



The East Knoyle Newsletter

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Champion!

East Knoyle's Ben Stow won his first European Challenge Tour Event on 8 July, the Prague City Golf Challenge event. His fourth round score of 7 under par was good enough to fight off a top class field.

Bens final total score of 18 under par was his best of the season – so far! This comes after a year long layoff due to a cruciate knee ligament injury. All this is now in the rear view mirror as Ben drives towards a full European Tour Card for 2019 season.

Ben's next few events take him to Sardinia, France, Sweden, Finland and Switzerland before the end of August. Good Luck Ben!

Coming your way this summer ... *Much Ado About Nothing* (see page 22) ...



Flower & Vegetable Show And Scarecrow Competition!

Saturday 11th August - Village Hall

and of course loads of scarecrows all over the place!



Village Fete
Saturday 1st September
Knoyle House Grounds



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St Mary's Church



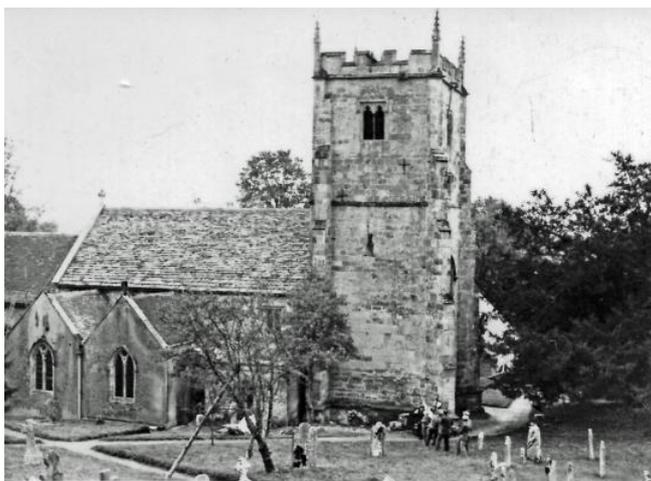
Recently some Victorian stained glass windows have been receiving attention (at considerable cost!) at the Salisbury Cathedral Glaziers. Ten of us had the rare opportunity of visiting the expert team working on our pieces in their workshop and their leader, Sam Kelly (pictured on the right), explained the exacting procedures, which involved rubbings, the precise dimensions of each piece and any damage was meticulously noted, and their position was drawn precisely on a blueprint. Whilst listening to Sam, two experienced glazing ladies were actually bending the fine strips of lead around each pattern piece – using simple tools which had been used over many centuries and applying

techniques that have largely remained the same. The team of four sees the procedure through from removal to finished glazing and will hopefully re-install the windows at the end of this month.

We are delighted to announce that John Maine, a distinguished Royal Academician, has agreed to give us a talk on some of his major works in recent years. John advises on conservation projects, as well as creating new and contemporary sculpture. He has designed the SAS memorial window in Hereford Cathedral and most recently was commissioned to provide the Memorial Stone to Stephen Hawking in Westminster Abbey. We should be in for a fascinating evening, which will also raise some funds for St Mary's, so please make a note of **Saturday, 20th October** in your Diary and perhaps check the Village Website or posters for more details nearer the time.



Briony Hamilton



St Mary's Church - Building Fundraising

At the end of February the churchwardens of St Mary's launched an appeal for funds to meet the ever growing cost of maintaining the building and fabric of the church, and the churchyard. In recent years around 30 households in East Knoyle have made a commitment for regular support, and a further 25 households have been giving regularly in other ways, but in 2017 there was a shortfall in income of around £8,600, or 25% of the regular annual running costs.

We are delighted to report that a good number of additional residents have agreed to contribute to maintenance costs, with the result that we are now well over half way to our target of closing this funding gap. Contributions, from £2 per month, can be made easily by direct debit, and can be ring-fenced for the buildings and fabric of this historic building. All donors to date have been thanked personally except, understandably, those who prefer their donations to be anonymous.

If you value the presence of St Mary's in East Knoyle - for major occasions or just as a beautiful historic feature of the village - please can you help us with the second half of our appeal? An information leaflet and a simple form can be obtained from Stephen Dawson.

Stephen Dawson

Sign the Petition to improve the road surface on the A350 East Knoyle bypass and Turnpike now. It will benefit us all.



The East Knoyle bypass was heralded as such an improvement to the village especially to those residents in The Street, but since it opened in 1995 with old fashioned hot rolled asphalt many people have had their lives blighted and their houses devalued by road noise because of tyre whine. None more so than the residents of Turnpike.

