

Village News

for Bishopstone & Hinton Parva

September 2015

Village Icon Takes a Turn for the Worst - he has a screw loose (Volunteers needed)

Our eagle eyed Head teacher, Emma, spotted Old Father Time, the Weather Vane on The Village Hall Bishopstone *rocking and rolling* in the high winds. (Probably in contravention of our entertainments licence).

Upon further investigation we noticed that North was South, East was West etc. The whole assembly had been girating on its mounting nuts and there is a screw loose.

With the kind help of Clive Hill and a JCB thingy from Eastbrook farm we have demounted Old Father Time for repair and refurbishment.

We need a volunteer (or small team) to undertake this work please. In addition to the mechanical aspects he also needs a good going over with a stiff wire brush and repainting. There are traces of gold and red on his flowing robes.

We want to return Old Father Time to his former glory. If you think you can undertake this work, refurbishment

and remounting, we would be pleased to hear from you. The weather vane was presented to the Village



Hall by Bill Puffet who commissioned a blacksmith in Cirencester. When Bill came to the village twenty five years ago he raised thousands of pounds for the village hall, school and church by having pig roasts and inviting famous musicians of his acquaintance to play at the village hall. The problem was that the said musicians found it difficult to find the venue so to solve this he erected some outside lighting and the weathervane so that they could recognise it.

Also the original paintwork should be restored.

Russell Hatch & Editor

Bishopstone & District Gardening Club Show

fruit, flowers, vegetables, photographs,
domestic & crafts

The village Hall, Bishopstone
3.00pm, Saturday 12th September

(see page 8)

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CHURCH SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE

Sunday	6th September	8.30pm	Holy Communion	Lyddington
	14 th Sunday after Trinity	10.30am	Family Communion	Bishopstone
		6.00pm	Evensong	Hinton Parva
Sunday	13th September	8.30am	Holy Communion	Bishopstone
	15 th Sunday after Trinity	*10.30am	Family Communion	Wanborough
		6.00pm	Evensong	Lyddington
Sunday	20th September	8.30am	Holy Communion	Wanborough
	16 th Sunday after Trinity	*10.30am	Family Communion	Lyddington
		2.00pm	Baptism	Bishopstone
		4.00pm	Service of Thanksgiving	Wanborough
		6.00pm	Evensong	Hinton Parva
Sunday	27th September	* 10.30am	Harvest Service	Hinton Parva
	17 th Sunday after Trinity	6.00pm	Evensong	Wanborough
Sunday	4th October	8.30am	Holy Communion	Lyddington
	18 th Sunday after Trinity	10.30am	Harvest Service	Bishopstone
		6.00pm	Evensong	Hinton Parva

*Refreshments served after the service

The Vicar's Letter

Dear Friends and Neighbours,
 When the petrochemical industry had finished developing Wytch Farm in Dorset a number of the contractor's buildings were donated to the RNLI for them to begin a training college. They ran their first course and summoned 2nd Coxswains from around the coast to be the guinea pigs in this new venture. One of the tests included throwing themselves into the water and inflating their life-jackets. There was a long pause and a great deal of resistance to getting wet. It transpired that most were fishermen and most couldn't swim! After the Herald of Free Enterprise disaster the RNLI developed a *dry boat* culture, so the many gallons of donated brandy that used to be kept on board had to go. A Divisional Inspector was challenged by a former crewmember who had served many years before. He said *In my day you needed a good drink before you put out to sea!* Some years later the Charities Commission demanded that the RNLI dispose of a significant part of a nest egg that would have seen them through many years of service without having

to launch appeals to the extent that they do today. The nest egg went on a state of the art training college in Poole and if you get a chance to attend an open day there it's well worth a visit. They even have lifeboat simulators, just like those used for training aircraft pilots. So change happens, and here we are at the beginning of a new academic year. There are new classes for some, new classes and new locations for others, with new relationships and new experiences to be looked forward to, and our past is key in all of this, but only if we can treasure it.

