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EDITORIAL

A bumper issue celebrating the biggest event in Horningsham's year – the Village Fayre! Congratulations to the Fayre Committee under its Chair, Steve Crossman and a big thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make it the most successful Fayre ever. The sun shone and more people than ever turned up and enjoyed themselves. The Fayre made an amazing profit of £8,616. This enabled the Committee to make grants of £1,000 to each of the village organisations including *Horningsham News*, plus £750 each to the two new organisations: Lion Cubs Playgroup and the W.I. These grants are vital for each of the groups to continue their work for the community throughout the year.

As well as many pages covering the Fayre we have our usual features including the latest meeting of the Parish Council and reports from the Welcome Club, W.I., Luncheon Club, and, of course, the ever-popular Chronicle from Mill Farm.

Like every summer, there will be no News in Horningsham until September though should anything happen, our Facebook page will be sure to cover it.

Tim Hill

Please send your contributions for the next edition by Wednesday 15th August 2018

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CHURCH NEWS



As I write this, we have not yet had our June service, so I could say that there is no church news. But, there is of course only one subject to talk about, and that is the Fayre. What a fantastic day! It was lovely to see the field full of people enjoying themselves in such a happy atmosphere. The church was represented as always by the cake stall, which looked amazing. A big thank you to Susie and Fran, who both worked tremendously hard on the day and in the week leading up to the Fayre doing lots of baking.



The next service in church will be the Village Reunion, which is another happy and enjoyable day to look forward to. After that there will be nothing until September, but let's hope there will be lots of lovely summer weather to enjoy before then.

Helen Taylor

Church Date

July 15th

Village Reunion service 11.15am

As I write this letter July is fast approaching and we will all be delighted to welcome Pauline back into the fold on the 1st from her three months sabbatical.

During the past three months our Parish Churches have continued to be active, welcoming new families through Baptism, young couples through the celebrations of their weddings and by supporting families in the testing times of funeral services. Alongside all of this our weekly services have continued to run with the help and assistance of clergy throughout the parish and the deanery. So, despite the fact that we are told that our rural churches are struggling to survive there seems to be plenty of life and activity here in our Benefice even though sadly, our weekly church numbers don't always reflect this.

The pressures of family life today and weekend family commitments are the main reasons we hear which make it difficult for families to attend the Sunday service. But, as many of you will be aware, church is not confined to just a Sunday service. Being a Christian is about worshipping God and serving others in His name every day in every way and our Church activities continue throughout the week, thanks to the many volunteers who help with pastoral care, study groups or who go into our schools to help with the Christian assemblies, not forgetting all those who serve on the PCCs to keep our church buildings in order and look after the day to day running of Church life.

As a Church we are always looking for new ways to be welcoming and accessible to all, especially when it comes to encouraging the younger members of our parishes to join us. If our churches are to continue to grow in the future, in whatever form, then we need YOU to be on board. If you have had your children baptised, ask yourself why you made this decision. Don't we owe it to our children to help them understand what being a member of the world-wide church really means? The church is shaped by those who use it through each generation. This is now YOUR opportunity to shape for the future.

In September we are going to invite parents and children to come and explore more about their Christian church through new confirmation classes. This is an opportunity for all who feel they have lost touch and to reaffirm the commitment we made to God through our baptisms. If you would like to join us or would like more information about this new children/parent confirmation course, please get in touch with Rev. Pauline Reid 01985 840291.

Rev Di Britten

HORNINGSHAM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH



Many congratulations to everyone who contributed to the wonderful Fayre on the 10th. Our next services will be held on Sunday 8th July, Sunday 12th August and Sunday 9th September, all at 10am

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HORNINGSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Horningsham Parish Council met on Thursday 21st June at the Village Hall.

Present: Councillors, Tim Hill, Stephen Crossman, Ken Windess, Michael Trollope, Fran Chris, Simon Millar, Matt Simpson and John Radley.

In attendance: The Parish Clerk Mrs. Sarah Jeffries MILCM. PCSO Candy Jackson

Apologies: Dermot FitzGerald, Gerard Brierley.

Co-option

4 applications had been received. Council voted on the applications. It was agreed that Charlotte Hilleary would be invited to join the Council.

Planning

No planning applications had been received. The tree orders considered at the Council's last meeting have all been approved. The decision on Listed Building Consent for the work on Longleat Muniment Tower is expected by 30th June.

Highways Grass Cutting & Chapel Grounds Maintenance

Council heard a report from the Vice Chairman Councillor Steve Crossman. Rowe's Hill, Church Lane & White Street were missed being cut properly by the Highways Team. A second cut was actioned within the week of the poor cut. Complaints had been received concerning the grass cutting in the Chapel Burial Ground. Councillor Stephen Crossman mentioned that he has approached the ground maintenance contractor about this. Grass under the seat on Town Well is very poorly cut. The mound in the upper Church yard was also mentioned. It was agreed that a check system will be put in place in future. Photographs will be shown to the contractor to show the standard required. Councillor Stephen Crossman would speak to the Contractor again and would continue to monitor the quality of the grass cutting and report back to the Council.

