



SIXPENNY HANDLEY REMEMBERS 1918-2018



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Next edition

The next edition will be published from
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**Copy deadline for the
next edition
15th January**

Please make every effort to meet the deadline so that we have time for printing, production and distribution.

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Merry Christmas...

What a beautiful autumn we have had. I was lucky enough to catch all the beech trees on the way to Tollard Royal a few times in the week when they turned to their beautiful fiery yellow and oranges - I hope you caught some somewhere.

The fires didn't stop their of course, the great bonfire at the Scouts Firework Spectacular was a wonderful backdrop to the teams fabulous firework displays. I was lucky enough to take 7 girls up to the display this year and we all had great fun with the games the Explorers had arranged too - smashing plates, punching pots and trying to knock down big cans.

The remembrance poppies that have been covering the towns and countrysides to mark the centenary of the end of World War I have been a timely reminder of how so many gave their lives in that war and I think how different our lives are now because of them. I found out more about one of my own relatives who fought with the North Somerset Yeomanry. He made it through the whole war, signing up before conscription and taking his horse with him to the battles. He made it back which is why I am here (he was my great-grandfather), but his younger brother didn't. It must have been a truly scarred generation. Rev Canon Hancock picked up on two of the stories of lives of those named on our war memorial in his sermon on Remembrance Sunday. The information came from research done by Bill Chorley - do reply to Bill (details page 4) if you would like to find out more.

Now looking forward... Christmas shopping to be had with Frogmore Barn (on Frogmore Lane if you haven't found it yet!) or something funky from Ten & Six - I know the lovely Sarah has been working hard on some beautiful new purses, you can visit Regard's Christmas Show-ping Event at Sixpenny Handley Village Hall (see Noticeboard) and Cranborne Garden Centre's Christmas Emporium sounds great too on page 8 (though my little one just wanted cactuses :-)) It is a great time to support your local businesses at Christmas, all those gifts, food and sparkles and buying locally means you support local people and help our community thrive.

This edition also says thanks to some people who have helped our community thrive - Gill has stepped down from our Downsman committee after more years than I know (many thanks), Paul has been Poppy Collection co-ordinating for the last 13 years and is stepping down and David and Jeanette who have supported many vital parts of the community in their years here are moving in the New Year. See more on page 8, but a big thank you from me too.

Naomi Booth

editor@thedownsman.org.uk

Merry Christmas!

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

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More about the parish can be found at www.sixpennyhandley.info

To the Editor

Apologies for the misprint of Bill Chorley's email address - the correction is in the article below.

Village War Memorial

Starting in 2004, I wrote detailed profiles on the twenty-six servicemen commemorated on the village War Memorial, some of these commemorations running to several issues of The Downsman. With the 100th Anniversary this year of the ending of the Great War I am contemplating revising these profiles and combining them into a booklet which, I estimate, will exceed fifty pages. Presently, I am contracted to deliver to my publisher the Second Volume of Royal Air Force squadron losses of the Great War, a work that I aim to complete by the autumn. Thus, it will be later in the year before I will be in a position to start work on the profiles. However, before doing so it would be a help to gain some idea as to how many people might wish to purchase a book of this nature; as yet I have no figures as to a price guide but

I envisage it would be between £10 and £20 as high quality printing does not come cheaply, particularly where art work and photographs are concerned. My contact telephone is 01725 552776 or email me on wr.chorley@gmail.com.

Practical Boat Owner

Dec 2011-Dec2016

If any sailor / boat DIY enthusiast is interested in free PBO back issues as above please email me dgray195@btinternet.com.

Dave Gray

Missed Appointments

The figures shown in the October issue relating to missed appointments at our doctors' surgery are not surprising because they are regularly shown on the notice board therein.

The situation is particularly annoying however because patients who miss appointments are depriving other, perhaps more urgent cases, of an early consultation.

May I suggest a possible solution: - "If a particular patient wishes to see a doctor and has a poor history of missed appointments, then a £150 deposit is requested of the patient and this amount is returned when they attend on time."

This may seem a little drastic but if nothing is done, missed appointments will continue unabated every month into the future.

Michael Gower

Editor's Note: The figures quoted come from the display in the surgery: they include all patients from the whole practice which includes Farnham, Minchington, Tollard Royal and Gussages.

Sixpenny Handley Village Hall

Hanlega's



We wish all our customers a Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Wednesday: Steak Night 6-9pm

Friday: 6-9pm

Saturday: 8.30-10.30 am, 6-9pm

Sunday: 8.30-10.30 am Lunch: 12.30-3pm

Book Now For Christmas - ring for our Christmas Menu

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Downsman Noticeboard

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

Regular carers meetings

For anyone who is a carer of one of Sixpenny Handley Practice's patients

Next meetings:

18th December, 3-4.30 p.m.

All meetings are held at Sixpenny Handley Surgery at 3pm.

Drop in for a coffee and a chat

ST MARY'S CHURCH CHRISTMAS FAYRE SIXPENNY HANDLEY VILLAGE HALL



Saturday 1st December

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Christmas Show-ping Event
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The Downsman Business Support Group

Will be meeting again on

7 February 2019 & 4 April 2019

At the Parish Office,
Sixpenny Handley
Catherine Chapman 07895 913546 or
Sarah Taylor 07852 324112
or email downsmanbsg@gmail.com

Next date: 7th February 2019



Parish Library

Opening Times:
Tuesdays

10.00am - 12.00 am

Friday

8.30am-10.00am

Wednesday

10.30am - 11.45am

(Crossroads Café)

Thursdays - 1st & 3rd of month

3pm-4.15pm

6th December

20th December

3rd January 2019

17th January

Crossroads Café

Wednesdays
10:30am - 12noon
Parish Office
Town Farm Workshops
All Welcome

Chase Community Friends

Once a month in Sixpenny Handley Village Hall we hold a day centre with a 3 course lunch for £5.00 followed by entertainment
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www.sixpennyhandleyparishcouncil.btck.co.uk

Unit 6, Town Farm Workshops, Sixpenny Handley, SP5 5PA

Email: sixpennyhandley@dorset-aptc.gov.uk

Clerk to the Council (Ciona Nicholson) 01725 552211

07907 445951

Members continue to prepare the budget for 2019-2020. A lot of consideration is given to this from October through to December when the precept demand has to be submitted to the Local Authority. Members have previously allocated £25,000 over the past year towards the refurbishment of the Village Hall. The Village Hall Committee is working extremely hard to co-ordinate a whole host of improvements and funding toward this major refurbishment project. The Sports and Recreation area generates a lot of work with regard to upkeep, but thanks to the Sports Clubs and regular users, our facilities are well maintained. Minor repairs to the Play Area, grass cutting, vermin control, and building maintenance are all ongoing. Bookings for the Pavilion are picking up very well with regular and one-off events including another wedding reception held earlier in the year which was fantastic. The Parish Office continues to be busy with regular meetings for local groups. The weekly Crossroads Coffee Morning which was initiated by Mr David Salmons (over three years ago) is held on Wednesdays 10:30-12pm and it is very well attended. A new seated exercise class run by Mrs Jenny Bowen is held on Thursdays 10.30 – 12.00pm is proving to be a very popular event attracting many regular users. The Audit for the year ending 31st March 2018 was successfully completed and this is available to view at www.sixpennyhandleyparishcouncil.btck.co.uk.

