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WELCOME to the Valley News

Welcome to our July edition, which is full of the delights of summer. There is the usual wide selection of events to join in, whether it's Ladies' cricket or clearing the loft for the Avington Car Boot sale, practising for the fiercely contested inter-village boules or helping with preparations for the Easton Fete -or even the pantomime! The News plans a regular Save the Dates column (see page 7), so if you are involved in organising forthcoming events, please let us know as soon as you have a date so that we can include it as early as possible.

This may be unexpected in the current climate, but I would like to thank our local politicians, regardless of party, from the Parish Council and its indefatigable Chairman Patrick Appleby through City and County Councillors to our MP. We try to publish their reports when space allows. They are often trying to help us steer through the web of bureaucracy, and of course advising us on how to help ourselves and the wider community. Please read the advertisement for Parish Councillors on page 25 and see if it is something you feel you could do. We love to hear from all our readers and especially the younger ones, There are two great stories from Itchen Abbas Primary School in the News this month on page 10, one from an eight year old helping his family Grow a Pound and one from a former pupil coming back to the school to share her environmental concerns with Year 6. Can I persuade some of our readers with young children or grandchildren to contribute a joke and a photo for

our Tiddler loke thread? We all like a good groan! I have just returned from Romania, where



the astonishing hay meadows full of orchids and wild flowers of all kinds both delight and remind us of what we have lost. There will be a report on the progress of Wild Valley Verges next month – our Adopt a Verge event is too late for this edition. Meanwhile. please pause before you get the mower out - maybe you don't need to mow it yet? Or maybe not all of it? The bees and other pollinators will thank you! Next month's editor is Charlotte Appleby Verity Coleman

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What's On

Alresford Art Society Annual Exhibition

Alresford Community Centre Friday 28 June 10-5 Saturday 29 June 10-5 Sunday 30 June 10-4 Free Admission; beautiful art for your home at affordable prices. Sue Gentry

Tuesday 9 July Boules league round 2

Easton (home) v Itchen Abbas and Martyr Worthy (home) v Avington

Tuesday 30 July Boules league round 3

Avington (home) v Itchen Abbas and Martyr Worthy (home) v Easton

Wednesday 10 July Space lecture Applying Missile Defence Technology to Solve the Near Earth Asteroid Problem

There are Space Lectures every month in the comfortable Planetarium. See www.winchestersciencecentre.org for times and ticket prices. These Wednesday lectures are aimed at a level a little above most popular science lectures, The speakers are chosen from the best academic speakers in the UK, with a talent for explaining difficult concepts and the knowledge to give the very latest news from the research community.

Sunday 14 July 10am - Ipm Avington Car Boot Sale

Lake Field, Avington Park
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grounds of Avington Park, by kind
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Boot Sale can arrive from 09.00 (pitch price £10), with access for the general public from 10.00 (entry fee £3). There will be a cake and plant stall as well as refreshments. There is ample parking, and access to Lake Field is via the lane between Avington and Easton and will be signed both from the A31 and the B3047. There will be marshals on hand to manage traffic and guide you to the parking areas.

For those wishing to have a full Avington experience, the house at Avington Park and its tea rooms are just a short walk from Lake Field and are clearly signposted. Visitors will be able to tour the house as well as have tea in the fantastic tea bar set in one of the house's two orangeries. For details and prices of house tours, please visit avingtonpark.co.uk. You could bring a picnic and stay on for the Open Air Theatre performance of Sense and Sensibility (see below)

Victoria Low

Sunday 14 July 2pm and 7pm Open-Air Theatre at Avington Park

The Pantaloons present Jane Austen's Sense and Sensibility. To book tickets, please call 01962 840 440 or visit www.thepantaloons.co.uk Elinor Dashwood has a lot of good Sense. Her sister Marianne Dashwood has an excess of Sensibility. Together they make a snappy title for lane Austen's classic novel of scandals. scoundrels and severely sprained ankles. This funny, fast-paced and faithful new adaptation from the critically-acclaimed Pantaloons Theatre Company features live music, audience interaction, romance and heartbreak. All performances are in the open-air and will continue in all weather conditions (bar a full-blown tempest).

Please bring a picnic and something to sit on!

Wednesday 24 July Come to Brew-with-a-View and learn something new.....

Brew with a View has become a well-known meeting venue in the Valley, held every Wednesday at 3.00 pm at Easton Village Hall. On 24 July there will also be a special feature with instruction on the recently installed defibrillator unit.

This short course will be run by Paul Abbott of the Winchester Ambulance Service and will be open to all. The

purpose, with an emphasis on questions and answers, is to explain how to use the defibrillator, intended to give confidence should you need it in an emergency.

Remember one of the



slogans often mentioned in this context is 'it takes just five minutes to save a life'.

Please do come along to this event where you will be able to enjoy tea, Ina's delicious cakes AND have a 'defibrillating time ' with friends from the Valley. Further information from Judy Bishop judybish@hotmail.com 779205 or Lyn Russell 779818 lynrussell85@yahoo.co.uk

Open-Air Cinema at Avington Park 25 July A Star is Born

26 July Bohemian Rhapsody 27 July The Greatest Showman

Gates open at 7.30pm for picnics and the films start at 9.00 pm, To book tickets and for more information www.summerscreens.co.uk

Easton Tug o'War Thursday 25 July at 7.00 pm

Easton Cricket Sixes Tournament

Friday 26 July from 10.00 am

At the cricket ground by Easton Village Hall. Everybody is welcome to join the fun at both these hotly contested local competitions.

On Thursday evening, the Cricketers Inn will be defending their Tug O' War title won by a narrow margin last year. On Friday the serious matter of eight teams striving to win the Easton Sixes Trophy 2019 will be played out. There will be the usual additional attractions including a beer tent, a bouncy castle for the children and a full commentary on the play, concluding with the presentation of the prestigious Trophy at the end of the day.

Proceeds will go to the Easton & Martyr Worthy Cricket Club's junior academy for players aged 13 to 21, dedicated to the greatly loved former Club Captain, Steve "Badger" Green who was sadly "given out" much too soon.