Residents at the Turnpike especially have to put up with a noise level has become so horrendous over the years that some have said the only way to spend time outside is with ear defenders on. They are also faced with the additional, and increasing issue of speeding traffic, making leaving and arriving home a highly dangerous event. (*East Knoyle residents please take note and respect our neighbours' safety - slow down - Editor*)

This article is prompted by the Wiltshire Council plans to resurface the road to the south of the bypass including the road at Turnpike, but they are resisting using one of the quiet proprietary surfaces that will make life for the residents of Turnpike more bearable and reduce the road noise that impacts many residents of East Knoyle. They now intend to repair the road by Turnpike during July, but have said they will "delay resurfacing until later this year or early next year, pending looking into other materials" - a quote from Councillor Bridget Wayman. The "other materials" refers to surfaces other than the very noisy hot rolled asphalt, which currently appears to be their preferred choice of surface.

A petition has been placed in the Wren's Shop and we would urge everyone who reads this newsletter and their friends to sign it.

The petition asks the Council to use a quiet asphalt when they resurface the A350 beside Turnpike and to extend the resurfacing at least to the bend at the southern end of the bypass. The council must understand the strength of feeling regarding the impact of hot rolled asphalt and the noise it produces. The impact of noise spoils the enjoyment of our countryside and reduces house values wherever it is heard.

Andrew Scott



crimewatch EK

Sad to say that we have had a couple of criminal incidents recently (details taken from daily neighbourhood crime reports for the area) –

08/06/2018 New Road, East Knoyle. Between 1400 and 1730 hours suspect/s have smashed the window to parked, secured Mini Cooper, reached in and removed property from the passenger seat. A small pink bag, containing purse, mobile phone, and various bank and other cards.

12/07/2018 The Green, East Knoyle. We have had reports of large amounts of broken glass in the woodland to the rear of the houses on The Green. We would ask all residents to be vigilant and report anyone seen depositing bottles/glass in the area. Please call Peter (Community Police Officer) on 07471 029519 if you have any information that may assist us in finding the offender/s.

It is worth considering organising your own Neighbourhood Watch groups in the village. The only one we are aware of that is operational is on The Green. Apart from tangible benefits (e.g. reduced insurance premiums and security products) it does create a good caring community feeling (plus the occasional social event at the Fox!)

Check out the East Knoyle website for more information.....

Editor

EAST KNOYLE COMMEMORATES

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS



Saturday 11th August - EAST KNOYLE FLOWER AND VEGETABLE SHOW

There is still plenty of time to practice the 'Trench Cake' recipe for your entry in the Home Produce section. Replicating the taste of 1914-18 will certainly present an interesting challenge for the bakers of the 21st century.

Saturday 25th August, 3.30pm, East Knoyle Village Hall -THE WAR THAT CHANGED EVERYTHING

A special 'combined event' for which we are fortunate in not only securing the services of a very knowledgeable guest speaker on the subject of the WW1, Jim Barber, but also privileged in having the opportunity to view an exhibition of genuine WW1 artefacts and memorabilia from the personal collection of local man, Havilland Vincent.

Jim Barber is an experienced speaker for the University of the Third Age whose talks cover events that caused dramatic changes to the course of British History. WW1 was undoubtedly such an event with far reaching consequences to both military and civilian life in the years to come. **'The War That Changed Everything'** - a story told visually supported by words and music – will illustrate how life following war could never be the same again for millions of people in this country.

Havilland Vincent of West Knoyle has for many years been an a dedicated collector of artefacts and memorabilia from the First World War, some of which he recovered himself as a participant in the early official excavations of battlefields across France. His extensive collection also contains rare medals and documents, some from within his own family, and this is a 'not to be missed' opportunity to view these genuine historical items.

We are very grateful to both of these gentlemen who are generously giving their time and special knowledge over a Bank Holiday. All proceeds will benefit the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

The 1918 Trail Team will be there too and would welcome any information you wish to share regarding the last homes of our fallen soldiers

Tickets are only £5 (£2 for under16's) available from Wren's Shop. Tea and Biscuits will be provided. Look out for our posters.

Sunday 21st October, 3pm, East Knoyle Village Hall - CITY OF SALISBURY BAND

A varied programme that will include a preview of specially compiled material to be played in Salisbury Cathedral on Remembrance Sunday. More details to follow.



30th October, 7pm East Knoyle Village Hall - KATE ADIE

This evening with renowned War Correspondent and Author, Kate Adie, is likely to be 'ticket only. More details to follow.

