

VILLAGE BUZZ



A MONTHLY MAGAZINE FOR VILLAGES IN AND AROUND THE NADDER VALLEY, SALISBURY, WILTSHIRE

AUGUST 2025



**August wouldn't be August
without Teffont's
Summer show!**

See page 12



We combine traditional building skills, passed down through generations, with modern day techniques and materials to fulfil your lifestyle aspirations.

That's why we make great buildings that stand the test of time. Buildings made for living. A place that people call home. Not just for now, but for generations to come.

MOULDING

THE COUNTRY HOUSE BUILDERS

01722 742228 | thecountryhousebuilders.co.uk



This is a PDF file with INTERACTIVITY.
Simply **CLICK** or **TAP** any email, web address or page link.



Contents page

Just **click** or **tap** on any of the panels below to take you to the relevant page.



Species of the month
Herring Gull
Peter Thompson
page 3



Teffont Summer Show
page 12



We need more rain
page 9



Mophead Mildred
page 15



A concert date for your diary
In the Shadow of War
1939-1945
page 11



Brain Gym
page 18



Poetry:
August — Lizette
Woodworth Reese
page 12



Nadder Valley Benefice
Church Services
page 19



TO PRINT A PAGE: Village Buzz has a new page numbering format that ties in with the spread you see on your screen. Each spread now has only one page number (eg this spread is now page 2), so to print out a particular spread simply specify the page number at the bottom.

Dear Reader: Do you have an interesting story to tell or a hilarious tale or memorable experience to share? Is there a special poem that moves you? Or do you have a fascinating family history or a passionate interest that you would like to spread the good word about? **Email us** and we will create an attractive article in Village Buzz for you and our readership to enjoy reading together — Just send me your text and any images to: jan@villagebuzz.online and we'll do the rest.

Species of the month

Herring Gull

Peter Thompson, Barford St. Martin

As a child, my family annually holidayed in the same place in North Cornwall. I got to know the area and its wildlife well, and certain activities became part and parcel of the holiday routine. One of these scheduled-in practices was feeding the herring gulls!

After breakfast and lunch, I would go onto the front lawn and spread out leftovers from the meal. Instantly, I would be surrounded by diving, squawking gulls, so that the whole episode never lasted more than about a minute before all the food had gone!

I loved the way a single diving gull would instantly attract others from the immediate surrounding area, so that within seconds a flock would be devouring the food. I remember trying to favour the mottled brown juvenile gulls, who were literally at the bottom of the “pecking order”. Such happy memories.

But all is not well with the Herring gull. While the birds may appear to be thriving, they are on the red list – the highest level – for British bird species of

concern, because their population has dropped by 72% in 55 years. There appear to be a number of reasons behind this collapse in their numbers, such as the degradation or loss of nesting habitat, predation, food availability and more recently the ongoing outbreak of the highly pathogenic avian flu.

They have also seemingly acquired a bad reputation, especially from visiting

holiday makers, who stay only briefly in their home area but moan about them constantly.

If only they had stayed away from our food, we might have looked more favourably on our seaside neighbour. However, we only have ourselves to blame, as prior to the 20th century it was almost unknown for seagulls to move into the towns to live. Their traditional nesting places were sea-

CONTINUED



PHOTO: PETER THOMPSON



CLICK or TAP to go back
to the CONTENTS PAGE



Herring gull

cliffs, sand dunes and islands along the coast.

The first record of seagulls nesting on a building was in 1909 in Cornwall, but it wasn't until the 1956 Clean Air Act when rubbish was put into landfill instead of being burned, that seagulls moved inland in a big way and the population exploded. This, together with industrialised fishing methods which depleted fish stocks, resulted in seagulls being forced to live in closer proximity to us.

The herring gull has a tendency to fix us with his yellow, rather alien eye, while we

are eating, in the hope of a morsel. It is all rather unnerving. However, one way that deters this behaviour is to stare right back, and within no time at all the gull backs off. There's nothing a gull hates more than being stared at!



Seagulls live very long lives compared to many birds, in the region of 20 years, which also gives them a long time to perfect their learned behaviour skills. Gulls are monogamous and a pair of gulls will usually stay together during their lifetime, returning to the same nesting place every year.

Immature Herring gull

One thing that is inescapable is the intelligence of gulls who, unlike many other birds, are capable of advanced learned behaviour – as we all know to our cost when we lose our food to them. Many people will have seen gulls stamping the ground with their feet, which they have learned to do to imitate rainfall, to trick earthworms into coming to the surface and providing them with a tasty morsel.

I've also watched, with fascination, the tenacity of gulls breaking open mussel shells on the beach, by dropping them from a great height onto the pebbles below. They will continue time and time again until they succeed.

What would the seaside be without the crashing of the waves and the screaming of the gulls overhead? John Masefield put it perfectly in his 1902 poem 'Sea Fever', which captures the sheer exhilaration and joyousness of being on the seashore. Here is just one verse:

*"I must go down to the seas again, for the call of the running tide
Is a wild call and a clear call that may not be denied;
And all I ask is a windy day with the white clouds flying,
And the flung spray and the blown spume, and the sea-gulls crying."*

These creatures have inhabited this earth since the time of dinosaurs, millions of years before the first humans appeared in Africa, and they may well long outlive us if we manage not to destroy this planet of ours first. It's time we made our peace with these wonderful creatures for, after all, in many ways we are not so very different from them. — **PT**

Peter Thompson lives in Barford St. Martin and has worked in conservation and farming all his life. He is Chair of the Salisbury & District Natural History Society and would be delighted if readers joined either the society's Facebook page or the society itself – or indeed both! If you are interested, please see details on the following page.

SALISBURY & DISTRICT NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY



REGULAR FIELD MEETINGS & INDOOR TALKS

Founded in 1952, the society studies and records the natural history of Salisbury and the surrounding area.

No expertise is needed to join us!
Everyone with an interest in nature and the countryside is welcome.

Annual subscription is only £10
Family membership – £15
Junior membership – Free

So, if you would like to find out more about the wildlife in your local area, and meet friendly, like-minded people, go to:

www.salisburynaturalhistory.com



www.facebook.com/groups/salisburynaturalhistorysociety



2,000 walkers join the Stars Appeal to celebrate their 20th Walk for Wards

The community came together to celebrate the Stars Appeal's 20th Walk for Wards and have so far raised over £100,000.

