessary for the work. The duration of the contract is also important; the longer the engagement, the more likely it is that the relationship is employment.

Another simple way of distinguishing employment from self-employment is to consider what it is that the employer is “buying”:

- if the employer is “buying” an employee, there will be a lengthy recruitment process in order to find just the right person;
- if the employer is “buying” a service, the person who will provide the service is likely to be selected by recommendation or simply by choosing an ad in Yellow Pages.

A person who is self-employed in one kind of work may also be an employee in some other kind of work. A self-employed tradesman who works in a pub in the evenings would have to go on the pub's payroll for that evening work. The fact



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Book Review

My two books for review this time have a common thread; devotion to the inherent values of their country, leadership and courage of the highest order. In deference to the Senior Service I begin with the biography of Lieutenant Commander Robert 'Hitch' Hitchens written by his son Antony Hitchens who himself spent his National Service as a midshipman in the Royal Navy. 'Hitch', as he was known to his naval colleagues was an advocate of the high-speed gun boats that equipped Flotillas of Coastal Forces during the Second World War. His passion [a passion not always shared by his superiors in the Admiralty] for these 'minnows' of the navy knew no bounds and it was only through 'Hitch' and his fellow supporters that this type of craft was developed into a superbly efficient fighting ship where speed and surprise could, in the right conditions, prove a key factor over a much stronger adversary. A pre-war officer in the navy's volunteer reserve, 'Hitch' was first assigned to mine-sweepers whose dangerous task was sweep for mines planted by the enemy in the convoy channels off the East Coast and he was still employed on these duties at the time of Dunkirk where he was destined to gain the first of his plethora of gallantry awards*.

Release from minesweepers came in October 1940 and the remainder of the year was spent in training for what would take him to the pinnacle of his naval service and, ultimately, to his death in action during the night of 12th-13th of April 1943. Sensitively - at times lyrically - penned by his son, I close with two passages written by Robert Hitchens; the first when on Boxing Day 1940 he took his gun boat from Milford Haven on the first stage of their journey to Fort William, the quotation coming from the final stages of a ultra fast run through the Irish Sea during which he was thoroughly soaked by the spray thrown up as his boat sped through the water; 'After that we slipped across to Jura and went through the Sound of Islay. It is only about two cables in places and going through it at about thirty knots with a ripping tide under us was exciting. All the people at

the lighthouse as we passed came out to wave.' The second is from his time detached from operations in the North Sea to Dartmouth in the summer of '42, with his Flotilla operating in the Channel and seeking out the German E-boats. 'Presently Cap de La Hague light loomed up ahead. We got a fix and stopped in our position, twelve miles north of Alderney, in line from Cherbourg to the Start. This was something like it, deep water, no mines, bloody great lights visible seventeen to twenty miles, no sandbanks, and high, steep cliffs to mark our landfall in the morning...' I sniffed the freshening westerly wind. A good three to four now and gusting to five. Always an uncomfortable place near Alderney, the lopp had become a confused lump and surge. Turrets were beginning to swing and bang.'

* Lieutenant Commander Robert Peverell Hitchens RNVR DSO and Bar DSC and two Bars three times mentioned in despatches is buried in Felixstowe New Cemetery and commemorated on Flushing Quay War Memorial, Falmouth, Cornwall. In the summer of 1944, London and the Home Counties began to experience a new threat from the air - the *Vergeltungswaffe 1* more commonly referred to as the V-1 or 'Doodlebug' the first of which had been launched from the Pas-de-Calais against London on 13 June 1944 and in the weeks that followed such was the intensity of these attacks that Bomber Command was compelled to direct its considerable resources in countering this alarming development by the enemy. One of the numerous raids carried out against these targets took place on 4th-5th July 1944, and was directed at the underground store at St-Leud'Esserent in the department of Oise. A total of two hundred and eighty-two Lancasters and fifteen Mosquitoes were ordered, their crews briefed to destroy the roads leading to the caves where the bombs were held and to inflict as much damage as possible on the camp facilities. One of the Lancaster pilots so engaged was Flight Lieutenant William 'Bill' North serving with 61 Squadron at Skellingthorpe in Lincolnshire and now setting out on his seventeenth operational sortie. Weather conditions could not have been more

favourable; a full moon and with no cloud over the target area the target markers put down by the Pathfinder Force were clearly visible and the bombing that followed was extremely accurate. However, these clear conditions had a downside for as the bombers turned away from St Leu' and headed for the Channel, so the Luftwaffe made their presence felt with a series of devastating attacks*. Despite the alertness of the two air gunners, 'Bill' North's Lancaster was sighted by the pilot of Me109 and in seconds the fighter's cannon fire had inflicted mortal damage on the bomber. Wounded in his left arm and thigh 'Bill' ordered his crew to bale out only to be told that his flight engineer's parachute harness had been shot away and he was unable to leave the aircraft. Without hesitation, 'Bill' North made the courageous decision to take his aircraft down to a crash-landing, knowing full well that by doing so he was unlikely to survive. The events that followed and the story of how this young airman from Cardiff worked his way up from being a clerk in the National Union of Railwaymen to the captaincy of one of the most potent bomber aircraft in service at the time is told in remarkable detail by Chris Keltie who for many years lived next-door to 'Bill' North. The book is profusely illustrated [though some of the photo captions require correction] and contain numerous accounts from those members of 'Bill's' crew that Chris was able to contact.