We have been called to remember The Battle of Britain and the events of Hiroshima in particular this year, both having significant anniversaries. It is with The Battle of Britain in mind together with a heartfelt wish to give thanks for this wonderful part of the world that we live in that the Four Villages Prayer Group has arranged a Community Service of Thanksgiving at St Andrews on Sunday 20th September at 4.00pm. It was national unity that got us through so much in the past and it is in the spirit of unity that we would love to see people from every strand of the rich fabric that is the Christian fam-

ily on this particular afternoon. Rees Howells, George Muller, Smith Wigglesworth and so many others have been known for and demonstrated the power prayer, so we know it works. We hope you will be able to join us as we remember and as we give thanks. If you have anything that you would like our village prayer group to pray for please

telephone 790 088 or
email villageprayers@gmail.com
With best wishes and prayers

St. Swithun's Day

Bill

On the 19th July St Swithun's Church celebrated its Patronal Festival. This year we choose a summer theme and all the hymns readings and poems focused on this topic. Thanks go to Myra and Brian for their reading and poems. The choir for the beautiful anthem of Jesu Joy of Man's desiring, Mogs for the special floral arrangements and Dr John Godfree for taking our service so wonderfully.

Everyone enjoyed refreshments at the end of the service.

Thank you to all who attended this very special service.

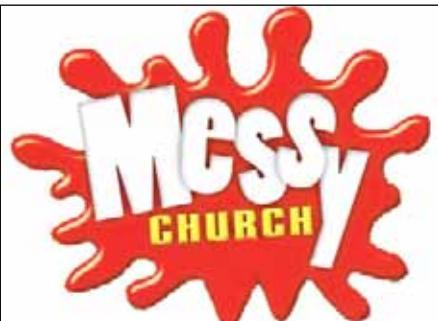
Marguerite

Family Service Meeting

7.30pm Monday 7th September

The Old Inn
Hinton Parva

discussion on Donkey Service/Harvest and Messy Church



Friday 18th September
4.30 - 5.30pm

Hinton Village Hall

Harvest Theme

A Community Service of
Thanksgiving for
God's Goodness and his Mercy.....
.....both in the past and in the
present - Please join us

St Andrew's Church, Wanborough
4.00pm ,Sunday, 20th September

As we remember
75th Anniversary of the Battle of Britain
**Never was so much owed by so
many to so few**

We will also be praying for our four
communities of Bishopstone, Hinton
Parva, Liddington and Wanborough.

See vicar's letter opposite

From the Benefice Register

Funeral

Cremaorium

27th

July Jean Bone aged 90

Interment of Ashes

St. Mary's Bishopstone

21st July

Evelyn Walkley

Cleaning Rota - St. Mary's Church, Bishopstone

September

Lorna Ford & Linda Matthews

October

Ros Boot & Gladys Jones

November

Fran Shishton & Frances Shone

December

Caroline Brandi & Jill White

If these dates are not convenient, please could you arrange to swap with somebody else.

Sarah Bally 791 121

Harvest Services

St Swithun's, Hinton

10,30am Sunday 27th September

followed by lunch

noon -12.30pm in Hinton Village Hall (see page 4)

St. Mary's, Bishopstone

10.30am Sunday 4th October

Please can any donations of flowers or produce be left in the churches by:

Hinton Thursday 25th September

Bishopstone Thursday 1st October

Both St. Mary's and St. Swithun's welcome any help with decorating the churches - please contact:

Hinton, Mogs Boon 790 626

Bishopstone, Chris Thomas 790 106

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The Village Hall, Bishopstone - September

Taekwondo	Tuesday	8 th , 15 th , 22 nd & 29 th	7.00 - 8.00pm
Mothers & Toddlers	Thursday	3 rd , 10 th , 17 th & 24 th	9.00 - 1.00am
School	Thursday	3 rd , 10 th , 17 th & 24 th	3.15 - 4.15pm
Gardening Club	Friday	11 th	7.00-9.00pm
Flower Show	Saturday	12 th	All day
FOBS – Duck Hunt	Saturday	26 th	
Daily- School Dinners	Subject to bookings		11.45-1.00pm