Village Fayre

Council heard a report from the Vice Chairman Steve Crossman. It had been the most successful fair to date. £11,200 had been taken on the day after the costs were taken out, it has meant £8,600 is left. It was a tremendous effort by all the village, every stall holder who attended has booked in for next year already. June 9th 2019 will be next year's date. A concert might follow at the end of June 2019.

Asset Maintenance

Councillor Ken Windess reported on progress to date. He was congratulated for repairing the bus shelter and he mentioned that he will treat the bus shelter again in the near future. It was noted that the trees above the Bus Shelter require cutting back and all the trees on the common need their skirts lifting. The refurbishment of the telephone box is in hand. Councillor Ken Windess is to speak to the Post Office about painting the post box. It was also mentioned that the post box outside of the old shop also requires painting. There was a thought that local information maps could be placed on a cork board in the bus stops. Councillor Ken Windess will look into this and come back to the next meeting.

WWI Commemorations

Council heard an update report from Councillor Matt Simpson on the WWI Commemorations Orchard Project to date. The last meeting agreed for Councillor Matt Simpson to bring the costs for crocus and wild daffodils to be planted as an

accompaniment. Council noted that Councillor Matt Simpson had inadvertently forgotten to bring the catalogue price. Councillor Matt Simpson to email the Clerk the prices. It was agreed to place this on the next agenda for discussion.

Councillor Simon Millar reported that Co-operative Funeralcare in Warminster have offered to pay for the repainting of the names on the War Memorial. It was expected that work would be actioned in late summer. It was noted that the Chain saw artist is happy to action a bench, but the cost quoted was seen as prohibitive. The tree trunk to be donated was seen as the best prospect. Councillor Stephen Crossman to speak to the Longleat Head Forester. It is agreed to place it to the right of the gateway. A wooden gate was discussed. Councillor Stephen Crossman to obtain three quotations and come back to Council. Councillor Ken Windess said he would be happy to make a gate he would just need to know what wood Council would like it to be made of. Councillor Ken Windess to come back to Council at the next meeting. The Belgian soldier's headstone in our churchyard has been changed by the Commonwealth War Graves Team. It was mentioned that the Belgian Embassy Military Attaché should be approached to discover if there are living relatives of the soldier. It was agreed that the Chairman would write to them to invite them to the 100 year commemorations.

Village Hall Committee

Council heard an update from Councillor Ken Windess on the recent activities of the Committee. It was noted that Pete Wellstead is the new Chairman. It was noted that the three phase electricity upgrade was all actioned now.

Defibrillator

Council heard a report from Councillor Stephen Crossman re the contact with parishioner to install the Defibrillator cabinet. Council approved the contractor offering to action the work for free subject to the receipt of the certification afterwards. Council confirmed that Councillor Ken Windess would action the weekly checks on the unit and action the online reporting when it is installed.

Play Area

Council heard a report on the project to date from Councillor Tim Hill and the Clerk. The Chairman agreed to follow up the grant from Longleat Charitable Trust. The Clerk would action the Procurement following receipt of the monies.

Rural Police report

Council noted the Rural Police Report. PCSO Candy Jackson spoke to Council that she is now working alongside PCSO Debbie Robbins covering 25 villages. Beauty spot theft, shed theft, garden theft, bike theft, were all hot issues in the area. Longbridge Deverill, Maiden Bradley and Crockerton have all had thefts but Horningsham is tucked away and so has not suffered as much but all the thefts are opportunist. There has been an increase in dogs being stolen within this area, fly tipping is also on the increase.

The next meeting of Horningsham Parish Council will be on Thursday 13th September at 7.30 in the Village Hall. All are welcome to attend.

LUNCHEON CLUB



The Luncheon Club AGM was held on 31st May. Our Treasurer Pearl presented the Annual Accounts which showed we had a healthy balance. However the cost of the meals and rent for the Hall had all gone up and when numbers are low due to holidays or sickness the payment for the meals and raffle that we hold does not cover the meal ingredients and rent. It was decided that after five years the cost of the meals will go up to £3 per person as from Thursday 7th June. Everyone was more than happy with this increase and complimented the cooks on the

excellent meals they provide. Thanks were also given to Pearl as Treasurer and to all the helpers and cooks who keep the club going.

We finish on 26th July for our summer break and restart again on Thursday 6th September. Anyone over 60 is eligible to join the club. You don't need to live in the village indeed we have members from Warminster, Frome, Yeovil, Maiden Bradley and Zeals to name but a few. The club is open every Thursday with a break at Christmas, Easter and the month of August. We meet at 12 noon for a natter before the meal is served at 12.30pm. A two course meal followed by tea or coffee for £3, what a bargain!!