Finally, members of the Council have not only been attending the regular meetings of the Parish Council either for Full Parish, Finance or Planning but have also attended the EDDC Planning Committee, Community Land Trust, Roebuck CLT, Community Charity Incorporated Organisation, The Great Dorset Steam Fair post event meeting, Eastern Area DAPTC meetings and the AGM for the Dorset Association of Town and Parish Councils to keep up to date with all that is going on in our Community. So plenty to keep us busy!

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.
- By visiting the Parish Office open Tuesday mornings 10-12 and Friday mornings 8:30-10am.
- By attending Parish Council meetings which members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend.
- By telephone at the office 01725 552211 or to the Clerk's home office number anytime 07907 445951

Bookings for Parish Office hire can now be made directly with the Parish Council. Hire Charge of £10 per session morning/afternoon/evening or £30 all day. Check availability on the Calendar page of the website.

Ciona Nicholson

Clerk

Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge Parish Council.

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**Coming soon
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 election year! Have
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 how you can become
 more involved
 or to discuss the
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 the Council do not
 hesitate to contact
 us.**

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8.30am – 10.00am Fr

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Taking Action On Rural Crime

We know that rural crime is a problem. But we also know that it is massively underreported. I met with the Rural Crime Team ahead of the national rural crime day of action to talk about what is being done in Dorset to protect our rural communities from crime.

The national day of action is led by the National Police Chiefs' Council who are encouraging police forces across the country to give tackling rural crime an extra push on Thursday 8 November.

Our Rural Crime Team is dedicated to tackling rural crime and work tirelessly all year round to help protect our rural communities and bring offenders of rural crime to justice. It is a small but effective team. Recent successes include a successful prosecution for poaching resulting in a five year criminal behaviour order; a number of arrests made in relation to tractor thefts in the county; and multi-agency operations to tackle fly-tipping and illegal waste carriage.

On the rural crime day of action, they are meeting with enforcement partners, as they do regularly, to discuss current enforcement plans and the most prolific offenders in the area. In the night leading into the day of action they will also be conducting a targeted police operation on known hotspots. But there is a lot of work going on elsewhere within the force as well. PCSOs, for example, will be visiting victims in our rural communities to check on them and ensure they have the support they need.

Prevention is a key part of what the Rural Crime Team do. They regularly promote prevention messages and share simple steps that you can take to help protect you and your property. The day of action is no exception and they will be handing out preventative signage for people to use on their properties.

One of my frustrations as Police and Crime Commissioner is when people raise concerns about rural crime with me, and

rightly so, but have not reported it to the police through the proper channels. People are getting better at reporting it. In fact the percentage of Dorset residents not reporting it was lower than the national average according to the results of the National Rural Crime Survey. But we know that what is reported is only part of the picture.

When I met with the Rural Crime Team they had just been speaking to someone who is a part of our rural community. During the course of the conversation he revealed he had recently seen suspicious lights in one of his fields that he hadn't reported. It is vital that people report anything suspicious, be it lights in a field, an unfamiliar vehicle crossing private land or broken padlocks. It all adds to the intelligence picture. The police don't know about it if you don't tell them.

The team were able to give him specific advice around what he had seen in addition to encouraging him to formally report it through 101. It goes to show that it is personally worthwhile speaking to police

about any suspicious activity you witness. You may not necessarily be aware of what is going on in the area or how incidents might be connected and the police can advise you accordingly. But you can't rely on chance meetings like this one. You also need to take action on rural crime and report it.

The Chief Constable and I are committed to improving the rural crime response, but we need your help to better understand the nature and scale of the problem. The more reports the police receive on rural crime, the more accurate the picture our recorded crime figures are. It gives us a better understanding of the demand that police are facing and therefore enables us to better allocate the resources that are needed to fight it.

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Martyn Underhill
Dorset Police & Crime Commissioner



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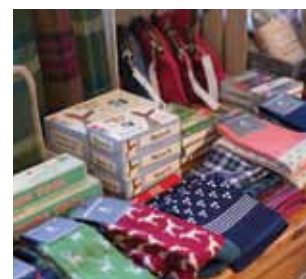


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Wednesday 12th December 12.30pm

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FESTIVE EVENING

Monday 17th December 5pm - 9pm

Join Cranborne Community Choir in
The Garden Room for 'Wintery Songs in
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Café open for supper from 5pm (booking essential).
Gift Shop open until 9pm for late night shopping

FATHER CHRISTMAS IN THE SHEPHERD'S HUT

on 16th & 17th December (booking essential)



PROGRAMME OF EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR - SEE WEBSITE FOR FULL DETAILS

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Farewell And Thank You

David and Jeanette Salmons, after 30 years in the village are moving early in the New Year. to the St Nicholas Hospital in Salisbury, founded in 1223 and now lying beside the Harnham Bridge.

David has always engaged in every part of village life. He was Church Warden at St Mary's for 14 years during which there were two interregnums (one lasting two years). David was also a lay member of the Diocesan Synod and was able to keep the PCC abreast of the changes that would affect this parish.

A loyal supporter of the parish council, regularly being the only person attending their meetings, it was David who came up with the idea to hold a weekly coffee morning in the enlarged parish office – the Crossroads Café was born, he is now usually found making the coffee and washing up.

David also stepped forward to help the Downsman when someone was needed to organise the ever-expanding portfolio of advertisers. He worked tirelessly to ensure that the magazine was always well supported and, as a result, the Downsman has earned a reputation as a first-class publication.

Living in Sheasby Close, David has also been one of the residents' representatives on the Housing Association working group. Jeanette has been a very loyal supporter of David's activities as well as being an active member of the Women's Institute and the Mothers Union. We wish them both every good fortune in their new home.



Thank You

also to Paul Skinner, who for the last 13 years has organised the Annual Poppy collection for the Royal British Legion. The amount of effort required for this fund-raising event should not be underestimated; it is through his and his team's hard work that the amount donated from this parish has doubled during his time at the helm. The figure for this year's collections is £2250.

Editor's Thanks

I also have thanks to make as Gill, who has been a member of the Downsman team longer than any of us and has organised the advertising in the past has decided to step down from our committee as of this issue. Thank you very much to her and to David for all their support, without which the Downsman wouldn't be in the shape it is today

Naomi

Poster found in a Church in France... (translated):

"When you enter this church it may be possible that you hear 'the call of God'. However, it is unlikely that He will call you on your mobile. Thank you for turning off your phones. If you want to talk to God, enter, choose a quiet place and talk to Him. If you want to see Him, send Him a text while driving."

A Tuneful Funny

To commemorate her birthday, actress/vocalist, Julie Andrews made a special appearance at Manhattan's Radio City Music Hall for a benefit.

One of the musical numbers she performed was 'My Favorite Things' from the legendary movie 'Sound Of Music'.

Here are the lyrics she used: (Sing It!) - If you sing it, it is especially hysterical!!!

*Botox and nose drops and needles for knitting,
Walkers and handrails and new dental fittings,
Bundles of magazines tied up in string,
These are a few of my favorite things.
Cadillac's and cataracts, hearing aids and glasses,
Polident and Fixodent and false teeth in glasses,
Pacemakers, golf carts and porches with swings,
These are a few of my favorite things.*

*When the pipes leak, When the bones creak,
When the knees go bad,
I simply remember my favorite things,
And then I don't feel so bad.*

Hot tea and crumpets and corn pads for bunions,

*No spicy hot food or food cooked with onions,
Bathrobes and heating pads and hot meals they bring,*

*These are a few of my favorite things.
Back pain, confused brains and no need for sinnin',*

Thin bones and fractures and hair that is thinnin',

And we won't mention our short shrunken frames,

*When we remember our favorite things.
When the joints ache, When the hips break,*

*When the eyes grow dim,
Then I remember the great life I've had,*

And then I don't feel so bad.