All bookings for the Village Hall Bishopstone will be taken via Bishopstone CE Primary School. In term time, call 01793 790 521 and speak to Sue Tremlin or leave a message on the answerphone. During school holidays there will be a message giving an alternative number to contact. We look forward to receiving your bookings for Bishopstone's excellent Village Hall Cost for hiring the hall: £7.50 per hour for Bishopstone and Hinton Parva residents. £11 per hour for all other bookings. Cost for hiring the hall for a full day is £55.

The Committee of The Village Hall Bishopstone has unanimously decided, at it's last meeting, to have *a feasibility study* to look at what the issues might be in developing a first floor room and facilities in the hall. *There is an increasing need to provide additional meeting space for both the village School and for local groups in addition to the existing downstairs room*, said Mike Welsh, Chair. *We need to support all ages in our village and to nurture and reflect activities that villagers want. The feasibility study is underway and we will share its outcome in order to gain a wide range of local views before any decisions are made*, Mike added.

Any initial comments can be given to Mike on 078 765 60 765 or by post to The Old Chapel High Street Bishopstone SN6 8PH.

Hinton Parva Village Hall Committee proudly presents

The St James Singers

Thursday 17th October

Doors open 7.20 for 7.30pm

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Missing –

Two large tables from The Village Hall Bishopstone, last seen at the Fete. (Easily identifiable, four legs no drawers). Probably miss delivered in the set down.

Connact

bob.bing@bishopstone-sur-mer.co.uk
or 790 661

and we will collect

To reiterate the very polite notice that you will find elsewhere in this now weighty tome.

The Village Hall,Bishopstone car park is for hall users only!

It is not free long term parking. On Friday the 7th the Bridge club arrived and were justifiably very miffed to find the spaces were taken and almost nowhere to park. On Sunday the 9th there are still three cars in the car park. Thank you for your cooperation in the future.

Russell

Hinton Parva Village Hall - September

Village Hall Committee Meeting	Tuesday	1 st
Bridge	Friday	4 th , 11 th , 18 th & 25 th
PCC	Saturday	5 th
Parish Council	Monday	7 th
WI	Thursday	10 th
St. James Singers (Village Event)	Thursday	7.00 - 9.00pm
Messy Church	Friday	17 th
Private Booking	Sunday	18 th
Harvest Lunch (Village Event)	Sunday	20 th

Tuesday	1 st
Friday	4 th , 11 th , 18 th & 25 th
Saturday	5 th
Monday	7 th
Thursday	10 th
Thursday	17 th
Friday	18 th
Sunday	20 th
Sunday	27 th

7.00 - 10.00pm

4.00 -6.00pm

7.00 - 10.00pm

7.00 - 9.00pm

6.00 - 10.00pm

4.30 - 5.45pm

12 noon

The Booking Secretary is Karin Thompson - 790 970
£6.00 per hour for residents of Bishopstone & Hinton Parva
£8.00 per hour for those living outside the parish

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Harvest Lunch

Hinton Parva Village Hall

12 noon, Sunday 27th September

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Hinton Parva Flower, Produce and Handicraft Show

Dry weather and a growing season which roared in during April and saw many flowers finished by the end of June failed to entirely dampen the Show but certainly blighted the quantity of vegetables. This was at least one hundred years of such shows in Hinton Parva. We have pictures to prove it.

It was a dry and calm Saturday for the show. For a small show we certainly had the dazzle. There is no denying that this year's show was high in quality but short on quantity. Having said all that, the judges had plenty to keep them occupied and may I say here how grateful we are for their skilled deliberations.