Contacts for New Ideas or Enquiries

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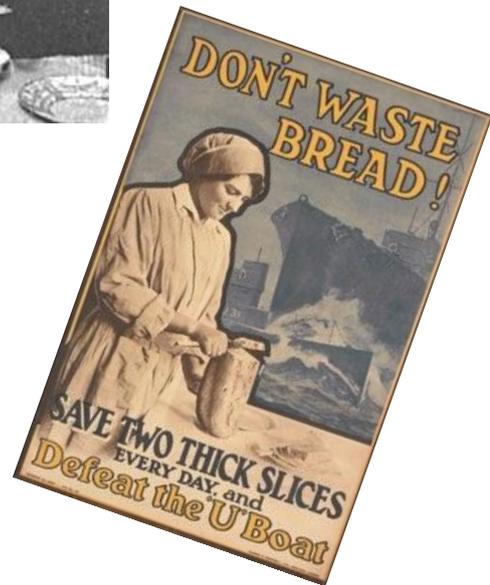
2nd and 3rd November, East Knoyle Village Hall - EEK will present 'Keep the Home Fires Burning' - a commemorative review

The 'running order' is now complete with a humorous, poignant and thought provoking mix of sketches, poems, solo and chorus songs. Our enthusiastic cast of performers is raring to go, so, the 'show is on the road' as they say. But we could do with help backstage and front of house, so if you would like to be part of it please contact Alan Knight (830132) or Louise Brown (832290).



Remembrance Sunday, 11th November, East Knoyle Village Hall - VILLAGE SOUP KITCHEN AND SINGALONG

Join us immediately after the Remembrance Sunday service for soup and a singalong featuring the EK Choir. More details to follow.



Have **YOU** signed up to help yet?
There's plenty to be done in East Knoyle for this Commemoration, or other events throughout the summer



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Parish Council News

It is great to see that the range of plastics we can recycle has been increased to include plastic trays and packaging, there are full details of the upgraded service on the web site. Just a quick reminder that the garden waste collection service {Green Bin} costs only £40/pa and is good way to get rid of waste and help the environment. One way not to help the local environment is to dump your garden waste in the woods or on common land, please be aware of this.



Dog walkers will have noticed that much of the agricultural land in the centre of the village that was previously unused is now being actively worked. As a courtesy to the farmer please clear up after your dogs and keep to the designated footpaths if you are crossing these areas.

At the recent Parish Council meeting we welcomed Alan Marler of Wessex Water. Alan talked about the forthcoming mains upgrade along the length of the Street. The work will start at the north end of the road {shop end} and work its way down. All residents will have access to their properties throughout the duration of the project. It is hoped to keep water supply disruption to a minimum but 48 hours notice will be given where disruption occurs and bottled water will be available when this happens. The work will start on November 5th and will end in March 2019.



Please be aware of the risk of fire during the dry spell, the PC has arranged for "no fires or BBQ" signs to be placed at the Windmill as a precaution.

Ian Tait and an enthusiastic support group are looking into the possibility of having the speed limit on the village roads reduced to 30mph. Part of this feasibility study will involve the use of "metro counters" along some section of the roads. The Metro counters measure volume and speed of traffic and will help us establish if there is a need for a speed reduction initiative. Updates will follow.

Kevin Stow
Clerk to the Council.
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East Knoyle Village Hall

The Village Hall has had steady use but there is always a need for more bookings. Dulcie Patten continues with her Pilates class on a Monday at 6.00 pm each week which has a regular group of attendees but there is still room for more participants.

Wiltshire County Council have delivered a knockout punch with the termination of free rubbish collections for Village Halls, inviting us to

obtain quotes from contractors, which have been received - approximately £570 per year! It is a little hard to swallow as the average charge per household is less than £120, and the vehicle does a domestic collection each side of the Village Hall, but the Village Hall is described as Commercial! Our thanks to our Councillor, Bridget Wayman, who took the trouble to meet Paul Naish but was unable to offer any beneficial resolution. Therefore, we shall be asking all users of the Village Hall to remove their rubbish when they have finished.

This current dry spell will be a testing time for Babs to keep the borders from withering as they always provide such a lovely display, for which the whole village is so grateful.

David Jenkins

For Village Hall Bookings & Availability

Please contact Nicki Sturrock
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East Knoyle News

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From 30 July you'll be able to recycle even more!

East Knoyle Website Update

A lot of work has been going on to continue improving The East Knoyle website and its great to see that more and more people, not just in the village but from the surrounding areas and further afield, are now using it.

We have added more content. There are two new dedicated pages for Highways and Neighbourhood Watch. The Highways page gives up to date details of any proposed local works, road closures etc which can be downloaded and on the Neighbourhood watch page you can view and download local crime updates along with details on a variety of other frauds and activates to be aware of occurring both in the local area and nationally.

