

NETHERAVON, HAXTON & FITTLETON NEWSLETTER

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

August 2020

15th 10:30am Service of dedication on VJ Day Netheravon War Memorial

September 2020

8th 7:30pm Fittleton Parish Council Meeting Phoenix Hall, Netheravon
10th 7:00pm Netheravon Parish Council Meeting Phoenix Hall, Netheravon
10th 6:45pm Enford Gardening Club – Hardy Geraniums Enford Village Hall
17th 7:00pm Phoenix Hall AGM Phoenix Hall, Netheravon

October 2020

8th 7:00pm Netheravon Parish Council Meeting Phoenix Hall, Netheravon

MINI DIRECTORY

(01980 unless otherwise stated)

Phoenix Hall Bookings (Michala)	670646
Day Centre (Christine Covil)	670774
Rev. Gale Hunt, Avon River Team	670326
Rev. Barry Davis, Amesbury Baptist Centre	622355
Christ the King, Catholic Church, Amesbury	622177
Methodist Church Amesbury	676766
SSAFA Forces Help	632567
Plainwatch	674700
Durrington & District Link Scheme	594857
AWS JOBS, Pre-Schools, Creches	673379
Scout Group for Boys & Girls	07768 579314
Enford Football Club, Children's Coaching Club	670634

Avon River Team Service Schedule for August 2020 (for September Services please access the website at avonriverteam.org.uk)

Parish\Date	August 2	August 9	August 16	August 23	August 30
Bulford	11.00 HC		10.30 Morning Worship		11.00 HC
Durrington		8.00 HC BCP		9.30 HC	
Enford		9.30 HC		6.00 Evensong	
Figheldean	6.00 Evening Worship		11.00 HC		11.00 Morning Worship
Fittleton	9.30 HC BCP		6.00 Evensong		11.00 Matins
Milston	9.30 HC		9.30 HC BCP		9.30 HC
Netheravon		11.00 Morning Worship		11.00 HC	
On-line	Video Team Service 8.00 pm Zoom Compline	Video Sermon 8.00 pm Zoom Compline	Video Sermon 8.00 pm Zoom Compline	Video Sermon 8.00 pm Zoom Compline	Video Sermon 8.00 pm Zoom Compline
10.00 Every Wednesday HC at Bulford 10.30 Every Thursday HC at Durrington HC=Holy Communion; BCP=Book of Common Prayer; CW=Common Worship For Video streams please access the website at avonriverteam.org.uk					

Churches Open for Individual Private Prayer and Reflection

We are delighted that most of our churches are open for individual private prayer and reflection.

If you would like to take a quiet moment with God or just find time to think in a place that's been a reminder of hope and love for centuries, you are welcome to pop in.

Church Opening Times

Bulford – Sundays from 11am – 4pm

Durrington – Every day from 9am – 4pm

Enford – Sundays from 1-4pm and Thursdays from 9am – 12noon

Figheldean – every day

Fittleton – Sundays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 9am-4pm

Milston – Every day from 9am – 4pm

Netheravon – Sundays and Wednesdays from 10am-4pm

Please follow the guidance in church to help us keep everyone safe and well.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the clergy or churchwardens in the first instan



What have been the Lockdown Lessons?

Everyone's experience of the last few months has been different. Some of us have never been busier: home schooling, owning the key worker mantle, supporting others in a voluntary role. Others have been struggling in other ways: shielding, self-isolating, caring for loved ones.

I asked a question on Facebook recently.... what have we learnt? Fifty responses came back. All sorts of things: appreciating family, missing hugs, that slowing down is good, using time differently, travelling less, DIY. The list goes on. Speaking of DIY, did you hear about the chap who managed to make a car out of Washing Machine Parts? Afterwards, he took it out for a spin.

I think there are deeper lessons... How did we handle the fear? It was tangible for many of us. What was it like to be called vulnerable, perhaps for the first time? Was there a friend or neighbour we connected with in a new way, and that friendship will forever be different? We now know who the Keyworkers really are... not celebs or sportsmen, or even the top earners that are given Honours at New Year, but the carers, the bin men, those who stacked shelves in the supermarket. The NHS modelled true sacrifice for us with many laying down their lives to keep others safe. Social injustices have been highlighted, as we come to terms with the inequalities of British Society.

The church has learnt to adopt technology in a new way. I suspect much of it will stay as lockdown eases. We now hold zoom compline services (8pm Sundays) and regularly record sermons, putting them on Youtube and Facebook. Dip into them... I've reflected on something else. Why is social distancing so weird? I think It's because we are made for relationships. Jesus promoted a vision that was intended to remind people that they are happiest when they love God and love each other. It's who we are... nothing can be more natural.