The Hall did look a picture when all



Dickie's diary

We are in the middle of harvest and it's going well but it is unfinished and it tempts fate to draw any conclusions this early. I wanted to touch on the current publicity surrounding dairy. Imagine you are working a 70 hour week, getting up at 5 am seven days a week. You willingly accept the risk of getting kicked, splashed, or even worse receiving a full dose of unwelcome defecation over your ear while your back was turned. Sometimes, you conscientiously have to get up during the night to check on a calving. You believe in what you are doing because you like working with animals and milk is a health giving natural product free of additives. You are contributing to this special patchwork

of the produce and exhibits were all set up. Wonderful exhibits greeted the many interested visitors.

The presentation of the splendid cups by our Vicar, the Reverend Bill O'Connell, was watched and applauded by a good crowd, many of whom were partaking of the refreshing tea and cake on offer. The Show Secretary paid tribute to all the skilful exhibitors and offered grateful thanks to the experienced independent judges

No sooner could you blink and we had moved on to the auction of the donated vegetables and flowers from the show. Good competing bidding ensued. The raffle wrapped up proceedings. Many thanks to everyone who donated or contributed in any way to this super day.

Howard

Trophy Winners

The Charlbury Perpetual Cup 31pts Highest points in Show

Mrs Marion Peck

Pertpetual Challenge Cup 27pts Highest points in Vegetable Class

Mrs Marion Peck

Duffield Challenge Cup 9pts Highest points in flower class

Mrs Lelsley Coates

Duffield Trophy 12pts Highest points in Ladies Class

Mrs Elizabeth Cooke

Roberts Memorial Cup Mr William Archer Best exhibit in Vegetable Class Parsnips

Banhan Memorial Cup Needlework Best exhibit in Ladies Class

Mrs Hazel Cooke

David James Shield Best Cottagers collection

Mrs Marion Peck

Dianna Morris Memorial Cup Amelie McCarthy Best Children's exhibit Face Mask

of mixed farming with green fields that supports wildlife and makes the British landscape so very special.

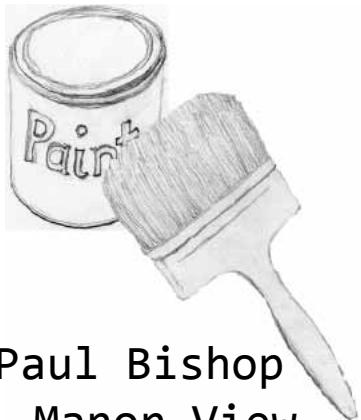
Yet, despite all this effort, you might find at best you are running to stand still or at worst losing a shed load of dosh. It annoys you that milk is priced at less than bottled water. It upsets you that this fine product can sell cheap for only £1 or less for 4 pints (44p/litre). You are worried how much longer you can keep going hoping for an upturn. Two years ago prices were high. Supplies have now grown on the back of better weather but world demand has fallen. Russia has imposed an import ban and China's rampant economy has faltered. There is a world surplus with the free market of traded milk falling in price by a devastating 50%. Sainsbury, M and S, Waitrose, Co-op and Tesco (the latter under

review) are all supporting their dedicated milk producers but not on all delivered litres and this is probably true of organic milk. Other retailers which outnumber them are buying cheap near (20p/litre) and selling cheap and those farmers without the best contracts are in desperate straits. They need 32p. Short of cash, Roger Evans from Wales, when his rubbers are leaking, puts his foot first into a plastic bag!. It is very sad. We stopped producing in 2012, so did Stan Jones at Bourton and the Manners family at Longcot have stopped this year. Left to the market, the future looks like large, housed herds milked three times each day or large low cost, grass based herds and a decline in the small /medium, traditionally managed herds. Is this what the public wants?