Julie received a standing ovation from the crowd that lasted over four minutes and repeated encores.

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Sixpenny Handley & Pentridge Community Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CCIO)

Registered No.1172688 Patron – The Hon Timothy Palmer DL

There has been quite a lot of activity since the previous article included in the April Edition of The Downsman, not least completion of the first Annual Report and Accounts and their approval at the AGM. They can be viewed by contacting the Hon Secretary, Mrs Ciona Nicholson, in the Parish Office (552211). The core function of the CCIO is to fundraise and allocate grants for the public benefit of groups and projects within the parish to which end there is a Grants Distribution Committee chaired by one of the Trustees and which draws its membership from the wider community. This committee meets twice a year to assess and authorise grant applications tendered from the community. If you anyone is interested being involved in this process then please contact Mrs Rosie New (516982).

The CCIO also provides an administrative base to ensure the necessary policies and procedures required by current charity legislation for any organisation or group functioning in the parish that choses to integrate. This enables volunteers to focus on what they really want to do and what they are good at. It also eliminates the need for a multiplicity of constitutions and associated administration demanded by the plethora of legislative burdens which are imposed these days. It is simple and flexible and in conjunction with our Parish Council and the Community Land Trust can provide this parish with a collective and legal administrative infrastructure enabling us to do just about anything that it is not illegal. This establishes a sound basis for community teamwork and ensures that the necessary framework is already in place should it be decided, for instance, to establish a community transport network.

In the last 6 months nearly £3,000 was raised at The Big Session as a result of which the following Grant Distributions have been awarded, cheques being presented during the AGM held in the Parish Office -

	£. p
Community defibrillator - including spare pads	286.18
Sixpenny Handley Sports Club – replacement spectator seating	400.00
1st Woodcutts Scout Group - 2 Gazebos for general community use	800.00
The Little Pennies Pre-School - climbing Frame	700.00
Sixpenny Handley First School – updating sound system	800.00
Total	2,986.18

The CCIO finances are sound and stable; there are no liabilities, and expenditure is limited by available generated income. A credit balance of £1,500 is retained in the account as a float available for pre-event finance to initiate fund-raising projects. A further £200 is also retained for emergency replacement of pads etc for the community defibrillator.

David Lockyer
Chairman of Trustees

The Community Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CCIO) held their first Annual General Meeting on Monday 12th November 2018 and thanks to the members of the Grant Distribution Committee were able to present the recipients with grants for their specific projects. Our amazing local charities raised sufficient monies from local activities to fund the following:

With special 'thanks' to **Mr Andrew Chorley** (Local Photographer) who captured this special occasion on camera.

Mr Paul Styles - Public access to a defibrillator located at Styles Shop – £286.18 funds received to provide and replace unit pads.





Mr Mark Young represented Handley Sports Club - £400.00 funds received to provide spectator benches.



Karen Adams represented Little Pennies Pre-school - £700.00 funds received to purchase wooden climbing structure.



photos by Andrew Chorley

Karen Adams represented Friends & Parents Association of Sixpenny Handley First School - £800.00 funds received to replace school sound system & projector.

Mr Simon Meaden represented 1st Woodcutts Scouts Group - £800.00 funds received to purchase two heavy duty gazebos - available to community groups for activities.



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What could a life or executive coach do for me?

How often do you hear people say, "I'm so busy; life is like spinning plates; there are only so many hours in the day" or "if only I'd done x or y".

Of course, if you had your own way you'd probably change things to get to a better work-life balance, but even that seems out of reach. So, you end up being frustrated and never achieving a long-term goal or plan because things just get in the way. Not surprisingly, people start to lose direction and there is generally a lack of purpose. That's not what they want, but life's pace and pressures simply don't provide the opportunity to stop, think and reconsider what they are doing.

This is where a coach can really help.

To be clear from the start, coaches are not counsellors, psychotherapists, gurus, teachers, trainers, or consultants. Although a trained and accredited coach may use some of the same skills and techniques, there is a distinct difference. Being coached does not indicate that you have a problem; on the contrary it's designed to build on your successes, your potential and your will to make a change and, often, to see the wood for the trees.

In business, it's used often to "grow" selected individuals who can step into higher level roles and succeed. Whereas, in life coaching it helps people to achieve their aspirations and goals; some relatively

simple and others more complex. It's the process of equipping people with the tools, inherent knowledge and opportunities they need to fully develop themselves; but it comes from within their potential and abilities.

Coaching can be effective at all stages of life; from a pupil at school who's unsure of what to do next, or student at university questioning the path they've taken to someone older thinking about doing something different with their lives. There is absolutely no age limit, nor boundaries to ideas nor topics to be considered. Critically, a coach is a totally open-minded, non-judgmental and independent person who will treat everything that is said in complete confidence. This allows the coachee absolute freedom of thought to explore, working collaboratively with the coach.

A coach will help separate the emotional wheat from the chaff. In daily life, thoughts are cluttered with to-do lists and our minds are overwhelmed with a mess of small, endless emotional incidents. Under these conditions, trying to reflect on your aspirations is like trying to write a difficult essay on a desk cluttered with pens, books and papers.

Scheduling coaching sessions allows you to set aside the time you need to (figuratively) sit at an empty, clutter-free desk and allow you to write on a crisp, clean sheet of paper. When you dedicate time to charting your needs and wants, particularly with the guidance of a supportive coach, you can see beyond the clutter and gain a clear perspective of where you are and where you'd like to go.

Coaching sessions will typically take place as a conversation – around an hour at a time and normally within one to six sessions - between the coach and the coachee (or client) it focuses on helping him or her discover answers for themselves. After all, people are much more likely to engage with solutions that they have come up with themselves, rather than those that are forced upon them! Like coaching in sport, life coaching can also be quite challenging; to make you

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think hard about what you really want and mean. Sometimes, difficult questions can provide solutions you didn't realise were there. This could be any number of reasons in life; fear of hierarchy, family or peer pressures, dented self-esteem or self-confidence to name but a few. Coaching helps to see past these and build on positive outcomes.

In sum, coaching is something that people are turning to more and more to give them a new perspective or insight into their lives and, with a supportive coach, they start to plot a new way to achieving their goal, which had seemed out of reach before. Sometimes these are small steps, but sometimes they can be huge leaps. It's entirely up to the coachee; the coach simply helps them see and set a new course.

Sixpenny Village Hall

WE ARE OPEN!

Have you been in to see our new roof, ceiling and lights yet? Everyone agrees the hall is starting to look so much better. We've been hearing some rumours that the hall is closed for six months and we just want to quash these straight away,

WE ARE OPEN FOR BUSINESS AS USUAL!!

We have now successfully received all our funding with thanks to East Dorset District Council and The Talbot Village Trust. Phase 2 can now begin and works will be carried out on quiet days and holidays/half terms from now until all the works are complete. We have done this to ensure we can remain open.

Fundraising for the general running of the hall continues and we would like to thank everyone who supported Rob's Auction, especially 1st Woodcuts for their incredible help. Proceeds were split between 1st Woodcuts and the Village Hall. Race night was also a fabulous

evening and both Bowls and the Village Hall raised valuable funds.

A management committee meeting was held on Wed 14th Nov for user groups to come and tell us what they need in the new hall and we will do our best to support everyone.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR USERS!

