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The Open Surgery session planned for this Saturday 9th September at the West Lavington Courtyard Surgery has been postponed due to unforeseen circumstances. The Open Day will now take place on Saturday 23rd September between 1pm and 4pm.

ing their efforts. Hopefully future village events will be better attended otherwise we will become a very poor village for social events. The phrase "use it or lose it" springs to mind.

The local cricket club have had another successful season and their report outlines some of the highlights of the season and the departure of their long standing captain. The WI have been on a visit to look for the elusive Wiltshire mascot, the bustard at its' home on the plain.

We also have our regular healing corner from Anne and our recipe for this month is Bramble Trifle.



Welcome to the forty-first edition of the Edington Village News.

In this month's edition we have part three of Dr Henning's visit to the Norfolk Broads and a report from

Wiltshire Police on their fatal five campaign to reduce the number of serious and fatal injury collisions on our roads. You may have noticed that the Community Speed Watch group have recommenced their sessions this week in the village and already in the first three sessions 46 motorists were reported to Wiltshire Police for excessive speeding through the village. The group will be continuing throughout September more details in next month's edition.

It is disappointing to read about the few people who came to the afternoon Tea in the Parish Hall last month. The Parish Hall committee are all volunteers who give up their time to organise events and then they find few people support-





Local surgeries latest

White Horse Health Centre and Bratton Surgery

Westbury surgery TELEPHONE 01373 828330



Bratton Surgery TELEPHONE 01380 831911
For medical emergencies dial 999

Dr Edwards & Partners

www.westburygp.co.uk

NHS flu and covid vaccine programmes brought forward due to risk of new covid variant 30 August 2023

Millions of eligible people will now be offered a covid vaccine from 11 September, in line with the latest expert guidance on the new covid variant.

This change follows an announcement by the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) and the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) on the risks presented by the new BA.2.86 variant and pre-emptive measures the NHS has been asked to take.

The adult covid and flu vaccination programmes had been due to start in October to maximise protection over the winter months, but now those most at risk including adult care home residents will be vaccinated from 11 September.

The NHS has been asked to bring the programme forward and will be working quickly to ensure as many eligible people as possible are vaccinated by the end of October.

Residents of older adult care homes and those most at risk including those who are immunosuppressed will receive their covid vaccine first.

Carers, pregnant women, and health and social care staff will all be among the groups to be offered a covid jab this winter, as well as adults aged 65 and over.

Eligible people should wait to receive an invite from their local provider.

Courtyard Surgery, West Lavington



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For medical emergencies dial 999

[Latest newsletter can be found here.](#)

Friends of Courtyard Surgery

Surgery Open Day

9th September 2023 - **POSTPONED**

Now on **Saturday 23rd September 1pm - 4pm**

We will be having an Open Day giving people the opportunity to see what we do here, to look at our garden, and make contact with other healthcare related providers.

There will be refreshments available

If you have a healthcare related business
or

organisation please contact

Susan Zaman sueandroyz@msn.com

To book a place.

In the past we have had representatives
from

1st Response, Yoga teachers,
Aparists, and others.

<https://www.courtyardsurgery.co.uk/>



Wiltshire Police

Thousands of motoring offences detected during Summer Road Safety campaign in Wiltshire

06 September 2023

Today concludes our summer road safety campaign.

Over the past month, we've made road safety a focus for the entire Force through enforcement and intensive awareness raising, focusing predominantly on the fatal five offences which contribute to serious collisions. These are:

- **speeding**
- **drink and drug driving**
- **using a phone while driving**
- **not wearing a seatbelt**
- **careless and dangerous driving.**

The campaign was launched following a high number of fatal and serious injury collisions on Wiltshire roads.

In August alone, the Roads Policing Unit (RPU) have issued 612 notices for offences including speeding, mobile phone use and not wearing seatbelts. During the month, they've also made 68 arrests for drink or drug driving.

Over the whole summer period, there have been 2,788 notices for motoring offences issued by the RPU.

Acting Inspector Will Ayres said: "News of any death on our roads is completely devastating especially for those closest to the person involved, but when you know the death could have been prevented it really is heart-breaking, so we've spent the past month raising

awareness amongst drivers of the fatal five offences and how important it is to give the road your full attention at all times.

"Officers have done a really fantastic job patrolling some of our collision hotspots and targeting those drivers who fail to abide by the law. It's easy to become complacent when getting behind the wheel of a car as it's something we do every day, but if we can change people's attitudes then we will make our roads a safer place to be."

Most of the fatalities this year have occurred on the M4, A303, A338, A360, A3102 and A4.

In conjunction with Highways England, the RPU has also carried out Operation Tramline on the M4 on nine different days in August, with 129 offences detected from the cab of an unmarked lorry.



Acting Inspector Ayres said: "As roads policing officers, road safety is our number one priority every day of the year, but this month has seen us intensify our resources and clamp down on those drivers who fail to abide by the law. We know what it is like to have to deliver a death message to a family following a fatal collision, and we know how it can impact such a huge number of people, and that is why we feel so passionate about raising awareness





about road safety, especially the fatal five offences.

