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## THE VIEW FROM EVERLEIGH

*Denis Bottomley, Chairman, (01264 852731) writes:*

Our Everleigh Enhancement plans remain on track. Spring plants have been deployed for our eight planters which are enriching the appearance of the village. We have also chosen a new picnic bench for the playground and a new park bench for Everleigh centre to replace the wooden bench by the Manor fence. These benches will be delivered and set out in due course.



On Sunday morning, 16th July, we intend to walk the parish boundary to commemorate the ancient ceremony of Beating the Bounds of Everleigh Parish. The plan is to assemble at 9 am at the Everleigh Playground in the vicinity of the park bench by the southern pedestrian gate and then conduct a leisurely eight-mile hike around most of our scenic parish boundary, to finish at about 1 pm.

The pace will be leisurely and will explore the beautiful countryside from the Dropping Zone to Everleigh Ashes, through Lower Everleigh and back to the Everleigh Playground. A safety vehicle will accompany walkers throughout.

Equipment (advisory):

- Footwear – walking boots or stout shoes
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This is an enjoyable way to promote both community spirit and fitness, we hope to see you there.



The Collingbourne Ducis St Andrew's Church Fete takes place this year on Saturday 2nd September from 12 noon until 5 pm in the Ducis Village Hall and on the recreation ground. There will be a variety of stalls and activities, and refreshments will include a bar, BBQ,

teas and cakes. Everleigh has been invited to participate in fun games activities with Ducis and Kingston folk at this fete.

Events are likely to include races (egg and spoon, sack, and dash and splash), welly wanging, tomahawk throwing and tug of war. If you wish to participate in any event for Team Everleigh then please get in touch (contact details are above), with an indication of which events you are able to participate in. Everleigh residents are most welcome to attend what promises to be a really good community event with our neighbours from the Collingbournes.

Finally, the next Parish Council meeting will take place on Tuesday 5th September at 7 pm at the Collingbourne Ducis Village Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend. The minutes of our last meeting are available on village noticeboards and the Everleigh web site at [www.everleigh.org](http://www.everleigh.org)

#### **MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE**

Wiltshire mobile library service is operating a normal schedule in all three villages.

Information about the mobile library service is available online at <https://apps.wiltshire.gov.uk/librariesinformation/Library/Mobiles>

## COLLINGBOURNE KINGSTON PARISH COUNCIL

*Richard Semple, Chairman, writes:*



I hope that you are all enjoying the glorious weather we have been experiencing in Collingbourne Kingston over the past few weeks. Although, I suspect that many of you who are gardeners and farmers would like a little more rain. For those who like to get out and about in our lovely countryside, you will see that we have continued to improve signage on the network of footpaths across the Parish and I hope that the refurbishment of our playground, next to the Village Hall, will start soon so that it can get some use later in the summer.

Your Parish Council has recently been advised that the Parish's Village Design Statement needs to be updated. It was originally prepared in 2003 and approved by what was then Kennet District Council in the following year. It forms an important reference document to be consulted by the local planning authority in considering planning applications within the Parish.

Many villages throughout the country have Village Design Statements which have enabled the local community to influence the design of buildings so that they reflect the existing and desired character and distinctiveness of the village they live in.

The document is required to be drafted and designed by a group of residents and the Parish Council is inviting members of the parish to join the working group currently being assembled. No special skills are required to be a member.

A copy of the current Collingbourne Kingston Village Design Statement is available on the Parish Council website and anyone interested in becoming involved in the working group is invited to contact our Parish Clerk, Philip Palmer, on telephone **01264 850027**, or mobile **07734 922751**, or email **clerk@collingbournekingston.org.uk**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 12th July at 6.30 pm in the Ruth Fisher Room, Collingbourne Kingston Village Hall. Please come along if you have any issues to raise. If you would like to participate in the running of the Parish more actively, we continue to have a vacancy on the Parish Council and are looking for a volunteer to fill it. Again, please do get in touch with the Parish Clerk or come along to our next meeting if you are interested.

**ST ANDREW'S CHURCH FÊTE & TRI-VILLAGE TOURNAMENT  
2ND SEPTEMBER, 12PM - 5PM, DUCIS VILLAGE HALL**

*Tish Leigh (01264 850867) writes:*

Save the date and come and join the fun!