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Bishopstone Gardening Society

July - Getting the Best from your Veg Plot by Mike Burgess

The evening began innocuously enough with helpful hints on how to improve the structure of soil on a vegetable plot. *It's as much about what's above as it is below* we were told and we learnt how to transform stubborn unyielding ground into the much more desirable crumb structure, all accompanied with excellent slides. We were strongly advised to devise pathways to allow planting areas to remain unmolested by wellington boots, allowing planting out, even when the soil elsewhere would be sticking to our boots, thereby increasing useful time/productivity. This coupled with digging in (to double dig or not, that is etc.,) of plenty of organic matter and possibility green manures, would enable our veg plots into reaching their prime to plant out seeds and homegrown seedlings without waiting for the weather. However, it soon became apparent that some of us might need to dust off our multiplication tables and mental arithmetic skills as Mike gave us a crash course in getting the absolute best yields from our plots. A specially made measuring rake - the infinite variable row marker (patents pending)

was shown and indeed openly coveted by the assembled group, as it so obviously makes the whole marking/calculation process, not to mention the actual grooves to be sown, so much easier. Coupled with 'under planting' idea, Mike wowed us all with the vast amounts of product emerging from his growing patch using these methods, encouraging us, with slightly admonishing air, to go forth and be productive.....waste not want not - quite right! A very informative evening leaving us much to cogitation on. Now a patch 7'x4' with carrots seedlings 8 to a foot = ?, where's that calculator?!

Sara Hall

Gardening Club Show

Show Schedules and Entry Forms available from: Doreen Cooper 792 965, Margaret Gill 790 979, Keith Gibbison 790 898, Sheila Collins 790 358. Exhibits to be staged 8.00am - 10.45am. The village hall will be open from 3.00pm for refreshments, raffle, presentations and auction of exhibits. Admission 30p, Children and concessions 20p
And coming up soon

Saturday 10th October

Garden Club members and friends are off on a trip to the beautiful Old Court

Nurseries and Picton Gardens in Malvern, where over 400 varieties of Michaelmas Daisies are growing with many other late season plants. After lunch at a tea rooms on to Perrycroft Gardens, with fabulous views from the Malvern Hills. The grounds cover 10 acres including formal gardens, natural wild flower meadows, ponds, bog garden, shrubberies, and woodland. Contact the Garden Club, (gardensoc@hotmail.co.uk) if you'd like to be included. Final details of times and meet up point will be emailed to those on my list.

Wednesday 14th October

Jon Mason, Director of Highfield Garden World, Whitminster, Gloucestershire, will be giving us a fun and practical talk on how to deter pesky moles from our gardens (just the pesky ones, not the nice ones). He'll also be talking about lawn care and won't leave without having answered each and everyone's questions!



In November there will be a Quiz Night & Chile Con carne supper. Details next month

7.30pm Second Wednesday of the month, unless otherwise stated, at Bishopstone Village Hall. Tea/coffee/biscuits/raffle. Relaxed friendly vibe. Visitors most welcome.

Sheila (who drew the lovely mole)

Herbal Medicine Workshop

Cristina Cromer has been practicing herbal medicine in London since she graduated from Westminster University in 2003. Being an Urban Herbalist makes harvesting the herbs a bit tricky, but over the years she's built up a network of different locations from where she can harvest. Bishopstone and the surrounding area is one of her favourite places for gathering elderberries, hips and haws, and mugwort. She then takes them back to her Brixton base where she transforms them into medicines. The process of taking the living plant and transforming it into a medicine in a brown bottle that can then be stored indefinitely is a traditional craft that is still protected under UK law. Over this two day workshop, Cristina will host a herb walk when we can meet the plants and learn about how to harvest safely and respectfully. Depending on what can be found in the hedgerows, she will then demonstrate some simple and basic techniques for making plant based medicines that can be used throughout the year to treat simple ailments in the home.



The plan is that on the **Saturday 3rd October meet at 10.00 pm** and go on a Hedge Row Harvest. **1.00 pm** have a lunch and after that have a chit-chat with Cristina. (She is fascinating)

Sunday 4th 10.00 pm meet at the Village Hall Bishopstone to learn how to brew our gatherings finishing at 1.00 pm

The cost of the two days is £65.00 to be taught some traditional remedies.

There are only 12 spaces so its a first come first served basis.