“We’ve used a variety of tactics to identify offenders including the use of the unmarked HGV and an unmarked mini bus.

“Although the campaign is over, we will continue with our work to improve road safety in Wiltshire and would urge all drivers to keep the fatal five offences in the forefront of their minds when driving.”

Police and Crime Commissioner Philip Wilkinson said: “Nationally, we saw a record number of drivers appearing in court accused of speeding last year and road safety is an issue which is highlighted to me as I speak to residents across Wiltshire and Swindon.

“Campaigns like this, and the combined efforts of our specialist Roads Policing Unit, Community Speed Enforcement Officers and Community Speed Watch teams, are important to show that we will robustly target those drivers who fail to abide by the rules on our roads.

“Speeding, driving under the influence of drink or drugs or with a mobile phone in your hand, puts the lives of passengers and the wider public in total jeopardy.

“My Police and Crime Plan prioritises road safety through a combination of education, deterrence and enforcement. This is why we need to ensure safer roads for all - where communities can carry on with the peace of mind that dangerous drivers are being caught and swift action is being taken.”



Rural Crime Survey

“Wiltshire Police and Crime Commissioner Philip Wilkinson and his PCC counterparts in Dorset, Devon and Cornwall, Avon and Somerset and Gloucestershire have come together to launch a survey to explore how crime is affecting rural communities.

They are hoping the survey will help them to understand how their county's rural communities are affected by crime in the South West.

The survey asks rural residents if they have been the victim of any crimes in the last 12 months as well as asking what rural crimes concern them the most.”

Read more here

bit.ly/RuralCrimeSurveyInfo

Or complete the survey now

bit.ly/RuralCrimeSurvey2023WS

#MakingWiltshireSafer

Have your voice heard

We want to hear from residents across Wiltshire to understand how communities are affected by rural crime.

Take the rural crime survey now

#MakingWiltshireSafer

This survey has been launched by Police and Crime Commissioners across the South West

AVON & SOMERSET POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER
PCC
DORSET POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER DAVID SEWICK
OPCC
PCC



STAY ALIVE GET TO KNOW THE FATAL 5



1 CARELESS DRIVING



2 DRINK/DRUG DRIVING



3 NOT WEARING A SEATBELT



4 DISTRACTED
using a mobile phone while driving



5 SPEEDING




Wiltshire and Swindon
ROAD SAFETY
PARTNERSHIP

#KEEPINGWILTSHIRESAFE

#FATAL5



Wiltshire Council

News from Wiltshire Council

Families invited to get involved in shaping the future of SEND services in Wiltshire

Wiltshire Council is asking parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and or disabilities (SEND) to help shape how services are provided in the future

Published 6 September 2023

Wiltshire Council is asking parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and or disabilities (SEND) to help shape how services are provided in the future.

The local authority regularly reviews the way it works with families and partners to ensure the support and advice is the best it can be. Feedback from families is one of the key factors in making sure it's effective.

Parents are encouraged to join a face-to-face event on 18 September at the Devizes Corn Exchange in Devizes from 10am to 2pm. This will be the first step in the process to ensure the SEND strategy for 2024 and beyond is ready and fit for purpose.

Cllr Jane Davies, Cabinet Member for SEND said: "We want to hear from as many people as possible so that the way we work with families is the best it can be in the future.

"Our business plan clearly sets out that we want the people of Wiltshire to be empowered to live full, healthy and enriched lives. A key part of this will be ensuring our SEND families have access to the right services and are involved in key decisions for the future. I would encourage as many people as possible to attend."

For further information on SEND services in Wiltshire go to the [Local Offer pages](#).

Emmy-winning wildlife cameraman to visit Wiltshire libraries

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The Word Live in Libraries tour, which is funded by Arts Council England and organised by South Western Regional Library Services in partnership with Literature Works, introduces diverse writers and creative workshops to 20 different libraries from Wiltshire to Cornwall. Each library involved will host a creative workshop followed by a talk from an author, poet or spoken word artist.

James specialises in filming at height in the rainforest canopy and other wilderness regions. He has worked with Sir David Attenborough on several award-winning documentaries, including *The Green Planet* and *Our Planet*. He is the author of 'The Man who Climbs Trees' and 'Goshawk Summer', and recently released 'The Canopy' which was written for children.

Westbury library is hosting a Nature Writing Workshop on Thursday 21 September at 3.30pm, where James will discuss how he takes inspiration from the natural world into his writing. This event is suitable for all from beginner to advanced.

James will also visit Trowbridge library, where from 6pm, he will host a reading group session of his book 'Goshawk Summer'. The book is a lockdown diary about his summer spent filming a family of Goshawks in the New Forest.





From 7.30pm, join James for a 'Meet the Author' live talk and Q&A session to talk about his career in filming and writing about nature and the environment.

Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling, Cabinet Member for Libraries, said: Having James Aldred visiting Westbury and Trowbridge libraries as part of the Word Live in Libraries tour is very exciting and I would encourage people to come along and take part. The nature writing workshop will be for those with a keen interest in writing about the natural world and it will be fascinating to hear about his award winning career in filming during the question and answer session.