Over 2,100 walkers registered to take part in Salisbury Hospital Charity's flagship fundraising event on Sunday, July 6, at Wilton House, making it another bumper year.

Participants walked 3k, 5k, 10k or the new 15k route to thank Salisbury Hospital for the care they or their family have received across various wards and departments, with some dedicating their walk in memory of a friend, parent, sibling or child.

Money raised will go towards the £2million the Stars Appeal, Salisbury Hospital's Charity, aims to raise this year to fund new equipment, enhancements to buildings, and ongoing projects across Salisbury Hospital, which include support for people with cancer, play therapy equipment and a dedicated play assistant on the Children's Unit, and Stars Appeal Wi-Fi.

Marie Gower, from Winterslow, who has been undergoing treatment for breast cancer, completed the 10k route with her husband Trevor. She said: "Walk for Wards has been such an amazing experience. Since I got diagnosed with cancer the Stars Appeal has done so much to help me throughout my whole treatment with the aromatherapy and the cups of hot chocolate, the biscuits, and the Wi-Fi so I can message my husband when I'm doing my treatment to say how it's going, and also keep myself entertained. It's a privilege to be able to give something back to the charity and the Pembroke Unit for everything that they've done for me and my husband."

Jillie Arnold, from Wilton, who was cared for by the hospital after a fall in 2022 and took part in the 10k walk, shared her reasons for walking. She said: "Salisbury District Hospital put me back together and

gave me my life back after a near fatal fall. I am so lucky to be able to do the walk, without the operations and help I received I would be sitting at home. I'm an outside person and love walking. Without their help I wouldn't be where I am today."

To make this milestone year extra special, walkers were able to enjoy live music while picnicking on the lawn. There was music from Salisbury City Band of the

Royal British Legion, Sounds Better Singers, Sock Puppet Jukebox, St Mark's Junior School Choir, Lucas Hardy, and Wilton Band.

Cancer Consultant and Stars Appeal Ambassador, Dr Tracey Parker said: "Myself and my fellow

ambassadors were overwhelmed by the support shown by the local community, and are deeply grateful. What an amazing celebration of our hospital! But the biggest thank you is on behalf of the thousands of local people who will benefit from the money raised at Walk for Wards."

Helena Sinclair, of the Stars Appeal, said: "It was fantastic to see so many walkers join us at Wilton House to celebrate our milestone 20th Walk for Wards, making this year's event extra special. We want to say a massive thank you to everyone who took part and supported the event and to those who have so generously donated. We also want to thank our hosts Lord and Lady Pembroke and the team at the Wilton Estate, our principal sponsors Salisbury Reds, the Rotary Club marshals for their support, and all our wonderful volunteers. We look forward to seeing everyone again next year."

To find out more about projects funded by the Stars Appeal visit www.starsappeal.org/our-work/. A date for Walk for Wards 2026 will be announced soon.



Lawn care to the highest possible standards

Get an INSTANT, no obligation quote by using our online lawn measuring tool in 3 easy steps:

GET INSTANT QUOTE

- 1 Enter your postcode
- 2 Outline your lawn
- 3 Submit your details



What makes Lawntech stand out from the crowd?

- 🌿 A track record of over 30 years experience, delivering consistent professionalism
- 🌿 Highly qualified and accomplished technicians with over 130 years of combined experience
- 🌿 Offering a sustainable approach to lawn care, using semi organic fertilisers. Fully organic treatment programme available



FREEPHONE 08000 665 465

Free to call - landlines and mobiles

info@lawn-tech.co.uk

www.lawn-tech.co.uk



Lawntech



CLICK or TAP to go back to the CONTENTS PAGE

COMPTON MCRAE

KITCHEN | LARDER | CAFÉ
CHEESE | WINE | SEMLEY



01747 448750

info@comptonmcrae.com

www.comptonmcrae.com



Monday to Friday 9am-4pm
Saturday 9am-3pm

Unit 2 Chaldicott Barns, Semley SP7 9AW



Beautifully Built to Last

Award winning
building contractors covering
every detail of your project from
concept to handover

enquiries@pfparsons.co.uk



P.F. Parsons Ltd

Hindon | 01747 820 422 | www.pfparsons.co.uk

pfparsonsltd



CLICK or TAP to go back
to the CONTENTS PAGE



Exciting Podcast found growing in the Nadder Valley



Tisbury

tistalk.buzzsprout.com

With Mary Myers & Julie Ann Murphy



Join our Heating Oil BUYING CLUB!

and **SAVE up to 10%**
on your heating oil cost!

- FREE TO JOIN
- Independent of suppliers
- Order for more than one location
- Pay the supplier direct
- Local suppliers and depots
- Fortnightly reminders and opportunities to place orders
- Monthly budget scheme available
- Over 1200 members buying 1.5 million litres annually!

FOR MORE INFORMATION & FREE REGISTRATION

www.nadder.oilbuyingclub.com



If you run a business you'd like our readership to know about, let us know.