We hope to see you there! www.eastonsixes.com



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Sunday, 25 August 2pm - 5pm Easton Fete

Easton Village Hall and cricket ground. Come and join us for a great family afternoon with plenty to see and do. Donkey rides: teacups rides and bouncy castle: vintage tractor rides: magic man and lots of children's games and races. Come and browse our stalls, enjoy afternoon tea with home made cakes or treat yourself to a glass of Prosecco and some strawberries. We also have a licensed bar and BBO.



Please contact the named volunteer if you can contribute or help on the day: BOOKS - Sophie Goodall (779931) (children's books) and Paul Russell (779818) (adult books) CAKES- Judith Mezger (779272) CHINA AND GLASS - Iris Lacey (779707)

TOMBOLA-please contact Lyn Russell before dropping off bottles to her (779818)

TEAS- Ina Williams (779465) PRODUCE- Jill Croft (779453)

Thank you to everyone who has already contributed or agreed to help. If you are able to help either on the day or beforehand, please let us know; this is a great event and relies on everyone's support.

Proceeds will be equally divided between the Easton Village Hall, the

Easton and Martyr Worthy Cricket Club and the Itchen Valley churches. Lyn Russell (779818) and Sophie Goodall (779931).

Save the Dates

Tuesday 10 September

Bridge and Tea 2-5 In aid of a new church room at St Mary's Easton
At Dymoke House, Easton
Sara Janssen janssensara@hotmail.com
779337

Saturday 28 September

Syrian Supper Club pop up in Itchen Abbas. Cocktails, supper and a speaker to be announced, with profits to support Syrian refugees via The Hands Up Foundation. Contact Verity Coleman mumgod@aol.com

Saturday 19 October

Quiristers concert at St Mary's Twyford in aid of Winchester GoLD

Saturday 16 November

Quiz in aid of Barnados at Itchen Abbas Hall.

Wednesday 11 to Friday 13 December at 7.30, plus two performances on Saturday 14 December, Easton Pantomime 25 April 2020

Martyr Worthy Plant Sale at Chilland **26-28 June 2020**

Easton Flower Festival and Open Gardens, **25 June 2020** Champagne preview evening

Open air theatre at Avington Park:

19 July 2020 Sherlock Holmes

16 August 2020 Twelfth Night

Please send your future event dates to itchenvalleynews@gmail.com. Events in the next couple of months will be placed in the What's On section but this listing is to make sure potential customers don't double book themselves.

Valley Happenings

Easton Village Hall and Recreation Ground AGM report

The meeting was chaired by Lyn Russell in the absence of Robert Hall. The Treasurer David Purser gave a positive report on the finances; an application for £25,000 has been made to the Hampshire County Council Recreation and Community Heritage Fund towards the Village Hall extensions, and it was agreed that fundraising events would continue to contribute to the shortfall with the hope of completing the works this year. The Cricket Club reported a good year with many enthusiastic players and completion of the conversion of the garages for storage. Henry Labram reported that the defibrillator is now in place on the side wall of the Hall, Robert Hall, Lyn Russell and Ina Williams were reelected as Trustees.

Harry Smith

Boules report: League round I Itchen Abbas v Martyr Worthy and Easton v Avington

At Itchen Abbas the home team was playing Martyr Worthy. The weather was kind - dry and mild to the end and there were a good many spectators. The first games were dominated by Itchen Abbas. Results: IA 13 - MW 5, and IA 13 - MW 9. After refreshments the play resumed and it was a different picture. MW trounced IA by 13-2, mainly down to their accurate pointing. That left everybody watching the fourth - a very close game to the finish. It was nail-biting stuff, reaching 12-11. In the end MW overcame IA by 13-11. So the final result was two games all, providing a great start to the season.

At the other location, it was even more tense throughout. Easton were at home against Avington. In both the initial games the score crept up very slowly with one team then the other gaining a marginal lead. It took over an hour before either side reached the 13 points required, with Avington ultimately successful on both pistes, by 13-12 in one game and by 13-10 in the other. After a short break the teams swapped over. Again on neither piste did one team or the other develop a commanding lead. Initially the scores rose gently, but Easton clinched one game at 13-9. Avington appeared to be ahead in the other, but Easton finished with a 4-boule flourish to take the second game 13-10. Overall score Easton 2, Avington 2.

So, after the first round, all four villages are equal on 4 points each.

Ralph Matthews

Easton WI

Members met in St Mary's Church for the June meeting and were welcomed by Judy Bishop who gave us an insight into the fascinating art of bellringing. Bells have been in use since 680 AD not only as a call to worship, but for royal occasions and celebrations. During WWII all church bells were silenced, only to be rung to warn of an invasion by enemy troops. St Mary's has six bells; two were cast in Loughborough and the oldest bell dates back to 1450. Members climbed the 32 steps into the bell tower and also tried their hands at ringing. Our next meeting will be on Thursday 4 July to visit gardens in Crawley. Sallie Peake

Annual Parish Meeting - Dark Skies

In May 2016, the South Downs National Park became the world's

newest International Dark Sky Reserve. At the Annual Parish Meeting held in May 2019, Charles Winchester, one of the SDNP rangers, explained that it is not necessary to be in one of the deserts of the world to experience the glorious Milky Way or the full beauty of Orion's Belt. In fact there are three sites very close by:

- Winchester Science Centre and Planetarium
- Old Winchester Hill
- Butser Hill

of which the first is probably the easiest and warmest!

He went on to explain how poorly angled lighting wastes energy and money, is harmful to public health and doesn't necessarily improve safety or reduce crime. Protection policies are now in place, but what is needed is commitment and support from the wider region – fulfilling and engagement: the fun bit! Charles told us that our choice of light bulbs, lumens, lux and temperature, impacts what we can each do reduce light pollution. John Frampton

Children with Cancer coffee morning

Wow! What an amazing Valley we live in! For me this was highlighted on 22 May at the coffee morning I held in Itchen Abbas Church in aid of





Children with Cancer. So many people made it possible beforehand and on the day. A huge thank you for everyone who baked cakes and made delicious and beautiful goodies. Thank you also to the wonderful Twilight Trees for the centrepiece and to the people and businesses who provided prizes. I was really struck by the number of lovely businesses in Alresford who donated so generously. We are so lucky to have such a wonderful town on our doorstop but we must not forget to use it!