Details about each event plus ticketing information is available at

<https://www.swrls.org.uk/projects/word-live-in-libraries-a-regionwide-tour-of-sw-libraries>.

More information about Wiltshire Council's library services can be found at

www.wiltshire.gov.uk/libraries-home.

Boost your number skills this Checktember!

During September, Wiltshire Council will be supporting National Numeracy's #Checktember campaign, encouraging everyone to spend 10 minutes a day checking and improving their numeracy skills.

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During September, Wiltshire Council will be supporting National Numeracy's #Checktember campaign, encouraging everyone to spend 10 minutes a day checking and improving their numeracy skills.

Taking place throughout September, Checktember encourages people to get involved, take the National Numeracy Challenge to understand their current numeracy levels and use the online resources (opens new window) to boost number confidence.

The Multiply team will be in the Atrium at County Hall, Trowbridge on Monday 18 September between 10am to 1pm to offer

advice about the Multiply scheme and how to access support in Wiltshire.

Multiply offers tailored courses targeted towards adults (over 19 years of age) who do not currently have Level 2/GCSE maths at grade 4 (previously known as a C grade). People looking to build confidence with basic maths skills, whether that be to help them manage their personal finances or household budget, support their child with homework or get on in the work place, can all benefit from the free courses being offered. People can find out about the latest courses on offer by going to Multiply - Work Wiltshire (opens new window).

Cllr Laura Mayes, Cabinet Member for Education and Skills said: We're delighted to join up with National Numeracy for Checktember! Many of us lack confidence when it comes to maths and it may be holding us back in life, work and home. However, improving your maths knowledge is something we can all do.

Feeling confident with numbers can help us in all areas of life, from being at work wanting to make the most of a current role or looking to progress your career or for knowing where to start when it comes to budgeting and household finances. Taking part in this challenge or coming along to speak to the Multiply team about the opportunities available can help you to understand your current numeracy level and the support that is available in Wiltshire.

Libraries across Wiltshire have a wide range of maths themed books, eBooks and audiobooks. These cover a range of topics such as money matters, help with sums and maths for beginners, as well as books for children to develop their own maths skills. Library staff can also help people to improve numeracy skills by supporting them to access the National Numeracy Challenge (opens new window) website. Find out more at Everyday maths - Wiltshire Council.

Further information on the Multiply scheme, and the courses offered is found workwiltshire.co.uk/multiply.



SCAN ME



Wiltshire Council LOCAL PLAN CONSULTATION

Monday 16 October, 4.30pm - 8.30pm

**Come to your local drop-in event at Leighton Recreation
Centre, Wellhead Lane, Westbury BA13 3PT**

Closest event for Westbury, Dilton Marsh and Bratton communities.

The consultation runs from Wednesday 27
September to Wednesday 22 November 2023.
To find out more and to have your say,
go to www.wiltshire.gov.uk/local-plan

Wiltshire Council



Edington Parish Council News

Due to the sudden departure of our grass cutting contractor the Parish Council are hastily trying to find someone to cut the grass areas of the village until the end of the season. Apologies if some areas are not trimmed as usual.

The Council would like to thank the group of villagers in the Tinhead Road area who have volunteered to take on the cutting of the grass in the Tinhead Road area including around the pond.

The Council will be looking to employ a new contractor to take on the grass cutting in the village from the spring of 2024. We anticipate that this will lead to an increase in the cost and therefore an increase in the village precept for 2024/25. More details on this when the arrangements have been finalised.

The village volunteer group are an invaluable support to the village as they maintain various parts of the village free of charge. If the group didn't exist the council would have to employ contractors to undertake the work with a subsequent cost. However there is a limit as to what the group can achieve each month as they are only a small group. In August they tidied the area around the pond and the greens in Tinhead Road. Their next session will be on Wednesday 20th September meeting at 9.30am in the Parish Hall car park when they will be undertaking a variety of tasks including trimming vegetation, cutting grass around the car park and generally tidying this end of the village. Come along and help tidy your village.

Forthcoming roadworks.

11 Sep 09:30 - 13 Sep 15:00 **B3098 (Part), Little Cheverell** Surface Dressing, ironwork adjustment, reinstatement of road markings and studs and associate works

You can find out about roadworks across Wiltshire by going to <https://one.network/>

Remember you can always contact the Parish Council by email parishcouncil@edingtonwiltshire.org.uk



Volunteers at work and rest around the pond.

Wanted

Volunteers to help carry out maintenance around the village.

We normally meet on the third Wednesday of the month and tasks include grass cutting, repairing and painting benches, general tidying up and eating cake with coffee!

Why not join us at 9.30 am on Wednesday 20th September, venue Parish Hall car park.

Help to tidy **YOUR** village.