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School Report - July

Dear All

All the children are loudly shouting *school is nearly out for summer*. The end of term is always action packed and this one has seen the children taking part in many activities. The infants joined 200 others at the Oasis to sing a variety of songs from various musicals. This included actions and kites! It was a wonderful experience for them to sing to such a large audience of parents. The junior children created a play from scratch. Writing the script, directions and then performing this on the 'Island' in the middle of the pond. The children wowed the parents with their thoughtful play that moved its location, along with the audience around the local area. The sunny weather made it a memorable experience.

An exciting school trip was when we all went to PGL – just around the corner in Liddington (thankfully not involving coaches that insist on wedging themselves in between houses



on roads that are clearly sign posted unsuitable). The children were split into four groups and had amazing fun attempting both individual and team challenges. Climbing a wall up to great heights, launching themselves along a zip wire above the trees (that included our four year olds!), working as a team along the sensory trail and my favourite by far, and trampolines that involved scoring goals!! It was a super day that even was blessed with the rain holding off, until we had just finished.

Our Year 6 children joined the Vicar and myself on a trip to Bristol Cathedral where the Bristol Diocese was holding a moving on event. The children were busy completing activities based around the 'Environment' whilst being joined up with children from other schools. It was an interesting day and allowed both the Vicar and myself to see the positive way that the children represented the school. On that note we are saying a sad farewell to Heidi, Oscar, Jack and Isaac. We will miss them all greatly

and wish them the very best as they move through secondary school.

Our new starters have already been into school and we look forward to welcoming them fulltime in September, school returns on Wednesday 3rd. Still to come before we break is our musical celebration assembly, sports afternoon, leavers assembly and then a big phewwwwww with another successful year had by the children and staff.

Emma Lindsay

After the success of the inaugural Duck Hunt



this year will be
26th September - 4th October

The theme is countries
Anyone in Bishopstone who would like a duck this year please contact the school, with a country, if you have a preference (on a first come, first served basis)

If you don't have a preference countries will be allocated by us

Bishopstone C.E.Primary School
790 521

Bishopstone with Hinton Parva WI

7.30pm Thursday 10th September

Hinton Village Hall

The Wanborough Hand bell Ringers will be entertaining us at our September meeting, so we are looking forward to a lovely musical evening.

Our friendly group meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month and we have an interesting and varied selection of speakers or activities to enjoy on those evenings. We also have various other interest groups that meet as well as trips to the Theatre, Gardens and other events. Each month we have an optional member's competition for *Bloom of the Month* and a competition linked to our speaker – this always creates lots to talk about over a cup of tea! We have lots of exciting events coming up including a Cream Tea, Westonbirt Autumn visit and an afternoon of Christmas Crafts.

Please come along and meet us – new members are always welcome.

For more information please contact Hazel Cooke 01793 790 621.



Ashbury Market

Ashbury Village Hall

11.00-1.00pm, Sunday 13th September

Come and fill your baskets at our market in Ashbury!

Stalls will be selling:

Meat; vegetables; cakes; plants; high quality flavoured coffee; jam & Preserves; rapeseed oil; Soap & Bath Bombs; cards & gifts.



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The Lyddington Bells Project

Good news! I am very pleased to report that after many months of waiting, the Faculty has been granted for The Bells Project at All Saints Church, Liddington. Now that planning permission has been given by the Chancellor of the Bristol Diocese, orders can be placed for the work to commence. Here is a history of the situation:

1948 – Bells declared unringable by Gillett & Johnson of Croydon

1976 – Last regular ringing ceases

2014 - The Liddington Bells Project begins

July 2015 - Faculty granted

August 2015 – First orders placed

September 2015 – Tower repairs start



*The single bell is the fourth bell cast in 1786 (above)
4 of the 5 old bells on a bright sunny day (below left)*



7th September - The scaffolding will be going up for the roof and stonework repairs.

