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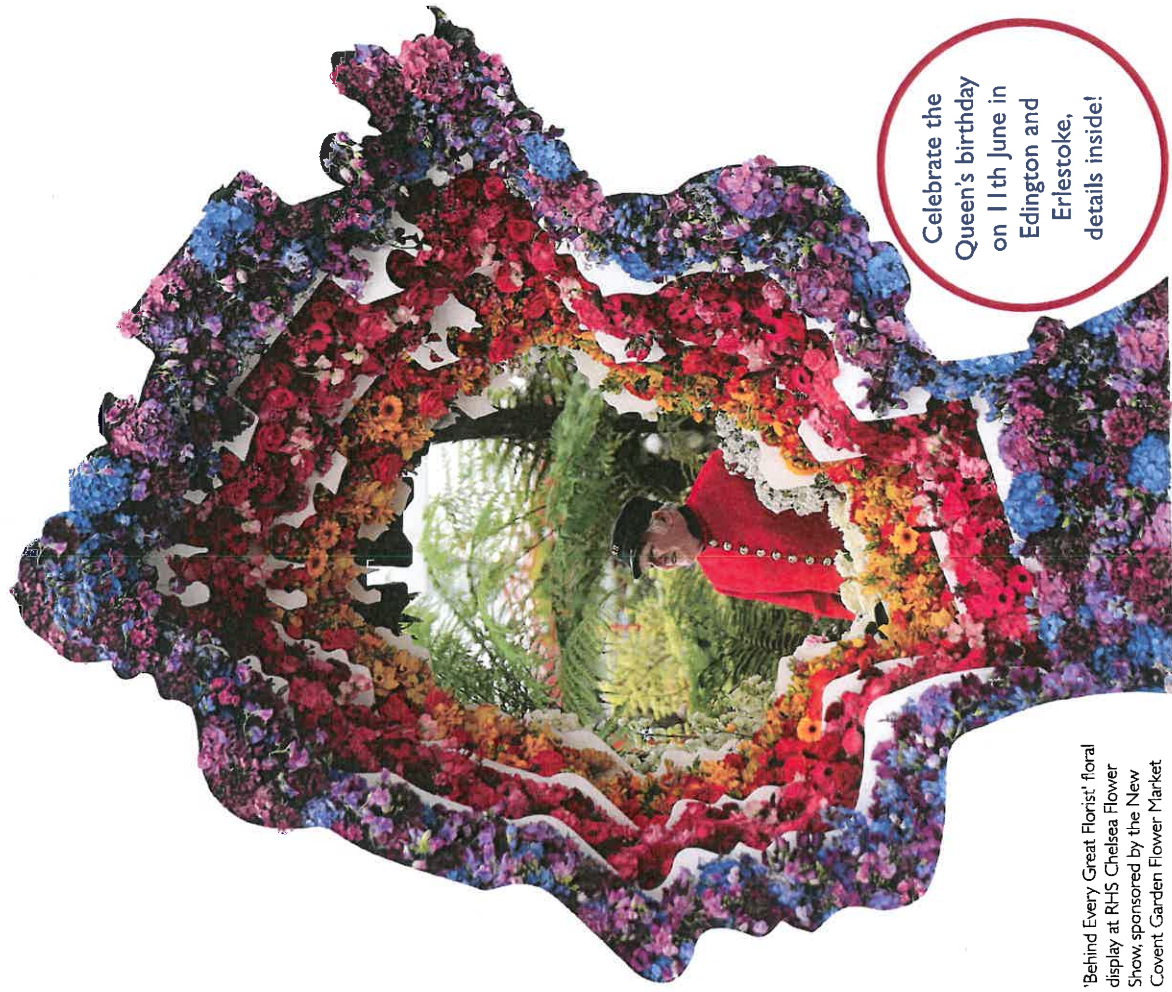
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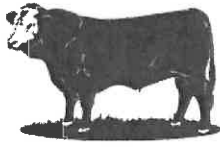
Here's the TVM mini bus being put to good use, transporting revellers to the Kings Concert at All Cannings. Me and Susie Quatro rocking it! Pity it was the same night as the May Ball, please deconflict next year, we want to go to both! Fabulous celebrations organised this month for the Queen's birthday party so make the most of them in the sunshine – *Fiona*



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| 1 st Sunday 5 th June <i>Trinity Two</i> | 08.00 HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) 11.00 FAMILY SERVICE & BAPTISM | 09.30 PARISH COMMUNION (CW) | | 11.00 PARISH COMMUNION (CW) |
| 2 nd Sunday 12 th June <i>Trinity Three</i> | 08.00 HOLY COMMUNION (CW) 11.00 SPECIAL SERVICE CELEBRATING HER MAJESTY, QUEEN ELIZABETH II, 90 th BIRTHDAY (everyone welcome) 18.00 SING PRAISE | NO SERVICE – ALL WELCOME IN BRATTON AT 11AM 18.30 EVENSONG | 9.30 FAMILY WORSHIP | |
| 3 rd Sunday 19 th June <i>Trinity Four</i> | 08.00 HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) 11.00 FOOTPRINTS SERVICE AT ST JAMES' | 09.30 PARISH COMMUNION (CW) | 18.30 EVENSONG | 11.00 PARISH COMMUNION (CW) |
| 4 th Sunday 26 th June <i>Trinity Five</i> | 11.00 PARISH COMMUNION (CW) | 08.00 HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) 11.00 FAMILY WORSHIP – MORNING PRAISE 18.30 EVENSONG | 9.30 PARISH COMMUNION | |