Contact the Parish Council for more information



Village Musings

We are very fortunate to have, in such a small village, so many activities, clubs and opportunities on our doorsteps. In addition to Bell Ringing, WI, Edington Arts, Choir, Under 5s, Cricket and the social event on Tuesday mornings at the Three Daggers, we also have a very active Gardening Club run by Jacky Hiscock and her efficient team. The club meets on the first Thursday of every month in the Parish Hall with gardening experts giving talks and demonstrations, and there are also many great planned visits to various gardens and garden centres.



We have just had the annual Flower and Produce show in the Parish Hall, under the auspices of the Edington and District Gardening Club, with external judges adjudicating. There are a surprisingly large number of entries for a small club in a little village. As well as displays

and arrangements of flowers, foliage, fruit and vegetables, there are also classes for art, needlework and other crafts and wonderful baked goods and preserves on show.



The fun and good humour amongst the entrants makes this a very enjoyable event, and it is something our local gardeners look forward to and prepare for through summer.



If you would like to join this club, or any of the other clubs or activities available, please follow this link to find contact details:

<https://edingtonwiltshire.org.uk/clubs-and-societies-2/>

There are also plenty of opportunities to volunteer to help in our village, and if you have some spare time, please do consider offering your services to help those in need or to keep our village tidy and safe.

<https://edingtonwiltshire.org.uk/services/>

Mercedes Henning



Edington and Tinhead WI

The local WI (Woman's Institute) meets in the parish hall on the second Tuesday in the month. August was an opportunity to do something different and we had an outing to Sailisbury Plain. It was pouring with rain as we drove towards the village of Enford, but we were fortunate that the rain then held off during our visit.

We were taken in Land rovers by drivers from the Great Bustards Group to a spot where we could sight the birds. Unfortunately for us they had moved away from an area near the groups hide, so we were looking through binoculars and even a telescope provided for us. Our guides were very knowledgeable and we heard the fascinating story of how these birds, previously extinct in the UK, have been reintroduced, so despite the long distance sightings it was a very enjoyable trip.



The group have a small shop, where we were able to see their collection of stuffed birds, including a male displaying himself for the female birds. The modern examples of taxidermy were of birds who had died on natural causes. The same can't be said for Victorian examples!

We have a varied program and visitors are warmly welcomed. This month (Tuesday 12th September) our talk by Maggie Atterbury will be on The Brian Rutland Bands 1956 - 1981. Next month October 10th is entitled 'a load of old lace', when we are invited to bring along any samples of old lace that we might have, so that we can learn more about this craft and the developments in lace making over the years.

Why not come along and find out more
Anne Ilsley (Committee Member)



Our first prize entry to The Produce Show 'Village Rose Sheild' - against tough opposition! on the theme 'A blast from the past.'



Wildlife of the Norfolk Boards – Part 3

We travelled to the Ranworth Broad which is a Norfolk Wildlife Trust reserve. Here we had booked another wildlife boat trip through the broads. The boarded path to the boat ran through wet woodland known as Carr which grows on a mat of plants and decaying vegetation (a hover). Lots of specialist species like rare sedges, mosses, lichens, and fungi grow on this hover. There was also some milk parsley, the foodplant of the swallowtail.

While we were waiting for the boat, I was amazed at the number of crested grebes swimming in the water round the jetty. At one time I counted 12 just in my line of sight. We saw a pair courting, rising up in the water facing



I was amazed at the number of great-crested grebes swimming in the water round the jetty (del. S.F. Henning).

each other. Others were collecting water weeds to make nests. Their nests are a floating mound in the water and the eggs are covered with weeds when the parents leave the nest. We saw a couple of nests with grebes sitting on them. There were also several great crested grebes with their chicks riding on their backs. I believe they will dive under water with the chicks still on their backs. We saw a lot of them diving down into the water to catch fish. We saw one with a small silver fish (possibly a roach) in its beak.

While waiting for the boat we also saw a huge whitish bird of prey fly across one of the broads. It could not have been anything else but an osprey. It appears they have had a young resident male osprey for about 4-5 years and the Norfolk Wildlife Trust constructed a nesting platform. This year a female has also arrived, and they are hoping they will breed. This is a very rare bird, and I was delighted to see it.



Our boat and guide turned up.

The guide in our boat showed us how they are trying to keep fish out of an area of the broad so that water fleas can control the algae. He said the water in the broad was not clear due to too many algae in the water. The algae population is usually controlled by water fleas but the large number of fish in the broad eat the water fleas, hence the project to keep the fish out. The guide did not think it was working very well as the cormorants and terns are often





seen feeding in the area (possibly due to the clearer water in the control area).



Barrier erected to keep fish out an area of the Ranworth Broad

Then we continued on, and the guide pointed out a male osprey sitting on the top of a dead tree. It was absolutely beautiful, and we all sat enthralled watching it for some time. Just near it was the platform with the nest on it.



Looking at the male osprey perched on the dead tree at Ranworth Broad.