Why not pop in for the Church Christmas Fayre from 2-4pm on 1st December which this year is being held in the Village Hall. It will be the best yet, bring the children to meet Father Christmas and post their Wish List. There's a kids paper plate puppet parade and Christmas Carols too.

Sixpenny Handley Village Hall – available for hire priced per hour.
Local groups £8.50
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WI News And Information

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We have had a busy programme of events since our last WI News.

Tuesday 25th September. A quiz was held which everyone enjoyed. The winning team was Linda Gilbert, Denise Griffiths, Mandy Hosegood and Esme Isaacs – well done ladies.

The October meeting on the 8th was well attended. After the usual business, Mrs Jenny Cooke gave a fascinating talk on the "History of Cheese" which included tasty samples supplied by her employers, Morrisons. The Flower of the Month competition was jointly won by Diane Appleby (Yellow Rose), Liz Coombs (Red Dahlia) and Esme Isaacs (Fuchsia).

On Thursday 11th October the Group meeting was held at Melbury Abbas. The annual report of each WI present was given by their President or representative. The meeting then had some musical entertainment by Sam Flounders and Oliver Back. This was followed by a delicious afternoon tea.

On 15th October eighteen Christmas boxes were filled with lots of lovely things for the disadvantaged children in Romania and Montenegro. Scarves, gloves, jumpers and teddy bears were knitted by the ladies of the Craft Club and others. Grateful thanks to the Blandford Rotary who ship them to the children.

The Dorset Federation of WI Annual Meeting was held at the Lighthouse Theatre, Poole on the 18th October. Six members attended including Esme Isaacs who is the Public Affairs sub committee chairman and Jan Gibb who was a steward. The meeting was opened by Diane Towndrow, followed by the Christchurch WI Drama Group who gave a musical tribute to the suffragettes, who fought so hard for votes for women a century ago. Business was then conducted. The morning speaker was Frances Benton who gave an eloquent talk on her "Passion for Pearls". The afternoon speaker was Nancy Birtwhistle, winner of the 2014 Great British Bake-off, who gave an amusing

account of her time in the Bake-off tent. We all agreed that it had been an interesting meeting and an enjoyable day out.

Saturday 27th October. Fifteen members attended the Salisbury Playhouse production of the happy and wacky 1950's musical "Salad Days". Whilst the storyline didn't appeal to everyone, the singing and the dancing were excellent.

Wednesday 31st October. Fourteen members went on a tour of Hall and Woodhouse Brewery. Trevor, our guide, was most knowledgeable and also very entertaining, explaining the history of the firm and the whole brewing process. We were treated to a complimentary drink before enjoying an appetizing ploughman's lunch in their restaurant to round off a successful outing.

Monday 12th November. "Members Evening", after the general business was

concluded, Stella Olsen gave a report on the DFWI Annual Meeting. Members enjoyed a relaxed social evening with a fun quiz compiled by our own quizmaster, Linda Gilbert. Flower of the month was won by Esme Isaacs with a Mahonia.

Future Meetings:

6th Dec DFWI trip to Longleat
7th Dec Beacon Group Advent Carol Service at Margaret Marsh 2.30pm
11th Dec Christmas party. In-house entertainment.
4th Jan Pantomime "Cinderella".
14th Jan Monthly meeting. Speaker Mrs Ann White "A History of Bread"

If you are interested in our meetings or would like further information please don't hesitate to contact the Secretary, Margaret Jones on 552358. Visitors are most welcome.




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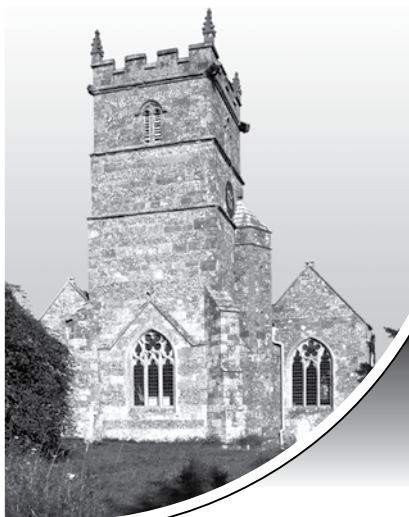
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MAMMA MIA! *Movie Night!*

Saturday 8th December 8pm in St Mary's Church Sixpenny Handley

This is going to be a FAB night! Come along, watch the film, dress up and sing the songs. Suggested £5 donation on the door with all proceeds to St Mary's Church. Prize for best Fancy Dress! Bar available, in support of 1st Woodcutts. A great way to kick off the Christmas Fun. Spread the word.



Boxing Day 6d Handley

Meet outside St Mary's Church at 11am

Come and join the fun on Boxing Day as we hunt the mythical Woozel in 6dH, to protect all our mince pies. The Woozel is a mysterious creature who likes nothing more than stealing people's Christmas mince pies.

An ancient treaty going back to 1630 (or about half past four) given by Lord Blakeney's ancestors, allows the Woozel to be hunted one day a year on the Feast of Stephen.

Hunting the Woozel is an eccentric affair. Once a Woozel nest is found, they are baited with fresh mince pies often placed in a festively decorated fishing net. Young children then lure the Woozel out by telling it Christmas Cracker jokes collected from the day before. However, there are those who want to ban the hunt and they can often be found at such events waving 'Save the Woozel' placards, shaking rattles and singing Good King Wenceslaus which frightens the Woozel back into its nest.

If you would like to join the hunt or be a hunt protester, meet outside St Mary's Church at 11am. Flamboyant hunting dress is encouraged. The hunt will last about an hour with a drink at the end. Prizes for the best joke, Woozel net and hunting attire. A great way to get the family some fresh air and walk off the Christmas food. **Lord Blakeney – Woozel Hunt Master**





**News items
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FROM THE REGISTERS



**The wedding took place of
David and Debbie Judd**



**Scratch
choir**

Calling all singers!

St Mary's church in Sixpenny has started a scratch choir for our Christmas Carol Services. We've had a great turn out so far with a variety of voices, male and female, which resulted in a rich, well balanced, joyful sound! We are a very friendly group who meet at the vicarage to sing carols with the occasional help of a little sloe gin too! We are hoping to sing carols at The Penny Tap too before Christmas. We usually practice on Thursdays at 6.30pm – 7.30pm. If you enjoy singing at any level do come along. It is hoped that after Christmas the Choir will continue to meet and prepare for special services in the village. Interested? Please do get in touch. **Kate Hancock**

DIARY OF A COUNTRY PARSON

I've been with you all now for just over two months and what an exciting two months it has been as my family and I have settled into Sixpenny Handley and the Benefice. So, I would like to share with you some of my highlights of the past few months to give you an insight into what a Country Parson actually gets up to.

Firstly, I should say that I am only technically ½ a Country Parson. This doesn't mean I have suffered some ghastly rural accident, rather that I have two jobs. The second half of my role is as a Rural Field Officer for the Diocese. In layman's terms it means I'm a consultant on the Bishop of Sherborne's team looking at how we can reinvigorate the rural church and make it more relevant for people today in our communities. As they say that's a whole other story which I'll leave for another time.

