



# ***NEWS AND VIEWS***

***March 2011***

**Sunday 6th March – Sunday next before Lent**

- 8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP), Little Cheverell
- 9:30 am Parish Communion (Trad.), West Lavington
- 9:30 am Half Hour Service, Market Lavington
- 11:00 am Communion by Extension, Great Cheverell
- 11:00 am Matins (BCP), Easterton

**Wednesday 9th March Ash Wednesday**

- 10:00 am Mother's Union Area Service, Market Lavington
- 7:00 pm Service at West Lavington

**Sunday 13th March – Lent 1**

- 8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP), Market Lavington
- 9:30 am Parish Communion and Sunday School, West Lavington
- 11:00 am United Service at St Mary's, Market Lavington
- 11:00 am Parish Communion (Trad), Little Cheverell
- 4:00 pm Evensong (BCP), Great Cheverell

**Sunday 20th March – Lent 2**

- 8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP), West Lavington
- 9:30 am Parish Communion, Market Lavington
- 9:30 am Matins (BCP), West Lavington
- 9:30 am Welcome to Worship, Great Cheverell
- 11:00 am Parish Communion, Easterton
- 11:00 am Parish Communion (BCP), Little Cheverell

**Sunday 27th March – Lent 3**

- 8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP), Market Lavington
- 9:30 am Parish Communion and Sunday School, West Lavington
- 11:00 am Parish Communion (BCP), Great Cheverell
- 7:00 pm Prayer and Praise, Market Lavington

**Sunday 3rd April – Mothering Sunday - Lent 4**

- 9:30 am Service for Mothering Sunday, West Lavington
- 9:30 am Half Hour Service, Market Lavington
- 11:00 am Simple Celebration, Great Cheverell
- 11:00 am Matins (BCP), Easterton
- 5:00 pm Evensong, Little Cheverell

Every Tuesday 9.00 a.m. Morning Prayer at All Saints, West Lavington.  
 Every Thursday 9.00 a.m. Morning Prayer at St. Mary's, Market Lavington

**VILLAGE CARE**

**West Lavington, Littleton Panell & Little Cheverell**  
**TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 816826**

*Dear Friends,*

As cuts in Government expenditure increase, few of us are escaping its consequences as more jobs go and more small businesses close, not just in the North but here in the South. The struggle to find alternative employment is of course particularly acute for those who've never had full-time paid work and amongst those who are older. Those of us who are fortunate always to have been in full-time paid employment don't fully comprehend what it is like; each week still has 168 hours to fill.

It is easy to dismiss the Prime Minister's 'The Big Society', but at its heart it is about helping others in order that society might become a better place. Florence Nightingale was someone who devoted her life to helping others; she did so because she felt, from the age of 17, that that was what God had called her to do. She came from a wealthy family but turned her back on a life of parties and privilege. Instead she discovered that there is joy and fulfilment serving others whilst not being so concerned about our own wants and desires and about what other people think of us. Today those in nursing and far beyond remain greatly indebted to her example.

**James Campbell**

**2011 ANNUAL CHURCH MEETINGS IN THE 5 PARISHES**

**EASTERTON** – 5.45pm on Sunday 27th March after 5.00 p.m. short Evensong (BCP)

**MARKET LAVINGTON** – 10.30 a.m. on Sunday 3rd April (Mothering Sunday) after the 9.30 a.m. Half Hour Service & refreshments

**LITTLE CHEVERELL** – 5.45 p.m. on Sunday 3rd April after 5.00 p.m. short Evensong (BCP)

**GREAT CHEVERELL** – 5.45 p.m. on Sunday 10th April after 5.00 p.m. short Evensong (BCP)

**WEST LAVINGTON** – 10.45 a.m. on Sunday 17th April (Palm Sunday) after 9.30 a.m. Palm Sunday Service & refreshments.

**Do come and support those involved in your local Parish Church – find out what's been going on, what is planned and ask awkward questions!**

**James Campbell**

**Rector: Rev'd Canon James Campbell**  
 The Vicarage, Market Lavington  
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 Rev'd Ann Cocking (01380) 812763

March Services

From the Rectory

## LENT 2011

### 9th March – Ash Wednesday

10.00 a.m. Service with the Area Mother's Union, St. Mary's Church, Market Lavington

7.00 p.m.: Service at All Saints Church, West Lavington

### Lent Course: Islam & Christianity

A series of talks on DVD by Patrick Sookhdeo, International Director of the Barnabas Fund

Monday Evenings 14th, 21st, 28th March & 4th April at Easterton Church at 7.30 p.m. starting with Supper.