It's coming up to that time of year again. Come and join us for a fun day for all the family, meet up with those folks you haven't seen for a while and if you're feeling energetic then join in with the Tri-Village Tournament events.

Last year was a great success, with well over four hundred villagers coming along on the day. This year promises to be even better with added attractions and events, including:

Stalls – cakes and jam, bottles, and sweets and snacks.

The Raffle – we're hoping for some great prizes (and we listened to your feedback so the draw will take place at 3 pm).

Food and drink – tea and cakes (from 2 pm – 4 pm), an eco-friendly ice cream van, the bar (run by Collingbourne Cricket Club), and our ever so popular BBQ (we'll also be serving chilli later in the afternoon).

Music – from the Phoenix Brass Band and we're delighted to be joined by Collingbourne Kingston's CKFM radio station.

Dog Show – organised by Becky Oldfield (Contented Gundogs Training Club) will be running 3.30 pm - 4.30 pm so don't forget to bring along your furry friends.

Tournament and events (running from 12.15 pm) – including egg and spoon races, three-legged races, welly wanging, dash and splash races and the tug of war competition. We're also pleased to announce that tomahawk throwing is making a welcome return to the day (12.15 pm - 1.45 pm).

Will Ducis retain the cup? Will Kingston win it back? Or is it Everleigh's turn to lift the cup this year? Team captains Karin Bell (Ducis), Steve Clements (Kingston) and Denis Bottomley (Everleigh) will be mustering teams and starting their training regimes.

A FINAL note – any help on the day would be much appreciated, so if you would kindly volunteer to set up or want to help then please do let me know.

See you in September!

### **COLLINGBOURNES ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP (CRSWG) UPDATE**

*Philip Palmer writes:*

As summer has arrived sadly the M4 Dorset Coast Connectivity report hasn't. This piece of work is eagerly awaited by all at the Collingbournes Road Safety Working Group, because it will define the preferred solution to the connectivity issue and where our stretch of the A338 fits in with that. It may give us even more cause for concern if it is to be a key route or less concern if it is recommended not to be used for heavy commercial traffic and therefore defines how we proceed from here. So, with that in mind, we are seeking your help to tell us what is important to you about the A338. In this month's Courier, as a flyer, is a small questionnaire which I would urge you to complete. It will only take a few minutes to do and can be



returned to either myself or Helen Steele. I will also make arrangements for a designated 'post-box' in the village shop to receive completed questionnaires there to make it as easy as possible. Remember we are in this together and we need your voice to make sure that we represent what concerns you about the road.

Meanwhile I can report that Wiltshire Council is experiencing tough times due to 'hyperinflation' caused by the Ukraine war, so much so that they are struggling, despite the £22m from Government for road maintenance and an extra £3.6m specifically for potholes repairs, to maintain our road network. Read it for yourself by searching 'Highways Asset Management - Wiltshire Council' on the internet.

It's not a secret of privileged information, it is public so have a read. Our stretch of the A338 from the Knapp to Collingbourne Kingston will therefore be resurfaced between the Knapp and Cadley Road, but only surface dressed between the villages. I think that Wiltshire Council feel that they are alone in suffering from 'hyperinflation' and that the residents have some special reserve to pay for their vehicle damage caused by potholes as well as the rising cost of living. I understand that claims for pothole vehicle damage will not be decided until July meaning people will have to bear the cost to themselves for three-four months.

Finally, we will be having another public meeting on a date to be arranged. This is because it is, as above dependent on the connectivity survey and indeed your questionnaire responses which will define our mandate.

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## COLLINGBOURNE CRICKET CLUB

*David Malley, Chairman, writes:*



As we enter July, the club continues its promising start to the season with both senior league sides looking strong. The 2nd XI has won three of their last four games and currently sit in the top half of the table. The 1st XI has continued their unbeaten run so far this term... in fact, a winning streak of twenty games that dates back to August 2021! They sit at the top of Division 5 and are looking good for a second successive promotion. The Sunday friendly side is also looking good, with four wins from six so far this year. Well done to all involved, and let's hope they can continue this good run of form.

The winning mentality must be contagious as, not wanting to be overshadowed, our ladies' team, The Sapphires, has competed in two softball festivals so far this summer and won all six of their matches! Another 100% record! Mightily impressive stuff, and they'll look to continue their winning streak as they enter more festivals throughout Wiltshire and Hampshire over the next couple of months.