Kate, Alex, Ben and I, (oh plus two cats Duchess and Spats) arrived in Handley around 10:30pm on the 31st of August after a quick stop off for fish and chips on route. Our first night in the vicarage was in sleeping bags on the floor. However, thanks to Sue Curtis and her team we came into a lovely clean house all ready to accept our furniture. The aptly named 'Bishops Move' truck arrived the following morning and the next three weeks can be best described as unpacking and sorting out eighteen years of stuff we had accumulated from our last parish. I am now on first name terms with most of the charity shops in Blandford and regularly see items of ours on display in their windows. I have to confess I even bought a sugar shaker that had been ours and didn't realize this till I got it home and showed Kate!!! Over those three weeks we received a lovely welcome from people in the village which made us feel very much at home.

Kick off, so to speak, was Monday 24th September when I was licensed by Bishop Karen and installed by Archdeacon Antony into the new role. It was lovely to see so many people in church representing the communities of Handley, Pentridge and Gussage St Andrew, including a fabulous turn out from the Scouts who also saved the day with their sound system as ours had gone BANG the week before. Amongst the many welcomes received that evening two in particular stand out. Firstly, from little Livy Brewin who welcomed me on behalf of

Sixpenny First School and Simon Parker who welcomed me on behalf of the Penny TAP, which is fast becoming my second home. It was a great service so a big thank you to all of those who were involved.

One of my first duties was taking assembly at our lovely school and it's a real privilege to be able to go in once a week and share a Bible story with the children. How lucky we are to have a school in the village. I was also able to visit Little Pennies and tell the story of the lost sheep. Much fun was had with the children as we searched for my little toy lamb called Mint Sauce.

However, not all the duties of a Vicar are so joyful such as funerals. Funerals can be filled with mixed emotions, but on the occasions when it is a person who has lived a good long life, like Dorcas Adams aged 101, there can also be much to celebrate about the person's life and involvement with a community. This was also mirrored in the All Souls service, where we came together to remember those we love but see no longer, knowing they are surrounded by God's light and love. Now each day, one of the candles that was lit in memory of a loved one, is relit in the church and burns for 24hrs. It was also a privilege to take my first wedding of David Hall and Debbie Judd. There is truly nothing like a village wedding.

As well as getting to grips with taking services in the three churches some new initiatives have already been launched. St Mary's already has a great informal service twice a month which is led by a lay team in the form of Jackie, Naomi, Louise and Mark. Working with this team we have developed a new family service for the 4th Sunday of the month. Our first go was a great success and I particularly enjoyed processing around the church at the end with all the children, banging tambourines and other instruments. Ian Beckett, Max's dad, even sent me a video message from Max saying how great he thought the service had been. Our next one will be on Sunday 27th January 2019 at 10 am so come and join the fun.

In any rural parish marking the passing of the season and rural life is very much part of the function of the parish church. Harvest is one of those key festivals and all of our churches were beautifully decorated for the event. The Harvest service at St Rumbold's Pentridge sticks out for me, singing those

traditional harvest hymns surrounded by the beautiful Dorset countryside. Afterwards we ate cheese and drank cider in the churchyard. It could have been a scene from Thomas Hardy's Under the Greenwood Tree.

Part of being a Country Parson is getting out into the community and meeting the locals. I've enjoyed the Wednesday Coffee mornings down at the Parish Rooms hearing some of the stories of the village. There's also the chatter in the village shop and the butchers while we queue. I have to add the quality of my full English has gone up 100-fold since we have arrived! There is of course the Penny TAP. What a great community facility, particularly now the pub has closed. It's fantastic to see so many families and young people getting together. Not long after my first visit I spied a sign-up sheet for a brewery trip. I needed no persuasion to sign up for this. In the end it turned out to be quite an adventure as the first vintage bus broke down on route to Rushmore Golf Club where breakfast was planned. However, our spirits were not dampened and Badger Meaden and Nigel Turton were on the case. After a few phone calls another bus was arranged and Mrs Vicarage came to the rescue picking up Nigel the bus driver and I, so we could collect another bus. In a sense we got an upgrade as an open top bus was laid on and we headed to Wimborne to visit the Eight Arch Brewery Co. I was taken aback to be presented with my own tankard by the TAP, which was well used on the day. I had to do eighteen years' service in my last parish to be presented with such an item. I felt I had definitely made the right move. I can't say much more about the trip. As the saying goes, 'what happens on tour stays on tour', but I was impressed with some of the Handley chaps and their interest in ladies' fashion, as well as their keenness to support the local charity shops.

Beer and Cider seems to be becoming a recurrent theme. It was great to be involved with the amazing village fireworks and I was put to work behind the bar pouring pints of fine ale and cider. This gave me insight into what a great active community we have. Ben and Kate, aka Mrs Vicarage, were in the burger tent. I think I had the nicer aroma about me by the end of the evening!

Finally, Sunday 11th November was our

Remembrance Day parade and service, marking the 100th Anniversary of the Armistice. As an Officiating Military Chaplain at the Defence Academy Shrivenham I have, over the past 18 years, seen some grand ceremonies with the great and the good. I have to say this service meant so much more to me. It was great to see so many young people involved, particularly from the Scouts. As I reflected in my address this is when we remember the sacrifice of the young for our futures. The last name on our war memorial is Donald Bennet RN. He was sixteen years old. He died on HMS Hurst Castle which was torpedoed on 1st September 1944. If he were alive today, he would probably be in an Explorer's Uniform having fun and playing games. Back then he was in a Naval uniform fighting and dying for his country. How fitting that so many of our young people were there to pay tribute to him and others. We should be mighty proud of our young folk today in the village and support them in all their endeavours.

So, you may ask where is God in all of this? Well, for me he is right there with us in everything, from the funerals, weddings and even on the brewery trip. This was shown to

us through his son Jesus who like us lived an earthly life. He was not locked away in a place but spent his time with everyday people at weddings, by the lake, on the streets and in people's homes. He died for our tomorrows showing us how much God loves us all. It's why I'm a Christian and a Vicar because I simply want to try and share that love as he did. In a few weeks' time we will celebrate that great feast of Christmas. In the carols we will hear the word 'Emmanuel' which means 'God with Us'. In my few weeks here in Handley I can safely say God is with us. He's been in many of the people I have met, some of them church goers, others not. God doesn't limit himself to those who go to church as we are all his children. I believe if we can open our lives and hearts to God, he has the power to transform us all for the better.

Thank you to all for making my family and I so welcome and I'm looking forward to sharing the pilgrim journey with you in the coming years.

Oh, and the beer!!!

Blessings, Canon
Richard Hancock



The Alpha Course

Starting Tuesday 12th February
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Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each session begins with a simple meal then we watch short film presentation which looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. Alpha is run all around the globe, and everyone's welcome. It runs in cafés, churches, universities, homes—you name it.

No two Alphas look the same, but generally they have three key things in common: food, a talk and good conversation. There is no charge to attend Alpha, though you might like to make a small donation towards the food.

If you would like to register an interest and come along to the first session, (there is no obligation to attend the others) then please contact the Vicar at canonrick@iCloud.com

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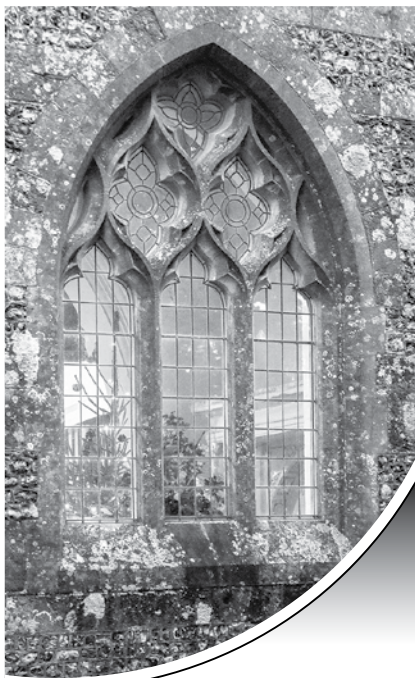
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“IS THERE A GOD?”