The NHW page also give details of the organisation and how to get involved so if you fancy forming a group for your part of the village get in touch via the link on the page.

The East Knoyle Commemorates programme of events now has its own section which incorporates the East Knoyle History Trail so keep an eye on this as its constantly being updated as new events are confirmed and added. The more observant of you will have noticed that we have changed the headline images on the home page to support and reflect the WW1 commemorations.

On the Home page we've increased the number of "teaser" images that you see to Nine which includes new ones for Events, Local Businesses and East Knoyle Commemorates and you can click on any of these to go straight to the relevant pages.

The site is growing steadily, and the web team continue to work to add content and improve the sites performance to make the it a really good resource for the village working alongside the Newsletter.

Special thanks must go to Leeroy Lugg who does all the "backroom tech" stuff for his continued efforts and support.

Rob McCarthy
EKPC
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Editors Note - Great work by all concerned! We have to look to the future, and with no one stepping forward to take over the Newsletter, the website will become even more important. Have a look at it soon - it provides up-to-date information (where provided of course!) and instant access to loads of resources and what is going on in the village.

Editor's Note

If I've missed anything out in this edition - apologies. Being away, followed by illness mean the poor old editor was a bit 'befuddled' on this edition (so what's new?).

Also, I still have not had anyone approach me about taking over - deadline remains the end of October.

There is someone out there



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How general practice is transforming to cope with the increased complexity of care

Patient needs are increasingly complex (in Hindon and also nationally), although Wiltshire practices are meeting these increasing needs with fewer doctors by working as multidisciplinary teams.

The national situation shows a shortage of thousands of GPs and this is not showing any signs of improvement. A drive to increase GP numbers by 5,000 has actually resulted in a decrease of over a thousand. At a jobs fair in Wiltshire last month, just three potential GPs attended.

None of this is new. Back in 2003 almost all our clinical and administrative work was done by a doctor. Since then we have increased our investment in practice staff fourfold, with more staff taking on more complex work, longer opening hours with more patients being seen (on average eight visits annually per patient, with forty patients seen over sixty times last year). We have doubled the average number of nursing hours and phlebotomy clinics, all supported by more administrative staff. We work closely with the local practices and community teams and many of you will have experienced receiving care from one of our multidisciplinary team rather than your GP.

It is going to be hard to recruit more GPs and that means that more of the GP work will be done by practice nurses and health care assistants supported by administrative staff as our work becomes similar to that of a hospital consultant – leading a clinical team and coordinating complex care but seeing fewer patients in person and those for longer consultations.

The present situation is not sustainable and if we cannot further develop our team with our patients all on board with these changes we will not be able to continue. We are investing in staff and most of our patients are already helping by accepting and liking the team approach. Thank you for your help with this – it is the only way general practice here (or anywhere) is going to survive.

Dr Patrick Craig-McFeely

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Do you Remember?

Remains of early Roman railway carriage found in East Knoyle



Or is this unsightly pile of wood and metal the latest bit of fly tipping in East Knoyle?

It is believed to be the remnants of an old railway coach that was sited not far from the Clouds House crossroads, with super views across the Blackmore Vale.



Although a number of our longer established residents say that they can recall it being there, its history is still obscure.

If you can help to identify what it was exactly please contact the editor.

Paul Naish



EAST KNOYLE VILLAGE HALL 200 CLUB

A Bumper Bundle from the Village Hall 200 Club this time: the 200 Club has held its third and fourth draws of the

year, in Wrens Shop, in May and July - each time on very sunny mornings!

The winners are:

In May
PAUL EGGINTON £50

In July
LIZ and ALAN QUANTRELL £50

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IT'S (NEARLY) SHOWTIME!

Yes, it's now only a matter of a few short weeks before all that hard work in the garden, the kitchen and (possibly) the dark recesses of the potting shed pays off. On **Saturday 11th August** we'll all have the chance to show off our magnificent marrows, resplendent roses, and of course our delicious cakes, jams and jellies, in the annual **East Knoyle Flower & Vegetable Show**. Not to mention an influx of temporary village residents in the form of our ever popular scarecrows.

It's not just the adults who get to display their very best produce – children also have the chance to show off their imagination and skill with a range of fun classes for everyone aged three to 14 years. Parents, this is an ideal opportunity to keep your young occupied for *at least* a whole morning!

Some classes have been specially chosen this year to help mark the 100th Anniversary of Armistice Day; flower arrangers can create a beautiful display entitled "Celebrating Armistice Day", and bakers can try their hand at an authentic WW1 recipe for "Trench Cake" – sounds interesting...