Our new over 50s team - The Crusaders - has taken part in its first softball matches too, with all involved having a great first experience. This new initiative aims to encourage both men and women over 50 (or those with reduced mobility through injury, illness or disability) to get involved with cricket in a fun, shortened version of the game. If you're interested in getting involved with this, or any of our other teams, then please get in touch. Alternatively, you're more than welcome to just turn up at one of our training sessions and join in. These have already started up at the Collingbourne Ducis recreation ground, with Thursday evenings at 6 pm for all hardball teams, and

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**Our Community Support Officers can be contacted on 101**

Friday evenings from 6.30 pm for our softball teams. We welcome any new players looking to have a game of cricket this season and our range of teams should ensure there's a level suitable for anybody wishing to join in. Regardless of age, sex and ability, we would love to see you!

If playing is not your thing, then the club is always on the lookout for anyone who would like to help out with our acclaimed teas. If you have a few hours to spare on a Saturday or Sunday then we'd love to hear from you. You'll get a budget to spend, and we even pay you for your time! Send us a message if you're interested.

That's all for this month, and if you want to get in touch with us please feel free to email [info@collingbournecricketclub.co.uk](mailto:info@collingbournecricketclub.co.uk), or visit our website [www.collingbournecricketclub.co.uk](http://www.collingbournecricketclub.co.uk)

You can also keep up to date with all the latest happenings at the club by following us on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter.

## **COLLINGBOURNE KINGSTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**

*Sandra Fisher (01264 850363) writes:*

At the June meeting the President welcomed members and after the business meeting, she talked about forthcoming events and thanked Wendy Brown for printing the 2023/24 programmes. She also told the members that the Summer Party would be on 13th July, a barbecue to be held at the village hall starting at 6 pm. She asked that members put their names against an item of food on a list, to contribute onto the evening and also to bring a chair. There will be games and a competition.

Maz introduced Sarah Delves, a V&A expert in the history of handbags. Sarah had brought many examples of bags and started by showing a photograph of bag fibres found with the Ice Man of about 3300 BC. She moved on, with photographs, through early history to a



gold bag which was found as a part of the Sutton Hoo hoard. Both men and women carried bags which hung from girdles made from leather or fabric, which is how Lucy Locket came to lose her 'pocket'. Sarah had samples of leather, beaded, embroidered and most strangely, acrylic bags. These were made from Lucite, a product used in military vehicles to replace glass.

Sarah is very knowledgeable and is called on by high class stores to confirm the authenticity of returned bags, such as Louis Vuitton. She has a wonderful sense of humour and was warmly thanked for an excellent talk by Sheila Dale-Prince.

After tea and cake the raffle was drawn.

Next Meeting: Thursday 13th July at 6 pm Summer Party

August Meeting: Thursday 10th August at 7.30 pm

Speaker: Canal Boat Painting by Robert Wright

Hostess: S Fisher

Raffle Prize: K Preece

Tea Hostesses: S Davis and M Chandler

Visitors are always welcomed to meetings on the second Thursday of the month at 7.30 pm in Collingbourne Kingston Village Hall, where a donation of £4 is suggested.

## **SPTA**

The SPTA newsletter can be found at the following web address:

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## COLLINGBOURNE DUCIS VILLAGE HALL DRAW - WINNERS IN JUNE

*Humphrey Sheppard Announces the Winners:*

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£10	A. Palmer	162
£5	Tabitha Ford	158



Congratulations to all the winners

We are still aiming to reach 250 tickets so we can introduce another monthly prize.

We will be having a table at the August Community Cafe and also at the Church Fete so we look forward to seeing you at those events.

For those of you who still pay for your tickets in Cash or Cheque the new Draw Financial year commences on 1st July.

I will be trying to contact you to collect your 2023 / 2024 payment OR give me a call or an email and let's set you up for a standing order.

If you want any information on the draw please call Humphrey Sheppard on **07791 760 241** or e-mail on **cdvhdrow@gmail.com**.

The draw is open to anyone (over the age of 18) who wishes to take part.

Could J & A Blake please contact me on one of the above formats? I have a query over Standing order information. Thank you

## DARELL MOULTON; 1944-2023

*David Paterson writes:*



Darell Moulton died on Tuesday 23rd May from Motor Neurone Disease. Darell and his partner Graeme moved into Sunton in 1988. Darell professionally, was an acclaimed musician, a voice tutor and a piano teacher. Amongst his pupils at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts were Kenneth Branagh, Ralph Fiennes, Sean Bean, Tom Hiddleston and many other famous actors. In all Darell spent fifty



years teaching singing at the Academy, his many pupils rose to become famous artists.