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Saturday 11 June Erlestoke Village Queen's Birthday Tea in the Park

Saturday 11th June: Edington Village Fair 2-5pm

Saturday 11th June: Barnabas Apostle Communion Service tbc

Friday 24th June: Birth of John the Baptist – Service tbc

Public Morning & Evening Prayer : Thursdays at 7am and Saturdays at 8am in the Oratory room at the Church Institute at Bratton; Thursdays at Edington (9am)

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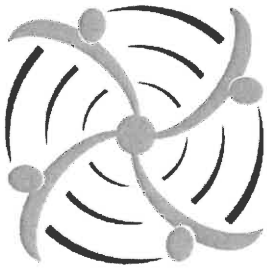
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| 7 August | Mrs. M. McGlynn |
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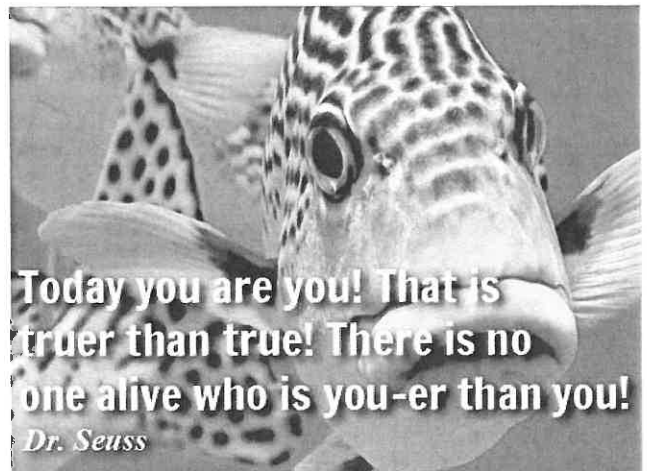
Drawing on my
fine command of the
English language,
I said nothing.

Robert Benchley



Today you are you! That is
truer than true! There is no
one alive who is you-er than you!

Dr. Seuss



ERLESTOKE BOOK SWAP & DROP IN COFFEE MORNING

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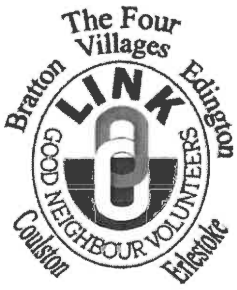
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It is that simple. Our services range from organising transport to and from medical appointments to carrying out small simple jobs around the house that do not require the services of a specialist tradesman. Although we are often viewed as a health related transport service we do carry out non health related tasks, including befriending, shopping, resolving basic computer issues and even dog walking!

So, if you would like help just call us on **07852 256 939 between 9am – 6pm Monday to Friday** and one of our duty coordinators will log your request and find a volunteer to help you. All calls are charged at mobile rates. As responding to requests can be demanding it really helps to receive plenty of notice when being asked to organise assistance, ideally not less than 48 hours in advance.

TFVL is one of many support schemes in Wiltshire staffed by volunteers and anyone, of any age or ability can make use of it. Whilst LINK supports and complements local health and social services it is able to operate at a far more personal level and, for your peace of mind, all our volunteers are CRB checked and carry identity badges. However, the continued success of the scheme is reliant upon the support of our team of volunteers. With an increasingly older population, the substantial decline in funding services locally and every likelihood of public transport being curtailed even further, then it is inevitable that schemes like the LINK will be called upon to offer assistance more frequently. We cannot do this without the help of our dedicated volunteers and we are always looking for new people to join our team. Being a volunteer can give you a new interest as well as making good use of your skills and experience so, if you feel you can help or would just like to find out more about volunteering in any capacity, then please call for an initial chat on **07852 256 939**.

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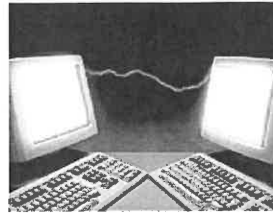
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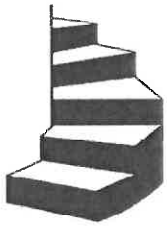
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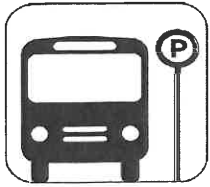
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The G&J trip to **Tisbury** will be on **Friday 10 June** leaving Edington at **1pm** and returning around 5.15pm. Please book your seat for any of these trips (or to hire the TVM for your group or for yourself and family/friends) by contacting Pauline at Edington post Office (telephone 830 013). Pick up points for all journeys can be organised to suit you.