### Lent Book Club:

'Respectable Sins' by Jerry Bridges  
Come and discuss over a soup lunch at the Rectory at 12.30 p.m. on Tuesdays 22nd March & 12th April, or over a simple Supper at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 11th April.

### Sunday 3rd April: Mothering Sunday

Special services at Market Lavington (Half Hour Service) at 9.30 a.m. & West Lavington at 9.30 a.m.

Further details and to sign up or buy the book, please contact the Benefice Office ☎816963 Email: [lavingtonrector@gmail.com](mailto:lavingtonrector@gmail.com).

## GREAT CHEVERELL CHURCH FETE

Great Cheverell Church Fete will be held on Saturday, 25th June.

Anyone wishing to be involved in the planning and running of the fete or feel they could help on the day should contact Terry Froud (812634) or Ian Christie (813940)

## LITTLE CHEVERELL'S SPRING WALK

Why not get fit for the Spring and join us on Sunday 27th March, starting at 11.00 a.m. from the Village Hall in Little Cheverell. Return there after a good walk for hot food and drinks at approximately 1.00 p.m. Please bring your own wine and beer and we will provide the rest. Everyone is welcome (not just those from Little Cheverell) including children, and well behaved dogs on leads. Cost £9 00 per adult and £4.50 for children 12 and under. Dogs are free. If the walk is too much then please join us for lunch only.

To book your place, please telephone Helena Warnock on 813487 or Greta Taylor on 812409. Proceeds in aid of the Village Hall.

Village Hall Committee

## LEUKAEMIA RESEARCH

There will be a Flower Arranging Demonstration by the National Demonstrator, Michael Bowyer at Lavington School on Wednesday, 6th April at 7.30 p.m.

Tickets are £8. There will be a raffle, stalls, refreshments and sundries available.

Tickets can be obtained from 813625 (Sally Bullock) or from Market Lavington Post Office or Devizes Books.

## INTERIOR DESIGNER'S SALE

Of Used Furniture and Props in aid of St Peter's Church, Great Cheverell on Thursday, 3rd March, 9 a.m.-12 Noon at The Old Rectory Stables, Great Cheverell SN10 5YA  
Coffees and Teas

## GRAND JUMBLE SALE

at

### West Lavington Village Hall

**SATURDAY March 26th 11am– 2pm**

Bric-a-brac, Clothes and Shoes, Cake Stall, Toy Stall. Book Stall,

plus Silent Auction. Refreshments.

Any donations of jumble will be gratefully received.

If collection is needed please contact

Mrs Kim Drury on 813168 or

Kathy Wilson 818224.

## LAVINGTON & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

The next meeting of the club will be held on Wednesday, March 16th at 7.15 p.m. in West Lavington Hall when Chris Ireland-Jones will talk on Better Bulbs. There will be plants for sale at this meeting. The subject of this month's competition will be a Pot of Marmalade.

## NEW YEARS RESOLUTION??

Early Morning Swimming at Dauntsey's pool 6.45 to 7.55 - on Monday and Thursday mornings.

Contact Julia Ford for details: 812365

## THE KEN CLARKE MEMORIAL TROPHY

On Friday 4th February the Chairman and members of the Organising Committee of the Chippenham Sunday Football League presented a cheque for £1,500 to the WILTSHIRE AIR AMBULANCE. This amount was the profits of the football tournament which was held in August 2010 in memory of KEN CLARKE, who was Registration Secretary of the Club and who died in 1998. The total amount so far given in Ken's memory to the Wiltshire Air Ambulance is over £16,000.

## MOONRAKERS COMEDY NIGHT

### @ THE CHURCHILL

A new comedy night for West Lavington  
17 March 2011, 8:30 pm (doors open 8 pm)



### NICK PAGE

"The very best story teller on the comedy circuit" (Rhod Gilbert)

### TONY COWARDS

"The best joke of the Edinburgh Festival was written by Tony Cowards" (Hardeep Singh Kohli, on TV's The ONE Show)

### SUZY BENNETT

"Vibrant, gorgeous and extremely funny" (BBC)

### ANDREW WATTS (MC)

"Exquisitely funny ... one of the new comics making waves" (Time Out)

**£10 on the door**

£7.50 in advance from the Churchill Arms or

<http://www.wegotickets.com/event/107382>

Further information: [moonrakerscomedy@gmail.com](mailto:moonrakerscomedy@gmail.com)

## HELP FOR HEROES

As part of their charitable fund-raising activity for this year, Dauntsey's School pupils are holding a Curry Supper and Antiques Auction evening in support of Help for Heroes on Saturday, 26th March in the school. There is a Guest Speaker, General Sir Nick Parker, C-in-C UK Land Forces (his own son was seriously injured in Afghanistan a year ago).