And once the displays are up and the judging complete, what better than to sit down and enjoy a traditional English tea on the lawn, complete with home-made cakes and scones?

Last but by no means least, children and adults alike have the chance to win the Hunter Cup for best photograph, as chosen by public vote. So start snapping now.

Remember..... ***You can't win it if you're not in it!***



**East Knoyle
Flower and Vegetable
Show**

and Scarecrow Competition

Saturday 11th August
East Knoyle Village Hall

OPEN FROM 2PM
PRESENTATION OF PRIZES 4PM
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Photo Competition



Mary Berry's Very Best Chocolate Cake

(corrected version from brochure! Don't forget the butter - we did!)

Cake ingredients

2oz (50gms) cocoa
6 tablespoons of boiling water
3 eggs
2 tablespoons milk
6oz (175gms) self-raising flour
1 rounded teaspoon baking power
4 oz (100 g) soft butter
10 oz (300g) caster sugar

Icing and filling

5oz (150gms) dark chocolate, broken
into small pieces
5oz (150mls) pouring double cream
3 tbsp. apricot jam
1 small bar of white chocolate



Preheat the oven to 180C/Fan160C/Gas 4. Grease 2 x 20cm (8") loose base sandwich tins.

Method

First measure the cocoa and boiling water into a large bowl and mix well to a paste. Add the remaining cake ingredients and beat again until combined. Divide the cake mixture between the prepared tins. Bake in a preheated oven for about 30 minutes until well risen and shrinking away from the sides of the tin. Cool for 10 minutes. To turn out, loosen the sides of tin with a palette knife if needs be, and then stand the tin on a mug or tin, hold the sides firmly down and release.

Spread the tops of each cake with apricot jam, sandwich the cakes with half the icing and spread the remainder on the top. Take a small palette knife and draw 's' shapes to give a swirl effect. Shave the white chocolate into curls



EAST KNOYLE VILLAGE FETE

SATURDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER 2018

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The venue for the village fete this year will be Knoyle House Grounds (opposite the War Memorial).

Parking is limited but there will be the Tisbus which will run a continual free service from pick up points throughout the village; schedule will be put up at various locations nearer the date.

There will be various stalls of which will require lots of donations of items to sell. If you have items to donate, please contact the relevant person listed here.

Additional stalls will be added and if you have any ideas, please come forward with any suggestions!

Also, we do need a supply of gazebos so please offer what you have and prior to the event be prepared to help us put them up.

Please look out for notices on village notice boards, Wren's Shop and the village website.

Nicki Sturrock

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Knogle Knature Notes *from The Yaffle*

The Spotted flycatcher's return to our gardens, from its African and south western Asian over-wintering grounds thousands of miles away, is always a wonder. This robin-sized grey brown bird with its slightly peaked crown and flecked breast delights us with its short aerial swoops from a well-placed vantage point, to catch insects on the wing.

The warm, dry spell over the summer equinox has brought out large hatches of Meadow brown butterflies. Also in the mid-sized range, the Speckled Wood which can be seen in spiral dancing pairs, the dark chocolate brown Ringlet, the Marbled White, the Wall and the Gatekeeper. Of the larger butterflies, look out for the perfect orange and black-marked form of the Silver-washed fritillary. The day-flying Hummingbird and Bee hawk moths are also around. While the parish woodland and surrounding margins offer sanctuary to so many species, there's much concern being voiced countrywide over a dramatic decline in both abundance and occurrence in the butterfly population nationally, based on monitoring since 1976. This is being attributed equally to habitat loss and the use of pesticides.



Pictured left is a fine example of one of this country's largest capped mushrooms. This Dryad's saddle, named after a mythical wood nymph, was spotted growing on a Hornbeam among the cathedral arch of trees that grace the Wise Lane ridge.

Also pictured below are the two growth stages of the perennial plant commonly known as Horsetail. This plant is widely distributed in the northern hemisphere and is a relative of larger plants that flourished in the carboniferous period 270 million years ago, which were estimated to grow to thirty metres !

Favouring boggy margins, the first stage shows the asparagus-like spear, which withers and dies to be replaced by the distinctive green bamboo-like stems. Field horsetail, known in old English as Pewter wort for its metal polishing properties, is also known as bottle brush, horse or paddock pipes and is generally classified as an invasive weed in this country. Yet the plant has legendary medicinal uses throughout its growing range as a diuretic, blood coagulant, treatment for ulcers, kidney stones and skin inflammation, local surgeries please take note?!

In an age of excessive noise (*see also page 3 - editor*) and air pollution it is a tonic to enjoy the relative peace and quiet of the countryside. To be able to listen to the birdsong and take in the scents of an English summer is a joy, so give a thought to timing and wind direction when having a bonfire, traditionally an autumnal event.