“WHAT AM I DOING HERE?”

Alpha

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✦ Special Event

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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.

 **Men's Group** – A beer and a chat to finish off the month at 7.30pm. Details from David Lockyer (552 492).

 **Mothers' Union** – Tea, company and a good talk, usually every second Thursday of the month, from 2.30pm. Details from Mary (552 041).

SUNDAY SERVICES	Gussage St Andrew 9.30am	St Rumbold's Pentridge 11.15am	St Mary's Sixpenny Handley	
			9.30am	6.00pm
Dec 2 nd	#	HC	HC	Evensong
Dec 9 th	HC	#	Informal	Evensong
Dec 16 th	#	MP	HC	Carols
Dec 23 rd	#	MP	Informal	HC
Dec 30 th	#	#	HC	#
Jan 6 th	#	Plough Sunday		Evensong
Jan 13 th	HC	#	Informal	Evensong
Jan 20 th	#	MP	HC	Evensong
Jan 27 th	MP	#	Family at 10am	HC

HC Holy Communion **MP** Morning Prayer **SofP** Songs of Praise **#** No service

Christmas services

Fri 14th Dec 6.00pm Carols at Gussage St Andrew
 Sun 16th Dec 6.00pm Carols at St Mary's, Sixpenny Handley
 Mon 17th Dec 6.00pm Carols at St Rumbold's, Pentridge
 Sat 24th Dec 4.00pm Christingle, St Mary's
 11.30pm Midnight Communion, St Mary's
 Sun 25th Dec 9.30am Holy Communion, St Mary's
 11.15am Holy Communion, St Rumbold's



Plough Sunday Services — 6th January 2019

9:30 am St Mary's, Sixpenny Handley

11:15 am St Rumbold's Pentridge

The observance of Plough Sunday on the First Sunday of Epiphany goes back to Victorian times, but behind it there is a much older observance, associated with the first working day after the twelve days of Christmas, hence 'Plough Monday' in some places.



In medieval times some ploughs were kept in the parish church, and some churches kept a 'plough-light'. In days when work was scarce in winter, the observance looked forward to the time of sowing with the promise of a harvest to come.

To mark the beginning of the agricultural year there will be special services at St Mary's at 9:30am and St Rumbold's, where ploughs will be blessed and thanksgiving for all those who work on the land.

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Sixpenny Handley Bowls Club

Hello again

It's over ten years since I last contributed to this column. I have been looking through some old DOWNSMAN. What a lot has changed.

New club house toilets, carpet, and lots of new faces. We have also lost a lot of old friends. That is the trouble - nothing stays the same.

Now I must tell you what has happened in the last two months. The Monday night men's team won Division 3 East with 96 points with Shaftesbury A. coming in with 91 points. Congratulations to all the players concerned. In the Westbrook mixed triples Sixpenny Handley came second with 82 points to Meres 95 points. Well done everyone one of our best seasons. We now look forward to the W.M.T.L Presentation evening at the club house on 17th November. It will be nice to meet a lot of players who we have played against

during the summer season.

The indoor Short Matt season is now getting under way. We have two teams in the Blackmore Vale league, The TANNERS and S.H.

At this date Tanners have played three games, lost at Sherborne, no points, won at Home against Tarrant Keystone 6 points. Lost at Gillingham, no points. S.H. lost at Buckhorn Weston, no points. But they pick up 1 point at home when they played Stalbridge H.

We all went horse racing in the Village hall good fun but a bit expensive. Many thanks to Vic and Helen Hatton for the tote and providing the equipment also the jolly commentating by Rob Jesse.

Our club's presentation lunch at Rushmore golf club is on 2nd December (hope they find some waiters this year.) I hope to see you all there.

On Friday 14th December at the Bowls Club House we are having An Evening of Christmas Music with Clare and Jojo (Val's Granddaughter) Start 7.30. Tickets £6. (must have) Ring Val on 01725 552607.

Now I would like to wish you all a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR. Thanks for reading this.

*Gordon Oxford
Vice President*



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- She came from Durweston, a village whose extreme poverty and unhealthy living conditions were graphically described by its rector, the Reverend Samuel Godolphin Osborne.
- Unusual for an agricultural labourer's wife of the times, Frances could both read and write. When they married Benjamin was illiterate and marked the wedding register with a cross. However, by the time their vessel had berthed in Sydney Frances' pupil was

literate.

- During the long sea voyage, Frances opened a school for twenty one children aboard The Brothers. For this, the Macarthurs gave her an ex-gratia payment of five pounds.
- She was mentioned in British Parliamentary Papers for this teaching and later opened her own school in New South Wales.
- In the early years in Australia, Frances, known as 'Fanny', also took in washing to supplement family income.
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As is our norm, a group of us visited SBS on Preview Friday, park in Hythe and catch the Hythe Pier Railway to the ferry across to Southampton, and a shortish walk to the entrance. On Preview Friday, if you time it right, many stands are showcasing new products with bubbly and canapes - we managed a couple of these.

I had my shopping list, and can report total success, with good deals to be had. We always take a packed lunch as food is too expensive - sadly no proper picnic area, but one can find a spare table tucked away somewhere.

Some lovely yachts on show, with eye watering prices. We also visited a large (50' +) motor yacht, (please do not tell anyone) - they are just too silly, huge twin engines using between them 150 litres per hour! Ridiculous. One could buy a new sail for the cost of a return trip to Cherbourg!

Osprey Round The Island

The Osprey was designed by Ian Proctor to take part in 1952 Olympic Trials. A year later Osprey No 1 was sailed by Ian and two crew in a RTI race for dinghies, organised to celebrate the Queen's Coronation. 300 sailors taking part, the Osprey won by a matter of seconds. Since then there have been Osprey Class races RTI in 1978, and 1988. The Osprey Class Association thought it a good idea to have another race in Ian Proctor's Centenary year.

The skipper of Ayers & Graces, being an ex Osprey sailor, was asked if he would act as 'mother ship' and comms vessel for the race, and so it was that 06:30 Saturday 15th September saw us motoring down river, with four of the Osprey lot, to keep a check on things, time all Ospreys through various 'gates' - Needles, St Catherines, Bembridge Ledge, Cowes. And take many action photos. There were also two RIBs in attendance, one behind the slowest Osprey. Nine intrepid and dedicated Ospreys took part. Interesting to note that there was a large 'Risk Assessment' document, it was all really commonsense, but I guess a sign of the times we live in, (who said 'nanny state'?).

As we hovered at Hurst, awaiting the Race Officer, the sun rose over The Island from Eastwards, the rays lighting up the old walls of Hurst Castle. (readers will recall an account of setting rays lighting up the castle on Isle de Tatihou - a reflective moment - and of course the sun shines on the righteous!)

Arriving at each 'gate' it was interesting to see the change in position of the Ospreys, each taking the course they thought best. From Needles to St Cats, some opted for the rhumb line, other chose to hug the coast to cheat the tide which was on the last of the ebb. Interesting round Bembridge Ledge, where the fleet chose to go inshore, the one right at the back saw they had fallen into a hole in the wind, and so stayed out and sailed past all!

Around Cowes things got a little tricky, with a fleet of very fast First 40S, (the ones with

black high-tech, v expensive sails) charging through us.