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Under 15s: after 3 wins in a row, they finally lost to Melksham (who are likely to complete a league and Cup double). *Awards for players:* Player's Player – James Stobbart; Parent's Player – Jack Churches; Manager's Player – Ed Cooke. *U13s:* finished 2nd position in the League, recently beating Melksham: 5-2, although losing final game of the season away to Warminster. *U12:* mid table 5th with 23 points, the same points tally as 3rd team Corsham who they recently beat 1-5 *We are not permitted to publish results the younger age groups.* **U6/7/8 and U9 teams** will be participating at the St Barnabas' School fete on 18 June. **Whilst at U9 level**, tournament season has already started, with some great performances so far at Highworth Town, Frome Town, and Salisbury FC. Training will continue for this group until July, every Friday at 6 pm at Northbrook.

Summer looks exciting with the European Championships...but it is not all about Football, there are various local Cricket teams in the area who also need your support !

TEAM CONTACT DETAILS

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Local Bell Ringers from the Bratton, Erlestoke and Edington area will be ringing to celebrate the official 90th Birthday of the Queen at Edington Priory Church, 10 until 12 noon, Saturday 11th June, 2016. To mark the occasion, ringers from the Devizes Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild of Ringers have offered willingly to join the locals and help out with the ringing.

In addition to local ringing activities, Edington Bell Tower also doubles as a Ringing Training Centre for the Devizes branch. Volunteers and helpers travel from far and wide within the branch to teach the Art of Bell Ringing. The Ringing Centre always welcomes enquiries from those interested in learning to ring, a lifelong and thoroughly enjoyable hobby. Contact: Laura Amor, laurajaneamor@gmail.com

Ringling for the Queen's birthday will provide a fantastic reason for local and branch ringers to meet up and, if anyone is in the location of Edington Church Tower on the 11th June, please listen out for our tribute to the Queen!

"On some great and glorious day, the plain folks of the land will reach their heart's desire at last, and the White House will be adorned by a downright moron"

HL Mencken, quoted in 'The Guardian'

Westbury & District U3A

The May meeting of Westbury and District U3A always includes the Annual General Meeting. This year was no exception with the AGM being held at the start of the meeting. The retiring chairman, Carolyn Los, was unable to attend and so her previously prepared report was read out by her deputy. The report looked back over a successful year with a wide variety of speakers, active interest groups, a lunch in August and a tea party during December. Carolyn was one of the group of people who worked hard to instigate the U3A group in Westbury five years ago, and with this in mind it was agreed to express thanks to her with some flowers. The treasurer reported that the group's finances were healthy and the committee for the coming year were elected.

Anne Thompson then introduced the speaker, Rosemary Macdonald the Chief Executive of Wiltshire Community Foundation. Rosemary described the structure and workings of the charity and went on to explain how grants are approved and the very wide range of people that are helped by the foundation. Grants can be given to enable people to attend university, 15 from Matravers School alone, or to help with apprenticeship expenses. Many people have been helped with heating costs and by ensuring that they get insulation grants if applicable. Lastly Rosemary talked about the work involved in preparing houses for a group of Syrian refugee families. She was able to source all materials needed from within Wiltshire, including other charities, and the families have now settled into their new lives. A group of members are looking forward to a visit to ss Great Britain on Monday. **The next monthly meeting is on June 14** when there is a speaker from Monkey World. Newcomers are always welcome, we meet at the United Reformed Church Hall, starting at 2pm.

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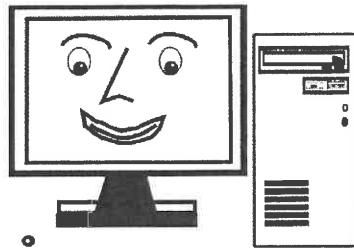
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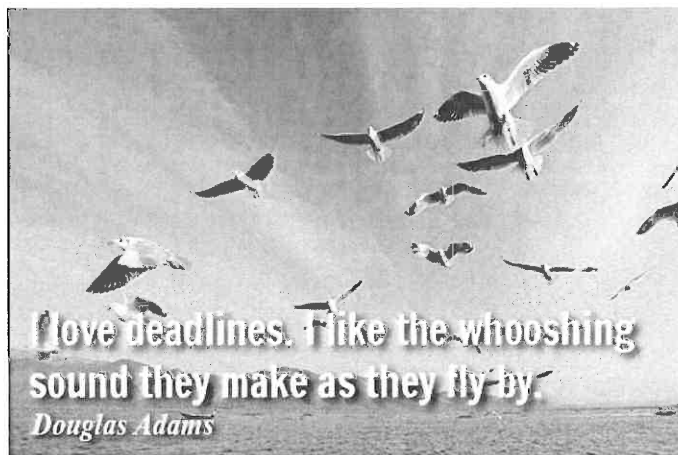
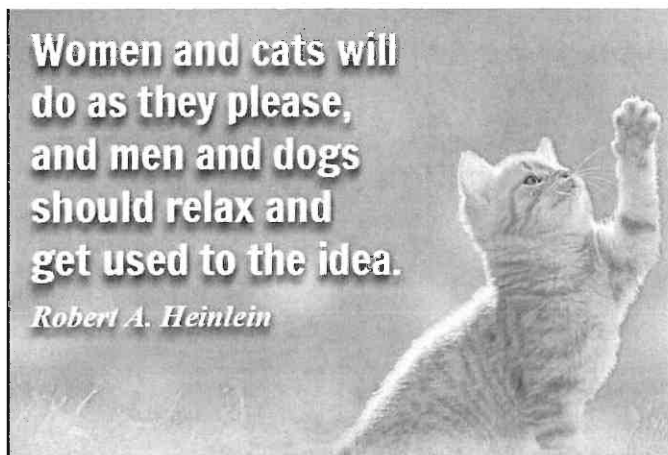