The evening begins in the Library with a drink of Fizz and canapés in the Library at 7.p.m., followed by a Curry Supper in the Dining Hall at 7.45 p.m.

There will be a speech and an auction of about 12 antiques. Throughout the evening there is also a Silent Auction of antiques and a lucky dip of envelopes where "everyone is a winner".

Anyone wishing to learn more, make a donation or buy a ticket should contact Ailsa Abbatt on 01380 814531 (daytime) or 01380 724257 (evenings). Her email address is: [abbattaa@dauntseys.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:abbattaa@dauntseys.wilts.sch.uk)

## WORDS OF WARNING

Over recent weeks there have been several incidents of criminal damage, reported to the Police, at Dauntsey's Aided Primary School and at Lavington Pre-School in Sandfield.

During 28th and 30th January unknown person(s) have entered the Pre-School and gained access by unknown means to a secure shed and have removed items from within. Following this, over the evening of 29th January somebody has entered Dauntsey's Primary School, breaking a fence and causing damage to flower beds and toys. These incidents are criminal offences. Entering the School grounds is a civil offence of trespassing.

The Neighbourhood Policing Team are working with The Parish Council and Schools and will not tolerate this type of behaviour.

If anyone has relevant information we are appealing for you to come forward and discuss with officers.

Devizes Police are appealing for any witnesses with relevant information regarding the theft of stone roofing tiles from St Peter's Church, Great Cheverell. The theft occurred overnight on the 31st January between 2200 hours and 0800 hours on the 1st February. Unknown Person(s) have entered the Church grounds and stolen quite a large quantity of stone tiles. This is the third time in as many months that The Church has been targeted in this way.

Please contact PC Gemma Rutter of PCSO Fiona Marno on 0845 408 7000 extension 737817 or

email us on [devizessouthernruralnpt@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:devizessouthernruralnpt@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk)

## WEST LAVINGTON YOUTH CLUB

As I am sure you are all aware, funding is an issue for us to deal with, no more so than in the last year. However, we did not sit back and complain; we got up and did something!

Recently we have put on a Genealogy Weekend at the Youth Club Building where three very committed people, Lyn, Mike and Rebecca, for a small donation, delved into the past of some local people. The result was a very welcome addition to the Youth Club Funds and a lot of very pleased people! We have plans for another Genealogy Weekend later this year.

Hazel Freeman, aided by Lyn Dyson, has compiled a very professional recipe book which contains recipes from many local people. The money from the sale of these books will go to the WLYC. The book has proved very successful and some copies are still available from Lyn Dyson, the Market Lavington Post Office, the Bridge Inn and *Reading Matters* in Devizes. Do buy your copy while stocks last.

Eric Freeman - Chairman

## VILLAGE CARE AND LINK

We continue to assist those who find it difficult to travel to medical related appointments, and we have noticed a distinct increase in the number of longer distance journeys.

This has put extra strains on our stock of volunteer drivers, so if you feel able to join us, please apply to Julie Collins on 816973.

If you need transport, and find it difficult to use public transport, please phone our central number 816826, giving at least a week's notice if at all possible.

Michael Page, Chairman

## WEST LAVINGTON VILLAGE HALL

*Stop Press* – the Valentine's Dance, held with kind permission of Dauntsey's School at the Memorial Hall, has raised over £2000 for Village Hall funds.

Very many thanks to the organising committee headed by Mrs Jo Wadman, and all the volunteers who helped in many ways, and everybody who attended to make this such a successful event.

Julia Ford, Chairman  
Village Hall Committee

### ACTION MEDICAL RESEARCH

#### 17th Plant Fair

Sunday, May 2nd,  
10.30 a.m.-4.00 p.m.  
Great Chalford Manor,  
Broughton Gifford  
Specialist nurseries and  
gardening sundries  
Refreshments and teas,  
Grand Cake Stall

## A MESSAGE FROM RICHARD GAMBLE

Wiltshire Councillor for The Lavingtons & Erlestoke Division

Anyone who is involved with raising money for a good cause will know that it's a challenging task and, in current times, I fear such fund raisers are finding that the job is not getting any easier. Yet the generosity of many, many people in our community who give voluntarily is very impressive.