Every blessing,
Rev Philip Bromiley (Team Rector)



Netheravon War Memorial

To commemorate VE Day and VJ Day, the Netheravon Parish Council decided to refurbish the War Memorial along the High Street. The Tidworth Area Board very kindly gave a grant to help pay for it. The Council hoped that it would be done in time for VE Day, but because of lockdown it was not possible. However, it has now been done and is looking fantastic!

There will be a re-dedication service at 10.30 am at the War Memorial on VJ Day which is on Saturday 15th August. Reverend Gale will be saying prayers and a few words and the Parish Council will be laying a wreath. If anyone would like to come to the ceremony they are welcome, but please make sure that you socially distance.

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LOCAL HISTORY GROUP – NETHERAVON.

Inaugural meeting was held in Fittleton School on Monday 25 January 1982.

(Newsletter issue 41).

14 people attended. Meetings were initially set for the 1st Monday in the month.

The second meeting held on Monday 1st March was attended by 20+ people.

Many photos, maps, documents, etc. were available for inspection.

On Monday 22nd March a short notice meeting was convened and addressed by Mr. John Chandler, Local Studies Officer to Wiltshire Library and Museum Service.

He gave a slide show and talk/advice on how to approach local studies.

(Newsletter issue 42).

Meeting held on 10th May was held in Netheravon School.

Old photos etc. from various events were displayed, including the Cavalcade of Transport and orders were taken for copies.

(Tony Mills was able to source copies through a work colleague, Ray Thompson, at the Meteorological Office who was a keen, amateur photographer).

The Meeting held in December 1982 saw a presentation by Carol Dover entitled 'What's in a Name?' (Newsletter issue 49).

February 1983 meeting saw Jim Swinton present an historical account entitled 'Netheravon House'. (Newsletter issue 50).

On 7th July 1983 two of our members, Eileen Power and Tony Mills visited Williamstrip Park, Cirencester, the home of the Earl St. Aldwyn where, under the watchful eye of his Lordship's secretary, Karen D'Abbo, an American lady, many documents, maps, books, etc. relating to the history of Netheravon and Fittleton were inspected. A really pleasant day encompassing a pub lunch.

(Newsletter issue 56).

The September 1983, and subsequent meetings, were hosted by Richard and Eileen Power at their home, The Yews in Netheravon High street.

Tony and Eileen agreed to visit various elderly residents to ask them 'their story' and record the same with a tape recorder. This was a most enjoyable and informative experience.

Under the nom-de-plume 'Downlander' an account extracted from an interview with Mrs. Mead of Lower Street, Haxton was published in March 1984 (Newsletter issue 61).

April 1984 Looking Back – Mrs Dora Blake (issue 62).

June 1984 Parish Council records (issue 64).

July 1984 About the History Group – its history.

September 1984 Bring and Buy coffee morning 13 Sept. at The Yews (issue 66).

October 1984 Local Ghosts (issue 67).

December 1984 Percy Stone (issue 69).

May 1986 Details of a slide show evening, 6 May, Methodist Chapel.

Recordings made by Eileen and Tony:

Mrs Blake 14 Sept 1983.

Mrs Mead 13 Jan 1984.

Miss Kimble (2 tapes) Feb. 1984.

Mrs Punter 9 April 1984 and 8 Feb 1985.

Percy Stone Jan 1985.

Mrs Stone 5 Feb 1985.

Local school headmaster Keith Brown was a keen early member but eventually the core members of the group were: Carol Dover, Maureen Mitchell, Eileen Power, Tony Mills, Richard Power, John Roberts, Bill Rowe, Jim Swinton,

Tony Mills.

(13 July 2020).

PHOENIX HALL – High Street, Netheravon, SP4 9PJ - (Charity No. 1003542)

Jointly owned by Netheravon & Fittleton Parish Councils

Managed by the volunteer Phoenix Hall Management Committee - Charles Coslett (Chairman), Alan Wood (Secretary), Michala Mather (Treasurer), Caroline Aubrey-Fletcher, Alan Brown, Sue Greenhow, Nigel Jackaman, David Jaffrey, Alice Gordon, Chris Puzey, Gill Murphy (200 Club Lottery)

To book the Hall: MICHALA MATHER (Treasurer): T: 670646 or Email: phoenixhall@live.co.uk

Availability of the Phoenix Hall can be viewed at www.phoenixhall.org

RE-OPENING OF THE PHOENIX HALL AFTER COVID-19

The hall is currently open for meetings and seated exercise. Vigorous exercise is permitted on the rear patio at half normal charge.

The Management Committee will take note of Government advice and decide when the Phoenix Hall may be opened for other activities. We give full support over risk assessment.

IMPROVEMENTS TO THE PHOENIX HALL

The committee have used Co-op grants, grants from Netheravon Parish Council and Fittleton Parish Council plus the profit from the Race Night to make more improvements to the facilities in the hall.