Round and About

A warm welcome to Leigh and Sally Williams and their family who have moved in to Seymour Farm on the Shaftesbury Road. We hope they will be very happy here in East Knoyle, close to their families both in the village and in Sedgehill.

Welcome Home to Ruth Gregg who has been able to return to her own home after a period in Hays House. It's so good to see her about the village.

Congratulations to Joan Jesse who has recently celebrated her 90th birthday. For many years, Joan - and her husband John - farmed Chapel Farm, and then retired to a bungalow near Clouds. After some years of retirement in Shaftesbury, Joan is currently living in Bramley House in Mere.

Tim and Karalyne Hyde are delighted to announce the engagement of their daughter Jilly to Fin Reid. They are to be married at St. Mary's Church next year.

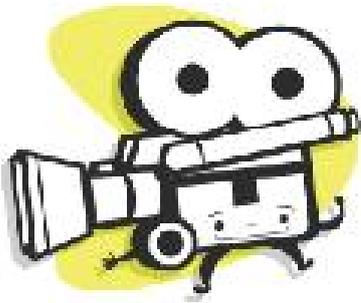
Goodbye, good luck and thank you to Julian and Alexandra Gibb who are leaving the village. They will be much missed for their support of the shop, the church and village life in general. They asked us to pass on this message - "After 27 years we are tearing ourselves away from the most friendly, entertaining and varied village which we will always love and return to."

Other people who have left recently are Phil and Becky – and Socks the dog – who have moved from Milton over to Downton to be closer to work and family.

On a more sombre note, there was a full Church for a Thanksgiving Service on the 29th June, in memory of Peter Treseder who died of complications after a heart operation earlier in the Year. Peter and his wife Jane, who died nine years ago were regular attenders at St Mary's Church. They moved to East Knoyle in 1984 and later took up bell-ringing in a big way and over the years encouraged others to try the art as well. Peter followed in the footsteps of his father by joining the Royal Corps of Signals and saw service in Sharjah, Palestine and many parts of Europe. He was brought up mainly by his Grandparents who lived in Ireland and he and Jane maintained happy links throughout their lives with the Emerald Isle. Among his many talents, Peter was a dab hand at water divining which he demonstrated with great success on many occasions: he had an expert knowledge of clocks and used to repair them with great skill: he was also a keen bee keeper and gardener, and won many a prize at our flower and vegetable shows. He also found time to pursue his love of fly-fishing and game shooting. He was to many the perfect gentleman with a lovely sense of humour and he will be sadly missed.



The East Knoyle Choir at the Shaftesbury Fringe pictured here at the Grosvenor Arms Hotel



MOVIOLA

We're having our summer break at Moviola at the moment, which is probably just as well as I don't think many of you would want to be sitting in the village hall in this lovely warm weather. And perhaps hot, baked potatoes would not really be your first choice of menu!

We had a very successful 10th season, with some unusual and interesting films including (greatly daring) a subtitled film from Sweden, which was much appreciated by the audience. *Viceroy's House* came out on top with an audience of 89. (We only have 90 seats!)

In previous years we have been able to give some money to good causes in the village and to local charities, and we are hoping to do the same this time.

We haven't had the choices for the new programme yet, but we will be starting again in September. We try to stick to the last Wednesday in the month, so that will be 26th September, 31st October, 28th November and 12th December.

We hope you have a very enjoyable summer and we look forward to welcoming you again to Moviola in September.

Sara Southerden



East Knoyle Rainfall

Rainfall recorded

April 74.25mm (2.92")
May 42.75mm (1.68")
June 2.50mm. (0.098")

In April I recorded rain on thirteen days, leaving one 6 day period, three 3 day periods and one 2 day period without rainfall.

The 2.92" (74.25mm) of rain recorded was a little above the average of the last 24 years of April's rain of 2.71" (68.83mm).

In May I recorded rain on twelve days, there were two different periods of seven days without rain plus two 3 day periods and some single days without rainfall.

The 1.68" (42.75mm) of rain recorded was well below my average of May's rain 2.75" (69.85mm) being the 7th driest May over the last 24 years.

In June I recorded rain on only 3 days, on the 1st there was 1.5mm, on the mornings of the 14th and 17th there was very light rain before 7.45am amounting to only 0.5mm on each day.

You won't be surprised that the 0.098" (2.50mm) that I recorded for June was well below my June average of 2.33" (59.18mm) and also the driest June that I have on record.

This brings the total 6 monthly rainfall for 2018 to 16.16" (410.50mm), I regret, no comparisons have been worked out yet.