Through everyone's support and generosity I am delighted to say that the coffee morning raised £1,983.40 for Children with Cancer, such an amazing and worthwhile charity.

In total, after adding in the support for my London Marathon effort, Children with Cancer will be receiving around £9,400. There is still time to donate and it would be wonderful to reach £10k for this incredible charity. The link to help do this is uk.virginmoneygiving.com/clairehunt Thank you

Claire Hunt

Grow a Pound cake sale

My school, Itchen Abbas Primary School, asked us to raise money to help buy extra equipment and learning resources. The project was called 'Grow A Pound' and they lent us each £1 to invest and try to make some profit.

This is how me and my sisters grew our pounds. We had £3 and doubled our money firstly by helping our mother and father move around furniture and tidy up. Then we used our £6 to buy the ingredients for a cake sale.

We chose a sunny Bank Holiday afternoon when lots of people would be around. We made invitations and delivered them to everyone in Little Hayes Lane and advertised on the Itchen List. We made 24 fairy cakes, one Victoria Sponge, a Lemon Drizzle, and one chocolate cake. Our friend Olivia joined us, put in her £1 and made cupcakes and cookies.



We made price lists and put out a table and chairs for our customers to relax on. I think about 30 people came to our cake sale. My sisters served the customers and took the money and I played football with the visiting children.

In the end we made a grand total of £127. Thank you very much to all the



kind neighbours who came to visit us and supported our sale. Olly Songhurst (Age 8)

Eco Bricks

Cramming travels in between studies and work has become a thrill that has allowed me to experience some of the most incredible wildlife and scenery that the world has to offer. It desperately saddens me to see the damage we are causing to this world as a direct result of our lifestyles and litter. In October last year I started 'Becky's Bagels' in Winchester; a sustainable food option aiming to inspire, educate and promote a unified attitude towards saving our planet by creating delicious, healthy, vegetarian bagels.

Last month I went back to Itchen Abbas Primary school to talk to Year 6 about the issue of our waste and its impact on our environment. I was given a great tour by two of the students; it's



crazy how much smaller it seems now! I have recently discovered 'eco bricks' as a way to cleverly trap and tightly pack unrecyclable pieces of plastic such as pasta/rice/salad bags, polystyrene, bubble wrap, film etc, thus preventing them from entering the waste system, or worse our oceans. I was amazed at how much the Year 6s already knew and their overall response to the idea. They were particularly excited by the endless opportunities to build with eco



bricks when I told them they can be used to make boats, tables and chairs, greenhouses and even schools! The children are in the process of getting started on their eco bricks but I'm hoping we can get more people involved to enable the kids to make a bigger, more exciting project and speed up the whole process so the year group can see the project through. The photos show the end result of the eco bricks but you can find more information about how to make them

on my website www.beckysbagels.co.uk or www.ecobricks.org It's inspiring to see these kids wanting to get involved and make a difference so let's help them out - the more people taking part, the less plastic entering our bins! Becky Robb

Comings and Goings:

Martyr Worthy: We say a sad farewell to Judi Harris who has moved to Micheldever, having lived at Chilland Barn for nearly 25 years, preceded by five years in Easton. A second welcome to lan & Zazie Carter and their children Bertie aged 8 and Charlie (Charlotte) aged 7, who moved into Chilland Cross 12 years ago but now cross over the road to Chilland Barn.

Easton: We welcome David and Lucy Wolfe and Amelie aged 14. They have moved from Winchester into Charlock Cottage and have four other children living away.

BE AWARE there are now two people named Lucy Wolfe in Easton!

We say goodbye to Narbade and his family. Narbade has lived in Easton for approximately 15 years, helping many people in the Valley. His family joined him a year ago. They are delighted to have bought a flat in Barton Farm.



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Our Wild Valley: ambush and no escape.

Something caught my eye as I was opening our front door in May. I could see what I thought was a bee stuck on a rose: why was it stuck? Was it carrying too much pollen I wondered? On looking closer below can you see what was holding it?

A white crab spider (*Misumena vatia*) was having its dinner, right on the doorstep! It does not spin a web but is rather an ambush specialist, and will sit and wait for an insect, sometimes quite large and uses digestive juices to dissolve its supper.



In one of Gerald Durrell's books based in Corfu, he finds a similar spider that changes colour depending on the flower. It is not proven yet if these crab spiders do the same, but they are very good at disguise, and typically white or yellow. This is the sole species of the genus found in the UK and common in southern England, in woodland, grassland and gardens. Spiders are not my favourite creature and I have been known to call on a good friend to remove a few, as I avoid

a sink or bath for a day; this white one did not increase my love of them, but at least it was outside!

Take time to smell the flowers this summer and there might be a surprise - or just a lovely scent.

Sophie Rogers

Slugging it out

Slugs and snails are often the gardener's most hated adversary. Hostas, lettuces and dahlias are just some of their favourite foods and they can often devastate plants, leaving nothing but a slimy trail. Slug pellets have often been the weapon of choice but this is changing in the future. The traditional blue pellets contained a poison called metaldehyde and whilst very effective against slugs, it is also poisonous to cats, dogs and children. It is also quite persistent and low levels can be detected in drinking water in areas where it is used. In December of last year, notice was given to suspend its use and gardeners will no longer be able to buy it.

So what are the options instead? There are alternative pellets that use iron phosphate that are much safer and equally effective that can be sprinkled on the ground or, even better, placed under an up-turned pot in the garden. Beer traps are also a valid way of dealing with them but need to be topped up regularly. Alternatively you can use slug deterrents - pellets made out of wool, egg shells and even copper tape can all have an effect in stopping them eating your plants.