* Full details of the twelve Lancasters and their crews that failed to return are reported in the reviewer's fifth volume of Royal Air Force Bomber Command Losses of the Second World War.

Gunboat Command - The Biography of Lieutenant Commander Robert Hitchens, Antony

Hitchens, Pen & Sword, 2007.

Riding in the Shadow of Death, Chris Keltie, Chris Keltie Publishing, 2013.

Bill Chorley

Rob's Column

When days are hard and bitter
When nights are long and drear
God bless the smiling people

I was recently admiring a neighbour's new
net curtains
He said "I bought them online"
Silly me - where else would he have got net
curtains.

You can watch an opportunity pass by you
Or grab it with both hands and try
To move towards your goal or aim
Leading perhaps to success or fame
Sow a seed and you never know
Just how much that seed will grow.

When we have failed or bungled
When we have tried in vain
God bless the folk who give us
The strength to try again.

Life don't give you what you want
It gives you what you deserve.

The bin man asked me
"Where's yet bin 2?"
I said "I've bin in the house"
He said "No, where's yet wheelie bin?"
I said "I've wheelie bin in the house"

Why did the scarecrow win an award?
Because he was so outstanding in his field!

A farmer was celebrating because one of
his hens laid a 24 pound egg
But the hen was suffering from shell shock

It's easy to be upbeat
When everything is fine
A heart is always cheery
When the sun shines
Yet to smile in adversity
When everything goes wrong
Helps through the chaos
And gets you back on song

Many thanks for all the good wishes over
the last few months (on the mend)

Don't Give Up

When things go wrong as they sometimes
will,

When the road you're traveling seems all
uphill,
When funds are low and debts are high,
And you want to smile, but you have to
sigh,
When cares are pressing you down a bit,
Rest, if you must...but don't you quit.
Life is hard with its twist and turns,
As every one of us sometimes learns.
And many a person turns about,
When they might have won, had they stuck
it out.
Don't give up, though the pace seems slow,
You may succeed with another blow.
Often the goal is nearer than
It seems to a faint and faltering man.
Often the struggler has given up,
When he might have captured the victor's
cup;
And he learned too late, when the night
came down,
How close he was to the golden crown.
Success is failure turned inside out,
The silver tint in the clouds of doubt,
And you never can tell how close you are,
It may be near when it seems so far.
So stick to the fight when you're hardest
hit,
It's when things seem worst that you must
not quit.

Betty Rich (Benedetta Naimo-LaRiccica)

Remember, we should always in any kind
of fuss
Take a short breath and then reflect on us
Crashing here and there like battling
stormy seas
Sail to calmer water and say "I need time
for me"

Take the time to read a book
And you're sure to find
It will ease life's pressures
Helping you unwind
And the enjoyment you discover
Just might lead to reading another

The days are slowly stretching
Nights are lighter too
Green shoots and buds appearing
Bring spring time into view
And daffodils in bright array
Add a splash of colour to each day

Someone told me I was very fastidious
I didn't know what it meant so I spent a
couple of weeks researching it.

Rob

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that a self-employed person is registered as a subcontractor under the Construction Industry Scheme, or has a VAT registration number, or a self-employed reference number, does not mean that that person is self-employed in every job the person does. HMRC describes the process of assessing employment or self-employment as “picture-painting”. In other words, a person’s employment status cannot be properly identified unless the whole picture is considered. One particular factor, such as whether the employer or the individual provides the equipment and materials, does not, in itself, prove employment or self-employment. All of the relevant factors must be considered and, in all cases, it is the employer that must make the decision. The employer has all of the liabilities if a person is wrongly identified as being self-employed.

In most cases it is not difficult to correctly recognise employment and self-employment. The problem area is contractors, whose work often demonstrates factors that point to both employment and self-employment.

If a self-employed person believes that a client has wrongly decided to treat the working relationship as a “contract of service”, there are two options:

1. Use the online interactive Employment Status Indicator provided by HMRC. It may be used by employers and individuals but its reliability depends on the accuracy by which the questions are answered.
2. The parties to the contract can ask for the situation to be reviewed by a Status Inspector in the employer’s tax office. Both of these options may be explored further at <https://www.gov.uk/business-tax/payee#3>

At the end of the day, however, it is the employer who must decide whether a particular person is working under a “contract of service” or a “contract for services” and, in the event of a compliance audit by HMRC, bear the heavy financial consequences of getting it wrong.

Whilst care has been taken in preparing this publication it is for information only. It is not, and should not be construed, as advice and accordingly no reliance should be placed on the information contained herein.



Tricky Situation!