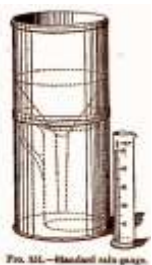
We are always looking for more helpers or cooks so if you could spare some time once every 4 to 6 weeks we would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact Margaret on the number below.

On the 2nd August our annual outing is to the National Botanic Garden of Wales. This is free for all members, cooks and helpers. There are some spare seats on the coach so if this appeals to you the price will be £18 which covers your entrance to the gardens as well as your coach travel. Please ring our treasurer Pearl on 01985 844779 if you would like to book a seat.

Our thanks to everyone who helps to keep this club running especially the members who faithfully support us.

Lesley Trollope & Margaret Long (01985 844756)

PARSONAGE FARM RAINFALL



May started with a frost, which soon disappeared. Then on the 2nd we had heavy rain -dropping 0.41 inches. It was then the beginning of a rather welcome hot spell, giving us farmers time to get the silage done. We had a few showers on the 10th which threw us .0.8 inches. It then turned into a really good May with lots of hot weather which broke on the 21st with a downpour of 0.47 inches. We then had a mixture of cool weather with thunder and lightning on the 26th but not much rain, but a great show of flash lightning. So at the end of the month we had 2.21 inches (3.05 last year) giving us 14.59 inches so far this year.

John Whatley



WELCOME CLUB

From start to finish we had a magnificent day on our trip to Henley-on-Thames. The weather was fantastic and everyone boarded the coach in high spirits which remained. Coffee at a garden centre just outside Basingstoke – then off to Henley. We had not visited here before as a group and it turned out to be a good choice and worthy of being included in future dates. Lunch was taken at various restaurants and pubs and then time was spent sitting by the river or looking around until it was time to leave. We were held up on our journey home by an accident (not to us!) on the A303. Another new stop was to call in at Solstice Park for tea and the raffle, after which, back to the coach and homeward having had a really lovely day out.

On our Bring & Buy Sale day unfortunately the numbers attending were few but we did take £68.50 in sales – more than last year!

We had a Prize Quiz on 21st June in the Hall and a full coach for the trip to Dartmouth on 26th June. Details of these in the next issue.

At our meeting on the 19th July we have the Aster Group talking about their services to help people live as independently at home as possible.

Our next trip is on 24th July to Corfe and Swanage.

Chris Short 01985 847373

HALL NEWS



What a fantastic Village Fayre we had this year! It's so lovely to see the Hall and field full of people and life. It's such a great event that supports so many local groups and we are very happy to be part of it.

We now have scheduled work to be carried out on the Hall floor in August. We'd like to decorate and continue improvements throughout the year. If you have any areas of expertise or would like to help with any decorating/updating please do get in touch.

At present we don't have any events planned but this is something we really would like to focus on so again if anyone has anything they'd like to input or suggest please do contact us.

Our next meeting will be held on Monday 2nd July at 7.30pm all welcome.

Louisa Cruickshank

HORNINGSHAM CRICKET CLUB

The cricket club, for all its struggles, is in a purple patch and has won all its games in June. Careful selection of weak opposition teams to play friendlies against has helped. And on the hot afternoons of our Sunday League, we are helped by being, generally, and despite the sterling efforts of some of our squad, less hung over than the opposition. Perhaps this reflects badly on our social lives.

Your correspondent has missed most of this month's games but news filters through that almost everybody has made important contributions at different times. Callum Widdows is at the heart of most things. He is the only player who always bats, and always bowls his full allowance of overs; as Captain, he gets to make sure of that. So I think he may be our leading wicket taker and run scorer this year.

In the league we have played five and won five this season. We are second in the table, with a game in hand over the leaders, and still nine games to play. To finish second would be a great achievement.

The club helped in a small way with the running of the Village Fayre this year. It was great fun, and what a huge success, a great credit to all those who led it. The club is very grateful for our share of the Fayre income, which covers the cost of looking after the playing field. My own role is rather tiny but I think more people threw wet sponges at my face, and with greater accuracy, than ever before.

James Osborne



HORNINGSHAM W.I.

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INSPIRING WOMEN

For May's meeting we were delighted to have Maureen Hinton join us to demonstrate some basic flower arranging. She shared lots of top tips and lots of notes were taken. She personally has strong family connections with Horningsham. She brought along some historical memorabilia that was fascinating and included a number of items related to the original Horningsham WI, including a photo of members on the steps of Longleat House.

June's meeting will have seen us make our own flower creations – photos of which we will share next time. For our meeting at the end of July (31st) we have a relaxed quiz night. For future meetings we have more craft planned and also will be discovering the history of chocolate (with samples!)



June also saw a fantastic team of our members deliver the cream teas at the Village Fayre. They rose to the challenge and although incredibly busy it was lots of fun. A great big thank you to all who volunteered as much as you did, some of whom were also helping with other aspects of the Fayre too. In particular, I need to personally thank the other committee members who brought it all together and made up for my limited experience of scone baking!