Equally impressive is the generosity of so many people who give their time as volunteers. The number of institutions that rely on volunteers is far too long to list here but the beneficiaries include all of us, whether we are young or old, able bodied or handicapped, infirm or fit, rich or poor or anything in between.

Most of these volunteer heroes receive no praise or recognition and some, from time to time, even have to put up with criticism as they undertake their civic roles.

As the public sector across the board is facing cuts in the wake of the huge national budget deficit, the burden falling on the voluntary sector is ever greater. The latest local example is the call for volunteers to help man the libraries. Needless to say, this community is rising to the challenge and the response to support the Market Lavington library is commendable. It may even be able to stay open longer as a result.

It is true that some regard the new calls for volunteers to be an imposition but it is equally true that personal satisfaction, and some efficiency, may be derived if interested and committed persons are able to contribute directly to the delivery of services locally rather than calling upon remote institutions in Trowbridge or London or Brussels to meet our needs.

These are hard times but, in the longer run, the effect of greater participation may well be invigorating, even liberating, to our community.

You may contact me about this or any other matter on

**richard.gamble@wiltshire.gov.uk**

or by phone on 01380 813619.

## CHEVERELL MAGNA PARISH COUNCIL

**Victoria Park** – Application for Registration of Land as Village Green: The Parish Council have notified Wiltshire Council of their support for this application, which was sent to Wiltshire Council by Mrs Jane Renwick on behalf of Victoria Park Residents' Association. If any parishioners would like to add their support and, in particular, have any planning or open spaces expertise Mrs Jane Renwick would be delighted to hear from you.

Her email address is: **jane.renwick@certoctavian.co.uk** and telephone numbers: 01380 816352 (Home) or 01225 818712 (Work).

**HM Prison Erlestoke – Construction Works:** The Prison Governor would like to express appreciation to the residents of Great Cheverell and Victoria Park for their understanding during the period in which building work has been taking place. The bulk of the hard and heavy lifting has been completed and noise should now start to reduce.

**Parking and traffic issues** relating to building work at The Croft, 104 High Street: The Parish Council are working with the Police and other relevant departments to bring about a speedy resolution to the problems currently being experienced while building work is going on.

**Articles for Recycling:** The Parish Council has been notified by Wiltshire Council that, owing to budget constraints, the annual Community Cleansing Grant will no longer be available. This has been used in the past to provide skips for the Annual Village Spring Clean event. As the skips will not be provided this year the Parish Council invites anybody who does not have transport and wishes to dispose of an item of reasonable size for recycling to contact one of our Councillors who will be happy to assist.

**Royal Wedding Celebratory Event:** Volunteers are sought to assist with this celebratory event which promises to be fun for all the family and which is planned to take place at The Pavilion from 4 p.m. on the day of the Royal Wedding, Friday, 29th April. Donations of cakes would also be appreciated. If you would be interested in assisting with this community event, please contact Jane Andrew on 812439, email: janeandrew6@btinternet.com Further details will appear in next month's Parish Magazine.

**2011 Census:** A final reminder that on 27th March all residential households in the UK will be taking part in a Census. More information can be obtained at [www.census.gov.uk](http://www.census.gov.uk)

Val Noviss, Parish Clerk (01380 813227)  
Our Website is currently being reconstructed

## WEST LAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

The Council met on February 4th and from the meeting some items of interest emerged.

**Anti Social Behaviour:** Not something that happens around West Lavington but we have had contact from the Police about some anti-social behaviour around the BMX track and at the Primary school, with damage being done to play equipment and bottles being thrown around! The Police are stepping up routine visits but if anyone does spot anything or anyone then please do contact the Police on 08454087000. PC Rutter will keep us updated.

**A360 Speed watch:** We have again written to the County Council asking for the interactive speed signs to be installed along the High Street, but as yet we have had no response.

**Census 2011:** March will see the 2011 Census taking place where every household will have a Census delivered and WILL be required to complete. This is a legal requirement for all and if you do not complete it and return it, you will have a follow up visit to do so; to save a lot of time and wasted energy please complete and return. Thank you.

**West Lavington Website;** The website is now live, so if you haven't checked it out please do, [www.westlavington.info](http://www.westlavington.info) The site is full of local news and links to many organisations both local and County wide.