We ventured out recently, leaving a little later than usual to avoid rain and strong winds. A run in South Westerly winds against the tide, found us in Thorness Bay, where we anchored for lunch, avoiding PLUTO (Pipeline Under The Ocean), a legacy from WWII.

The return was in increasing wind strength, up to 26kn, we were well reefed down and so quite comfortable. Approaching the river entrance, we furled the Genoa, but, the reefing line parted when the sail was almost furled, the wind caught it, and the sail unfurled with a rush, we were now overpressed. The main was dropped, which eased the situation somewhat, and a brief discussion on best way to sort this out. The jib would have to come down, but under careful control in those wind strengths, the jib on a 40' yacht is quite big!, the youngest crew went forward to prepare for the drop, and then two of us went forward to drop the sail, lifejackets, harnesses, and safety lines were worn. All went according to plan, the jib was dropped under control, sat on, and lashed to the guard rails. Tea and biccies were enjoyed later.

Confusion

Finishing off the fitting out on a friend's yacht, two tasks remained, fitting the adjusting line to the Genoa cars, and connecting up the running backstays. 'How are these attached?' I asked, 'Oh with a sheet bend, a double would be best.' 'OK'. Ah! a mental block, try as I might, could not tie a sheet bend, the embarrassment of

Gone Sailing

asking how!! My excuse is I have not used that knot for a long time, much practiced now however. So here is how ... Sheet Bend to join two ropes of different thickness; make a bight in the thicker rope, pass the thinner rope under and through the bight, around and under in direction that will eventually leave both ends on the same side, pass the end of the thinner rope under its own standing part (twice for a double), pull tight, check that loose ends of both ropes are on same side. Easy!

What nationality is that yacht?

Flag etiquette is a study all on its own, however we do need to know some aspects of it, so as not to upset the senior yacht (taking the Ensign down at night ... the sun must never set on the Empire!), or fall foul of officials at home or abroad (flying the courtesy flag of the country you are visiting from the starboard crosstrees, and flying Q flag, on arrival within 12 mile limit, if going to or coming from outside EU). Flag Q is square, yellow, 'vessel is healthy, request pratique, and clearance'

To return to the question, one can, of course browse a flag book, from Abkazia to Zimbabwe, and hope to find it. Or using the very useful 'A visual guide to the Flags of the World' by V S de Kleer, one could find it very quickly. The book is divided into types of flags, eg. horizontal bands two, three, four or more, vertical bands, and so on. The flag we were looking for was quartered with a horizontal cross, red quarters, dark blue on white cross, yes you are correct, Norway civil flag (the state flag has a swallowtail).

The perennial question of Dutch or French, and Belgium or Germany, is easily solved with a simple mnemonic; the Belgians and the French do it standing up, the Dutch and the Germans do it lying down, (bands on the flags of course!)

Get Afloat

I hope you managed to get to the recent Open Day at LTSC, or a Push The Boat Out event at LTSC or another club near you. The LTSC Open Day was again a success with a breezy sunny day attracting many people, 26 new members were signed up, and there was much interest. LTSC have well over 1,000 members, enjoying; dinghy/yacht, racing/cruising, motor boating, ribs, training, and an active social side with; suppers, dinners, parties, bridge mornings, conversational French mornings, a reading group, and other ad-hoc events. LTSC also host several major regattas each year. Next LTSC Open Day, Sunday 2nd August, Bath Race, BBQ, Beer Tent, etc. Bath Road, Lymington, SO413SE. www.ltsc.co.uk.

Cast off

Enjoying a glass of wine with a neighbour the other day, and found (hoorah) that he enjoyed reading this log, but did not realise it was me wot rit it. So for the avoidance of any doubt, it really is me wot writes these logs.

See you on the water.

Adam



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Date	Function	Page	Day	Club or Group
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9 June	Financial Talk @ Bowls	15	Mon	WI Meetings : Village Hall : 2nd Monday of Month
18 June	Bingo @ Handley Village Hall	5	Mon	Scouts : Scout Hut 19:00-21:00 : Term Time
27 June	BIG Session @ Sixpenny Handley Rec	12	Tue	6D Handley Tennis Club Session 7pm (Summer)
16 July	Bingo @ Handley Village Hall	5	Wed	Cross Roads Cafe Parish Office 10:30am - 12
18 July	Paws in the Park @ Wimborne St Giles	4	Wed	Whist : Village Hall : Fortnightly
12 Sept	Bowls Jumble Sale	5	Wed	Beavers, Cubs, Explorers : Scout Hut : Term Time
				Yoga : Village Hall Term Time : 11:30
			Thu	Mothers' Union : 2nd Thursday in the Month 14:45
			Thu	Teddy Bears Drop-in : Church 10:30 - 12:00 Weekly in Term Time
			Thu	Bingo : Village Hall 7:30 : 3rd Thursday not August
			Fri	Chase Community Friends Lunch Village Hall : 2nd Friday in the Month
			Sun	St Mary's Church 9:30 Traditional 11:00 Informal 18:00 Evensong Alternating weeks St Rumbold's 11:15 Gussage St Andrew 9:30



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