And finally the finish line, noticeable that the tacks and trapeze work was a little less polished than at the start some 10 hours earlier.

We found the whole experience good fun, but surprisingly tiring, I think having to be constantly on top of our game as support vessel was mentally and physically draining, and of course 'on watch' the whole time. Not as draining as for the Osprey Sailors tho'.

We all enjoyed a slice of Betty's famous fruit cake, baked and donated by the Proctor family. This cake was originally baked by Ian's wife Betty, and carried by Osprey No1 in the 1953 RTI race, on approaching Cowes the crew had a slice, and then jettisoned the cake, the resulting win by seconds is thought to have been due to this pivotal decision.

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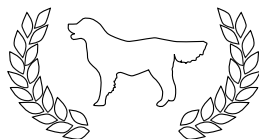
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Christmas Reading

I make no apology in my recommendations for Christmas reading for being military orientated. My selection follows no particular order; some have been published this year while others first appeared some years ago but are still available either from leading booksellers or by way of the second-hand market. Thus, my first selection is from the pen of the late Ian Mackersey titled 'No Empty Chairs' [Phoenix, 2012] which navigates a pathway from the earliest days of the Royal Flying Corps to the emergence of the Royal Air Force in 1918, with its main focus being the perils of operational flying where death could overtake a crew in the blink of an eye.

With 2018, being the 100th Anniversary of the ending of the Great War and the formation the Royal Air Force, Nick Lloyd's 'Hundred Days - The End of the Great War' [Penguin, 2013] outlines in detail those last one hundred days of conflict during which the Allied armies reversed the German spring offensive of that year and brought Germany to accept the terms of the armistice. For aspiring historians, James Holland's '1918-2018 RAF 100 - The Official Story' [André Deutsch, 2018] charts the impact of the nation's third service from its role in the closing months of the 1914-1918 war, the intervening years before the outbreak of the Second World War and up to the present day. Lavishly illustrated, the photographic content starts prior to 1914, with black & white shots of the Wright Flyer and Louis Blériots cross-channel flight in 1909, and ends, appropriately, with a colour shot of the Lockheed Martin F-35 Lightning II [now in service at Marham with No 617 Squadron].

Books featuring the Spitfire abound and I will list but four; Leo McKinstry's 'Spitfire - Portrait of a Legend' [John Murray, 2007], John Nichol's 'Spitfire - A Very British Love Story' [Simon & Schuster, 2018], 'Spitfire' by Tony Holmes [Osprey, 2015] and 'Spitfire Evolution' by Paul Beaver with brilliant artwork by Jon Freeman [Paul Beaver & Beaver Westminster, 2016]. The last two mentioned provide an excellent introduction to this iconic aircraft and are quite modest in size. Leo McKinstry's offering covers its development in detail

while John Nichol's records a wealth of reminiscences from pilots who flew this amazing fighter in the Battle of Britain and in every theatre of war.

"What about the Hurricane?" you may ask, well, Leo McKinstry filled this vacuum with 'Hurricane - Victor of the Battle of Britain' [John Murray, 2011]. Do not presume this is just another telling of the Battle; the genesis of the Hurricane through the mercurial talents of that great aircraft designer Sir Sydney Camm is followed right through to the end of the Second World War, by which time, like the Spitfire, the Hurricane was employed from Europe through the Middle East and over the jungles of Burma.

To many Jonathan Dimbleby is perhaps best known for his television and radio programmes but he is also a historian of merit and his account of war in the Western Desert titled 'Destiny in the Desert - The Road to El Alamein - the Battle that turned the Tide' [Profile Books, 2012] provides the reader with a masterclass in historical writing, particularly in his reporting of the problems faced by the commanders on the spot with the dictates telegraphed by Winston Churchill who frequently harangued his generals for a perceived lack of progress.

The output of military writing from Anthony Beevor is prolific; since the appearance of 'Stalingrad' in 1998, he has reappraised most of the key battles of the Second World War and my library holds most of his titles, 'Ardennes 1944 - Hitler's Last Gamble' [Viking, 2015] and 'Berlin - The Downfall 1945' [Viking, 2002] being of the highest quality, while his latest book published this year by Viking revisits the sorry story of the airborne landings at Arnhem. This theme of reappraisal comes also from the pen of James Holland who has to date produced two of a promised three-volume series concentrating on the war in the west. In addition, he has written 'Burma '44 - The Battle that turned Britain's War in the East' [Bantam Press, 2016]. It is not an account of the torturous and drawn-out Burma campaign but deals with one particular episode which over a period of fifteen days in February 1944, brought a

much needed and morale boosting victory to Lieutenant-General William Slim's Fourteenth Army; it has simply become known as the Battle of the Admin Box. Likewise James's, 'Big Week - The Biggest Air Battle of World War Two' [Bantam Press, 2018] is a chapter in the air war which also took place in February 1944, in which the combined strength of the Allied air forces brought round-the-clock bombing to bear on Germany's aircraft factories.

In conclusion, this year I joined the Western Front Association and by doing so I have begun to build on my collection of First World War books. Yet to read, as I have to devote most of my time to completing my second volume of Royal Air Force & Australian Flying Corps Squadron losses of the Great War, is Michael Senior's 'Haking - A Dutiful Soldier' [Pen & Sword, 2012] which is a biography and study of Corps Command of Lieutenant-General Sir Richard Haking XI Corps Commander 1915-1918.

My compliments for the Christmas season and good reading.

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Increase in court fees for grants of probate to go ahead

You may remember that in the spring of last year the government proposed to increase the fees for the application of a grant of probate. When the government subsequently held a snap election, the proposed increases were put on hold.

The government have now confirmed that the proposals will go ahead as from April of next year. The current flat fee of £155 (£215 for personal applications) will be replaced by a sliding scale of fees linked to an estate's value, as follows:

Value of estate	Proposed fee
£0 to £50,000	Nil
£50,000 to £300,000	£250
£300,000 to £500,000	£750
£500,000 to £1 million	£2,500
£1 million to £1.6 million	£4,000
£1.6 million to £2 million	£5,000
More than £2 million	£6,000

The changes were not included in the recent Budget but will be enacted via secondary legislation later this month.

Whilst these fees are significantly less than what was initially proposed last year, many bereaved families will have a substantial increase in costs when settling the estates of deceased relatives. If you are dealing with the administration of an estate, you should try to apply for the grant as soon as possible to avoid the increases.

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It would seem that Autumn and Winter have arrived all rolled in to one and we are now approaching the 31st January deadline to file personal tax returns online – a busy time for us!

As the Autumn Budget was announced on 29 October 2018 I thought I would outline the main points in relation to personal tax.

Personal Tax allowance

The personal Income Tax allowance for 2019-20 will be increased to £12,500 (2018-19 £11,850). It will remain at this increased level for two years.

Changes to personal tax allowances will apply to the whole of the UK.

Income Tax bands, rates and the dividend allowance

The Income Tax bands for 2019-20 have been increased. They are:

- Basic rate band increased to £37,500 (2018-19 £34,500)
- Higher rate band £37,501 to £150,000 (2018-19 £34,501 to £150,000)

- Additional rate, no change, applies to income of more than £150,000.

As a result, the higher rate threshold will increase to £50,000 from April 2019. There is no change in Income Tax rates, and the tax rates applied to dividend income.

Changes to these Income Tax bands apply to England, Wales and Northern Ireland. The Scottish parliament now set their own Income Tax bandings.