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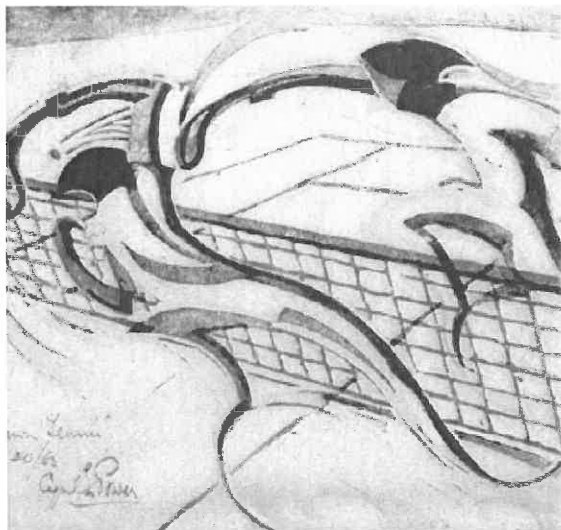
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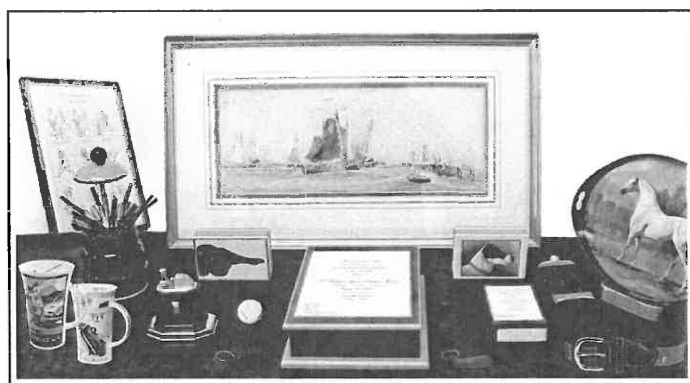
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Keep it in perspective, they tell me. Don't sweat the small stuff!

Actually, I think the small stuff is often important. There are many issues that bother people but some are more tractable than others (I can't recall ever using the word "tractable" in my Message before, but the Cambridge English Dictionary says it means "easily dealt with").

So if you are worried or annoyed about something, let's hope it's tractable. On the whole, clearing footpaths, mending potholes, collecting litter – all should be manageable if common sense and goodwill can prevail. It must be said, however, that regulations and bureaucracy sometimes get in the way of common sense and one of the hardest parts of my job is finding a way around such barriers.

Issues arising from human character can be more intractable. Dog poo in a public place is probably a reflection on the ignorance or arrogance of the owner rather than the dog, and that may require sociologists to find a solution. If you have unpleasant neighbours, you may need the involvement of the courts to arbitrate.

At a higher level, defining problems and finding solutions are inevitably more complex. Climate change, education policy, immigration, the NHS, the EU – we all know there are problems but it is naive to think the solutions are simple. (I can't ever recall using the word "naive" but it means "showing a lack of experience wisdom or judgement")

What we see from the media on each of these topics often appears to be a war between zealots rather than an informed debate. Like you, probably, I have opinions about the issues but I don't pretend I am certain about the solutions. There are always questions to be asked. Are my ambitions for the outcome realistic or merely idealistic? Is short term pain worth long term gain? Can I rely upon the probity and efficiency of the institutions involved? More often than not, the answers are less than perfect.

If "certainty" implies "ignorance", I suspect the more zealous the commentator the more wrong they might be.

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We have all your favourite stalls: cakes, plants, white elephant, craft fair and the famous WI teas so make sure you book the 11th in your diary's.

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This year the party will follow on from the fair so we need lots of volunteers to help us put everything away at 5pm so we can all enjoy Steeple Rocks at 5.30pm.