If you are interested in joining us and would like to come along to a meeting then please get in touch. We meet on the last Tuesday at Horningsham Village Hall, normally at 7.30pm. You can reach us at wihorningsham@gmail.com or on 01985 844801. Please let us know if you are planning to come along so we can confirm the time for you as this does sometimes vary slightly.

Caramantha Wellstead, President Horningsham WI

Mill Farm Chronicles May – June 2018

Gosh its bloomin' hot! Now, I'm not complaining because its lovely not to have continuous rain but having to work in this heat isn't nice, cooking and ironing are hell on earth! Steve on the other hand is well happy because all our hay has been cut and is being baled as I type so the next couple of days will see Steve hauling them back to the farm using an enormous flatbed trailer (yes, with working lights) and bale lifting machines. The logistics of getting all the equipment into the right place to get the bales on to the trailer and off again at the farm are quite tricky and sometimes involve me ferrying Steve to the field or a few times have seen him hopping on his bicycle to ride to the field. Funny thing is, over the past week Steve's been spending a lot of hours on the tractor turning the hay. I wondered why he was so adamant that he had to buy and fit new speakers in the cab a few weeks ago, then the penny dropped . . . the World Cup! England's win against Panama will not have been missed.



The heifers that have had A.I. (artificial insemination) all seem to be in calf. It took a few visits from our A.I man to achieve this but now they are all up Brimsdown Hill getting happily fat. Before the heifers were transported up to Maiden Bradley, they were all wormed and had Spot On fly repellent applied to their backs to make sure they aren't bothered by the flies.

We've had our first calf born from our bunch of summer calvers. The cow gave birth in the field without any bother or intervention needed from Steve. While we talk about this, could I respectfully remind dog walkers using our fields to pick up their dog's poo. There is a parasite called Neospora Caninum which lives in dog poo that if ingested by cattle can cause abortion. If one of our cow's aborts because of this then obviously that's one less calf to rear and ultimately less money to keep the bank manager happy. Once infected with Neosporosis there is no cure for the cow and there is no vaccination against catching it, so please, please if you are going to walk your dog in our grazing fields please poo pick and take home. It might be just a field to you but to us it's a tool for our trade. Many thanks.

In between all this Steve has been topping all the fields. This means that he just lightly mows the grass to cut off any thistles and docks before they get a chance to seed. The fields always look lovely after this is done, like lawns.

By the time you read this we will have started having the Longleat lakes sludge spread on a few of our fields nearest the park. The lakes are silting up so need to be dredged and cleaned. The whole operation is expected to take about 3 years to complete. During that time these fields will be unusable but once work is finished then the land will be ploughed and reseeded with grass.

Indoors it's been busy too. We had Kay and Robert Penny from California come to stay for 10 days, which was lovely. They have been lots of times before because they have relations in Warminster who they come over to visit every couple of years or so. In fact, Robert's sister, Bridget and her husband, did our wedding video when Steve and I got married 35 years ago. Their visit coincided with the Village Fayre so Kay, Robert and family went and were delighted to not only meet and talk to Ceawlin and Emma but were bought a beer by them!

We were sad not to have Kath and Ron, who usually stay with us for Fayre week, not with us this year due to ill health, but they are booked to come with their son in a few weeks' time so we are looking forward to that.

Socially it's been hectic, well work hard, play hard I say. We had a brilliant visit to Chester Zoo at the end of May. It's a really lovely zoo with all the animals looking happy especially the tiny baby elephant who was only a few days old. It absolutely poured with rain all day so Steve, Jack and I were soaked to the skin after a few hours but it didn't detract from the day.

Steve, Mark, Jo and I went to the Bath and West Show which was ok. We managed to eat our way around the show by having lunch in our accountant's tent, tea in the NFU tent and various freebie nibbles from the trade stalls in-between.

Steve and I took Ivy to Paulton's Park, mainly to see Peppa Pig World. What a place that is, Ivy was mesmerised by it all and we had a brilliant day. There are lots of things to do there one being a 'tractor' ride, which in its self was pretty staid but the track meandered around the most wonderful garden full of fruit bushes and beautifully maintained vegetable plots. The person responsible for that garden deserves a pay rise, it was amazing.

It seems that we have a 3-year-old adrenaline junkie. I suggested queuing for a small gentle train ride but this was disdainfully refused by Ivy who then pointed upwards and said, "I want to go on that Grandma" . . . Well "that" was a rollercoaster which saw me clinging to Ivy for dear life so she didn't fall out, with my eyes closed I might add, and Ivy shrieking at the top of her voice "I love this Grandma I want one in my garden". I was delighted to get to the station, only to realise to my horror and Ivy's joy that the ruddy thing went around twice. Please God don't ever let me have to take her to Alton Towers!