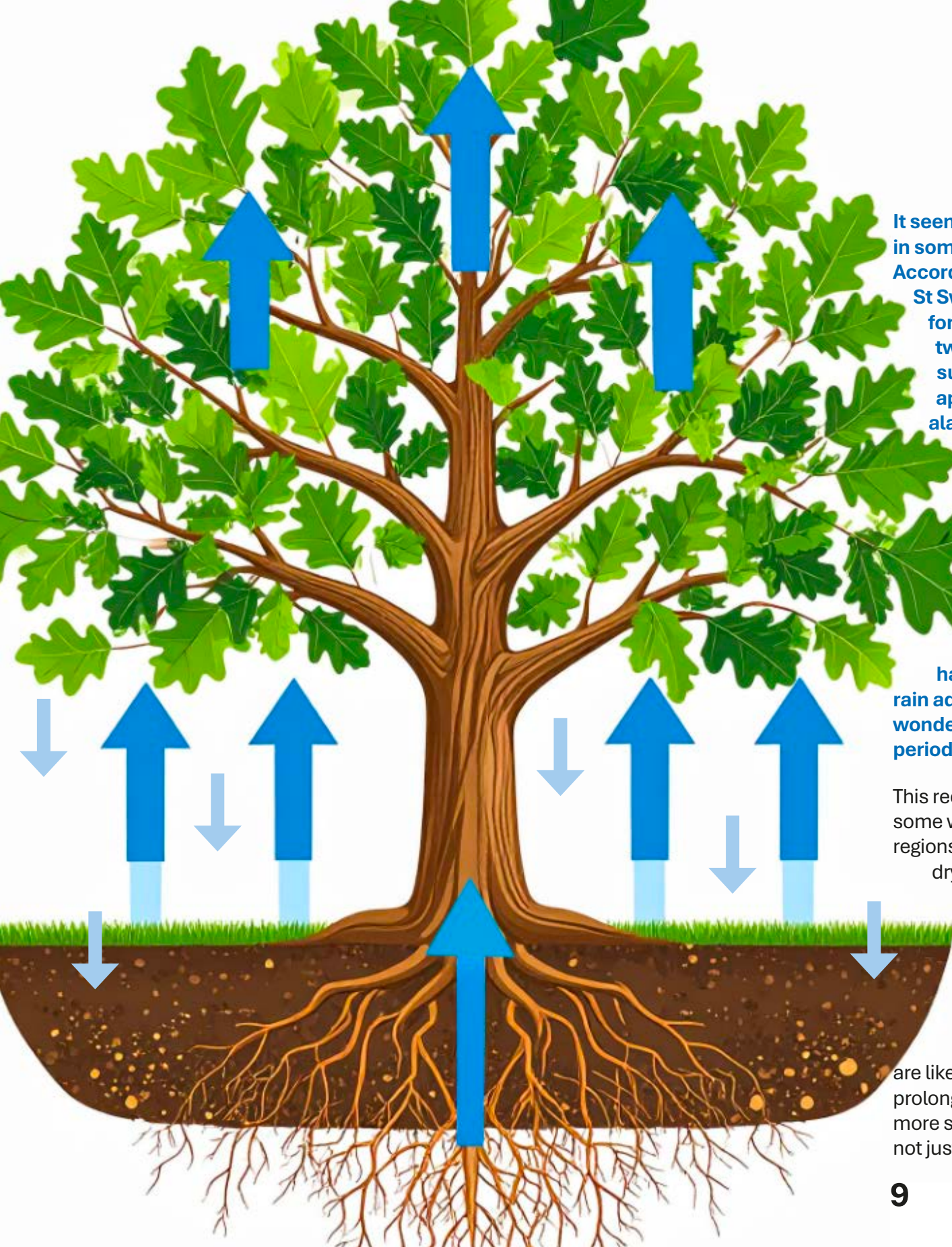


jan@villagebuzz.online | gill@villagebuzz.online

villagebuzz.online
because that's where we are – online

What we need at the moment is more rain

The Scribe of Compton Chamberlayne



It seems that St Swithin has been putting in some serious overtime lately.

According to folklore, the weather on St Swithin's Day, July 15, sets the tone for the next 40 days — and just over two weeks ago, his supposed prophecy appeared to come alarmingly true. Much of the country experienced heavy and persistent downpours, with amber thunderstorm

warnings issued in some parts of the south. In some areas, hailstorms and intense bursts of rain added to the chaos, leaving many wondering if we're in for a prolonged period of unsettled weather.

This recent bout of wild weather has gone some way toward boosting rainfall levels in regions that had been struggling with dryness earlier in the month. In fact, some areas have already matched or even exceeded their average rainfall for the whole of July, thanks to this sudden wet spell. However, hopes that these rains might bring a swift end to hosepipe bans in parts of England are likely to be disappointed. Overcoming prolonged water shortages will require a far more sustained period of wet weather — not just a few days of storms.

What would be far more beneficial than these short-lived deluges are extended periods of steady, moderate rain. Such conditions would allow water to slowly seep into the soil and percolate down into aquifers, rather than being lost as surface runoff — a common outcome when rain falls on sun-baked, hardened ground after weeks of dry, hot conditions. Unfortunately, even soaking rainfall struggles to reach deep underground at this time of year. With trees in full leaf,

they draw up significant amounts of water and lose it through their canopies, further complicating efforts to replenish groundwater stores. Add to that the fact that warm weather promotes direct evaporation from the soil, and it becomes clear that even heavy rains don't always deliver the long-term benefits we might hope for. Speak to our Wiltshire farmers!

That said, the recent rainfall has not been entirely in vain. It has begun to revive gardens, water crops and give a modest boost to some local water reserves. Still, despite the wet and cooler interlude, average temperatures for July across the UK remain above normal. Once high pressure re-establishes itself, we're likely to see a return to drier and warmer conditions, reminding us that summer is far from over.

With trees in full leaf, they draw up significant amounts of water and lose it through their canopies, further complicating efforts to replenish groundwater stores.



Bishopstone



A Private Collector's
Display of Christening Gowns
including Vintage Ephemera

Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th September
11am - 4pm



The Village Hall
Bishopstone
SP5 4AA

Entry price £10



Teas & Cakes available

Proceeds to The Friends of Bishopstone
Church Roof Appeal



Sutton Mandeville



Fovant





'In The Shadow of War, 1939-1945'

General leads charge to Autumn evening 'Sell-out'

General Sir Jack Deverell is part of a small team presenting an evening of music, song, readings and poetry to mark the 80th anniversary of the end of the Second World War. 'In the Shadow of War 1939-1945' is the team's second production; as with their first production 'They Went to War' in 2018, there will be two performances in Dinton Village Hall – Friday 31st October and Saturday 1st November.

Besides raising money for two locally-based charities, the evening will celebrate the service of the men and women of the county and remember those who died during those fateful six years of war. The programme will draw on the stories, letters and diaries of those living through the war and the speeches of King George VI and Prime Minister Winston Churchill. The programme will be richly illustrated by a continuous stream of visual images of the 'Home Front' and of those serving at the front on land, sea and in the air.

The Wilton Royal British Legion Band, conducted by Jack Rayner, will be joined by singers of the Nadder Valley Remembrance Choir, directed by Desmond Shawe-Taylor from Teffont. This all-volunteer choir, coming together especially for the evening, will sing popular songs of the time and lead the audience in a 'sing-along'. There will be a short Act of Remembrance.

Sir Jack has said "Since the VE day anniversary in May and the ceremonies marking the 80th anniversary of D-Day last year, people have shown growing interest in the Second World War and the impact it had on the valley and Wiltshire. We shouldn't forget that elderly residents of the valley still have vivid memories of the war and its aftermath. We believe that they and those from later generations will be drawn together by hearing what it was like to live through those six tumultuous years. As with our earlier production we expect both performances to be a sell-out and encourage everyone to get tickets in good time."