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So far we have been looking at specific events in the story of Jesus – his birth, his death on the cross and his resurrection, his Ascension into Heaven and his sending the Holy Spirit; but with June we spend time concentrating on aspects of his day to day life: the things that he did and the stories he told, mainly through the account set out in the book written by a man called Luke. Luke is someone whom we might nowadays describe as an ‘investigative journalist’ and possibly wrote his book some 30 to 50 years after Jesus’ resurrection and Ascension – the earlier time is thought by some to be more likely. He probably did not know Jesus personally and his Gospel (for that is what his book is called) is based on his research. He tells a wonderful story and emphasises the love of God in Jesus. On the Sundays in June we will be looking at 2 miracles that Jesus carried out, a parable, and teaching on the personal cost that people would experience in following him. In the first miracle Jesus raises a man who has just died back to life. The only son of a widow he would have been her sole source of support – there was no welfare state in those days – and she faced destitution. It was a chance meeting with Jesus and demonstrated 2 things – the absolute unconditional compassion that he has for all people, and his divinity. Only God could restore the dead back to life. The second miracle relates to Jesus healing a man possessed by many demons, so many that he said his name was ‘Legion’. Today we would see him as someone with a significant mental illness but demon possession has a fascination for us, many horror films depict it and exorcism is still a part of the pastoral ministry of the church. Here a man, naked, violent – chains could not restrain him - out of his mind, is restored, calm and properly clothed. It is another example of Jesus’ compassion – a mind dead and deranged is made completely whole. Jesus says the man should return home and tell how much God has done for him. Almost explicitly Jesus is acknowledging that God and he are one. The parable is part of a story of a ‘sinful’ woman and a ‘self righteous’ man, gratitude for many sins forgiven and loving actions in response, and Jesus’ status as one who forgives sins – for only God can do that. But what of personal cost? Luke tells of 3 potential disciples who said that they wanted to follow Jesus. But were they ready to make the sort of commitment that that involved? It brings into focus the phrase “to take up one’s cross and follow Jesus” which we will explore on the 26th. Just a final note. On the 12th at 1100 at St James we will be having a special service, music led by Bratton Silver Band, celebrating the Queen’s 90th Birthday. You are all very welcome to join us.

In the love and peace of Christ.

Malcolm Wieck (Honorary Associate Priest)



EDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

Best kept village competition. We have entered again this year. First round Judging takes place during first 2 weeks of June. Can everybody make sure litter is picked up and verges kept tidy and pick up after your dogs, thank you.

Play field. We are hoping to buy some new equipment for the playing field. We have had requests for a toddler slide and an adventure course. We would like to hear from villagers but especially the users i.e. the children on what they would like. Parish Councillors will be in the book marquee, at the fair with catalogues or contact Pauline at the post office.

Dogs are continuing to be a problem in the playfield. Regulations for prohibiting dogs are because of health and safety and are a national requirement. **NO DOGS** are permitted at any time, not to walk through the park or to play with the children or to visit the fair. **NO DOG MEANS NO DOGS.** Thank you for your cooperation.

The PC Car Park opposite the Parish Hall is primarily for users of the Parish Hall and short term leisure parking. We request villagers respect this and not use it as their own private parking space.

Local Development Plan The response from the annual parish meeting was broadly in favour of going forward. Our next step is to seek your views on what you would like to see developed in the village and to ascertain the village demographics. To obtain this a questionnaire will be dropping through your letter box in June. The Development Plan is a village led plan not the parish council so your views will count. If anybody would like to become more involved we would love to hear from you.

“People seldom notice old clothes if you wear a big smile.”

Lee Mildon

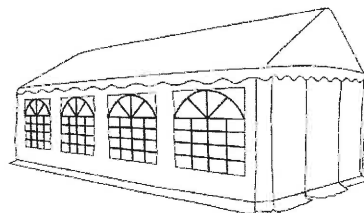
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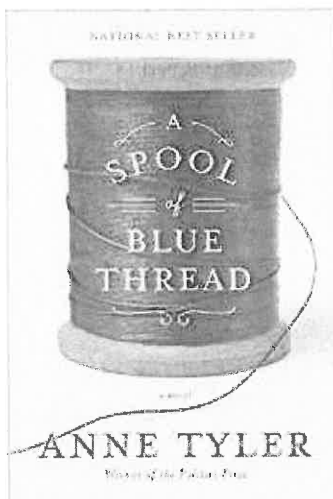
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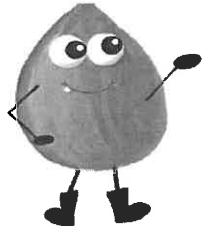
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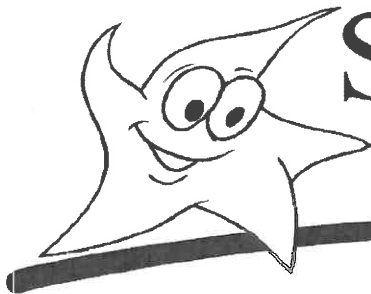
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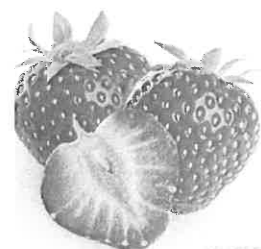
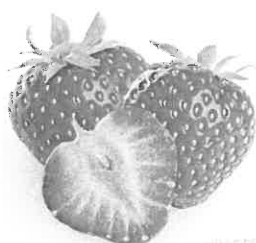
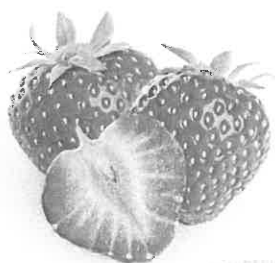
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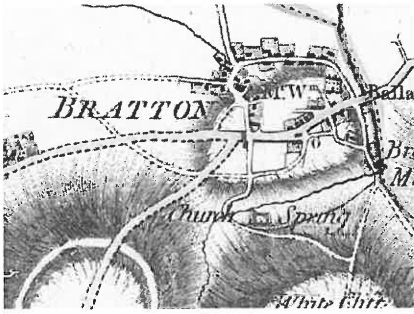
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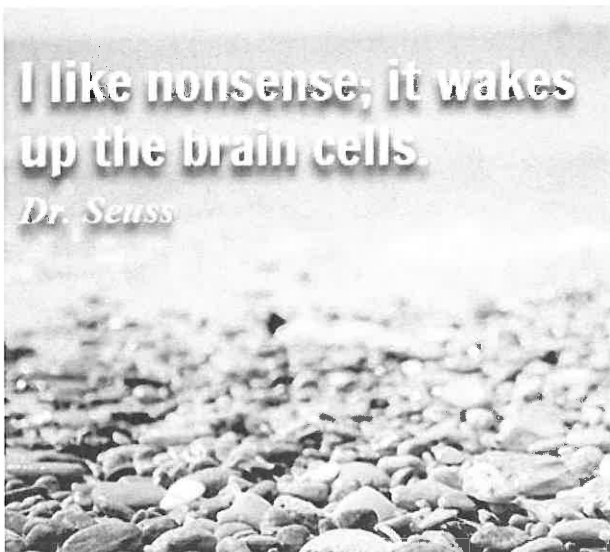
Where: Edington Parish Hall.