Yesterday evening we celebrated Steve's brother Peter and Peter's sister-in-law Jenny's 60th birthdays with a party in a tent on their farm. Good company, delicious food, plenty to drink, a really good band and a warm dry evening, what's not to love!

Have a good summer.

Margaret Crossman

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A DAY AT KEW GARDENS

We had a fantastic trip to Kew Gardens on Friday - the sunshine was out and the flowers were blooming! Each of the classes took part in a science based session and where better to learn than out with the plants and the bees. It was fantastic exploring the vast gardens from the Temperate House, to the Palm House, the Hive and the Royal Kitchen Gardens. It was a truly memorable day for the whole school.



We were very proud of our children dancing a Fred Astair inspired routine in top and hat and tails – not easy on quite a hot day! The tombola did really well this year and every single item was won! A big thanks

too to parents and staff relatives for running a great BBQ as well. It was a great day for everyone.

QUAD KIDS



On Monday 21st May ten children from Owls competed in the Quad Kids event at Bath University. The children took part in a series of athletics events including a 75m sprint, 600m run, long jump, vortex throw and 50m relay. In a tough competition, which included 22 schools, our children put everything into each event. It truly was an inspiring experience to compete at such a professional venue.

Running seems to be at theme at Horningsham lately! Following in Mr Edward's footsteps, we have had lots of children and parents taking part in different running events, such as the 5km Southwick Park Run each week, the Chippenham May Mile, the Great Bristol Family Run and Race for Life. Increasingly this is being done in conjunction with raising money for different cancer related charities.

RUNNING FUN



ORIENTEERING TRIUMPH!



Great news! The orienteering team came 2nd at the regional competition therefore qualify for a place at Marlborough School Games! This is our first time qualifying in this event. Huge congratulations to Isaac and William for their very impressive time of 13.07- they were very closely followed by Violet and Angel with 14.22. We are really looking forward to taking them to the School Games, great work team!

LION CUBS PLAYGROUP

Lion Cubs Playgroup were delighted to organise a children's area at this year's Village Fayre.



Ride on diggers and tractors, sand art, face painting, and pottery kept our little visitors occupied all day. A vegetable creature and miniature garden competition proved a huge success with the children. We received a variety of unusual creatures and some imaginative gardens (step aside AlanTitchmarsh). Tractor Ted, Acres Supply and Crockerton Garden Centre were amongst some of the supporters who donated wonderful prizes which were given out on the day. Thank you to everyone who entered and congratulations to our talented winners.



Fruit/Vegetable Creature

5 and under

1st - Douglas Hilleary (3)

2nd - George Elston (4)

3rd - Martha Hilleary (5)

6-8 years

1st - Poppy Wellstead (6)

2nd - Isla Elston (7)

3rd - Belle Dyke (6)

Miniature Garden Design

5 and under

1st - Emily Mumby (5)

2nd - Annabelle Perry (2)

3rd - Seraphina McGee (3)

6-8 years

1st - Charlie Perry (6)

2nd - Liliana Wellstead (8)

3rd - Isla Elston (7)



We look forward to doing it all again next year. In the mean-time, Lion Cubs meet every Thursday during term time at Horningsham Village Hall. We offer a variety of indoor and outdoor play sessions for parents and carers with Lion Cubs age 0-4 years. Everyone is welcome.

Sara Elston

**The Adventures and Misadventures of Fanny Fust:
a True story from the 18th Century**

Openstorytellers are a company of storytellers with learning disabilities and we have our first ever gig in Frome Festival on July 13th, telling this extraordinary story through readings from original documents, dance and song.

Fanny Fust was an heiress who had severe learning disabilities - she was abducted from Bristol by a half-pay soldier called Henry Bowerman, who had persuaded a schoolfriend of Fanny's to aid him in the plot. He carried her off to France, pursued by agents employed by Fanny's mother. The story mirrors the plot of so many of the novels enjoyed at the time - it has villains, an innocent heroine, foreign locations, farce and tragedy all mixed in. It led to a court case which is remarkably similar to today's discussions about capacity and consent in vulnerable people. Come and find out what happened to Fanny.

*You can watch our fantastic trailer to give you a taste of the show here:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eVnKixU0IrM&feature=youtu.be>*

It's taking place on Friday 13th July at 7.30pm. We would love to see you there!

Tickets cost £8.50/£5.50 and are available here:

<https://merlintheatre.cloudvenue.co.uk/openstorytellersfromefestival2018>

Otherwise, you can pop in to our office and get them for £8/£5 - without the booking fee!

Nicola Grove

Great news - from 30 July you'll be able to recycle even more plastics and cartons in your blue lidded bin!

Sign up online for email updates

www.wiltshire.gov.uk Please rinse and squash your recycling Wiltshire Council



Village Fayre Plant Stall!



Another great result for the Plant stall!