Earlier payments of Capital Gains Tax (CGT)

UK residents will be required to make a payment on account for CGT due on a residential property sale. The new regulations will also affect disposals by non-UK residents.

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Capital Gains Tax Private Residence

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make two changes to the private residence relief:

1. The final exempt period will be reduced from 18 months to 9 months, with no change to the 36 months available for those who are disabled or in care homes; and
2. Lettings relief will be reformed so that it only applies in certain circumstances where the property owner is in shared occupancy with the tenant.

CGT Entrepreneurs' relief

Two changes are coming into effect:

1. Claimants must have a 5% interest in the distributable profits and the net assets of the company to qualify; and separately
2. That the minimum period during which certain conditions must be met to qualify for the relief is being increased from one to two years.

The first measure will have effect for disposals on or after 29 October 2018.

The second measure will have effect for disposals on or after 6 April 2019, unless a business ceased before 29 October 2018.

Inheritance Tax: changes to the nil-rate band

From 29 October 2018, amendments to the residence nil-rate band will provide certainty as to when a person is treated as "inheriting" property and clarify the "downsizing" rules.

Rent-a-room relief change cancelled

The expected change to require shared occupancy to qualify for rent-a-room relief is not to be introduced.

ISAs

For 2019-20, the ISA limit will remain at £20,000. The limit for Junior ISAs and the Child Trust Fund is to be increased to £4,368.

Limit on pensions' savings to be increased
The life time limit on pension savings is to be increased in line with inflation to £1,055,000 for the 2019-20 tax year.

Stamp duty first time buyers' relief in England

This relief is being extended to cover the purchase of qualifying shared ownership property and will be effective for

transactions on or after 29 October 2018 and will be backdated to 22 November 2017.

The first £300,000 of an initial share purchased will not be liable to SDLT based on the market value of the property. The remainder of the value over £300,000 will be charged at 5%. No SDLT will be chargeable on the associated lease. Relief is not extended to further shares purchased and will not apply to purchases of property valued at over £500,000.

Tobacco duty increases confirmed

The rates for duty for all tobacco products increased by inflation plus 2% from 6pm, 29 October 2018.

Hand-rolling tobacco also rose by an additional 1% above this increase, to 3% above the RPI from the same date.

Vehicle excise duty

The VED rates for cars, vans and motorcycles is due to increase by reference to the RPI from 1 April 2019.

Duties on beer, wine and spirits

There are to be no increases to the duty charged on beers, spirits or cider, except for certain ciders treated as high strength for duty purposes.

Wines and high strength sparkling cider drinks will see duty increased in line with inflation from 1 February 2019.

Fuel duty increase frozen

Duty increase is frozen for the ninth consecutive year.

Air passenger duty (APD) increases

Travellers should note that APD will increase in line with inflation for long-haul flight passengers only. The new rates will apply from 1 April 2020.

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Cards

With five rounds of the 2018-2019 competition completed Julie Trickey maintains premier position with an aggregate of 847 points scored; so far, Julie has carded in excess of 160 in all five drives. However, Stuart Haskell is drawing ever closer and at the time of penning this column he is just seven points in arrears and with the vagaries of the game being so unpredictable, the outcome of the present contest is still very much in the balance. Defending champion, John York, is stuck in the doldrums at 761 points and 15th overall but there is ample time left for him to improve.

Meanwhile, Kingsley White has returned the highest individual score with 191 points and this has helped to sustain his top ten placing despite some rather below par scores; presently, he is in fourth spot behind Susie, while the remaining six positions are, in order, held by Barry Park, Chris Haskell, Ray Parsons, Sylvia Morrison, Betty White and Bill Chorley. To conclude, the annual Christmas drive will take place [at the Village Hall] on Saturday, 8th December.

Bill Chorley

Disappointing Statistics

MISSED SURGERY APPOINTMENTS

September 2018

- 34 Doctor's Appointments Missed
Time 5 hrs 40 mins
- 35 Nurse's Appointments Missed
Time 5 hrs 50 mins

October 2018

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Time 4 hrs
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December

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Continue clearing leaves
Cut back spent plants
Start planning the
garden for next year
Sow sweet peas indoors

Make sure there is plenty of food for the birds, anything used during Christmas (wreaths with berries etc) are perfect to recycle for the birds to eat.

January

Start buying seeds for the
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Move dormant plants to
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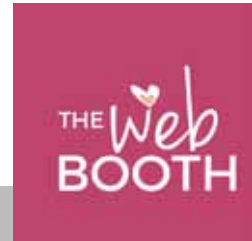
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Rob's Column

The summer season's fading fast
How quickly it's passed by
Soon our swallows will depart
As southwards they must fly.
We should try and make the most
Of each late summers day
To sustain us in the coming months
And in our memory stay.

The sky is ablaze with colour
Bonfire's burning bright
Fireworks pop and rockets soar
To celebrate Guy Fawkes night
Our pets though can be spooked
And extremely frightened too
Best to keep them safely indoors
And they'll be grateful to you

*What a night the Scouts put on. The sky was
all lit up. Hundreds of people said it was the
best they had ever seen.
Well done Lads, Lassies and helpers.*

Peacefulness of the evening
Wrapped in sunset's golden glow

The gentle whisper of the trees
As playful breezes blow
Whether relaxing in the garden
Or taking a leisurely stroll
The aura of the evening
Is like balm to the soul.

A friend is a blessing
So, treasure them with care
When you are ill or worried
Remember they are there
A problem can be daunting
When we don't know what to do
That special friend – a confidante
They will see you through.

When you're up against it
With the pressure all around
Its hard to be positive
And all too easy to frown
Take a little moment
Take a walk in the breeze
Renewed and refreshed once more
You'll tackle things with ease.

May your path be light
With sunshine all the way
May you find some positives

In each and every day
May your heart be content
And always full of hope
And when the road gets rocky
May you have strength to cope.

*The auction: What a wonderful variety of
items. People giving things, helping, buying.
My thanks for making it easier for me. Over
£1,900 raised!*

New paths can be found in life
If we have the will
To follow them right to the end
And see our dream fulfilled
If we give up along the way
Then we will never know
Just what could have been achieved
Or how far that path will go

*Skip John wanted one day to get 100 Scouts
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Date	Club or Group	Page
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Mon	WI Meetings : Village Hall : 2nd Monday of Month	
Mon	Pilates : Village Hall 4:30pm	
Mon	Scouts : Scout Hut 19:00-21:00 : Term Time	
Mon	Boxercise class : 6D Village Hall at 7.15pm 2nd Mon of the Month @ Sandroyd.	
Tues	Parish Library : Parish Office : 10am - 12noon	
Tue	Bridge : Parish Office	
Wed	Cross Roads Cafe Parish Office 10:30am - 12noon	
Wed	Whist : Village Hall : Fortnightly	
Wed	Beavers, Cubs, Explorers : Scout Hut : Term Time	

Day	Club or Group
Thu	Parish Library 1st & 3rd Thu : Parish Office : 3pm - 4:15pm
Thu	Yoga with Araxy : 6D Village Hall
Thu	Downsman Business Group : bi-monthly : 9:30 - 10:30am
Thu	Extend Seated Exercise : Parish Office : 10:30am
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	6D Handley Tennis Club Rusty Raquets 6:30-7:30
Fri	Parish Library : Parish Office : 8:30am - 10am
Fri	Chase Community Friends Lunch Village Hall : 2nd Friday in the Month
Fri	6D For All - Youth Club : 6D Village Hall Alternating weeks 7:30pm
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