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Under 5's has had a cheerful month, with our smaller members growing up fast and bringing lots of smiles, gurgles and cuddles with them. On the birthdays side, Esme has turned one and big boy Daniel has turned four. Mum Sian brought lots of birthday treats as Daniel's happened to fall on a Thursday, much to everyone's delight. It was a much more organised snack time than the week before, where we had Debbie doing an emergency milk run, Vanessa bringing emergency crumpets for snack time and Poppy running out for more emergency crumpets when the first lot suffered an untimely demise, amid much hilarity.

On the theme of food however, we did a lot better on our Pot Luck Supper night, when the lovely Poppy opened up her house and cooked up a storm for a bunch of Under 5ers, who all brought delicious offerings of their own. The fizz and the conversation flowed all night, and then we all ate far too much chocolate for dessert. It doesn't get much better than that.

Due to the hall being a polling station one week, we also had a session al fresco in Edington Park, where we were very lucky with the weather, and Stacey capably provided snacks in mobile format. We were very pleased to see our dear friend Helen that day, who cycled over from Trowbridge to see us all. We'll be hoping for more of the same sunshine when we're back in the park on referendum day in June. The photo this month is of Prince Archie in a crown of his own creation, carefully constructed at crafting time





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The day will run from 9.30 to 5.30, followed by a run-through performance from 6-7 to which all are invited. Application forms for the workshop, which costs £20 plus £2.50 for music hire, are downloadable from www.edingtonarts.org, by phoning Anne on 01380 831454 or emailing her at anne@edingtonarts.org. Concert tickets are £10 from 01380 831256. Forms need to be with Edington Arts by 17 June.

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“A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken.”

James Dent



New members and visitors are always welcome

Meetings every second Tuesday of the month in the Parish Hall

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We welcomed three visitors to our monthly meeting, all new ladies to the village, who we hope will join us on a regular basis. Meg, our President, told us of the various events that are on offer to members over the next few months – a trip to Bucklers Hard and a Stone Curlew Safari being just two. But the most important issue was our garden party in July. We decided to have Olympic Sports as the theme and those who do not wish to dress up, can be the spectators – a very diplomatic outcome for all! A glass (or two) of wine followed together with crackers and pate before we got down to the real business of the evening. May is Resolutions Month. This year, two Resolutions (from the many which were submitted countrywide) have been selected to go forward to the final vote at the National Annual Meeting in June to be attended by delegates from Federations throughout England and Wales. This is the opportunity for our grass roots members to voice their opinions. The first was a proposal to avoid food waste by calling on all supermarkets to sign up to a voluntary agreement to pass surplus food onto charities, thereby helping to address the problem of food poverty in the UK. Liz Pike took us through the arguments for and against and had carried out research at local supermarkets to ascertain how they deal with food waste. The second resolution centred around providing appropriate care in hospitals for people with dementia – not those in dementia units, but those who have been admitted to hospital for other conditions or illnesses. This discussion was led by Helen O'Donoghue who told us of the problems faced by dementia patients and what could possibly be done to help their situation. We were told that 1 in 4 hospital beds is occupied by someone with dementia and that one-third of these patients will never return to their own homes. This Resolution called on HM Government and the NHS to provide facilities to enable carers to stay with patients with dementia throughout their time in hospital.

Both these Resolutions evoked debate amongst our members, some for, some against. At the end of the evening we voted in favour of the first resolution but rejected the second. A thought-provoking evening but one which our members enjoyed.

Our next meeting on 14th June has a musical theme and is entitled "The Natural Voice". It will be led by Sian Penlington whose friendly and inclusive teaching style keeps everyone engaged and involved.

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FIRST THURSDAY IN THE MONTH PARISH HALL 7.30PM

We are moving into a busy but enjoyable time in the garden. We have been getting some Spring weather. At least we hope it is Spring and not our Summer!