Finally you can collect them by torch light by night and relocate them away from your garden - but maybe not your neighbours' garden!

Tim Clapp

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The Practical Gardener

So those of us who prayed for rain had an answer, and so far June has been wet and cold. However, for the most part, nature adapts and certainly for food crops the rain has been necessary. Now the grass will really start to grow again.

Well, true to form, I harvested my first spuds (var. Charlotte) at the beginning of June and so far the crop is excellent.



The first peas and broad beans are similar and those of you only used to the frozen variety don't know what you are missing in terms of flavour. Such easy crops to grow with so little effort. Likewise, the onion bed is progressing; that includes garlic and shallots and I've spent just 30 minutes this year on weeding. So stop saying it's too much work!!

Many of us who grow root crops know how difficult germination can be. So again this year I started things off in the greenhouse in trays with fairly deep pockets. The idea is not to disturb the roots when planting. So far so good as the photo shows. Root crops are very cheap in the shops but largely with no flavour - I make the point again. Veg that like things warmer have not progressed that well, which includes beans and courgettes. Perhaps it was lack of rain in May. I can't recommend



growing brassicas, they are so temperamental but I have sown ten different varieties and we shall see what happens. They always need attention.

Now almost everything needs netting, certainly against pigeons. I have produced cage Mark Two this month. It's a wooden frame with all sides removable and connected with brass hooks. I started with the peas and beans as they are a tall crop and you have to get between the rows to pick. When I had loose netting, it was a trial to unhook and remove each time. As



all my raised beds are the same size, I hope to move this frame in the winter to a new bed. This exercise cost me £150 and took two days, but long term I hope it is worth the effort.

As I write, it's time to stop picking asparagus which is so lovely and once planted needs so little attention. If you are interested I strongly recommend buying stock from a specialist supplier and a variety to suit our soil. In the flower garden, we have had a succession of different blooms each month but now it is warmer, everything is in flower. The English country garden is just glorious. Perennials are easy to grow and you



can sow seeds over a wide timeframe. It's interesting that people tell me "I can't grow lupins" or "delphiniums don't do well in my garden". I quite believe this, so it's sensible to concentrate of those plants that do well in your soil, whatever the reason. Experts will tell you to sow this and that with lots of time, effort and money. I just take the easy route (or should I say root). If you like Sweet Williams or Wallflowers, sow now. BUT read the packet. I've just planted a whole bunch of Cosmos, tall plants at the back of the plot. Silly me, I sowed a dwarf variety this year, so they have all

had to be moved. Read the packet! The greenhouse is still busy and I hope for tomatoes very soon. Yet in our



warmer climate tomatoes do well outside too, in a sunny sheltered spot. Fussy things though. To guarantee a good crop you need to water at a controlled rate every day. Needless to



say, we don't. I do feed tomatoes with liquid seaweed.

Well T&M relented and replaced my Busy Lizzies but these are very sensitive plants and some still die. It was clearly a mistake. Of the 48 tiny plants delivered I might get 20 but to date they are still very small. Perhaps they will be ready to plant out in September. Con of the year in my view.

Happy Gardening! Tony Gaster



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Joan Howard 1922-2019



Joan Howard died in May. She was buried in a family grave at St John's, Itchen Abbas on II June after a service in which tributes were paid by Revd Alex Pease and previous family friends for whom she had been Nanny, Nancy Brooke and Catriona Christie. I have only known Joan for the last ten of her 97 years, of which she lived 91 in Itchen Abbas. I have therefore drawn heavily on these tributes.

To me, Joan was a stalwart of CAMEO, where she presided over a table of laughing happy people who had previously struggled to come to church services. But I first met Joan in the cottage at Itchen Down where she had spent so much of her life. I was delivering the redistributed winter fuel allowance in cash, with which we paid the coal merchant to feed the back burner providing her only source of heat and hot water. Even in her 90s she resolutely refused to benefit her

landlord by having this upgraded. I saw then how determined she was to stay in this part of the Valley with its beautiful views and her garden as long as she possibly could.

Catriona told us that she grew up here, where her father was dairyman, but very soon set off to work as telephonist for the Itchen Abbas post office and using a much loved bicycle to deliver telegrams around the surrounding villages. Soon she graduated to being telephonist at the Winchester Hospital, again on her trusty bike, except in wet weather when she took the bus and left it safely where the village hall is today.

Wartime saw her join the Wrens

where from her posting in Weymouth she saw the harbour empty as the D Day landing force departed. In October 1945 her



daughter Judy was born and so began the close family dynasty, now with grandchildren and great grandchildren. Indeed Joan was brought to CAMEO by her granddaughter Alysia who also cared for her when she was finally too frail to stay in her cottage. After Judy was born, Joan was soon back at work, helping many families in the Valley and then working for charities, running the jumble sale, with collections on the famous bike, and supporting Dr Barnados with energy and skill. Her relationship with the then rector had been difficult but she continued to arrange flowers from her garden for the church and really enjoyed coming

back to regular attendance with CAMEO.

Nancy summed up Joan's life and character so well with a quote from Michelle Obama's book "We learned about dignity and decency – that helping others means more than just getting ahead yourself. Success isn't about how much money you make. It is about the difference you make in other people's lives". Joan made a difference and we will all miss her enormously. Nick Owen

The full tributes can be found at www.itchenvalleychurches.com
Joan was the subject of an Itchen Insight feature in the IVN in May 2015, when she told us her champagne moment was celebrating her 90th birthday on a cruise ship, and that her favourite film was Gone With the Wind. - Ed

Boomtown moving towards Boomcity

The annual Boomtown music festival will be upon us next month (8 – 11 August) and the customary pre-show Local Community Consultation meeting was held on 11 June. It was explained that this year will be just like last year with the same number of people attending and the same plans and restrictions in place. So if you were inconvenienced last year, you'll be having the same problems in August. But if the festival made no difference to you in 2018, this year will be equally delightful.