ACE SMA supports children with spinal muscular atrophy; established 3 years ago the charity is achieving huge success by improving the quality of life for those with SMA.



RE:ACT DISASTER RESPONSE sends teams of professional first responders and military veterans to support vulnerable communities in the wake of disasters in this country and abroad. Currently it has teams deployed in Myanmar.



A HOMESPUN TRIBUTE TO OUR MEN & WOMEN FALLEN IN WAR

Sequel to the acclaimed **THEY WENT TO WAR, 1914-1918**

Jack & Jane Deverell, Richard & Sara Willan, Paul Cordle

PRESENT



1939

1945



AN EVENING

of Music, Song, Readings & Poetry of the Second World War
with an Act of Remembrance

GENEROUSLY
SUPPORTED BY
INDIVIDUAL &
CORPORATE
SPONSORS

WITH THE WILTON ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BAND
& THE NADDER VALLEY REMEMBRANCE CHOIR

NOT
TO BE
MISSED

Friday 31st October
& Saturday 1st November 2025

Dinton Village Hall, SP3 5EB, 7.00pm - 9.30pm, Doors open 6.15pm

TICKETS £20

TO INCLUDE LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

TICKETS AVAILABLE BY SCANNING THE CODE ON THE RIGHT:

or email: ITSOWenquiries@gmail.com

or call: 07803 165 448



ITSOW1939-45



ITSOW2025



IN AID OF TWO LOCALLY BASED NATIONAL CHARITIES
ACE SMA – Supporting children with spinal muscular atrophy
(www.acesma.co.uk)

REACT DISASTER RESPONSE – Supporting the vulnerable
in the wake of natural disasters (www.react.org.uk)





Lizette Woodworth Reese (1856-1935) was an American poet and educator whose life and work were shaped by her deep connection to Maryland.

She was raised in a modest home by a Confederate veteran father and a German immigrant mother. After graduating from Eastern High School in 1873, she began teaching English.

While devoted to teaching, Reese quietly developed a literary career. Her first poem, "The Deserted House," was published in 1874, and her debut collection, *A Branch of May*, appeared in 1887. She went on to publish numerous volumes, including *A Quiet Road*, *Spicewood*, and *Selected Poems*.

Her most celebrated work, the sonnet "Tears" (1899), was praised by H. L. Mencken as an enduring piece of American literature.

Reese's poetry combined traditional forms with graceful, everyday language. Drawing on memory, nature, and domestic life, she created a voice both restrained yet emotionally resonant. Often compared to Emily Dickinson and Elizabeth Barrett Browning, she influenced poets like Edna St. Vincent Millay and Louise Bogan.

Active in Baltimore's literary circles, Reese co-founded the Woman's Literary Club and held honorary roles in both the Poetry Society of Maryland and the Edgar Allan Poe Society. In 1931, she was named Maryland's Poet Laureate and received an honorary doctorate from Goucher College.

She died in Baltimore in 1935 aged 79, leaving behind a legacy of poetic clarity and quiet influence. Her papers are preserved at the Enoch Pratt Free Library, and her work remains a vital part of Maryland's literary heritage.

August

LIZETTE WOODWORTH REESE

No wind, no bird. The river flames like brass.
On either side, smitten as with a spell
Of silence, brood the fields. In the deep grass,
Edging the dusty roads, lie as they fell
Handfuls of shrivelled leaves from tree and bush.
But 'long the orchard fence and at the gate,
Thrusting their saffron torches through the hush,
Wild lilies blaze, and bees hum soon and late.
Rust-coloured the tall straggling briar, not one
Rose left. The spider sets its loom up there
Close to the roots, and spins out in the sun
A silken web from twig to twig. The air
Is full of hot rank scents. Upon the hill
Drifts the noon's single cloud, white, glaring, still.



TEFFONT VILLAGE SHOW

SATURDAY 23 AUGUST 2025

TEFFONT'S FAMOUS TEA TENT
DELICIOUS BURGERS & HOT DOGS
PIMMS WINE & ALE BAR
TEFFONT'S FINEST FRESH CAKES & LOCAL PRODUCE
TRADITIONAL GAMES & TUG OF WAR
BOTTLE STALL & RAFFLE WITH GREAT PRIZES
WILTON ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BAND
DOG CLASSES & RACES
2-5PM
THE MANOR, TEFFONT EVIAS, SP3 5RJ

KINDLY SPONSORED BY:

RV RURAL VIEW
www.ruralview.co.uk

NEW CHILDREN'S CAROUSEL



EST. 2004

COMPTON SMITH INTERIORS

- Interior decorating consultancy.
 - Bespoke curtains, blinds and upholstery.
 - Suppliers of well-known specialist paints.
 - Extensive fabric & wallpaper library.
- Farrow & Ball, Edward Bulmer, Little Greene, Pierre Frey, Colefax & Fowler, Fermoie, Lewis and Wood, Sanderson Design Group and many more designers.



Mondays to Thursdays: 08.30 - 17.30

Fridays: 08.30 - 17.00 Saturdays: 09.30 - 13.00

Tel: +44 (0)1747 850150 info@comptonsmith.co.uk

10d Wincombe Business Park, Shaftesbury, Dorset, SP7 9QJ

WWW.COMPTONSMITH.CO.UK



Teasel
Furniture Makers

Handmade
Bespoke
Cabinetry

Please contact us with any project enquiries.

07561 091 252

sam@teaselfurnituremakers.co.uk

www.teaselfurnituremakers.com

 teasel.furniture.makers

Manor Farm, Sutton Mandeville, SP3 5NL



Boiler Servicing & Maintenance

BREAKDOWNS | REPAIRS | OIL | GAS | LPG

Mark Benfield

07974 249287

mark@mabheatingservices.co.uk



Tisbury



Come try something new ...
Join us for a free session of
croquet



We welcome players of all ages and backgrounds, including those completely new to croquet. We offer to help you try out, learn, enjoy and master this stimulating and engaging sport.

.... Croquet is rapidly gaining popularity worldwide.

It's fun, social and can be primarily skill based as in "Golf Croquet", or additionally very tactical as in "Association Croquet". "Short Croquet" is a more recently introduced game of 90 minutes or less, which is even more intriguingly fun and strategic.

The best way for those interested in trying croquet is to register for a free "Taster Session" which includes informal instruction.