A big thank you to all those who produced plants including professional growers like The Herbarry in Chapel Street and the Walled Garden. To everyone who helped transport the plants to the Hall: Flash, Nick Baughan, Bosi, Liz and Mike, Sanjay and Raya. Those who helped set everything up: Jane, Helen, Chrissie. Those who sold the plants: Susie, Jane, Helen, Sophie, Melissa, Sanjay, Pauline, Elaine, Nick and Mike and those who supported the stall by buying plants and raising almost £1200.

Carole Hill

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LION CUBS PLAYGROUP

A relaxed, friendly environment for parents and carers with babies & pre-school cubs age 0-4 years

9:15 - 10:45 at Horningsham Village Hall
Thursdays during term time



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CAKE STALL

Profit up again this year!



Thank you to Fran and Kim for their tireless help not only in selling but contributing so many cakes to the stall. Thanks also to all the kind and generous people who made and gave us items to sell.

We made £612.69!

Thank You!

Susie Hilleary 844454



Another record-breaking year for the Bric a Brac!



A big thank you to Denise, Bosie, Stephanie, Vera, Maggie, Chrissy, Leonie, Pat, John, Liz, Mike, Julia, Graham, Carol, Gerald, Gerard, Janie, Jean and Colin for all your help on the Bric a Brac stall, which made an amazing total of £1206.65.

I could not have done it without you. Thank you all!

Margaret Long



FAYRE REPORT

It's official, we've broken our record with the biggest and most successful Fayre ever!

It couldn't have gone better, with the perfect combination of fine weather, plenty to see and do and a good selection of food and drink. All our visitors were enjoying themselves and there was a great atmosphere on the field. Our own stalls did very well and some of the traders sold out of refreshments.

An event like this cannot happen without a huge amount of work, and we know there were a lot of exhausted people at the end of the day. The Committee would like to say a big thank you to everyone who helped, both during the months before and on the day itself. The Fayre is the lifeline of the village and the groups who benefit couldn't function as they do without it. As well as being a great social occasion, the Committee were able to give £1,000 each to the School, Church, Chapel, Horningsham News, Cricket Club, Luncheon Club and the Village Hall. This year we are pleased to welcome two new groups in the village, the W.I. and Lion Cubs. As this is their first year they will each get £750.

We hope you all have an enjoyable summer, and, just in case you are wondering, the date for next year is **June 9th**.

The Fayre Committee























GRAND DRAW WINNERS

CASH PRIZE £150.00	CHRIS SHORT	WARMINSTER
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CASH PRIZE £25	MRS CHAPMAN	WARMINSTER
FIRE KIT & LOAD OF LOGS	MRS DOBSON	TROWBRIDGE
NORWAY SPRUCE CHRISTMAS TREE	PHILIP LONG	DORCHESTER

**WINNERS OF THE CROSSMAN CUP IN THE PLANK RACE
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Notable Trees in Horningsham

Deciding what to talk to you about seems to depend on changes in the scenery and therefore the splashes of colour in our green tapestry that tell us of seasonal changes. After what felt like a long winter, the abundance and colour is deeply appreciated and renews our faith in nature putting things right. What has piqued my interest this month is affected by our particular environment, an environment that favours plants and trees that like acidic soil. Looking around we can see that Azaleas, Beech, Conifers, Holly, Laurel and Magnolias thrive in soil of pH of about 4.5 - 5.5 (pH = the power of hydrogen ions present). You will no doubt have spotted the familiar purple or magenta flowers of the Rhododendron (from Ancient Greek, rhodo = rose and dendron = tree!)

The walk from Knockatt Coppice car park to Heaven's Gate is furnished with an array of azaleas and rhododendrons that thrill people with their colour and form. It is quite possible that some of these are cultivated. Rhodos are hybridized in cultivation and natural hybridizations often occur where species overlap. There are over 28,000 cultivars of rhododendron in the International Register of Rhododendrons held by the Royal Horticultural Society.

Let us look particularly at the 'familiar' Rhododendron ponticum and its descendant Rhododendron pontica luteum. This can be seen on the left snuggled up together when you take the turn for Horningsham and Longleat's main entrance. (A few weeks ago the perfume coming from lutea (yellow) was worthy of commercial enterprise!) but ponticum is regarded as 'the wolf in sheep's clothing' because of its invasive and poisonous nature. In 1981 the Wildlife and Countryside Act included this in Schedule 9 because of the damage done by its ability to spread millions of seeds far and wide when the conditions are right. We seem to be getting off lightly compared to Scotland and Northern Ireland where management is needed to ameliorate this problem, huge sums of money and time are involved. Perhaps Longleat Forestry are ahead of the game!