I ought to point out that I record my rainfall readings in millimetres and convert to inches, I obviously couldn't record inches of rain to the above accuracy.

Robin Egerton



RBL Branch News

Centenary of Armistice Day 2018

You can catch up on progress to date via the dedicated East Knoyle Commemorates sponsored page elsewhere within the newsletter or the EK village website. As you will see, a lot of time and effort is going into making this a memorable occasion so, if you can, please take the opportunity to participate in some way. There is a lot to do.

Social Events

We had a terrific response to the talk entitled 'A Gurkha Odyssey'

given by General Sir Peter Duffell on the 18th June at the village hall. Over 55 people attended which enabled us to raise £440 for the Poppy Appeal (see below). A special thank you is due not only Sir Peter but also all of those who helped with the bar, provision of refreshments and equipment, impressive publicity materials or assisted in any way.

On the 26th June we visited to the Brooklands Heritage Museum, 'the birthplace of British Motorsport and Aviation', to see their fine collection of vehicles and aircraft – including Concorde and the Wellington bomber. As you will anticipate, there were not enough hours in the day to do justice to this extensive collection so a return visit is merited. An enjoyable lunch on the terrace of the Silvermere Golf Course - adjacent to the 18th green - gave us a fine view of any wayward balls finding their way into the lake.



Ceremonial

Chairman, Mike Waterhouse, represented our Branch at the RBL County Parade in Salisbury. 'On duty' for four hours in blazing sunshine Mike certainly merits a mention in dispatches for maintaining our Branch's profile in the County.

Poppy Appeal 2017/18



The total banked by the end of June has now leapt to £8,851 due not only to the money raised at the 'Gurkha evening' and other donations, but also an impressive £1,148 raised to date by Roy Halsall through the sale of Poppy Appeal merchandise at events such as 'Dig For Victory', 'War in the Vale'

and the Chalke Valley History Festival to name a few. This continues to be a tremendous personal effort by Roy and we applaud his ongoing support on behalf of the appeal. If you wish to purchase a commemorative 1914-18 lapel badge Roy has a number in stock and he can be contacted on 830499.

Silent Soldiers

Following a collection by our members and customers at the Fox and Hounds on the 2nd July enough money was raised to purchase a third Silent Soldier for the village. This soldier will take up his duties on The Green, which means that three entrances to the village are now 'secured'.



Branch Meetings

Dates for the next two Branch meetings are the 6th August and 3rd September at 7.30pm. Venue: The Fox and Hounds.

Branch Secretary: Ron Clark
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On 6th June, this year's AGM took place in the Village hall and was very well attended. This is a fantastic opportunity for anyone who has paid their annual membership fee to nominate and vote in the management committee and also to offer their help in running our village's community shop. If you are not a member, please do join up: forms are available from the shop and if you have an account you can charge the fee.

There were substantial changes on this occasion. Last summer I mentioned my hopes of passing on the baton as Chairman and so am delighted to announce, not without a tinge of sadness that we now have Ian Tait leading the team. A new treasurer; Sara James and bookkeeper; Brian Williamson also fill out the places left by Martin Snell and Susan Connolly. Our very grateful thanks for their work over the years.

It has been a wonderful pleasure being the Chair of the shop's committee for 7 years, guiding it through some major changes. I am only too aware that all these achievements are only possible with the huge support and generosity of so many people from our village. Fundraising and overseeing the refit was a major challenge, but our shop is in a much better condition to last many more years to come. A couple in for the first time today exclaimed what a lovely place it was, adding they had never seen a little shop so well stocked.

We don't and can't rest on our laurels however, and Ian will do a great job ensuring the business and community aspects of Wren's Shop develop under his leadership. He will need your help so please join us; we need volunteers; openers/closers, till and non-till people to ensure that we can continue to give the community the continued village shop operation we all enjoy.

It is fun and a great way of meeting fellow members of our community.

Paul Egginton

Editors Note - I'm sure everyone passes on their thanks to Paul for all the time and effort he has invested in the shop. And well done for passing on your baton so successfully! Newsletter needs an editor.....