In the Village Darell soon established himself becoming involved in all aspects of village life. In 1993 he asked me how he could contribute and support the village hall. From this conversation Staddlestone Soirees emerged. Using his wide and varied contacts in the opera and music worlds, Darell arranged and organised some of the most prominent performers in these fields to appear in our village. Over the years the Concerts raised over £55,000, supporting the School, the Church, the Courier, the village hall, Wiltshire Air Ambulance, Naomi House and many other national charities. Darell also arranged for a Steinway Grand piano to be donated to the Hall and a Yamaha upright to be installed in St Andrew's Church.

Any villager who was lucky enough to visit Darell's garden could only marvel at the beautiful flowers and magnificent vegetables grown there. Several Gardening Club Summer Lunches were held in the garden. The quality of his dahlias, roses, fruit trees and vegetables won him many awards at the Village Flower Shows. Alongside his garden there were many different breeds of chicken nurtured along the old railway line.

Darell was a gentleman and a gentle man. He will be sadly missed by his many friends in Collingbourne and in the wider music world. Our thoughts are with Graeme.

Rest in peace Darell.

*K. Scherbrocker*

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## CD VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

*Alex Gumm on behalf of the fundraising team:*

Firstly, we would like to say a massive thank you to all the local people and small businesses who came and took part in our first ever arts and crafts fair.



We had a great day and hopefully all our visitors enjoyed seeing and buying from the wonderful array of works on offer.

This was a significant event for us as we all feel it is important as a community to provide a platform for our local artists and craftspeople, to share what they do and allow us to support small businesses both new and well established.

We are currently in the beginning stages of planning an early Christmas arts and craft fair, to possibly run alongside the 14th October Café, or thereabouts. Once details have been fully agreed we will be advertising for stall holders.

The Bourne Community Café was also in full swing, with a good number of visitors throughout the day. Due to the hot weather, we added ice-creams and ice lollies to the menu which went down very well. This is something we will continue to do throughout the summer months.

Our next Community Café is Saturday 8th July from 10 am to 1 pm.

You may have noticed we have now chosen a name for the Café...

‘The Bourne Community Café’ named after our beautiful, if not a little elusive, river.

Soon we hope to have a logo and banners, so it will be easier for us to advertise when the Café is open.

As always, we welcome suggestions for any improvements you may identify when visiting the café and offers of help, either with volunteering on the day or by joining our fundraising team for all our event planning and running.

Please get in touch with us by email: **ducisvillagehall@gmail.com**

We look forward to seeing you at the café again soon!

## **LOCAL CLUBS AND INTEREST GROUPS**

*Louise Tomlinson Updates Us:*

1st Collingbourne Kingston Brownies. Contact Brown Owl Natalie Williams, **collingbourne7@yahoo.com, 07976 102650.**

Collingbourne Cricket Club has Senior, Youth and Women's Secretary teams. Contact David Malley,

**collingbournecricketclub@gmail.com**

**www.collingbournecricketclub.co.uk** and find us on Facebook.

Collingbournes and Everleigh Gardening Club. Contact Secretary Patti Marsh, **01264 850319.** Meets at 7.30pm on the last Thursday of the month from September to April in either Ducis or Kingston Village Hall. Outside visits to local gardens or places of interest are arranged during the summer months.

Collingbourne Kingston Women's Institute. Contact President Wendy Brown, **07834 465726.** Meets on the second Thursday of the month in Kingston Village Hall.

Collingbournes' Short Mat Bowls Club. Contact Humphrey or Jeanette, **01264 850721.** Meets every Wednesday from 6.45pm to 9.15pm from 21 September to 19 April. Friendly but competitive club, new members welcome. £2 per session, flat soled shoes needed.

Collingbournes Boules Club. Contact President Brian Gloyne, **07831 456963**; membership Peter Siggers **01264 850428**. Meets every Tuesday at The Barleycorn Inn Kingston at 6.30pm.

Burbage and District Model Railway Club. Contact Sonny Hamid, **01672 811933**. Meets on the third Monday of the month in Collingbourne Kingston.