Thank you, Mark Wadman, Chairman

## DAUNTSEY'S AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL



The first half of the Spring Term has once again been a busy one at DAPS. Aside from classroom based learning, Year 6 learners have begun swimming at Dauntsey's pool, after school clubs are operating as normal and we are continuing with our programme of celebration assemblies each Friday for parents.

On Thursday 3rd February the school ran a highly successful Maths Day. The children experienced a variety of maths activities that supported and enhanced their learning, including board games, dice games, problem solving and a whole school maths quiz! A great day's learning was had by all.

Mr Rutter recently held a Maths Evening for all parents where he outlined the delivery of teaching and learning of Maths across the school and the importance of mental maths. The feedback was hugely positive and Mr Rutter will be running the second of two evenings after half term, the focus of the second session being multiplication and division.

On Wednesday 2nd February twenty children attended a fun and informative session at Braeside Education Centre, where they worked on the Powers of Learning initiative with Dr Tom Robson; these children are now known as 'The Learning Detectives'. The children had a fantastic day, learning more about the Powers of Learning and how they help us to become better learners. This term, we have worked on our Emerald Power. The impact is clearly evident across the whole school, with all children really enjoying this fun and inspiring initiative. Dr Tom will come into school to work alongside our learning detectives to see the Powers of Learning in operation.

Since January the school has been welcoming its governors into school. This 'Governor of the Month' has been successful so far. The governors for January and February have been able to pop into school, meet the school council, dip into lessons and discuss issues with staff members. This initiative will continue throughout this year.

This term we gave parents the opportunity to come into school to share lunch with their children. Each class took turns inviting their parents to come in on a Wednesday to join us for a roast dinner. The feedback has been very encouraging from both children and parents.

Over the past six months, the school has supported the West Lavington Twinning Association in their bid to Twin with St Pierre d'Autils. Orinoco class have been in contact with their village school, building links between the two schools via e-mail. The children have been sharing information in French, utilising skills the children are taught in lessons. We hope to develop this link further with our partner school over the coming months.

The children are now ready for their half term holiday, beginning on Monday 21st February and we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 28th February.

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Live in west Wiltshire?



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For information **01380 860100**

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**Connect at Erlestoke or Great Cheverell to use this service.**



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## LAVINGTON PRE-SCHOOL

During Term 1 we were looking at the "Night Sky" which the children thoroughly enjoyed making various space rockets, planets and stars. The children then took an interest in "mini beasts" and got busy making lady birds and spiders, counting spots and legs. We continue working with the children using the Jolly Phonics. We have introduced a listening game called Noisy Neighbours, where members of staff make sounds out of sight of the children, and the children have to guess what the sound is. This game is intended to get the children to sit quietly and to listen carefully which forms the basic foundations to learning. We have also worked on size and position recognition and we continue to have our PE sessions in the school hall.

Next term we begin our new topic which is based on the book The Window. The book looks at how a boy sees things differently through the window as he grows up. We will be looking at how we may see things change as we ourselves grow up and change, how things change when day turns to night, the seasons changing and how things may look different outside a window in different countries. We will discuss the various aspects of this topic with the children and take their lead as to which direction we go.

We are sad to say that after several years Sally has decided to move on to pastures new. We want to thank Sally for her hard work and wish her the very best in her new post. We will be looking at recruiting a new member of staff who is at least NVQ Level 2, to join our Bank Staff.

80's DISCO – Lavington Pre-school will be holding an 80's Disco on Saturday 7th May at Market Lavington Community Hall 8:00 pm – Midnight – Keep an eye out for our posters for more details!!!

**Once again we have started collecting both Sainsbury and Tesco Vouchers – if you have any unwanted vouchers at home we would very much appreciate them.**

For any further information, please contact Vici Knott, Pre-school Supervisor  
on: Telephone (07730) 285998

### PORK FOR SALE

Free Range Traditional Breed Pigs  
Quarter or Half Pig, Sausages and  
individual joints available.  
Prices start at £3.00 per lb.  
Piglets also available.  
For more information call Gary Hale  
on 01380-813920

## GREAT CHEVERELL PRE-SCHOOL AND NURSERY

### PRE-SCHOOL OPEN WEEK

**From Monday 28th March to Friday 1st April**

We are opening our doors to all parents and carers of pre-school children to bring your child along to any of our sessions (from 8.45 a.m. to 2.45 p.m.) to see what goes on.

Let your child join in with some activities and fun organised by our highly qualified staff, while you enjoy a cup of tea and a chance to look around our new building and view our recent excellent OFSTED report. Staff and committee members will be on hand to answer your questions.