10 things you may or may not know about Rhododendrons

1. Some species of rhododendron are poisonous to grazing animals because of a toxin called grayanotoxin in their pollen and nectar.
2. Xenophon described the odd behaviour of Greek soldiers after having consumed honey in a village surrounded by *Rhododendron ponticum* during the March of the Ten Thousand in 401 BC. Pompey's soldiers reportedly suffered lethal casualties following the consumption of honey made from rhododendron deliberately left behind by Pontic forces in 67 BC during the Third Mithraditic War. Later, it was recognized that honey resulting from these plants has a slightly hallucinogenic and laxative effect. The suspect rhododendrons are *Rhododendron ponticum* and *Rhododendron lutea* (formerly *Azalea pontica*), both found in northern Asia Minor.
3. In the language of flowers the *Rhododendron* symbolizes danger and to beware!
4. In the Indian state of Himachal Pradesh, rhododendron flowers have been used for some time to make popular fruit and flower wines. The industry is promoted by the state government with tax benefits, looking to promote this industry as a full-fledged subclass of its economy.
5. The Invasive Species Bill concerns invasive non-native species and proposes a ban on import, transport, trade or even growing or keeping of listed species. It is widely recognised that cultivated rhododendrons do not impose any invasive problems unlike the wild *ponticum* rhododendron which can become a problem if it is not managed.
6. Although Rhododendrons and Azaleas are related, Azaleas are distinguished by having 5 anthers per flower as opposed to ten anthers per 'true' rhododendron.
7. *Rhododendron lutea*. This plant is listed on Schedule 9 of the UK Wildlife & Countryside Act as an invasive non-native species. While this does not prevent it from being sold in the UK, or from being grown in gardens, the RHS encourages those that do grow it to take great care with managing it and with disposing of unwanted material. The RHS also encourages gardeners to find alternative plants to grow to those listed on Schedule 9. For suggested alternative plants see the Plantlife/RHS guide: "Gardening without harmful invasive plants." (RHS)
8. The Tregothnan Estate in Cornwall (TR2 4AJ) has the world's largest Rhododendron standing at 40 feet.
9. The greatest collector of Rhododendrons was arguably George Forrest, who died of a heart attack in Yunnan in 1932 after a career that included fighting off xenophobic Tibetan 'lamas' and succumbing to malaria. He was particularly responsible for the bright red specimens that were rare at the time. From the 1920s these formed the basis for hybridisation programmes conducted at gardens such as Bodnant Garden in Wales.
10. Millais Nurseries: www.rhododendrons.co.uk

Jayne Glover

LONGLEAT NEWS

Animal Park Returns Again This Summer



TV presenters Ben Fogle and Kate Humble are joining Jean Johansson for another dramatic and heart-warming glimpse into life behind the scenes at Longleat in a new series of *Animal Park*.

Scheduled to be broadcast on BBC One over a three week block, the new ‘Summer Specials’ series will feature 15, 45-minute episodes offering viewers a privileged peek behind the scenes as Longleat’s keepers and animals prepare for another long hot summer.

Among the stories featured in the new series is the unexpected arrival of a new cheetah cub and an abandoned baby wallaby which needs to be hand-reared by its keeper.

There will also be a special tribute to Nico – one of the world’s oldest male gorillas – whose death earlier this year hit keepers particularly hard.

Kate Humble said: “Every year I look forward to returning to Animal Park. The animals and many of the people who work there have become like family over the many years I have worked there, and our annual reunion is always a highlight.”

Ben Fogle added “I’m so thrilled to return to Longleat for the latest series of *Animal Park*. The feeling of excitement I get walking through the gates has never left me and I can’t wait to see some familiar faces.”

BBC Commissioning Editor, Lindsay Bradbury said: “*Animal Park* has proved itself to be a big hit for our audience. The mix of emotions of the births and deaths at the Park, plus the chance to see animals up close and personal is a winning combination.”

In 2017 the *Animal Park: Summer Specials* was received by a very keen audience, with an average audience of 1.53 million viewers and a 27.1% market share (+8% above BBC1’s slot average and +23% above the all day average).

The series peaked at a whopping 1.69 million viewers and a 30% share at 9.15 in the morning. *Animal Park* was first broadcast on the BBC between 2000 and 2009.

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MONTHLY RECIPE

Salmagundi



It's a most wonderful time of the year! Libera! Although we have choice overload these days it doesn't go hand in hand with flavour. You may be able to buy 10 different types of tomato but the price point for flavour will be higher. Sun and warmth improve everything. Flashback to 1980, Stratford upon Avon, getting to work was a daily challenge, walking the opposite way to the high season visitors and trying to stay upright. Anyway, a slim volume of recipes was published mainly as a souvenir that included recipes that were contributed by chefs from some of the many hotels. The theme was unsurprisingly Elizabethan. One particular recipe caught my eye, it was called 'Salmagundi'. Researching this nearly 40 years on reveals significant amounts of debate about the origins. This is what Bee Wilson wrote in the Independent in 2014:

“Salmagundi is a melodious and strange word that evokes the food of long ago. From the 17th century onwards, it was a dish of various ingredients all chopped and mixed together, somewhere between a Hodge-Podge and a Gallimaufry. Some said the main ingredient was cold turkey, others that it was pickled herrings. Either way, a salmagundi (aka salamongundy or salad-magundy) seems to have little in common with how we eat now”.