Collingbourne Kingston Quilt Group. Contact Wendy Brown, **07834 465726**. Meets on the first Wednesday of the month from 6.30pm to 9pm.

Burbage and District Video and Camera Club. Contact Phil Leach, **07956 624087**. **burbagecameraclub@email.com** also on Facebook. Generally meets on the second Thursday of the month in Burbage British Legion, 58 Eastcourt Road at 7.30pm for 8pm; we also go out to take pictures, so timings/dates may vary to suit conditions/topics. All welcome, whether beginner or professional. Forward programme available.

Collingbourne Tai Chi Club. Contact David Kiy, **07817 707999**. Meets most Thursday evenings in Ducis Village Hall.

'The Film Place', film nights. Contact Jim Plenderleith, **07906 593668**, **thefilmplacecd@gmail.com** Films show in September, October, November, January, February, March and April in Ducis Village Hall. See flyer in 'The Courier' for the latest film.

*If you'd like your club to be added to this regular feature, please send details to **cdkecouriercontribute@gmail.com***

## **COLLINGBOURNES AND EVERLEIGH GARDENING CLUB**

*Patti Marsh, Secretary, (01264 850319) writes:*

Some of our members joined Pewsey Gardening Club and visited the Bishop's Palace and Garden in Wells on 15th June where we enjoyed the very warm weather in perfect surroundings.



Our club is going to Hestercombe on the 29th June and on 15th July will hold our annual Gardeners' Lunch in Wendy's garden in Station Approach. Evening meetings will resume on 28th September in Ducis Village Hall when Sara Wilman, a popular local speaker, will demonstrate Foam Free Arranging of British Flowers.

Enjoy the summer and if you would like to join us at any time, please give me or our chairman, Jane Crook, **01264 840436**, a call.

## **FISH PIE WITH A CHEESY SAUCE**

*Simon Gilford writes:*

OK, so last time I promised you a recipe in which you can use more of those capers you may have used in the tartare sauce, and here it is. This is my take on a traditional fish pie, but with a few added extras that make all the difference in my humble opinion. If you've made a fish pie before then you know exactly what to do – but why not try my version which includes cheese, boiled eggs, and those all-important capers?

I've been told that my recipes are a bit too detailed, so this is the short version:

### **INGREDIENTS (FOR 2 PEOPLE):**

450g potatoes

2 bay leaves and several peppercorns

15g of capers (see I told you and you can add even more if you like them)

2 hardboiled eggs (quartered)

2 pieces of fish fillet (cod, salmon, haddock – basically whatever takes your fancy – or a fish pie mix which is usually about 300g or so of mixed fish)

1 handful of king prawns (uncooked or cooked)

1 ½ tbsp butter

1 ½ tbsp plain flour

300ml milk

3 tbsp double cream

50g grated mature cheddar (plus some for sprinkling)

#### METHOD:

Peel, chop and boil the potatoes. Make into mash how you usually make it – adding a knob of butter, double cream, salt and pepper and set this aside.

Hard boil your eggs, peel, quarter and set them aside.

Add the milk to a pan, place in your fish, the bay leaves, and several peppercorns. Bring to a boil and poach gently for 3 or 4 minutes (adding the prawns if you are using them raw for the last 2 minutes). Transfer the cooked fish into a baking dish, remove any skin, flake it into bite-size chunks if you used fillets, and strain the cooking liquid into a jug for your sauce.

Make a roux with the butter and plain flour and slowly add in the cooking liquid to make a traditional white sauce (Google is your friend if you don't know how to do this bit – other search engines are

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available). Add in the grated cheddar and stir until your cheese sauce is done.

Pour the cheese sauce over the fish in the baking tray, add in the capers and eggs, fold it together, spoon the mash on top, and spread it out, however, you see fit.

Sprinkle over some more grated cheddar and bake in a preheated oven (200°C) for 15-20 minutes or until the top is nice and brown.

**SERVING:**

Serve and enjoy with your vegetable of choice – I strongly recommend some peas. Enjoy!

### **BURBAGE AND DISTRICT MODEL RAILWAY CLUB (BDMRC)**

*Sonny Hamid writes:*

Following the excitement of the activities of the last month, June is a quiet and subdued session and members are now assigned to mundane tasks of cleaning the track of any sticking ballast on the tracks and testing the tracks for any obstructions missed during the cleaning stages.