No special clothing needed... just flat soled shoes or trainers.

Why not arrange to come along on any mutually convenient time/day to have a go with one of our members?

Should you be keen to play more, we have a trial £20/month option, convertible to full annual membership of £120 ... and no court fees!

You can play any day, all year round (weather and maintenance permitting)

Tisbury Croquet Club

Lower Recreation Ground, High St, Tisbury, SP3 6JP

There is a free, all day car park in Nadder Close which is a short walk from the club.

Tisbury train station is only a 5 minute walk away

Full info: www.tisburycroquet.club

email: tisburycroquet@gmail.com



QR - Get in touch now !

Poster date 12/2/25



CLICK or TAP to go back
to the CONTENTS PAGE



Mophead Mildred

And the heat went on without a break through a blazing June and July!

With a huge sigh of relief, we seem to have somehow reached August without too many garden casualties given the crazy, extremely hot weather this summer (it has actually hit 40° in our garden a couple of times). Two winters ago we invested in several large bags of mulch to spread on the garden, the first time it has had this treatment since we moved here fifteen years ago, and this summer it seems to have truly paid off. The only things that have been watered during these rainless months are a couple of newly planted shrubs and four groups of beautiful Cosmos annuals.

Everything else has had to survive the drought on its own, and surprisingly, the soil below the mulch seems to have remained damp enough to get most things through up until now. The only serious casualty has been a mature mahonia of many years' standing that has dried to a brown crisp (see opposite). It will be missed – but only until I can get to a garden centre to choose a replacement!

However, many plants have gone over or died back earlier than usual due to the stress of the heat and lack of water. Best to cut back perennials like hardy geraniums and delphiniums which should (fingers crossed) put on new leafy growth and hopefully some late flowers too. If they don't, leave them until next spring as they may well return refreshed after a winter rest. My clematis have soldiered on though with noticeably fewer flowers and a shorter period in bloom. Roses have been as good as usual

and don't seem to have suffered but some of my berberis have dropped their leaves at the tips of their stems although the rest of the shrub looks good so hopefully they will hang on until rain comes.

To my surprise, my larger hostas seem quite happy but those with smaller leaves that get some sun during the day have bleached and shrivelled where normally they would have been fine. I have my fingers anxiously crossed that they will come back next year. And I have even lost a helianthemum! Now looking dead, brown and leafless, this of all plants should have revelled in the heat. Oh well, there's always one that has to be contrary!

The skies are grey as I finish this but the temperature is a far more pleasant 22° and the strong wind of the last few days has become a gentle breeze. but first, a cup of tea to set me up for a couple of hours rummaging in the flower beds.

MM



Totally dead mahonia





Tisbury detachment
Wiltshire Army Cadet Force



Fun- friendship- belonging

There's no better time to join the adventure with the army cadets at **tisbury** detachment

No matter your aims or goals when joining, everyone takes away something different. Some will gain confidence and discover potential they never knew they had. One thing is for sure both the cadets and adults volunteers gain new skills, qualifications, experiences, and friends for life. All while having a unique adventure.

Join us

Contact us



 Armycadets.com/wiltshire-acf
 Phone us: (01380) 724114
 Email us: wx-wil-0mailbox@rfca.org.uk
 Tisbury, Victoria Hall
High Stret, Tisbury
SALISBURY
Wiltshire
SP3 6HF
Parade times – Tuesday: 1900-2100

Fovant Youth Club, High St, Fovant SP3 5JL

**HALL
FOR HIRE**

**AVAILABLE
FOR EVENTS
MEETINGS
CHILDRENS'
PARTIES**

**ROOM
FOR UP TO
60 PEOPLE**

**WIFI
PROJECTOR
TABLES, CHAIRS
KITCHEN &
ACCESSIBLE
TOILETS**



**INCLUDING SMALL GARDEN
WITH SOME OFF-ROAD PARKING**

Contact Jan on 01722 714342





**All Saints Church
Sutton Mandeville**

MONTHLY DRAW RESULTS



June 2025

1st £40 — 47

2nd £20 — 115

3rd £10 — 91

To join in please contact Kate Clutterbuck
kateclutterbuck5@gmail.com

Boys' Treasured Toys road run raises over £17,000 for the Stars Appeal

A CHARITY ROAD RUN featuring an array of classic and modern cars has raised over £17,000 for the Stars Appeal, Salisbury Hospital's Charity.

Boys' Treasured Toys took place on Tuesday, June 24, and was attended by around 200 people in 80 cars. This is the eighth year the annual fundraising event has been held, and brings its grand total raised to over £60,000.

Drivers turned out in a range of vehicles including Humbers, Morris Minors, Porsches, Maseratis, Ferraris, Morgans, and vintage Land Rovers.

Money raised by the event helps fund Stars Appeal projects at Salisbury Hospital including state-of-the-art equipment, enhancements to buildings, and the charity's ongoing work like Stars Appeal Wi-Fi and support for patients with cancer.

Stars Appeal President, the Earl of Pembroke, welcomed the event's participants to Wilton House before setting off on a 100-mile route around the Wiltshire countryside. Drivers of older cars had the opportunity to take a shorter route.

Patient Ambassador Sue Duke shared how projects funded by the Stars Appeal, including the Stars Appeal Breast Unit, the hospital's first dedicated breast unit, supported her after she was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2020.

The Boys' Treasured Toys road run route took participants to Urchfont where guests were hosted at the private home of Martin and Sally Bodman before finishing at Gurston Down Hill Climb by kind permission of the Hitchings family. Here they enjoyed a cream tea and an exclusive opportunity to experience driving their cars up the famous hill climb course.

Drivers and passengers made donations to take part in the event, which was organised by Louise Hall, Matthew Pickford and Nick Combes.