Registrations are now being taken for the next school year so please take advantage of our open week. No need to book.

**Enquiries: Mrs Gill Tayler Pre-School: 01380 812121**

*Great Cheverell Pre-School and Nursery is a charitable pre-school. Based in the grounds of Holy Trinity School and enjoying close links with the school and community. Reg. Charity No. 1037654*

### LAVINGTON AND DISTRICT SWIMMING CLUB



**Location: DAUNTSEY'S SCHOOL**

SUNDAY 5.15pm to 6.45pm,

TUESDAY 7.30pm to 8.30pm

Fun with floats – Sunday 5.15pm to 6.00pm,

Lane swimming available every session

FEES: £50 PER TERM FOR A FAMILY (£2 per swim)

£25 PER TERM FOR AN INDIVIDUAL (£1 per swim)

**Spring Term starts Tuesday 11th January 2011**

& ends Tuesday 29th March 2011

(21 SWIMMING SESSIONS)

**Half Term Closure:**

Sun 20th & Tue 22nd February

**Guest Fees: ADULTS:- £3.00 CHILDREN:-**

**£1.50**

Stephen Read. 22 Canada Rise, Market Lavington.

Tel; 01380 816280.

Email; [indulge.two@googlemail.com](mailto:indulge.two@googlemail.com)

Michael Russell. 01380 818110, or 07836 515677.

Email: [michaelrussell3735@btinternet.com](mailto:michaelrussell3735@btinternet.com)

Come along for a "taster" – a small fee will be deducted when you join the Club

## MOTHERS' UNION

Our February meeting was held on Valentine's Day which was the culmination of "Marriage Week" (7th–14th February). The theme was "Memories of our Families". Revd John Cowburn opened the meeting and following a hymn and prayers, he gave us an interesting account of how he had met his wife, Ann, whilst serving in the RAF. He went on to tell us about the various places they had lived in, and some amusing and scary incidents they had experienced in their long and happy marriage. The group were then given opportunity to share their memories and several photos were passed around of children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren in various stages of growing up. There were some other photos of elegant Victorian ladies and gentlemen who were the grandparents and great-grandparents of some of the members present.

Families are important to Mothers' Union because this Charity seeks to support families worldwide. The vision of our members in 81 countries is to bring about a world where God's love is shown through loving, respectful and flourishing relationships. This goal is actively pursued through prayer, programmes, policy work and community relationships. By supporting marriage and family life, especially through times of adversity, the Mothers' Union tackles the most urgent needs challenging relationships and communities.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, 14th March at 2.15 p.m. , and we are delighted that Anji Scofield will be making a return visit to us and this time will be giving us a talk about her visit to Oberammergau.

If you would like to find out more about the Mothers' Union you are most welcome to come to any of our meetings which are held on the second Monday of the month at 2.15 p.m. at The Vicarage, White Lane, West Lavington.

Further information can also be obtained from the Mothers' Union website at [www.themothersunion.org](http://www.themothersunion.org)

Val Noviss

### MONTHLY LOCAL CRAFT AND PRODUCE MARKET

at The Green Dragon, Market Lavington  
on second Saturday of every month  
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

In aid of a different charity each month

Lots to buy, including

Paintings, Jewellery, Jams and Chutneys, Walking Sticks,  
Handmade cards and decorations, Textiles

For more information, contact  
Steve or Nicky Wragg on 813235

## WORTON AND CHEVERELL F.C.

'The Badgers'



The Under 9s maintain their winning streak with three friendly matches, all being won recently, including a 3-1 win against Devizes Town local rivals.

In other age groups the Club have also played well, with some thrilling matches, including the Adult fixture against Castle Combe. The match left the team in 3rd position in Division 2 of the Trowbridge and District League. Despite taking a one goal lead, they were losing 3-1 at the interval, and looked to be out of the match before turning the game around. In an excellent second half they fought back to share the spoils with a 3-3 draw.

At Under 10 level, the team played two matches against Warminster, drawing 1-1 and winning the second by a close 1-0. Great passing and teamwork ensured that the first half goal by Jack turned out to be the winner. But some great defensive work and goalkeeping by James ensured the success, with the visitors twice hitting the woodwork. A strong performance, despite the terrible weather conditions that day.

One for the calendar: U11 team have reached the Semi-Finals in the League Cup, and will play Chippenham on 5th March, at Leafy Lane, Corsham. All spectators are welcome; time to be advised but please contact the Manager if interested (see website for contact details).