However, the bulk of the meeting was concerned with what will happen next year if Boomtown's current planning application is approved. In 2020 there will be an extra 10,000 tickets for the weekend, making a total of 70,000 visitors on site. A lot of folk to move

in and out and a lot to look after while they're there. A high proportion of ticket sales are made without carpark access and those without cars do arrive by coach and shuttlebus. The organisers can decide the coach and bus arrival and departure times and in that way they can ease the traffic on and off the surrounding road network. Car movements are more difficult to control although traffic lights are used to regulate the egress from the carparks on departure day. Many schools have tried to impose controls over parents blocking school gateways when dropping off and picking up their children and Boomtown is in the same situation. Some discussion was centred on how this could be policed better. There is nothing that can be done if a youngster walks out of the gate, phones his mum and asks her to pick him up from the A31 – but that parent will add doubly to the congestion with a journey to AND a journey from the site. A designated pick up point some distance from the site is on the cards but getting children and parents to use it is another matter. The Boomtown staff were adamant that the maximum permitted noise levels will NOT increase for 2020, and the sizes and locations of the entertainment areas will remain the same. The numbers attending will be the only significant alteration. If you wish support the application or to object to it, you can do so via the Licensing Manager at Winchester City Council. Lisa Griffiths, the only local councillor present at the meeting, may be able to assist you with any specific queries.

Vernon Tottle

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Sunday 7th July

8am BCP Holy Communion St Swithun's, Martyr Worthy

10am Family Worship St Mary's, Easton

Sunday 14th July

10am Parish Communion St John's, Itchen Abbas 6pm Evensong St Mary's, Avington

Sunday 21st July

8am BCP Holy Communion St John's Itchen Abbas

10am Valley Worship St Mary's Easton

Sunday 28th July

10am Parish Communion St Mary's, Easton

6pm Partronal Evensong St Swithun's, Martyr Worthy

Children



Our Sunday groups for children meet from 9.45am as follows:

2nd Sunday Itchen Abbas Village Hall

3rd Sunday Dymoke House, Easton (creche available for under 3's) 4th Sunday Martyr Worthy Village Hall

4th Sunday Martyr Worthy Village Hall 5th Sunday Dymoke House, Easton

All children are welcome from 3-11yrs, come along and join in. Children will be returned to parents before the end of the service.

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Letter from the Rectory: consequences



One of the delights of being Rector of Itchen Valley is that I am periodically invited by Itchen Abbas Primary School to lead a school assembly.

While writing this article, I have one such assembly in prospect and I have been wondering what to say. The topic given to me by the Head, Mrs. Dear, is 'Consequences'. While pondering this the other day, I was watching the episode of the BBC's Countryfile programme which addressed Chalk Streams and, in particular, the wonderful River Itchen which flows through our parish.

A river is a marvellous picture of consequences. What happens upstream, whether it be washing salads, fertilizing agricultural land or operating septic tanks beyond their replacement date, has consequences down-stream for the myriad aquatic life that calls the River Itchen its home, the tiny animals that live in the river bed, the wild brown trout and grayling, the mayfly, otters and myriad birds and other creatures that all depend upon them. These consequences can flow some time later, as the programme illustrated that toxicity can last in the soil and the river for years and years and continue to affect the life of the river for decades.

The Bible contains some wonderful images of rivers. But there is one in particular to which I would like to

draw your attention today - in Ezekiel 47. This book, written around 580BC, speaks of a vision in which a man shows the prophet Ezekiel a river, which begins as a trickle of water at the Temple in Jerusalem, the place where, according to Israelite theology, God meets Man, and continues getting deeper and deeper from ankle deep, to knee deep to the waist and ultimately to a torrent that no-one can cross. The curious thing about this river (unlike the mighty ltchen) is that there are no aquifers or tributaries feeding into it. At the mouth of the river it feeds into the salty morass of the Dead

We tend, in our world of pollution and climate change, to focus on the negative consequences of our actions. But the river in Ezekiel is another kind of river. It is a river of the consequences that flow from the actions which we take inspired by the Holy Spirit, guided by God. When we resolve not just to refrain from polluting and taking negative actions (which we must certainly do), but to listen to the still small voice of the Holy Spirit which prompts us to do, every day, the good, the kind, the actions focused on others rather than ourselves, to restrain the gossip, to choose not to respond to some slight by a neighbour, but rather to act looking out for their interests, rather than our own, then our behaviour will make a difference, neighbours' and even strangers' days will be brightened, their lives improved and the consequences down-stream will be colossal.

As the writer of Ezekiel describes it "I saw a great number of trees on each side of the river.... this water enters the Dead Sea. When it empties into the sea, the salty water becomes fresh.

Swarms of living creatures will live wherever the river flows. There will be large numbers of fish because this water flows there and makes the salt water fresh; so where the river flows everything will live...fruit trees of all kinds will grow on both banks of the river. Their leaves will not wither nor will their fruit fail. Every month they will bear fruit because the water from the sanctuary [the Temple] flows to them. Their fruit will serve for food and their leaves for healing". Our kind actions now, our selfdiscipline not to take offence now, our focus on others now can have consequences in the future which we cannot imagine, but which will help to transform a world that desperately needs healing. Revd. Alex Pease

Howzat!

Its taken three years, but Easton ladies cricket team (aka "Prosecco cricket") have at last secured a win in the W10 Series. It follows on from their first ever win, in a friendly against Twyford ladies last month. On home turf and with a team of (very) vocal supporters,

the ladies managed to hold their nerve and beat rivals Twyford. It was their last match of the day having lost to Calmore and IBM Hursley. Coach.



Mark Low, whose patience and perseverance has clearly paid dividends, was over the moon with the result, "it has to be said that we are a slightly more 'mature' team than our rivals, who have quite a few younger members playing, but our fielding was tight and if we continue to bowl well, there's no reason why we can't enjoy more success in the competition". The team's sponsor, rural property specialist BCM, was also full of praise. Henry McCowen not only donated the team shirts but also turned his hand to the BBQ for the afternoon. "They are great fun to watch, embracing the spirit of the game and the WIO Series, which





aims to introduce women who have never played before to the game". The team would like to thank all those who came to support, as well as

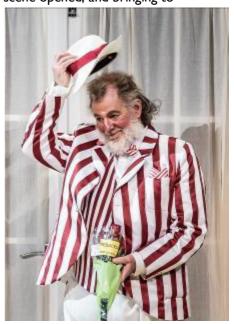
Easton & Martyr Worthy Cricket Club's superb team of groundsmen who prepared the pitches so immaculately.