Lead organiser and Stars Appeal Fundraising Committee member Louise Hall said: "It was such an incredible day that

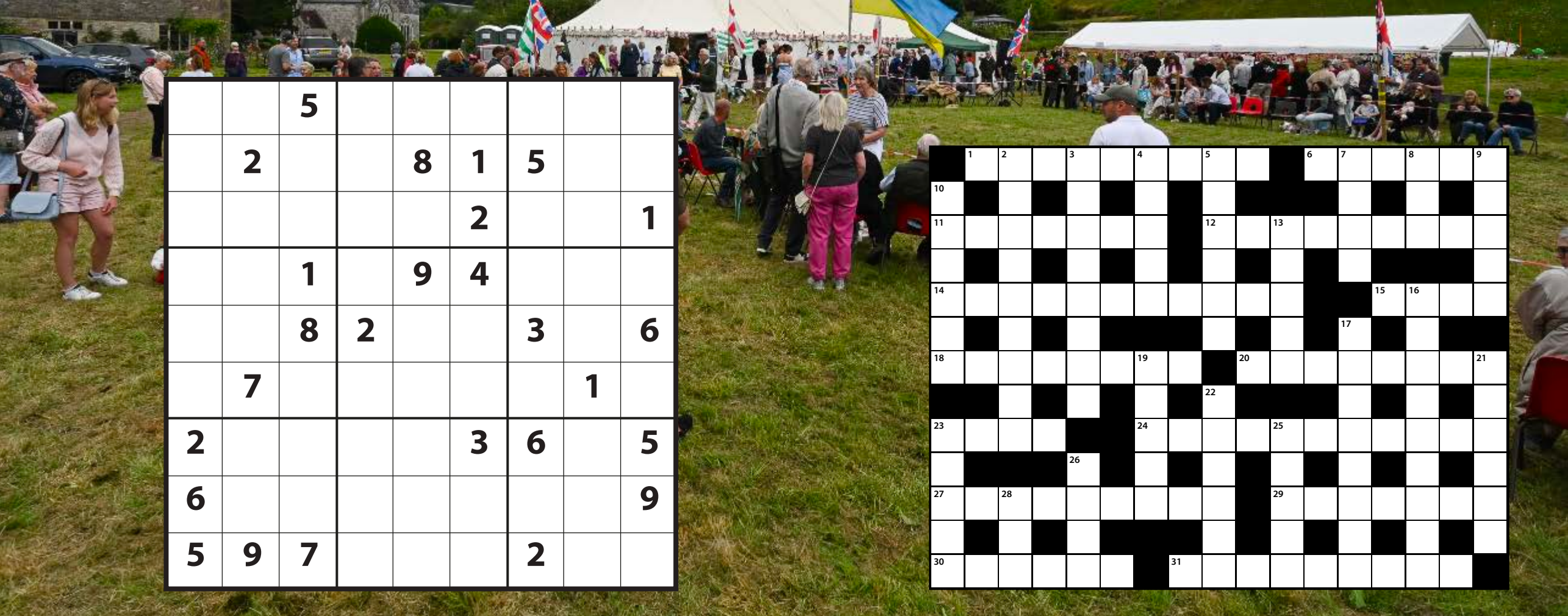
really had the wow factor. We visited fantastic venues and everyone made so many memories that they won't forget in a hurry. Thank you to everyone who attended and supported the event for your amazing generosity.

"Hearing first-hand from Stars Appeal Ambassadors Sue Duke and Dr Tracey Parker about the impact of the charity's work, especially for cancer patients, was truly inspiring. We are really proud to play a part in helping enhance care for patients like Sue at Salisbury Hospital."

Cancer Consultant and Stars Appeal Ambassador Dr Tracey Parker added: "I would like to thank Louise, Matthew and

Nick, and all the participants and hosts for making this event such a success. Every single day, my colleagues and I see the difference that Stars Appeal funded projects make to the care we are able to provide to our patients and their families. Every penny raised at Boys' Treasured Toys will enable the charity to do even more at our hospital like funding state-of-the-art equipment, a dedicated play assistant on the Children's Ward and aromatherapy for cancer patients."





		5						
	2			8	1	5		
					2			1
		1		9	4			
		8	2			3		6
	7						1	
2					3	6		5
6								9
5	9	7				2		

	1	2		3		4		5			6	7		8		9
10																
11								12		13						
14														15	16	
												17				
18						19			20							21
								22								
23						24				25						
					26											
27		28									29					
30								31								



TO COMPLETE THESE
PUZZLES PLEASE PRINT
THIS PAGE ON YOUR
PRINTER.

- 1) Set your printer to print this page
- 2) Ensure your page is set to **LANDSCAPE** orientation.
- 3) Ensure your printing is reduced to fit your A4 sheet (**80%**). Do not print at 100%.

HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU

The objective of the puzzle is to complete the grid so each of the rows, columns and 3 x 3 sub-grids contains the numbers 1 to 9. The challenging part of the puzzle is that each number can only appear once per row, column, or sub-grid.

SOLUTION ON PAGE 21



August's Brain Gym

Across

- 1 Masonry (9)
- 6 Level (6)
- 11 Emit (7)
- 12 Mischief (9)
- 14 Glass globe (7,4)
- 15 Deep cut (4)
- 18 Swiftly (8)
- 20 Relinquish (4,4)
- 23 Lightly-cooked (4)
- 24 Family earner (11)
- 27 Type of biscuit (9)
- 29 Invents (7)
- 30 Send troops (6)
- 31 Tiredness (9)

Down

- 2 Soft toy (5,4)
- 3 Low water (4,4)
- 4 Turn, pivot (5)
- 5 Type of car tyre (6)
- 7 Shopping centre (4)
- 8 Raw mineral (3)
- 9 Thumb a lift (5)
- 10 Brawl (6)
- 13 Russian river (5)
- 16 Estranged (9)
- 17 Loud, insistent (8)
- 19 Classify (5)
- 21 Pester (6)
- 22 Eye part (6)
- 23 Fumed (5)
- 25 Harbour area (5)

SOLUTION ON PAGE 21



CLICK or TAP to go back
to the CONTENTS PAGE



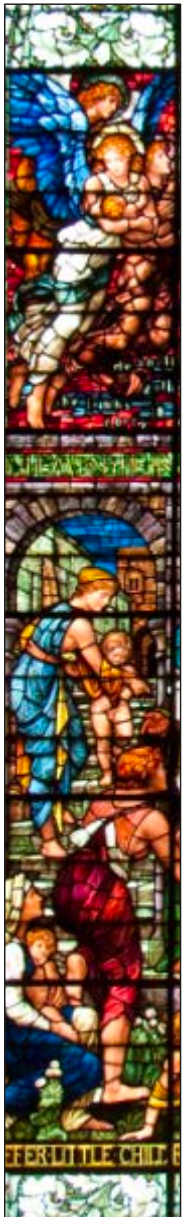
DATE	3 August	10 August	17 August	24 August	31 August	7 September
	Trinity 7	Trinity 8	Trinity 9	Trinity 10	Trinity 11	Trinity 3