At gardening club we had our AGM in May and reflected on a year of really good speakers and wonderful trips to other gardens including Hauser & Wirth in Bruton, Iford Manor and Westonbirt at Christmas. We learnt about dahlias, coppicing, bees, chickens and how to keep our flower beds and containers at their very best.

We have lots of trips planned and still a few places left, so do look at the Edington village website for a link to our page, (edingtonwiltshire.org.uk). Trips planned include Mottisfont Abbey 15th June and Sherborne Castle 13th July. At our club meeting on 7th July, Gill Hazell will be talking about classic, rare and unusual bulbs.

Visitors are always made very welcome at our meetings and events and tea and biscuits and companionship always available. We usually meet on the first Thursday of the month at the Parish Hall Edington at 7.30pm. Please ring if you would like more information.

On 2nd June we have some members' gardens open in Court Lane Edington from 6.30pm where a cream tea will be available. Entry is £2 for members and £4 for visitors.

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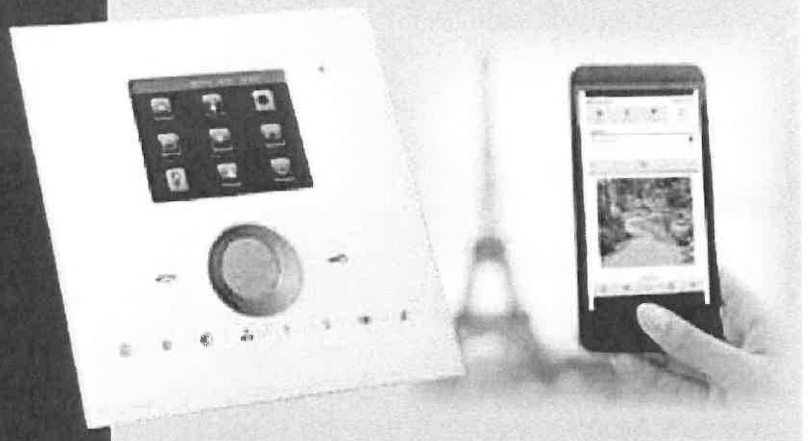
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Outstanding School

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This is a remarkable achievement for the children, staff, governors and families of a little rural village school. And it is a testament to the commitment and inspiration of our staff, the aspiration and enthusiasm of our children and the engagement and support of our families and governors. Our thanks to the wonderful community that ensures such amazing academic outcomes for our children.

But, in fact, we are even more proud of all the other areas of excellence in our school. Our children are people of compassion, courage, aspiration and joy. They understand the importance of being stewards of our beautiful world. Their spiritual development, whatever their belief or non-belief system, is outstanding. They are good at sport, music, art, philosophy and friendship. People always remark on their truly outstanding behaviour and the warmth of the spirit in our school. It is a great privilege to be part of this extraordinary learning and caring community.

Parents and Friends Association (PFA)

We also have an outstanding Parents and Friends Association! They had set themselves the target of raising enough money to provide the outdoor classroom that the children had asked for through the school council. It is an expensive project, but with huge enthusiasm, hard work and lots of fun, the PFA have raised the full amount and we are delighted that the children will now have their outdoor classroom, on stilts, near Bluebell Wood so that it can also act as a kind of "Hide". We are enormously grateful to the PFA and to all those who donated so generously, including many local businesses and the Devizes Area Board. What a great achievement!

Welcome

We are always delighted and honoured when people choose our school for their children. If you think you would like your child to attend Holy Trinity, please phone in and book an appointment to look around and chat to the headteacher. Lots of photos and information can be found on our website www.holy-trinity.co.uk. Our phone number is 01380 813 796.



Who will be gracing the ERLESTOKE throne on the 11th June, Come along and find out!

Queen gives the thumbs up to the Erlestoke Party in the park to celebrate her 90th Birthday

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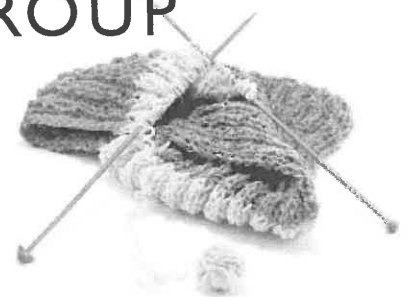
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WANTED

Knitting wool to make blankets for the Dorothy House Hospice. Please leave in Edington Church for Julia Taylor to collect Mrs J Willcox, 830 535.

PICKLEBERRY KNITTING GROUP

Wednesday 1.30–4pm
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JUNE 2016 NEWSLETTER

June on the Plain will see a steady level of armoured and light role training throughout the month culminating in Exercise **WESSEX STORM**. Locally based Tidworth and Bulford armoured, armoured infantry, artillery and mechanised infantry units will conduct low level collective training across the whole of the Plain which will include live firing on the Larkhill artillery ranges. 3 Commando Brigade will deploy their Viking Armoured Support Group to Salisbury Plain in the first two weeks of the month to complete low level training. The second week of June will see the Armoured and Armoured Infantry courses from the Land Warfare Centre conducting their initial tactical training on exercise **COMBAT TEAM** followed by their final exercise **TEAM SPIRIT** in the third week of June. Both exercises will use the Imber and Larkhill ranges. The last week of June will see the Field Training Unit training the Scots Dragoon Guards in their light cavalry role using the Army Weapons Effect Simulation system on Exercise **WESSEX STORM**.