The osprey is a specialist fish-eater with a worldwide distribution. It formerly inhabited much of Britain but heavy persecution, mainly by Victorian egg and skin collectors, during the nineteenth century and early twentieth century brought about its demise. The osprey became extinct as a breeding bird in England in 1840. The species appears to have been absent from Scotland from 1915 to 1954 when Scandinavian



A male osprey was perched on the dead tree at Ranworth Broad (del. S.F. Henning).

birds naturally re-colonised and a pair has nested successfully almost every year since 1959 at the Loch Garten Osprey Centre. Because of the slow geographical spread of breeding ospreys within Scotland in 1996 English Nature and Scottish Natural Heritage introduced a project to re-introduce the osprey to England. Since then, several re-introductions have taken place in England and in Wales. One of the most recent re-introductions was in 2017 in the Poole Harbour area in Dorset. The first egg at a nest site put in place by the project was laid in 2022. Two chicks hatched in early June 2022 and were ringed in July. About ten years ago an osprey was recorded at the trout lakes near Worton in Wiltshire. I presume this was a young bird flying through looking for a suitable habitat to establish itself.

We then travelled on past several dead trees where cormorants were nesting. In winter there were so many cormorants roosting in these trees that their guano had killed them. →



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We travelled back past the platform in front of the Broads Wildlife Centre and looked at the black-headed gull chicks. There were also two pairs of common terns breeding on one of the platforms. The rest had been displaced by the gulls.



Black-headed gulls and chicks on the platform with the Ranworth Broad Visitor Centre in the background.

As we travelled down an open broad, we saw a heron perched on a "river speed sign of 4 mph". He was not troubled by us and other boats passing.



We saw a heron on a 4-mph sign.

After the boat trip, we walked back along the boarded trail looking for any sign of the swallowtail. There was a lot of milk parsley but no sign of the butterfly. We did see a black-tailed skimmer dragonfly flying over the reeds. We also saw a marsh harrier and heard a reed warbler as we walked along.

The next day we took another boat trip, this time at Hickling Broad which was another Norfolk Wildlife Trust Reserve.

I was amazed at the number of mute swans on the broad. The guide said that there are 12 breeding pairs, and the others were mostly young birds not yet breeding. In fact, most mute swans will not breed until at least their third or fourth year of life. Some may also have been adults unable to find a mate, or a pair who did not find a suitable territory to build a nest.





On the boat looking at the large number of mute swans swimming on the Hickling Broad

We made our way to a hide overlooking the water and moored up next to the jetty. Just outside the door to the hide was offer spraint on the planking. It was dark green, slimy, and full of fish bones and scales. From the hide we could see a number of avocets all feeding in the shallow water. The avocet was another bird driven to extinction by Victorian hunters and egg-collectors in the nineteenth century. The avocets only recolonized the UK in 1947 after the coastal marshes of East Anglia had been flooded to defend the country against potential



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invasion during World War II. This created the perfect breeding ground for avocets, and they returned to our shores after being extinct from the UK for more than 100 years.



Just outside the door to the hide was offer spraint on the planking.

We also saw from the hide a little egret and 3 lapwings among the normal ducks and coots. While we were there a swallowtail butterfly fluttered past the hide much to everyone's joy. A few minutes later it returned but we could not get a photo.

Then off again across the broad to a second hide where we saw a whole mob of different ducks swimming about in fairly deep water. The number of different duck species was amazing,



View from the hide at Hickling Broad





and I saw mallards, shelduck, tufted duck, pochard, widgeon, gadwall, and teal. Also visible from the hide were mute swans, a heron, a marsh harrier, reed buntings, reed warblers and a lot of bearded tits. Coming out of the hide, we saw the swallowtail butterfly again flying along the reed tops and Mercedes got a photo.



Mercedes got a distant photo of a swallowtail butterfly flying over the reeds.

Then on through the broads and we stopped and moored up again to take a short 5-minute walk and climb up to the Tower Hide. The hide was a 60-foot tree tower and was made like a fire escape with a platform on the top above the canopy. The all-round views over Hickling Broad and surrounding landscape were fantastic. We could actually see the Horsey Windpump in the distance.

As we left the boat, we heard the singing of a Cetti's warbler in the reeds. We then set off for a walk towards the Observation Hide. On the way we saw another swallowtail as it flew straight towards us, probably attracted by Mercedes' bright pink fleece. It then circled back and landed on the ground about 10 feet in front of us. I had a wonderful view of it as it opened and closed its wings. It sat for nearly a minute, but we did not manage to get a photograph of it. This did not matter as we had

seen the swallowtail several times at different places – what an experience!

We then continued around the fen and briefly saw another swallowtail in the woods. We had a wonderful view of a flock of bearded tits (reedlings/ parrotbills) in a tree and I photographed a speckled wood butterfly that settled on the path.



I photographed a speckled wood on the path.

It was the end of a wonderful holiday to the Broads. I saw a lot of wildlife I had never seen before in England including the swallowtail. What a treat to share their wonderful environment for just a short time!

Dr Stephen Henning.



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Captain Corelli's Violin: is it jazz? Is it classical baroque?

Question: When one of the UK's finest and most exciting jazz pianists (Gwilym Simcock) and one of the UK's finest most virtuosic classical violinists (Thomas Gould) combine, what do you get?