Lower Nadder Benefice Services

Barford St Martin	11.15	AAC	EB	09.30	McW	LAY	09.30	HCBCP	MG	09.30	AAC	BD	-	-	-	11.15	AAC	-
Baverstock	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Compton Chamberlayne	09.30	PC	BH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	09.30	PC	-
Dinton	09.30	AAC	EB	-	-	-	09.30	AAC	PC	09.30	McW	EB	-	-	-	09.30	AAC	-
Fovant	08.00	HC02T	EB	-	To Sutton	-	18.00	ES	MH	09.30	PC	MHan	10.00	PC Rededication of the organ	+JI EB	08.00	HC02T	-
Sutton Mandeville	18.00	ES	EB	09.30	McW	MG	-	-	-	-	To Fovant	-	-	-	-	18.00	ES	-
Teffont Evias	-	-	-	11.15	AAC	MG	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Teffont Magna	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11.15	AAC Thanksgiving for a child	EB	-	-	-	-	-	-

Upper Nadder Benefice Services

Ansty	-	-	-	11.15	PC	JN	-	-	-	11.15	AAC Baptism	MH	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chicklade	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hindon	09.30	PC	JN	09.30	AAC	JN	18.00	EBCP	JN	09.30	PC	PC	-	-	-	09.30	PC	-
Chilmark	11.15	AAC	MH	09.30	AAS	JA	11.15	AAC	JN	11.15	MP	LAY	-	-	-	11.15	AAC	-
Fonthill Bishop	17.00	EBCP	JA	08.00	HCBCP	JN	09.30	MBCP	AT	-	-	-	-	-	-	17.00	EBCP	-
Fonthill Gifford	08.00	HCBCP	JN	11.15	MBCP	JA	-	-	-	11.15	MBCP	JA	-	-	-	08.00	HCBCP	-
Swallowcliffe	11.15	PC _T	JN	18.00	EBCP	JN	08.00	HCBCP	MH	11.15	MBCP	LAY	-	-	-	11.15	PC _T	-
Tisbury	09.30	AAS	JA	09.30	PC	MC	09.30	PC	JN	08.00	HCBCP	MH	10.00	PC	MH	09.30	AAS	-
								No Choral Evensong		09.30	PC	MG						



SERVICES

AAC	All Age Communion
AAS	All Age Service
BCP	Book of Common Prayer
CbE	Communion by Extension
CW	Common Worship
E	Evensong or Evening Prayer
FC	All Age Family Communion
HC	Holy Communion (said)
HC02T/C	Order 2 Communion, traditional/contemporary
M	Mattins or Morning Prayer

MPr	Morning Praise
PC	Order 1 Communion, (with hymns)
PC _T	Order 1 Communion, traditional language (with hymns)
PC02T	Order 2 Communion, traditional language (with hymns)
PC02T/C	Order 2 Communion, traditional/contemporary
RS	Reflective Servc
SoP	Songs of Praise
SoW	All Age Service of the Word

CLERGY

JA	Judy Anderson
EB	Elaine Brightwell
MC	Michael Camp
PC	Pat Clegg
BD	Bruce Dance
JD	Jo Dunstan
TF	Tina Fox
MG	Michael Goater
BH	Barney Hopkinson
MHan	Mark Hancock
MH	Mark Hayter
+JI	Bishop John Inge
BH	Barney Hopkinson
JN	Jo Naish
TM	Tony Monds
AT	Anthony Thomas

Come and join us for a time of quietness and prayer

Wholeness and Healing

We invite you to join us for our monthly period of contemplation, to pray for yourself and those who need our prayers

4.00pm Wednesday August 13th

St Andrew's Chapel: St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

ALL WELCOME



The people also gathered from the towns around..., bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. Acts 5: 21





For me, August always feels like the heart of summer – warm days, long evenings, and an opportunity to pause and step back from the usual rhythms of life.



For many, it's a time of holidays – a chance to travel, rest, and reconnect with family. While others enjoy staying locally, taking quiet walks, pottering in the garden, or sharing cups of tea with neighbours in the sunshine.

However we spend these days, August has a way of slowing us down and reminding us of the simple joys in life.

One of the great joys of village life during the summer is our fêtes, shows and other outdoor events, and over the past few weeks, I've had the pleasure of attending some wonderful events which have brought communities together. It's these moments that can remind us what it means to be part of something greater than ourselves. To be part of a community.

It never ceases to amaze me how much work goes into organising these events – most of it unseen. Volunteers who set up tents, those who bake, plan, clear up and give their time freely so that others can enjoy the day. These acts of service, however small they may seem, are an expression of love.

The Old Testament King David wrote in Psalm 133 "How good and pleasant it is when people live together in unity!" It's a verse that speaks so clearly to what we experience through these events. I think there's something sacred in the joy of

being together – not just in worship, but having fun, sharing food and working in unity for the common good.

Unity isn't about everyone being the same; it's about choosing to care, to include and to support one another – something that is seen in our villages again and again.

But not everyone finds August restful. For some, it can be a time of loneliness or financial strain, especially when routines are disrupted or family is far away. I encourage each of us to keep a watchful and loving eye out for those who might be struggling as we continue to value the gift of unity and celebrate the community we share.

With every blessing for a peaceful and joyful August.

**Revd Elaine Brightwell —
Rector Lower Nadder Benefice**



Barford St Martin



Burcombe



TEA and CHATS



We have decided to have a break from our tea and chat for July and August. We shall start again in September when I am sure we shall have many interesting talks, so please keep looking for our details in Village Buzz.

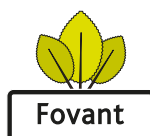
Thank you
Jenny Barrett
jennybarford@gmail.com

As good as the day it was taken

I sometimes take on requests to restore old or damaged family photographs. These photos often hold a lot of meaning for people, and many times, they're the only picture they have. It's a pleasure to help bring those memories back to life.



jan@villagebuzz.online
07881 288027



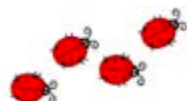
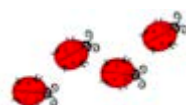
Fovant's Fun Beetle Drive!

Sat 13 September

Doors Open 6.30 Drive begins at 7pm

Tickets £10

**Includes Bangers & Mash Meal
provided by 'The Greater Good'
(veg options available)
& PRIZES!**



**Bar Available
Raffle with a Twist**

Contact - Bookings@Fovantvillaghall.co.uk



Do you run a small business?