NOTICE – BYLAW ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

The Wilts Police conducted a routine enforcement patrol over the weekend 7th & 8th May 2016 with the following results; Saturday proved to be quite a successful day as a quad bike was seized from a male who had travelled from the west midlands with two other males, the male was reported for no licence, tax insurance, mot.

Various groups of off roaders, some legal but a large proportion appeared to be riding machines without plates and lights – these individuals were deterred from the training area. Sunday was much the same with lots of legal m/cyclist, 4x4 drivers spoken to and a group from Southampton who had just arrived moved off the plain as they only had motto crossers; these were sent away.

USE OF CIVILIAN DRONES, UAVS AND MODEL AIRCRAFTS ON SPTA.

SPTA airspace is heavily used by military aircraft and UAVs and no unauthorised use of its airspace is to take place under any circumstances. Over the last three months we have encountered unauthorised flying by a paramotorist in the area between Shrewton and Tilshead, an individual flying a hang-glider over the impact area in the centre of Salisbury Plain and an individual flying his/her UAV in the area between Tilshead and Warminster; all three actions break the Salisbury Plain Military Byelaws 1981 and could have resulted in loss of life. Every effort is being made to ensure that these occurrences are not repeated in the future.

EDINGTON VILLAGE REGISTER

We extend our sympathy and condolences to the family of Norman Elliot.

We welcome Jan and Neil Billinge, who have come to live in Westbury Road, Richard and Joan Spicer who have also moved into Westbury Road, and Paula and Bruce who have moved into Greater Lane.



If you have an issue, please feel free to make contact either through my email address jerry.wickham@wiltshire.gov.uk or my home telephone of 01380 870476 or mobile 07980 701617.

The building of new homes is an emotive subject. For those wanting to find a new home, their need is real whereas those not wanting any more extra homes are often accused as being NIMBYs – Not In My Back Yard!

In a previous newsletter, I reported how Wiltshire Council had adopted its Core Strategy. This document went through several iterations and in fact continues to do so. However, early on in the process, Wiltshire Council felt that 37,000 homes were needed to be built up until 2026. When a Planning Inspector saw this, as part of judging the soundness of the strategy, he upped this figure to 42,000 as a minimum!

In the Westbury area, our 'share' of this was 1615 homes, with 1500 being built in the town itself and the remainder in the villages. The Core Strategy also distinguishes between Large and Small villages and open countryside. Each have differing planning constraints, with the large villages likely to take the bulk of the extra 115 homes, small villages only having in-fill (one or two homes) and the open countryside - no further development being permitted. In my division, the large villages are Bratton and Dilton Marsh, with Edington being a small village and Coulston and Heywood and Hawkeridge being open countryside.

Locally, there have been attempts to use land in Edington and this was withdrawn. However, this community recognises the need for the village to grow. Indeed, in my own village of Keevil, I often speak to people who do not want any further development. In reality they want to preserve their village in 'aspic' which is ironic since they often live in homes that have been part of waves of newer development. Meanwhile, Edington as a community has embarked on a journey to consider creating a Neighbourhood Plan. This allows the residents to determine where any extra developments occurs, identifies where potential employment sites might be and looks holistically at the needs of the community for the future. This process will need to eventually involve the whole community, especially since a poll of all residents will be conducted towards its conclusion. I very much welcome this and it demonstrates a positive and forward looking approach and look forward to working with the community. This stance means that this village will be able to direct where homes are built and can then never be accused of being NIMBYs.

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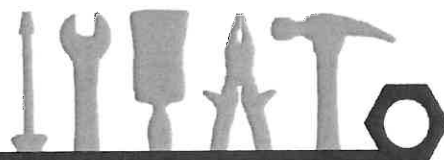
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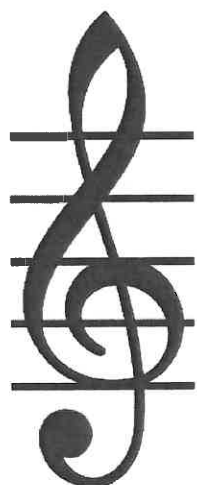
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JUNE

- 04 Book Swap, Erlestoke Church, 10am-midday
- 10 G and J trip to Tisbury, leaves 1pm from PO
- 11 Edington Fair
- 11 ERLESTOKE STREET PARTY, Village Green from 2pm, bring a picnic
- 11 Queen's Birthday Bash, Edington, 5.30pm
- 22 Lunch in Edington Parish Hall, 12.30pm
- 29 Edington Reading Circle, Millside 8pm

JULY

- 02 Book Swap, Erlestoke Church, 10am-midday
- 23 Strawberry Teas, Brounkers House, 2pm

AUGUST

- 06 Book Swap, Erlestoke Church, 10am-midday
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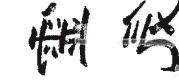
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