Answer: a programme of huge excitement and invention.

Their programme for us in the Priory Church on Saturday September 16th at 7.30pm is based around the baroque music of Arcangelo Corelli. Corelli was a key influence on the development of the violin, and his Opus 5 set of Sonatas demonstrate his skills as a player as well as a composer. Marry this to the improvisational and technical demands of jazz, explore the intuitive links between the two styles, and by the time we reach the finale, the marvellous 'La Folia' variations, already a magnum opus in their own right, you have an unbelievably exciting piece of musical collaboration. You can listen to the La Folia variations as written, on our website .

Their programme also includes music by Purcell and Bach, and a wonderful piece by Arvo Part, written with more than a nod to the baroque tradition. The full programme is on our website.

All in all, this promises to be an extraordinary evening's music; if you're ready to be thrilled, this one's for you.

Don't delay getting your tickets, £20/15/10 from sue@edingtonarts.org or Chrissy on **01380 831256**; don't forget that anyone 18 or under comes FREE, and Edington Angels have their 10% discount.

We look forward to welcoming you!



Recipe of the Month – September



The hedgerows around Edington are groaning with the weight of juicy blackberries and the apples are starting to ripen on trees in our gardens, so this month's recipe is an autumnal twist on a traditional, well loved dessert. Why not go foraging and try the recipe!!



Bramble Trifle

Ingredients

6 sponge cakes or make your own sponge cake (see recipe below)! Madeira cake is also suitable

Bramble jelly

150 ml (1/4 pint) dry cider or dry white wine

225g (8oz) blackberries

350g (12oz) cooking apples

1 Tablespoon sugar

1 pint thick custard (I make the custard with Birds Custard Powder)

200 - 300 ml double cream

Blackberries and toasted almonds to decorate

Method

1. Peel, core and slice the apples. Place in a saucepan with the blackberries, the tablespoon of sugar and 2 tablespoons of water. Cook gently until the fruit has softened. Allow to cool.
2. Cut the sponge cakes in half and sandwich together with bramble jelly.
3. Place in the dish (individual dishes can also be used) and pour over the cider. Press down and allow the cider to soak in to the sponge.
4. Pour over the cooled blackberry and apple compote.
5. Make the custard according to the instructions on the tin. Allow to cool and then pour over the compote. Place in the fridge and allow to set.
6. Whisk the cream until it just holds its shape and pipe or spread carefully over the custard.
7. Decorate with blackberries and toasted almonds if using.

To make your own sponge cake

Pre heat the oven to 160C/ Gas 5. Grease and line a 20cm sandwich tin.

Put 50g caster sugar into a mixing bowl and add 2 medium/ large eggs. Whisk until thick and pale in colour and the trail of the whisk remains for 5 seconds.

Sieve in 50g flour and fold in gently. Spoon in to the prepared tin and level out.

Bake in the oven for approximately 20 minutes until golden brown, well risen and springs back when lightly touched. Turn out and allow to cool. Follow recipe from no 2 onwards.

Note: The fruit compote freezes well; defrost fully before using.





EDINGTON PARISH HALL



At the top of Monastery Road, is available for hire at very reasonable rates and has the benefit of a car park opposite the hall. Suitable for parties, meetings, family celebrations, funeral wakes and other events.

For more information or to book the hall, using the online booking system, go to www.edingtonwiltshire.org.uk/hall Alternatively email parishhall@edingtonwiltshire.org.uk or phone **01380 830441**.

We look forward to welcoming you to the hall.



Four Villages Link

Do you live in Bratton, Edington, Erlestoke or Coulston and would benefit from a helping hand?

We have a team of volunteers who are happy to help at no cost to you (unless you would like to make a donation). Our services include:

- Driving you to and from appointments – doctor, dentist, hospital
- Taking you shopping
- Visiting you for a chat or help around the home.

Phone 07852 256939 and our friendly coordinator will make the arrangements.

Go to this site if you would like to read more about Four Villages Link:

<http://thefourvillageslink.org.uk/>

Catherine Elliott



Let's Move!
DANCE FITNESS

Low Impact Dance Fitness
Edington Parish Hall
Tuesdays 10-10:45am



Edington Under Fives

We meet every Thursday in Edington Parish Hall between 10am and 12 noon.

The first session is free, and only £2 per family thereafter (to help with running costs). For more information contact Emily on

07910228383



Coffee Morning Drop In

Every Tuesday

10.30 -11.30 am

in the Three Daggers.

Transport available contact

Pauline or Joy.



A view from the Boundary

On Saturday 2nd September, the league side finished off the season with another classic performance; keeping it interesting until the last and finally winning the game. Travelling to Bradford on Avon for the final game of the year, on winning the toss Erlestoke asked Bradford On Avon to bat and soon were reaping the rewards. Early wickets from J Dorgan and Z Roberts ensured that there was never any real momentum to the innings and soon enough the home side were dismissed for 127, with J Dorgan taking 5 wickets. As has been the Erlestoke way this year, the response started well but soon wickets fell all too often and the run chase started to stall. But with some fine striking from J Hudson and good support from R Mee and Z Roberts, Erlestoke managed to hang on in the chase. With the late evening sun setting on the final overs, R Mee crashed a ball through backward point for 4 that secured a win and more importantly, another season in Division 2. But amongst the celebrations and relief of survival that followed in the changing room and various pubs, a sense of sadness brewed amongst the squad as we realised that an era had come to an end.