We have over 600 subscribers who just might want to know about you!

ADVERTISE WITH US FOR 6 MONTHS — Half page – £60 | Whole page – £120 | Double page spread – £180
ADVERTISE WITH US FOR A WHOLE YEAR — Half page – £100 | Whole page – £200 | Double page spread – £300



SUDOKU solution

1	3	5	6	4	9	8	2	7
7	2	9	3	8	1	5	6	4
8	4	6	7	5	2	9	3	1
3	6	1	8	9	4	7	5	2
4	5	8	2	1	7	3	9	6
9	7	2	5	3	6	4	1	8
2	1	4	9	7	3	6	8	5
6	8	3	4	2	5	1	7	9
5	9	7	1	6	8	2	4	3

CROSSWORD solution

S	T	O	N	E	W	O	R	K	S	M	O	O	T	
F	E	E	H	A					A	R				
R	A	D	I	A	T	E	D	E	V	I	L	M	E	N
A	D	P	E	I	O	L								
C	R	Y	S	T	A	L	B	A	L	L	G	A	S	
A	B	I					L	G	S	L				
S	P	E	E	D	I	L					P	A	R	T
A	E						A	R						
R	A	R	E				B	R	E	A	D	W	I	N
A							E	E	T	O	D	A	A	
G	A	R	I	B	A	L	D	I			C	R	E	A
E	I	R					N	K	N	E	S			
D	E	P	L	O	Y		L	A	S	S	I	T	U	D

Would you like to advertise your business but have no artwork?

We will design and produce your ad for FREE*

*** Minimum order, half page for 6 months.**

Design & Advertising:

Jan Kalinowski | jan@villagebuzz.online

mobile: 07881 288027

Advertising and article submission deadline



Friday 22 August

If you plan to submit ready-made advertising please ensure that the file is in the format of either a high resolution Acrobat PDF file or a high resolution JPEG (300ppi) file – thank you.

VILLAGE BUZZ



A MONTHLY MAGAZINE FOR VILLAGES IN AND AROUND THE NADDER VALLEY

AUGUST 2025

USEFUL INFORMATION

SALISBURY

HOUSEHOLD RECYCLING CENTRE

SUMMER (1 April - 31 October)

9.00am - 4.00pm

CLOSED ON THURSDAYS

WINTER (1 November to 31 March)

10.00am - 4.00pm

CLOSED ON THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS

Stephenson Road,
Churchfields Industrial Estate SP2 7NP
Tel: 01722 322309

MEDICAL

SPRING ORCHARD SURGERY

Telephone: 01722 714789
Spring Orchard Surgery, High Street, Fovant,
Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP3 5JL

OLD ORCHARD SURGERY

Telephone: 01722 744775
Old Orchard Surgery, South Street, Wilton,
Salisbury, SP2 0JU

SALISBURY DISTRICT HOSPITAL

Odstock Rd, Salisbury SP2 8BJ
Tel: 01722 336262

NICHOLSON AND BOUGH CHARITY FOR BARFORD ST MARTIN RESIDENTS

Telephone: 01722 744546

or write in strict confidence to:
Clerk to the Trustees, 2 The Poplars,
Barford St Martin, SP3 4AR

THEATRES/ART

Salisbury Playhouse

Malthouse Lane, Salisbury SP2 7RA
Tel: 01722 320333

Salisbury City Hall

Malthouse Lane, Salisbury SP2 7TU
Tel: 01722 434434

Salisbury Arts Centre

Bedwin St, Salisbury SP1 3UT
Tel: 01722 321744

Odeon Cinema Salisbury

New Canal, Salisbury SP1 2AA
Tel: 0333 014 4501

WILTSHIRE COUNCIL

HEAD OFFICE

Bythesea Road, Trowbridge, Wiltshire BA14 8JN

BOURNE HILL

Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 3UZ
Council offices are open Monday to Friday from
8.30am until 5.30pm

WILTSHIRE COUNCIL SERVICES

Worried about a child?

If you believe a child or young person is at risk
of significant harm, neglect or injury, report
your concerns to the Multi-Agency
Safeguarding Hub (MASH) on 0300 4560108.

Adult Care

Tel: 0300 456 0111
adviceandcontact@wiltshire.gov.uk

Benefits

Tel: 0300 456 0110
benefits@wiltshire.gov.uk

Blue Badges

Tel: 01225 713002
bluebadge@wiltshire.gov.uk

Building Control

Tel: 0300 456 0113
buildingcontrol@wiltshire.gov.uk

CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Early Help

Tel: 01225 718230

Children's Services

Special Educational Needs and Disability
(SEND)

Tel: 01225 757985

Children's Services Social Care

Tel: 01722 438165

COMMUNICATIONS

(press and media related enquiries)
Tel: 01225 713115 or 01225 713370
communications@wiltshire.gov.uk

Corporate Investigation Team

01249 706456
investigations@wiltshire.gov.uk

Council Tax

Tel: 0300 456 0109
counciltax@wiltshire.gov.uk

Elections

Tel: 0300 456 0112
elections@wiltshire.gov.uk

Early Years and Childcare

Tel: 0300 003 4561
earlyyears@wiltshire.gov.uk

Fraud Hotline (24 hours)

Tel: 01249 706456

Highways

Tel: 0300 456 0105 or to report
non-urgent highway defects.

Homes4Wiltshire (housing register)

Tel: 0300 456 0104
homes4wiltshire@wiltshire.gov.uk
Housing Options/Homelessness
homeless@wiltshire.gov.uk
Tel: 01722 434233

Parking

Tel: 01249 706131
parking@wiltshire.gov.uk

Pest Control, Noise and Pollution, Environmental Health

Tel: 0300 456 0107
customerservices@wiltshire.gov.uk

Planning

Tel: 0300 456 0114
developmentmanagement@wiltshire.gov.uk

Rubbish and Recycling

Tel: 0300 456 0102
customerservices@wiltshire.gov.uk

Schools Admissions

Tel: 01225 713010
admissions@wiltshire.gov.uk

School Transport

Tel: 01225 712852
educationtransport@wiltshire.gov.uk

Can't find the service you require?

Contact Customer Services
Tel: 0300 456 0100



CLICK or TAP to go back
to the CONTENTS PAGE