This is painstaking work as we have to inspect and clean almost sleeper by sleeper! Despite the effort we still found scores of obstructions that had to be cleared.

Some electrical works were done on the underside wiring loom so that some live testing could also be undertaken.

We are now concentrating on the layout to complete as much as possible by September ready for the Show at Great Bedwyn to which the Club has been invited to exhibit in the past and with much success.

We have also received an invitation to exhibit at the Inter-Counties Exhibition at Fordingbridge in a few months time. For this exhibition we may consider creating a smaller layout.

Our next session will be Monday, 17th June, 2023 commencing at 19:00 hours when we return to continue work on our large layout project.

We can arrange availability of working layouts and demonstration of modelling techniques at local village fairs and other Community gatherings. Organisers are invited to contact us regarding their requirements.

The Club welcomes new members and any donations and gifts of unwanted model railway items. So, if you would like to try your hand at this hobby or have some equipment you are not using, please feel free to call me, Sonny, on **01672 811 933**.

### **SAVERNAKE TEAM LETTER**

*Rev Michael McHugh, Savernake Team Rector, writes:*



### **Neither Carrot Nor Stick**

Upstairs Molly is holding a bark-versation with one of the village yappers. Any attempt to change her behaviour will be completely wasted. I have tried bribery, I have tried threats, I have tried cajoling, at one stage I even tried electronic hypersonic anti-bark. Nothing worked. My son has just walked in the door and the other dog has started. He tried reasoning with her, 'Why are you barking? There is no-one here!'

In a conversation about the failing numbers of regular church attendance, a fellow Christian suggested to me that I should not be hesitant in preaching Hell Fire and Damnation. The person had a

strong point. Religious institutions that stress attendance or hell continue to have good attendances. Fear is a great motivator! Hell separates the lost from those who get to be with the Lord. Most importantly for our sakes, 'C of E' cannot mean 'Christmas and Easter.'

Twenty-two years ago, as a nominally Christian primary school teacher, with no spare time and a young family, I went to Sunday Church because the pattern and structure of my life was missing something profound. At the time I felt I was barking at the wind.

I prefer to preach the God of Love, to say Jesus will make a difference in your life and in the lives of those you love. I believe that there is a unique connection when we meet in prayer and when we celebrate the Last Supper. I don't understand why people don't get the 'mindfulness' that we have practised for thousands of years. Why they cannot pick up that spiritual embrace when we gather to remember Jesus' promises. Like a good trainer or teacher, my desire is to seek to show the way by offering rewards. But then, I don't get why, when I have shown my dogs both carrot and stick, they still choose to bark at the wind.

I do get why people don't join us on a Sunday. I also know that in this UPF (ultra processed food) world they miss the 'slow food' of the soul. I would like others to come to the water and drink (messing with my metaphors).

Try cooling with others in Church this summer!

*Michael*



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## SERVICES ACROSS THE SAVERNAKE TEAM IN JULY & AUGUST

*Sammy Cave, Team Administrator, writes:*

St Michael & All Angels, Shalbourne are looking forward to being host to our monthly Creation Church on Sunday 9th July. We will start at the church at 4pm then be treated to a walk around The Mill House Lake and learn a little about the project of reinstating & rewilding the area. We will finish back at the church for a refreshing Pimms or soft drink & snack.



Please note there will not be a Creation Church walk in August.

On the fifth Sunday of July, we are offering 2 team services rather than the usual 1. You can join us for Holy Communion at 9 am in Little Bedwyn or try out the Team Café Church at 10.30 am in Burbage Village Hall. An informal service with music, prayer and scripture as well as drinks, pastries and activities for the children. Everyone welcome to both!

Services across the team in August are somewhat reduced whilst our clergy take holidays with their families. Please see the back of the magazine to find out where services are taking place. There will be at least one church offering Holy Communion each week.

For those who regularly join our Zoom Morning and Evening Prayers please note that there will be no services during August. For those who haven't joined us before, why not try us out in July! Visit the services, news and events page of our website [www.savernaketeam.org.uk](http://www.savernaketeam.org.uk) to log on to Morning prayer at 9 am or Evening prayer at 6 pm, Monday to Thursday.

## ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, COLLINGBOURNE DUCIS

*Churchwarden Tish Leigh (01264 850867) writes:*

First a look back. At the Family Service on 28th May, Zara Rimmer was baptised. It was wonderful to welcome Zara into the Church family, with many of her family and friends joining us for an enjoyable service.