<http://www.wortonandcheverellfc.co.uk>

Steve Dagnall 01380-727976

## FRIENDS OF THE COURTYARD SURGERY FORTHCOMING EVENTS

**Annual General Meeting.** The Friends of Courtyard Surgery will hold its Annual General meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday 21st March. Members of the surgery are cordially invited to come along, find out what has been achieved in the last year, and meet the committee members.

**Quiz Night.** There will be a quiz night in the Churchill Arms in West Lavington (Next to the surgery) on Friday 25 March at 8pm. Further details will be announced in next months News and Views.

I look forward to seeing many of our patients and staff at the AGM and to a most enjoyable Quiz Night on the 25th of March.

Richard Matters, Chairman - Friends of Courtyard Surgery (FOCS)

## WEST LAVINGTON TWINNING ASSOCIATION



Our 2011 programme gets under way with a "Pub Quiz" (open to all) to be held in West Lavington Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 2nd March. There will be a wine bar.

Tickets (£5.00) include a ploughman's and are available from Michael Page.

On 24th March we have a Normandy Gourmet Evening (members only).

Later in the year we plan to hold a "Silent Auction". If anyone has any items they could donate, please contact me. Our next trip to France (members only) is 8th/11th July. If you wish to join, then please contact our chairman Malcolm Johnson on 818147.

Please contact Malcolm Johnson 818147 or Mike Page 818510 for details.

Michael Page

## THE CHEVERELLS GARDEN CLUB

**8th February 2011**

It was another packed village hall in Great Cheverell for the February meeting when members and visitors were delighted to welcome Dinah Lindon-Critchley back to the club, this time her topic was *Building a Border*.

Dinah guided us through the design process and a planting plan for a border which could be sustained throughout the year. She chose plants which were good value because they had more than one 'feature' for example autumn colour or winter seed heads as well as summer or spring blooms. Dinah also showed how very useful bulbs can be for continued interest in a border.

After the illustrated talk, there were examples of plants for sale that she had used in her design, and of course a lot of advice and questions answered.

Next month, on Tuesday 8th March the topic 'is *The Shady Garden* with Alan Bower. Doors open at 7.15 p.m. for a 7.30 p.m. start.

## BOOKMARK, GREAT CHEVERELL

The two novels under review for our group in February were Elizabeth Jenkins' *The Tortoise & the Hare* and Muriel Barbary's *The Elegance of the Hedgehog*. It would appear that those who related to and enjoyed the first, struggled with the second - and those who appreciated the second, were jaded by the first! However, it was felt that both these modern classics were extremely well written. Our thanks to Brenda Nock for hosting this Bookmark session.

Aminatta Forna's *The Memory of Love* and *The Long Song* by Andrea Levy are the two novels under review on 30th March. Meanwhile, a group of members attended the Bath Literary Festival at the end of February to see Mariella Frostrup interview Kazuo Ishiguro, Aminatta Forna & David Strakey for Sky Art's Book Show; also Andrea Levy and a dramatization of Beowulf at the Masonic Hall. A weekend well worth remembering.

Hild Marrow

## WEST LAVINGTON WI

February's session was definitely much ado about something, for our speaker showed us how to understand and enjoy the plays of William Shakespeare in a most unusual and animated fashion. Mr. Newbury, who began teaching in 1997, is a great supporter of story sacks; where a topic is created to include all other major subjects. As his aim is to make the Bard's works more accessible in the curriculum, he uses Shakespeare's plays as a vehicle for what has to be delivered in schools. Therefore, taking the three elements of Shakespeare; story, characters & language, our topic for the evening was 'The Tempest'. We absolutely amazed ourselves, but if you had been there in the Giles Room for this 'one off' production, it may not quite have been 'as you like it'. Mr. Newbury entertained us in his unique and stimulating way, and although we may have forgotten our lines from time to time, we had enormous amounts of fun absorbing the story. Therefore, 'All's well that ends well'.

It has been decided to return to our September sessions, minus a speaker, as from this year. And March 10th is the date for our AGM and the Kate Lyle Rose Bowl in house competition

Hild Marrow

## From The Parish Registers

### FUNERALS

*Our thoughts and prayers are with all who have recently been bereaved.*

**Robert Cecil James WATERS** died on 23rd January, aged 90. His funeral and burial at St Mary's, Market Lavington was held on 4th February 2011.