November 2015 – Old bells removed for preservation work

16th November - The bellhanger from John Taylor's of Loughborough arrives to start removing the old five bells for preservation work at their world famous Bell Foundry in Loughborough.

Saturday 12th September: Tower Open Morning, 10.00 am – 12.00 The Church and Tower will be open to visitors. Come and talk to the Project Team over a cup of coffee.

Donations continue to trickle into the Bell Fund which are greatly appreciated, but the Fund is still short of £89,500. We are, therefore, currently able to afford the work to the bell tower and the old bells, but still need to raise money for the six new bells. Please support the Bells Project now and send your donations, gift aided if possible, to:

Fiona Nelson at Tilbrook House, High Street, Wanborough, SN4 0AD.

Full details of the bells still available to be donated can be found at the Project website, along with all the latest news at:

<http://liddingtonbellsproject.moonfruit.com>

Fiona Nelson, Churchwarden

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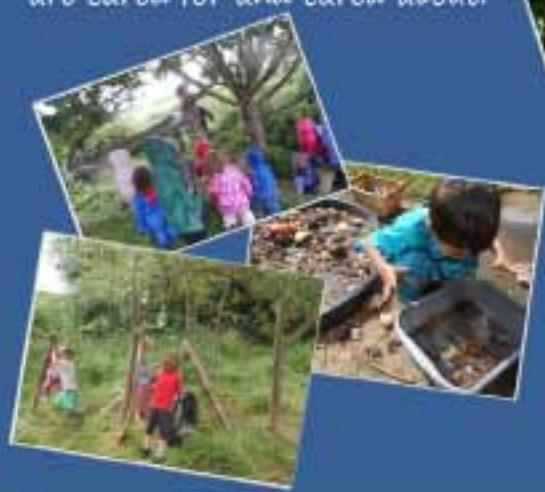
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The Royal Oak Diary

Having been a b r u p t l y told by the editrice (after 6 years of writing



in her estimable organ) that I have a measly 580 words this month, with NO prior waring, I'd better be spare in my verbiage; no sign, Mr Manktelow, of the bottle man—it's not you, I'm sure, but your wife is a suspect; the council (Swindon of course) would



quite like our proposed new luxury hotel and spa resort development at t'pub to resemble a motorway services, for reasons we cannot quite fathom but are sure are well thought out!

Rugby world cup fever is spreading, as I'm sure you've all noticed. We have unilaterally declared ourselves **Bishopstone's OFFICIAL rugby world cup pub**; and we've booked tow England and British Lions Icons from the 1990s to come and entertain us on **7th September**. Peter Winterbottom and Mike Teague spent years terrorising Frenchmen and Scots-

men alike, played in 3 World Cups between them, like beer and steak (as recommended by doctors up and down the land); so we're hosting supper that night for upto 50 people, and for £60/head you'll get a superb 3 course supper, centrepiece some organic beef fillet; and probably 90 minutes of rugby folklore and crystal ball gazing from these two highbrow intellectuals! Chaired by the landlord on this occasion, choosing not to hide his talents under a bushel. Must book—as I write this we have 25 space left. All great rugby on the telly in the pub throughout the month.

Look out for **our village feast in October**—great

food, lovely party, accessible to all. Did you know that people are already chasing us for Christmas menus? Get a life. There's a job or two here, as well; someone mature, intelligent, sensible, presentable, sociable, looking

for 20-25 hours per week, including shifts every other weekend. Become a pillar of your community, behind the bar. Our job is to serve

TF

Owing to Mr. Finney's spare verbage there was a last minute space so below left is a picture of a pig racing event at the Royal Oak

Goddard, Coker & Edmonds Educational Charity

This charity exists to assist people under the age of 25, living in Bishopstone for 12 months or more, with the costs of books and equipment for further education. Those interested in applying for a grant should contact the clerk to this charity:

Alan Taylor - 791 666 or R2attayloralan@aol.com before 30th September,
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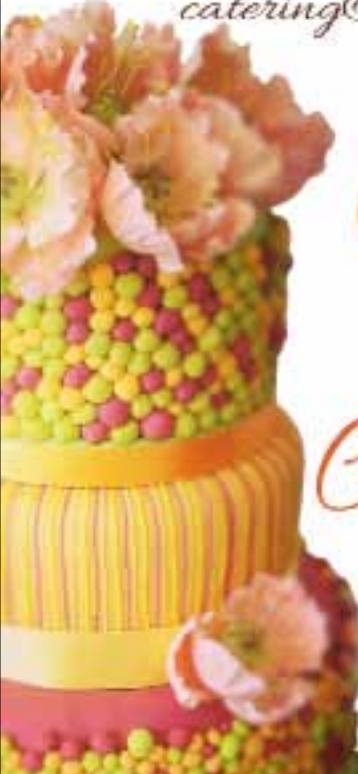
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News from Bishopstone Pottery

Episode 14 The Humble Tile

Ceramic tiles are ubiquitous nowadays. Their history goes back to Roman times and earlier, and then through Persian tiles with glorious Isnik designs, and Dutch painted tiles. Tiles rapidly became popular through mass production in the Industrial Revolution and these Victorian tiles were soon commonplace from about 1880 onward, made by a growing number of large and small manufacturers. Their uses ranged from fire surrounds to decoration (and ease of cleaning) in large buildings, hospitals and shops. William De Morgan's Arts and Crafts tiles even decorated the Tsar of Russia's yacht. Adrian started collecting examples in the 1960s – their fascination is that these standard flat 6 inch squares display not only a huge range of manufacturing techniques and ceramic decoration processes but also the shifts in art styles from the Arts and Crafts movement (Morris and De Morgan) through the Japanese influences at the turn of the century, and then through the Art Nouveau and Art Deco periods. Decorative techniques included the use of printed transfers, semi-opaque glazes to produce a 3D effect, encaustic tiles (layers of coloured clay built up to produce a hardwearing pattern – as in church floors) and tube lining where a pattern is *piped* (as in icing) onto the tile and the spaces flooded with coloured glaze. We spotted a good small collection of Art Nouveau tiles at Kidson Trigg's auction last month and couldn't resist them (luckily they went remarkably cheaply!). An excellent example of a dust-pressed fake tubelined Art Nouveau tile mass produced by Minton (*above right*)



Adrian has been trying for 30 years to reproduce a De Morgan tile with its vivid blues, turquoises and purples – plenty experiments but not a lot to show yet! We can get the colour right, but the soft texture and feel of the glazed surface needs more work. One day maybe! Now we've finished commuting to Oxford every weekday for the last 6 weeks we've got the time to get back to some serious potting – we've an exhibition coming up in October in Dulverton (on Exmoor) and need something new to show! Pots with a stags head motif maybe? And we'll need a bigger car to get all the stuff down there! But meanwhile the photograph (*below left*) shows a Macintosh inspired and raku fired tile with turquoise blobs!

Sue and Adrian Dent



Postscript – would Tim Finney like to borrow our now redundant besom?

And Finally.....

Mr. and Mrs. Dent, please can I borrow that besom? Why? I'm looking for a weapon with which to beat Finney.....it's proof reading day and he claims that he didn't receive the reminder email which I sent last week. Here's a thought, Tim, why don't you get a slave whose job it is to say to you on the 12th of the month *don't forget the copy for the newsletter*. *Oh and it would be nice to let Mogs know how much space you require.* or buy a diary? I believe that in the 21st century they even have electronic gizmo thingamies, perhaps ask Helen to buy you one for Christmas? Apart from the old fellow from Eastbrook Farm, we're getting lots of stuff to fill the extra pages, there are articles



that will have to be left to the October issue. We are still, however, hoping for letters, come on chaps, preference tends to towards the humorous, but we don't mind a bit of irate as long as it isn't libellous. Are there any budding Giles or Ronald Searles out there itching to draw us a cartoon?

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