And this from Charles Claiborne aka DE GUSTIBUS in The New York Times, 1978.

“To the English, this is also a cold salad based on cooked chicken mixed with lettuce, beans, anchovies, grapes, hard-boiled eggs, onions, almonds, raisins, lemon and mixed herbs, and moistened with an oil and vinegar dressing. The dish dates back to Tudor times, according to Michael Smith in his book 'Fine English Cookery'”.

Finally, this from Sally Butcher's book “Salmagundi: A celebration of salads from around the world”.

“Salmagundi is a 17th century English expression denoting a salad dish comprising, well, everything. The nearest modern equivalent is Fiambre, a Guatemalan salad containing in excess of twenty ingredients. This comprehensive new book from acclaimed author, Sally Butcher, looks at salad bowls across the world in 150 recipes. The recipes feature a number of archaic, traditional and staple

dishes and a whole lot of funky new stuff as well. Divided into fourteen chapters (Herbs and Leaves; Vegetables; Beans; Roots; Grains and Pasta, Rice, Cheese, Fish, Meat, Dips, Fruity Salads, Salads for Pudding, The Dressing Room, The Prop Cupboard), no stone is left unturned in pursuit of the ultimate salad recipe. Recipes are flagged where relevant with tags such as super-healthy or skinny-minny or main course to make it more user-friendly. Heavily punctuated with Sally's trademark mixture of folklore and anecdotes, this is an essential update for the foodie bookshelf. Photography from renowned food photographer, Yuki Sugiura”.

Below is an early recipe for a salmagundi (*the salad*) from *The Good Huswives Treasure*, by Robert May, written in 1597:

“Cut cold roast chicken or other meats into slices. Mix with minced tarragon and an onion. Mix all together with capers, olives, samphire, broombuds, mushrooms, oysters, lemon, orange, raisins, almonds, blue figs, Virginia potatoes, peas and red and white currants. Garnish with sliced oranges and lemons. Cover with oil and vinegar, beaten together.”

Your versions would be appreciated.

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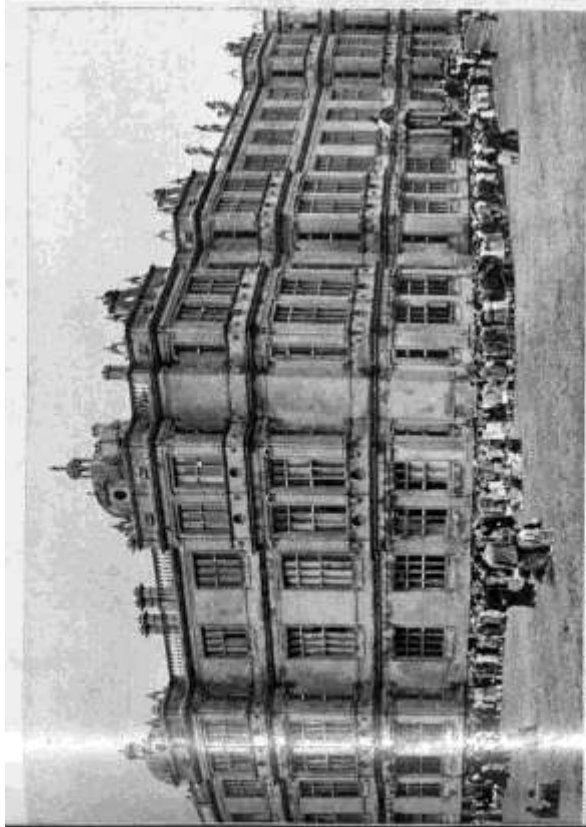
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LONGLEAT, THE TOURISTS' MECCA—Crowds visit the Wiltshire home of the Marquess of Bath. Right—At the entrance the visitors are offered a 2s. 6d. book describing Longleat. It is the work of the Marchioness of Bath



one of the finest private libraries in Europe. Here were feasted Elizabeth, Charles II and George III. The Duke of Monmouth sought shelter here in 1680, and Bishop Ken made it his home until his death in 1714. Lord Bath has been asked: "Do you want the public here?" and he has honestly said: "No, but I am faced with economic necessity."

in the queue. The Marchioness and members of the family share the task of describing each room to the public. Large car parks accommodate coaches and cars; while ice-cream vendors, "happy soap" men and traffic attendants make up a scene never before witnessed. Longleat was built between 1566 and 1580 by Sir John Thynne, and contains

The pictures show the success which has followed the opening of Longleat House, Wiltshire, at 2s. 6d. a head. Day by day the week-end and many hundreds queue to see the house and its treasures. The tour takes the best part of two hours. Many visitors purchase a well-produced book on the house at 2s. 6d. Lord Bath autographs copies while you wait





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