Mike Barton, who has led the league side since it started, has decided to hang up his skippering boots after 6 years in the job. All of those who have been with him from the start can only say how brilliant he has been as a leader and how much we have all enjoyed every minute of cricket it has produced. From day one he has led without prejudice or prejudice and has always made it an enjoyable and exciting side to be part of. He has welcomed anyone willing to give up their Saturday to play and has embodied the Erlestoke spirit and ethos. Because of him, we have welcomed new players and grown the club's membership. Under his tenure we have risen from Div 6 to Div 2 along with winning our covid League on the way and we are so happy

that he departs as a winning captain. So thank you Mike for all the hard work over the past 6 years - and it has been very hard at times - and we hope you enjoy a well-earned rest. You leave in the knowledge that the team and club is in a stronger place than 6 years ago and a lot of that is down to you. Thanks for everything and enjoy the end of another successful season for Erlestoke in leagues cricket.

The league side staying in Division 2 was not the only celebration in the late season.

In 2014, Erlestoke and Coulston CC lost one of its most influential and well loved members. Sean Gilbert's innings with us was far too short and we miss him every day. There isn't a game, season or tour that goes past that doesn't somehow remind us of the impact (and antics) that Sean had here at the club. During his time he held many key positions in the club and the state and improvements we have strived to make at the Walled Garden have all been built on the foundations that Sean started during his time with us.

It has become tradition now to remember Sean every year when the members get together for an interclub game where we play for the 'Sean Gilbert Cup'. On Sunday 27 August we were fortunate to have a dry afternoon and 22 members, friends and family got together for an excellent day's cricket. The Sunday XI led by Darryl Pearson walked away the victors with a 40 run victory over the Midweek XI led by Liam Ellis. It was wonderful to see so many of the club, both playing and friends turn up and watch and spend some time reminiscing about Sean, his playing days and antics. It was lovely to have his dad, Merv, there to watch and award the trophy to the winning skipper and we thank him for coming along. A huge thank you to everyone who played, watched, cooked and supported us on Sunday and well done to the Sunday XI who walked away with the trophy.

We now look forward to the last few games before the season comes to an end once again.

But don't forget the annual Firework Night..... details coming soon.

Joe Dorgan

<https://erlestokecoulston.play-cricket.com>



Edington Parish Hall

Sunday Afternoon tea @ the Parish Hall

Oh dear Edington it seems as if not many people like to while away an afternoon enjoying a cream tea and cake while catching up with friends. Perhaps the timing was wrong and people were on holiday but many of those who had previously asked for this to be an annual event were noticeable by their absence!! The committee are very grateful to our '14 regular supporters for coming to the tea but it would have been good to see more people (over 40 people came last year) as a lot of time and effort was put into organising the tea. The money raised at all of our fund raising events helps us to keep our hire charges at a reasonable rate so enabling us to support the groups, especially village organisations, who regularly use the hall as well as allowing us to add to the 'hall improvement fund'.

Once again during the last week of August, the Parish Hall welcomed the Edington Music Festival Choirs as the hall is used not only as a practice space but also the sumptuous lunches and suppers catered for by Marie and Sarah are served there. It is good that this village facility is able to support the Music Festival in this way. Thank you to the regular users of the hall for their understanding in cancelling their events during this week.

Weekday classes in the Parish Hall

Would you like to keep fit and reduce your stress levels, then why not come to one of these classes in the Parish Hall?

Let's Move Dance fitness is each Tuesday morning from 10am to 10.45am. A low impact dance fitness class that is great fun and costs £5 per session.

Why not improve your strength, balance and flexibility and also your well being, by coming to **Yoga with Marilyn each Friday morning from 10.30am to 11.30am**, cost £7 per session. All are welcome.

Details of both classes can be found on the village website www.edingtonwiltshire.org.uk

SAVE THE DATES FOR THESE FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 7th October Carpet Bowls and bacon butties 10am – 12 noon.

Come and improve your bowling skills or try a new sport. Further details will be on the posters on the village noticeboards.

Saturday 18th November – Curry & Quiz Night
Teams of 4. Plenty of time to hone your quizzing skills! More details next month.



YOGA WITH MARILYN

Would you like to improve your strength, balance and flexibility and also your well being?

Then why not join the new Yoga class in Edington Parish Hall

When: Each Friday morning

Where: Edington Parish Hall

Time: 10.30am to 11.30am



Remedy corner with Anne Tottenham Homeopath

Remedies to help with heat/sunstroke.

I am writing this as we experience amazingly high temperatures in September!

As with all homeopathic remedies, less is best. As the body is producing a strong reaction to heat problems, the remedy can be given every 10 minutes up to 3. This is especially true for babies and children.