**Christopher ARNOLD** died on 13th January, aged 58. His funeral and burial was at St Mary's, Market Lavington on 24th January 2011.

**Doreen Mary MERRITT** died aged 78 on 31st December 2010. Her funeral took place at Semington Crematorium on 18th January and her ashes were buried in St Mary's Churchyard on 3rd February.

### BENEFICE 200 CLUB

The draw was done by Liz Thom of Market Lavington.

The winner was Dick Purdum of Easterton. He wins £40. Second was Joan Coles of Great Cheverell. She wins £20.

**Quentin Goggs,**  
Administrator of the 200 Club

### WORSHIP IN OUR SISTER CHURCHES

Trinity Church, Market Lavington (United Church):

Services each Sunday in the Community Hall 10.30 am

St. Joseph's, Littleton Panell (Roman Catholic):

Mass with Sunday School. 9.00am. Confessions before Mass.

Ebenezer Baptist Chapel, West Lavington:

Sunday 11 am and 6 pm (Secretary J. Coxhead 01373 823038)

## MARKET LAVINGTON OLD SCHOOL DAY CENTRE

### We need your help!

The Day Centre can only function because of a dedicated group of volunteer helpers and drivers.

At the moment we desperately need more **DRIVERS** to bring members to the Centre for 10 am and take them home at 3 pm — not much more than an hour of your time once a week — and if we could attract enough volunteers to enable us to have a rota of drivers it might only be a commitment of once a month!

The work is unpaid but drivers do receive 'out of pocket' expenses and the gratitude of all our lovely members!

**PLEASE DO HELP US IF YOU CAN:**

**Just telephone either**

**Diane on 812204 or Janice on 818533.**

**We look forward to hearing from you.**

## MARKET LAVINGTON OLD SCHOOL DAY CENTRE

### Message to Senior Citizens

Do you sometimes feel a bit lonely and isolated and would just like to get out of the house and be with friendly people in warm, welcoming surroundings?

If so the Day Centre at the Old School, Market Lavington might be the solution. We meet on a Tuesday from 10 am till 3 pm. We chat over tea and biscuits, play cards, scrabble, etc., have lunch and then a talk or entertainment chosen by the members followed by tea.

If you are interested and would like to know more please telephone either  
Diane on 812204 or Janice on 818533.  
We look forward to hearing from you.

## EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

### Take and Read

This year marks the 400th anniversary “Authorised” or “King James” version of the Bible, first published in 1611. This certainly wasn’t the first translation of the Bible into English, but it has been one of the most influential. Prior to the Reformation in the sixteenth century, church services were held in Latin and the Bible was only available in a Latin translation. This meant that the Bible was a closed book for ordinary people. However, Reformers such as Martin Luther in Germany and William Tyndale in England wanted to make the treasures of the Bible available to everybody to read. They carefully translated the Bible from the original Greek and Hebrew into the language of the people.

The “King James” translation of the Bible was very much based on the earlier efforts of William Tyndale. It is called the “King James Version” because King James I of England commissioned this edition of the Bible. The work took around fifty scholars seven years to complete the task of producing a fresh English translation of the Holy Scriptures. Their efforts were worth it. The King James Version soon became the Bible of the English speaking peoples. It opened up the wonders of God’s Word for all to read with its much admired combination of accuracy in translation, clarity of style and literary beauty.

The King James Bible helped make modern English the language that it is today. Boyd Tonkin, The Independent’s literary editor called the King James version of the Bible, “a masterpiece of English prose” and so it is. If you have a long neglected copy of the King James Bible lying around the house, perhaps this might be a good time to dust it off and give it a read. But remember, the Bible is more than a literary classic. It is the best of books with the best of messages, “the holy scriptures are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.” (1 Timothy 3:15 KJV).

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## EDITOR’S NOTES

It is at this time of the year that I pursue our various advertisers asking them whether they wish to cancel, renew, amend and pay for the advertisements that appear in this publication. Without them it would not of course be possible to produce 900 copies at no cost to any household in our three villages. If I am grateful for the advertisers’ contributions I hope that many of our readers avail themselves, as I for one have done, of what is offered. The range is considerable and if it brings business to the various local enterprises, then it has been worthwhile.

As far as I can, I try to respond to the frequent requests for giving space to new local businesses and enterprises and it seems likely that the April issue will have a few more added to it, but I am anxious that News and Views should not be dominated by the advertisement section (there are already more than 50) and I hope it will be understood if not every request will be given the space it requires.

Jim Hodges

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