The next round of the WIO Series takes place at Twyford on 23 June. Watch this space! Lucy Wolfe

Grange Festival: Falstaff review

The Grange Festival has opened its 2019 opera season with two fine productions, Mozart's Marriage of Figaro and Verdi's Falstaff. As we were privileged to see the dress rehearsal of the Figaro, I will not provide a formal review, except to say that this is clearly going to be a major hit - the design of the sets was very creative, and the whole production extremely witty. Falstaff was Verdi's last opera, written in his late 70s, and his most celebrated operatic comedy. Director Christopher Luscombe can be very proud of his first attempt at an opera - he is very well known for his work with the RSC and other major theatre companies, and his theatrical skills are clearly on show in Verdi's adaptation of Shakespeare's Merry Wives of Windsor. Robert

Hayward, a hugely experienced bass with a career stretching over 30 years with numerous major opera companies, gave a commanding performance in the title role, and was fully supported by a fine cast that kept the comedy going throughout the opera. Francesco Cilluffo conducted the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, and kept up a cracking pace throughout - sometimes challenging the ability of the ensemble singers to keep up with him in patter that would not have shamed Gilbert and Sullivan! The set was ingeniously designed in two halves, one depicting the bar of the Star & Garter pub, the other the 'stockbroker belt' villa of Mr and Mrs Ford complete with private riverside mooring. The setting was contemporary, and most of us felt that this worked extremely well. The final scene set at midnight in Windsor Great Park was carried off to perfection, with a local lady walking her corgi as the scene opened, and bringing to





completion the come-uppance of Falstaff.

By the time you read this review, it will be too late to book a performance, but these two operas demonstrate how quickly the Grange Festival has matured into a first-class opera company with the highest standards of performance and production.

Peter McManus. Photos credit Clive Barda

From the Parish Council

It is sad to report that we were unable to hold a Full Council Meeting in June. Of the six members, one was on holiday and three had work commitments, leaving only two able to attend the meeting. Three councillors, not including the clerk, have to be present to legally hold a meeting. The knock on effect is that there is now a backlog of items that have to be dealt with. No doubt in time we will catch up.

The real cause of the problem is an insufficient number of Parish

Councillors. There should be ten, six is too small a number to see that we can have the three required for a meeting when some are unable to attend as will inevitably happen from time to time. Therefore you will see on all five of the notice boards in the Valley, on our website and in this edition of the Valley News, an advertisement for people to apply for co-option onto the Parish Council. Having checked, although applicants do have to meet one of the criteria for eligibility, as listed on the advert, it does not matter from which part of the Parish you may come. Having made that point, as has already been made clear in the past, the Parish south of the Itchen is not well represented. If you wish to apply there is a form on our website or come and have a chat with me or any of the present members. If you do apply before 3 July we can consider and probably make a decision to co-opt you at our Full Council Meeting on 4 July.

A second sad item to report is that our

ITCHEN VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES FOR CO-OPTION

Notice is hereby given that four vacancies have occurred for the office of Councillor following the uncontested election on the 9th May 2019.

The Council would like to fill these vacancies by co-option, which is a process whereby the Council considers applications from interested persons and then votes to select individuals to fill the seats.









Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for co-option you must be a British, Commonwealth or European Citizen and on the day of nomination be 18 years of age or over. In addition, you must meet at least one of the following criteria: -

- . Be on the electoral register for the Parish OR
- . For the previous 12 months, have owned or tenanted land or premises in the parish OR
- . For the previous 12 months, had a principal or only place of work in the parish OR
- . For the previous 12 months, resided in the parish or within 3 miles of it

Interested in being a Parish Councillor?

If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor, please complete and return the co-option application form which is available on our website.

Completed forms must be submitted to the Clerk by 3rd July 2019 by email to clerk@itchenvalleyparishcouncil.org.uk or by post to Clerk, Itchen Valley Parish Council, c/o 30 Judges Gully Close, Bishopstoke, SO50 6JJ

The Co-option applications will be considered by the Council at its meeting on Thursday

4th July 2019 at Itchen Abbas and Avington Village Hall at 7pm.

newly planted walnut tree near the bus stop in Itchen Abbas has had the top broken off. That means it will either have to be replaced or remain but no longer grow straight. Either way, once ready, a substantial guard will be placed round it. Some may find that the result is a rather suburban look, but unfortunately necessary to protect the tree or its successor.

There seems to be a spate of planning applications at present on which the Parish Council, as is usual, has been asked to comment. We try to visit neighbours in each case but with only a small number of councillors it is not always possible. Two things that help us are: as soon as you receive it please put the orange notice up where it can be seen and please see that your architect produces a clear and dimensioned set of drawings. It is very difficult to comment on what is little more than a sketch which has no dimensions shown at all. Please remember that the Parish Council is not the planning authority but we do try to comment one way or another and always act in what we believe to be the best long term interests of the Civil Parish.

On a more positive note it is good to see that a new board has been put up at the foot bridge at the bottom of Chilland Lane. It is there to provide everyone with information about chalk streams and could not be in a better place. There is also another near the Bush at Ovington. We have to thank Simon Ffennell for letting us know about this.