I am happy to chat to anyone who wants more information and advice.

The remedies below are helpful in the acute phase of any excess heat. Always cool the body down as quickly as you can and seek medical advice where appropriate.

Belladonna

This remedy will help where the heat is dry alternating with chills with very little thirst. A headache can be throbbing, bursting hammering. The pains are worse for lying down flat and better in a darkened room. The face is hot and flushed with a cold body.

Carbo Veg

A common remedy for heat exhaustion. There is collapse and weakness with cold clammy skin and nausea. Fainting from heat exhaustion, diarrhoea after being in the sun.

Glonoine

The headache is throbbing and bursting. Worse in the morning, better in the evening. The face is flushed and better for application of an ice pack to the head and being in the fresh air.

As always do feel FREE to call or email me for FREE ADVICE.

Tel: **07905748359**

email: tottenhamanne@gmail.com



October Lunch in the Parish Hall

We are holding a 2
Course Lunch

(with a choice of lasagne or
cottage pie and a selection of
puddings)

on **Wednesday October 11th at
12.30pm.**

in the Parish Hall, Edington.

Price £8.00 in aid of
Julia House.



All will be most welcome to join us.

Please let Pauline (tel: 830013)
know if you are coming (by
October 6th) as this helps with
catering arrangements.

TVM will provide door to door
transport



Please book your place
with Pauline



THREE VILLAGES MINIBUS (TVM)



All these journeys accept concessionary passes and will return you to your door.

These trips are open to **all** residents of our villages; we welcome everyone, of any age.

Groups within our villages can hire TVM if they have a driver who satisfies our criteria; please contact Pauline on 830013.

The next Edington lunches will be on September 13th & October 11th.

Joy Fraser (830426)

September Lunch in the Parish Hall

We are holding a two course Harvest Themed Lunch
(with a choice of Pies & a Selection of Puddings)
on



**Wednesday September 13th at
12.30pm.**

in Edington Parish Hall.

Price £8.00 in aid of the Three Villages Minibus.



All will be most welcome to join us.

Please let Pauline know (by Friday September 8th) if are coming, as this helps with catering arrangements.



TVM will provide door to door

Shopping Trips starting at Edington

Destination	September	October	Start Time
Devizes - £3.20	Thursday 7th	Thursday 5th	9am
Warminster - £2.80	Tuesday 19th	Tuesday 17th	1.25pm
Westbury - £2.30	Every Thursday	Every Thursday	1.30pm
Salisbury - £5.00	Saturday 9th	Saturday 14th	9.30am

All these journeys accept concessionary passes and will return you to your door.

These trips are open to all resident of our villages; we welcome everyone, of any age.

Contact Pauline or Joy Fraser to book a place



Edington What's On Diary

Date	Time	Event	Venue
9th September	9.30am	TVM Salisbury Shopping	
9th September		Courtyard Surgery Open Day - POSTPONED	
11th September	7.30pm	Parish Council meeting	Parish Hall
12th September	7.30pm	WI meeting - talk	Parish Hall
13th September	12.30pm	Parish Hall Lunch	Parish Hall
16th September	7.30pm	Edington Arts Concert	Priory Church
19th September	1.25pm	TVM Warminster Shopping	
20th September	9.30am	Village volunteers	Parish Hall car park
23rd September	1pm-4pm	Courtyard Surgery Open Day	Courtyard Surgery
5th October	7pm	Gardening Club talk - Crayfish on the Lawn	Parish Hall
7th October	10.00am	Carpet Bowls	Parish Hall
10th October	7.30pm	WI meeting	Parish Hall
11th October	12.30pm	Parish Hall Lunch	Parish Hall
13th October	7.30pm	Parish Council meeting	Parish Hall
18th October	9.30am	Village volunteers	tba
Every Tuesday	10.00am	Let's Move Dance Fitness	Parish Hall
Every Friday	10.30am	Yoga	Parish Hall

TVM trips - please Contact Pauline or Joy Fraser to book a place

For these and future events please check the village website for more details.

Contacting us

Email the newsletter at
newsletter@edingtonwiltshire.org.uk
or via the village website
www.edingtonwiltshire.org.uk

Future editions

We welcome your comments on this venture, please send them to the address below. If you would like to contribute an article to a future edition of the Edington Village News please email us with details of your article and we will contact you or speak to Pauline in the Post Office.

newsletter@edingtonwiltshire.org.uk

Deadline for articles 5th of the month.

Sharing the Newsletter

We are still hearing about villagers who say that they haven't heard about this newsletter, next time you speak to any of your neighbours and friends why not ask if they are receiving a copy and if not inform them that they can register for an emailed copy through the village website or send an email, the address is below. If they are unable to receive an electronic copy a paper copy can be obtained from Edington Post Office or perhaps you could volunteer to print out a copy for your neighbour.

If you would like to receive this newsletter electronically please visit the village website

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and enter your details or email

newsletter@edingtonwiltshire.org.uk

and you will be added to the mailing list.