I am pleased to report that the funds raised from the Starters and Pudding Fest, which was held on Friday 9th June, were £262.60. Many thanks to all who provided the delicious food and the raffle prizes and to all who came along and made the evening such an enjoyable occasion.

Thursday 25th July is the last day of term for Collingbourne C of E Primary School. They will be holding their leavers' service in the Church at 1.30 pm on this day. We wish all the children in year six the very best of luck as they leave to move onto their secondary schools.

Work on the repair and restoration of the clock and the clock-face will hopefully, be taking place at the end of July/ beginning of August. It will be wonderful to see the clock working and have the clock-face restored.

Revd Jo will be away at Army Cadet Force Camp, in her role as an Army Chaplain for twelve days and on holiday during August. The other vicars in the Savernake Team will also be taking a holiday on various dates throughout August, so joint services between parishes have been arranged wherever possible. Please make sure you look at the service times listed after this report.

As mentioned in last month's Courier, the annual church fête including the Tri-Village -Tournament will take place on Saturday 2nd September 12 noon - 5 pm. See the separate report and the flyer

enclosed with this month's Courier for more details. We will pray for fine weather! All profits will go to help fund the repair and restoration of the church bells, which is scheduled to happen at the end of October/ beginning of November. The total cost including VAT is £5,280. So far, the application for two grants has been successful. Together with some generous donations, £1,900 has been raised, so there is some way to go with fundraising for this project. If you would like to make a donation, please contact me on the number above.

As the next Courier will not be until 1st September, I wish everyone a happy and safe summer break. Wishing you all happy holidays whether home or away! May the sun shine and all of our local farmers successfully gather in their harvest. Let us hope and pray that all their hard work, throughout the year, will be rewarded with a bumper crop.

Finally, remember St Andrew's Church has its own Facebook page where you can keep up to date with events. Our church page is getting quite a following so why not have a look if you haven't already. Login to Facebook and search for St Andrew's Church, Collingbourne Ducis.

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## **ST MARY'S CHURCH, COLLINGBOURNE KINGSTON**

*Stephanie Daubney PCC Member writes:*

St Mary's Church in our beautiful village is part of the Savernake Team which covers the local villages. Services are held regularly, with the first Sunday of the month being a Morning Worship service, second Sunday being a Holy Communion service, third Sunday, being a Holy Communion service and the fourth Sunday being an Evensong service. The timings of the services can be found at the back of this Courier or on the Savernake Team website.

Anyone is welcome to attend at any of our services.

St Mary's Church has an amazing organ which is regularly played at the services. We also have a very old monument to the Pyle family.

The church is open every day for visitors and anyone wishing to go in for private prayer.

May I take this opportunity to thank all those people on the rota for regularly opening and closing our church. Thank you also to all those on the flower rota for the beautiful regular displays of fresh flowers in St Mary's.

Enjoy the summer months and the beautiful weather.

A date for your diaries in the Autumn; the Harvest Supper will take place in Collingbourne Kingston Village Hall on Monday 2nd October.

## **ST MARY'S CHURCH, COLLINGBOURNE KINGSTON**

*Nigel Worner-Phillips (01264 850070), Churchwarden*

Summer is here and the PCC hope everyone enjoys the good weather for the next month or so.

The St Mary's Annual Harvest Supper will take place on Monday 2nd October, so please look out for further information.



## **ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, COLLINGBOURNE DUCIS**

### *Services in July*

Sunday 2nd	Evensong at 6 pm
Sunday 9th	Holy Communion at 9 am
Sunday 16th	Family Service at 11 am
Sunday 23rd	Holy Communion at 11 am
Sunday 30th	Team Service of Holy Communion at Little Bedwyn at 9.30 am Café Church at Burbage at 10.30 am

### *Services in August*

Sunday 6th	No service at St. Andrew's Morning Worship 11 am at Kingston
Sunday 13th	Holy Communion at 9 am
Sunday 20th	Family Service at 11 am
Sunday 27th	No service

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Sunday 30th	11 am Team Service – Little Bedwyn or Cafe Church – Burbage

*Services in August*

Sunday 6th	11 am Morning Worship
Sunday 13th	11 am Holy Communion
Sunday 20th	9 am Holy Communion
Sunday 27th	No Service

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