It has also come to the Parish Council's attention that there is a proposed scheme to put an over ground pipeline to pump water from Swarraton to Itchen Abbas. At the time of writing there does not appear to be a great

deal of information available on this proposed project. However to remedy the situation we have arranged for Southern Water to give us a presentation at our June Planning Committee meeting. Hopefully we will then be able to give more detailed information in the August Valley News. Patrick Appleby

National Garden Scheme (Hampshire)



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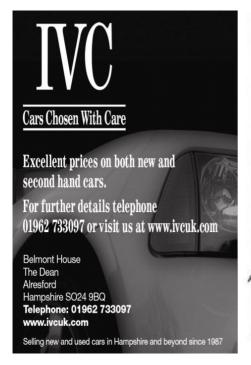
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Cattle - advice for walkers

Excuse the pun, but I am a complete COWard when it comes to walking through fields where cattle are grazing. It's not uncommon for me to abandon a circular walk and retrace my tracks if I come to a gate and there are cows hanging out the other side. My husband thinks this is udderly ridiculous behaviour, but I know that I am not alone. So, I thought it might be useful to get some advice from Easton farmer Michael Gray on how to face my fear and learn to enjoy the sight of cows grazing in the valley rather than being scared stiff of them.

Firstly, it is no bad thing to be wary of cows, but it's more about respecting them than being fearful. They are not naturally aggressive creatures, but they are inquisitive. If you can, avoid walking through the middle of a herd



(especially if they have calves) and try and walk around them. If you do find yourself being followed by cows DO NOT RUN, they will think it is a game and start running after you and when you're a hefty cow with momentum, emergency stops aren't the most effective. So, the best advice is to continue walking calmly and quietly. Joggers/runners take note and adapt your speed accordingly.

Fact: Cows have hang-ups. The biggest one to be concerned about is dogs. While humans see dogs as faithful friends and great walking buddies, cows do not share our enthusiasm. In fact they see the dog as a kind of mutated wolf and therefore are very suspicious of them. This makes them unpredictable especially if they feel threatened in anyway. You should always have your dog on a lead around cows, however if you feel threatened by cattle, you should let the dog go and allow it to run to safety. Don't put yourself at risk and find another way around the herd. Don't panic and certainly do not run!

Years ago footpaths were thoroughfares for people to get on with their daily business but nowadays they're used for recreation. It's something that Michael appreciates and does his best to facilitate without compromising his farming business. You might not know (I certainly didn't), but at the weekend when footpaths are at their busiest Michael and his team will try and move the cows into fields away from footpaths. It's not something he's required to do, but I'm sure it's appreciated by many, me included.

If you'd like more extensive advice about walking through livestock, the NFU has some very practical advice. At www.nfuonline. After talking to Michael



I do feel better equipped to cross cow fields, but I can't help thinking that my name may put me at risk! Lucy Wolfe

What does a City Councillor do for you?

Sometimes your efforts to get a response can seem to take longer than necessary or you just don't know where to start. Bin emptying, planning progress or complaint about an Officer recommendation, neighbours being annoying, no idea if you need planning permission, special event planning, licensing if you look after pets - a very varied brief! If it's not a City Council responsibility, I can ensure you are referred to someone who will be able to steer you in the right direction. Councillor Lisa Griffiths lgriffiths@winchester.gov.uk

Water quality advice

Many of you will have seen the Countryfile program on 9 June which looked at the damage to water quality, especially from commercial operations. However, as residents we need to make our contribution to improving what goes into our water courses, this

is not just those that use septic tanks - the majority of pollutants find their way through water treatment plants and thus into the water table and rivers. Here are a few no/low-cost ways you can help: Use non

phosphate cleaning products. pressurise local supermarkets to carry
no phosphate products; look after your
septic tank - treat it as carefully as you
do your own digestive system; use less
cleaning products, - often a damp cloth
will do the job. Just reducing our use of
tap water saves how much we have to
take out, and the energy used in
purification.

Councillor Margot Power mpower@winchester.gov.uk



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Bookworm: A Child of One's Time

Hidden among the honours bestowed by the Queen in her recent Birthday List was the British author Lee Child. Until a few months ago I had never heard of him (and maybe neither had Her Majesty) but the popularity of his work is now being rightly acknowledged with a CBE.

Why do we like to read stories? Is it because we can identify with one of the characters in the novel? Or maybe we would like to identify with them if only nature or nurture had given us a

JACK REACHER

different outlook on the world. I guess most men would like to identify themselves with Jack Reacher, the character first published by Lee Child way back in 1997 and the subject of a novel every year since then. I cannot remotely consider myself anywhere near this six foot six, 17 stone muscle man with hands the size of

dinner plates – but it's fun exercising my imagination. Jack Reacher, usually just known as Reacher, always wins his fights, always punishes the wrongdoer and, usually, gets the girl.

In the present day Reacher is, by choice, an ex-military policeman of no fixed abode. This allows Child to set his stories wherever he wants to, though they almost all get set in the USA. Flashback episodes are sometimes set overseas where Reacher grew up as a child of a serving US Marine.

The writing is in the vein of Jeffery Archer, each page rapidly turning as you want to find out what happens

next. But whereas Archer basically tells the same story over and over again, Child creates a new premise for each novel and very rarely can you work out "who dunnit" until the story reaches its climax. Yes, there is some violence, indeed you come to expect Reacher to hit someone every few chapters but it is all done in the name of justice and his philosophy of "get your retaliation in first".

The complete book series is available to read from the Hampshire County Council Library Service's online BorrowBox app. Although the books always state that they can be read in

any order, reading them in publication sequence worked very well for me. The novels themselves are usually in an obvious direct timeline although occasionally Lee Child goes back in time to explain a part of Reacher's life that has emerged indirectly in a previous book. Currently there are 23 novels in the series, plus a bundle of short stories, but I recommend starting with the first novel, Killing Floor. It

took me a while to get the hang of who was who and what was what as it wasn't obvious from the start that Jack Reacher was ever going to be the hero of the story.

I took a few months to get through the full sequence, starting last Christmas. It might take you a little longer than that because BorrowBox is starting to get more popular and these days most Lee Child books need to be reserved in advance with a waiting time of a week or two.

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Jackie's County Corner

The County Council did not have any elections this year, but Cllr Roy Perry stood down to return to be replaced by Cllr Keith Mans as the new Leader.



His background is varied, and it was pleasing to hear him embrace the Climate Change concerns that were put forward by my party.

You can see him on hants.gov.uk where there is a link to recordings of all County Council meetings.