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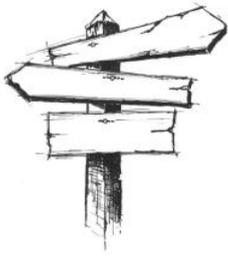
Monday to Thursday:

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9am – 2pm

(Closed weekends & Bank Holidays)



Footnotes

Footpath 16 - the latest the Newsletter has heard from Wiltshire Council was that the new route had been approved at the Southern Area Planning Committee at their meeting on the 31st May. All objections have now been withdrawn. Regarding timescales for completion of the new route and spur, Sally Madwick wrote - *"I am still waiting for the withdrawal of 2 representations of support. If I receive these I can proceed with confirming the Order and advertising that fact. That would only take a couple of weeks. Once the order has been confirmed it is up to [the parties involved] to decide when they would like to do the works, I suspect they would like to get the surface and accessibility improvements done as soon as possible but they would need to liaise with Nick Cowen over that. Once Nick Cowen has certified the new path as acceptable I can advertise that fact and the old path is extinguished and the definitive map and statement are changed."*



Calling all Walkers! (Including Dog Walkers!) - 'Tis the season of extravagant plant growth! Why not take your secateurs out with you and cut back a little bit of the overgrowing vegetation every day. Doesn't take a lot of effort and keeps the paths in better condition. Don't leave it all to the few people in the village who spend a half-day at a time clearing paths - for you!

Stick to the Path! You will see in this edition's PC News that we are all asked to respect farmland and keep to designated footpaths.

Problem with a Footpath? Blocked? Obstructed? Dangerous? Then let the Parish Council know!

And finally - **Horse riders** - Please stick to the bridleways and do not make new tracks or go onto footpaths. Footpaths especially get churned up by horses and deteriorate very quickly after that. Thanks!



Martin Brown

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From 30th July residents can add plastic pots, tubs and trays and food and drink cartons in your blue lidded bins for recycling.

Regrettably, black plastic or plastic film cannot be recycled so please do not include that in your bin.

The UK is currently working towards a target of 50% recycling by 2020. At the end of the 17/18 year, Wiltshire recycled just over 45% of household waste, but it has been relatively static for a number of years. I hope that with the new additions we can achieve the 50% target.



Our research of waste composition shows that 35% of material in residents' non-recyclable waste bins could have been recycled using the council's kerbside collection services. Paper and card was the highest percentage (15.68%), followed by plastic bottles (8.48%), textiles (5.50%), glass (3.83%) and tins and cans (2.99%).

Very little waste goes to landfill. Wiltshire Council is permitted to landfill up to 43,418 tonnes in 2019-20, but in 2017-18 only 24,142 tonnes was landfilled which is 20.8% of all waste and below our target of 25%. However, there is still some way to go to meet the EU binding landfill target of 10% by 2030.

If you are uncertain what else can be recycled in your blue bin or in the black box, please look at the Wiltshire Council website, Rubbish & Recycling; the kerbside recycling section has a complete list of what can and cannot be recycled.

The website also provides a list of the Household Recycling Centres with days and hours of opening. Salisbury HRC is closed on Thursdays, Warminster HRC on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Summer opening hours are 9am-4pm. The HRCs are usually less busy in the afternoons, so if you need help from the staff there it may be better to organise your visit after lunch. Don't forget ID, and/or your van and trailer permit if you are taking a large load.



The youth organisation, Seeds4Success, have been busy in the last few months carrying out footpath work in Zeals, Fovant Down, Barford St. Martin, Alvediston, Tisbury and Hill Deverill - the young people do a marvellous job and work very hard.

They also supported Mere Church Fete, putting up stalls and serving refreshments. They had their own stall selling bird boxes and bug hotels and are busy preparing for forthcoming sales and looking forwards to Christmas sales events locally. The sales help to fund their activities. If you have any spare pine cones or old bamboo canes for using in their bug hotels, or if anyone wants to help fund the charity, please contact Jaki Farrell, the Charity Manager, at jaki@seeds4success.org.uk.



Save the Children

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Much Ado About Nothing

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What's On? Forthcoming Events in and around East

Check out the Village Diary on the new website -

<http://east-knoyle.co.uk/news-and-events/village-diary/>



T@3

Held every second Thursday of each month in the Billiard Room, Village Hall 3-4pm. Delicious savouries and cakes with tea and coffee, plus a raffle. Donations if you wish. Taxi service available, kindly funded by the

Parish Council. Call Sandra 830471, or Jennie 830460 for further information. See you there!

Future dates - 9th August, 13th September



Coffee in the Church Cafe, St. Mary's, 10.30am -12.00pm

Freshly brewed coffee and tea with biscuits in our lovely church. A warm welcome awaits you!

Now held every 4th Tuesday of the month (not the last!)

Future dates - 24th July, 28th Aug, 25th September



St. Mary's Games Evening

7.30 to 9.30 pm

Billiard Room, Village Hall

Bring your own refreshments, no admission fee, but a box for donations is available if you wish. We have a pool table, darts, chess, cards etc.

Everyone welcome! For more information, call Alan on 830471

Future dates - Tues 31st July; Tues 28th August.



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