The three main decisions made at May's Council meeting were:

- To support the WASPI challenge to Government: women born in the 50's have had a poorly managed pension deal as the pensionable age was extended to 62, then 66, without enough warning. : the WASPI movement is demanding compensation.
- To support, in principle, the declaration of a Climate Change emergency, with more details to be discussed at the next Cabinet
- To support the provision of an opportunity for children and young people to speak at the County Council (currently only adults can do so). Roads: I have been campaigning for some time for roads to be adopted because of the cost to residents, sometimes equivalent to a second Council Tax bill. In future, for all developments of more than just a few homes, applicants will be advised to cover a bond against failure to develop

an adoptable scheme. This is something I welcome and hope that you will see the benefit for your communities too.

The proposal for HCC to take on road parking continues, with a view to a countywide warden scheme. Permits may cost more, so I am sure we all want to see value for money with better enforcement, potential for recharging car and bike batteries, and generally higher standards of maintenance. I'd welcome your views about siting of electrical charging points and what an efficient and effective parking scheme looks like for you.

HCC has made a decision to start charging for licences to dump rubbish at a Hampshire Waste Recycling Centre. This makes it even more difficult for residents to dispose of small fly-tipped waste mounds found on their land. I have asked the officers to see what could be done to help you, and I hope to report back on the outcome of this next month. Roadsides are being mown for first

Roadsides are being mown for first metre to enable drivers to see better. If there's anything missed, please let me know.

Finally, I have been appointed Cabinet Member for the Built Environment and Wellbeing at WCC, which includes the new Local Plan to 2036 and other planning matters. I respect the fact that you have elected City Councillors who also write reports for this magazine, so I'll continue to write this as a County Corner, but if you'd like to comment on issues relating to my Cabinet brief, I am happy to hear from you.

Cllr Jackie Porter

07973 696085 jackie.porter@hants.gov.uk

From our MP

I could say it's been a return to first principles – around NHS and the environment - for me of late but, the truth is, they never went away. I said from day one the local NHS was my priority and have not wavered; most recently opening (as pictured) the brand new Emergency Department at Winchester's Royal Hampshire County Hospital after helping to secure significant new capital funding for the Trust.

Major work has been carried out at the Romsey Road site over the past few months, and the result is a fantastic new Emergency Department which is now fully operational. Hampshire Hospitals Foundation Trust was on the receiving end of a critical CQC report last Summer and needed to make a number of changes; in particular around the way it handles children. The improvements include new Rapid Assessment and Treatment bays, and a dedicated children's area.

This investment shows great belief in our hospital and the people who work there. I have seen for myself the fantastic impact it has already had on staff morale. It has really energised them. This is the record NHS investment we talk about in Westminster translated into tangible reality on the ground here in Winchester for my constituents. And I spoke in the Commons last month to raise the serious issues of NHS pensions which constituents and the Trust have raised with me. The NHS thrives on its people and I am making robust representations to Ministers and leadership candidates! You can see more on all of this at www.stevebrine.com/prioritynhs



Secondly, and sticking with the Green Winchester theme I am passionate about. I welcomed to Parliament a group of students and staff from Kings' School recently as they were awarded Plastic Free Schools status. They were in Parliament to attend the World Environment Day reception and I was asked by the excellent Surfers Against Sewage to present the award and congratulate the students on achieving it. Catch the photos and more than a decade of my work in this area - it's not enough to declare we face an emergency - at

www.greenwinchester.com from where you can also follow its various social media channels.

Finally, I promised constituents I would produce an Annual Report each Summer and the 2018/19 edition is out now. I would love to know if it has NOT come through your door yet but, either way, it can be found here; www.stevebrine.com/18-

19AnnualReport

You can see my reaction to the latest Brexit developments (and who I am backing in the Conservative Party leadership race) via my website at www.stevebrine.com but please 'like' my Page at www.fb.com/SteveBrineMP for instant updates.

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UIVS walk at Ovington Mill

Is there anything that Roger
Harrison doesn't know about his part of the river, and about the local environment and the Itchen more



generally? A morning walk was an enormous privilege and not nearly long enough! About twenty of us strolled along the mown path through the wildflowers along the river, admiring the many insects we passed and the swans and ducks raising families on the water. Along the way Roger told us about the decline of eels and the increased number of swans, about the different river weeds and the algae now creeping over the



riverbed, and about the concerning decline in the shrimp that form the basis of the food chain – Roger was of course involved as our latest local TV star in the Counryfile programme examining the impact of commercial activity on the ecosystem of the Itchen.

But there was more – as we returned we turned into the watermeadows between the river and the Mill, and heard the most astonishing history





lesson about the way that the land was farmed in the 19th century and before. A complicated system controlled by expert 'drowners' used the slightly

warmer river water to flood the meadows to prevent frost, thus encouraging an early flush of grass. Sheep could be grazed in the early spring before they were moved to higher ground in May leaving the fertilised meadows to be managed for hay. The channels and ditches can still be seen and are sometimes still used; meanwhile the meadows are full of flag iris, orchids and ragged robin.

Roger told us many stories: about the machinery at the Mill for providing electricity and pumping Ovington's water that operated until about sixty years ago; about his wildlife encounters with otters and roe deer on the river; about 18th century fishing flies – they were all fascinating, and I am sure there

are many more!
Many thanks to
Roger and to
Jacqui Squire for
her photographs.
Verity Coleman



Local monthly information

Waste collections in July

Black bins and green bags on Fridays 5 and 19 July. Green bins on Friday 12 and 26 July.

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On Tuesday 16 July.

Farmers Market in Winchester Sunday 14 and 28 July.

Parish Council Full Meeting Thursday 4 July IA&A village hall

67 Bus operated by Stagecoach.

School term timetable operates 1 - 23 July.

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School holiday timetable operates 24 - 31 July

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Saturday service (same for the whole month.

Towards Winchester: 08:23 | 11:23 | 14:23 | 17:23 | Towards Alresford: 09:19 | 12:19 | 15:19 | 18:09

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