All of the current projects are now complete.

1. **Refurbishment of the Committee Room**

Complete.

2. **Disabled Toilet - plumbing**

Complete

3. **Main Hall**

The two replacement double emergency doors have been completed.

CAR BOOT SALE (+ TABLE TOP SALE IN THE HALL)

9 AUGUST 2020

CANCELLED – lack of support

PHOENIX HALL

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

17 SEPTEMBER 2020 – 7PM – PHOENIX HALL

Wine will be served

The volunteer Phoenix Hall Management Committee (PHMC) is currently comprised of 5 elected members from the people of Netheravon, Fittleton and Haxton plus 6 representative members; Parish Councils (Netheravon -2, Fittleton – 1) plus 3 representatives from the clubs and societies who use the hall.

PHMC is a democratic body governed by a legal Lease and Trust Deed where the Parish Councils are the joint landlord and the Management Committee are the tenants. Anyone who lives in the 3 villages and who values their Phoenix Hall is encouraged to attend the meeting and to seek election.

Alan Wood- Secretary

Food and drink Quiz

1. What is James Bond's favourite tippie?
2. What is the most consumed manufactured drink in the world?
3. What type of pasta has a name meaning "little worms"?
4. What type of pastry are profiteroles made out of?
5. From which type of flower does a vanilla pod come?
6. Which nuts are used in marzipan?
7. Which bakery launched a sell-out vegan sausage roll in January 2019?
8. What type of food is Pumpernickel?
9. What is the best selling flavour of soup in the UK?
10. Calamari is a dish made from which animal?
11. Which foul-mouthed chef hosted the Kitchen Nightmares series?
12. Which bread ingredient causes it to rise?
13. Aduki, borlotti and cannellini are types of what?
14. What is the most expensive spice in the world by weight?
15. What spirit is mixed with ginger beer in a Moscow mule?
16. What year did the first McDonald's store open?
17. What are the real names of the Hairy Bikers?
18. Which pungent plant has its own festival held on the Isle of Wight every year?
19. How many calories does a glass of water contain?
20. Who is replacing Sandi Toksvig as host of The Great British Bake Off for the 2020 series?
21. Grenadine is obtained from which fruit?
22. Gluten is found in which cereal grain?
23. Which fast-food franchise has the largest number of restaurants in the world?
24. What French city does bouillabaisse originate from?
25. What type of wheat is used to make pasta?
26. What is the British name for a zucchini?
27. In which country will you find wine-growing region the Yarra Valley?
28. How many bottles of champagne are there in a magnum?
29. Deer meat is known by what name?
30. Bacardi is what type of spirit?

Answers will appear in the October issue of the newsletter



Huge thanks to all those who donated. I've raised £608 plus gift aid, for the neonatal unit at Salisbury.

Special thanks to Debbie Corbett who came with me through the night on her bike.

And thanks to all those who cheered me on, in person or on Facebook

Thanks Denise Wight x

Well done Denise. You definitely went the extra mile.

Netheravon & District Working Men's Club

We would like to thank everyone who helped with our refurbishment before opening.

This included everyone who got the Club ready, health & safety wise and decor.

Not just committee but volunteers.

Thanks for all your time and effort. It is very much appreciated! Please see our website, FB and the Club for latest opening times.

Chairman & Committee

SPTA NEWS

For Salisbury Plain Training Area News, giving times of live firing, current and upcoming exercises, go to:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/salisbury-plain-training-area-spta-newsletter>

ENFORD GARDENING CLUB

As planned, there is no meeting in August, but we are hopeful that our September meeting can go ahead. Should it be not possible, we will alert people through our Enford Gardening Club list, please contact Fanny Middleton, 01980 671645.

Thursday September 10th: Hardy Geraniums

Thomas Stone

RHS registered speaker. Member of National Gardens Expert register.

Writer for www.A1landscapes.org.

Runs Thomas Stone Horticultural Services.

Do come and join us. All are very welcome.

Lifts can be arranged, please ask.

Cost £4.00

Plants for sale/coffee/tea/raffle.

As always, meetings are at **Enford Village Hall, SN9 6DD**

Time: 6.45pm for 7.15 pm.

Further details from Fanny Middleton 01980 671645

email: fannysurtees@btinternet.com

Netheravon Library

Currently the library remains closed pending the results of the consultation being undertaken by Wiltshire Council. You can still get e-books, audio books and

magazines by using the  app.



Don't forget the books in Haxton and Netheravon phone boxes



Follow the newsletter on Facebook. Newsletter, Fittleton, Haxton & Netheravon.

NETHERAVON IN BLOOM

Don't forget to keep your gardens up to scratch for the judging in early August

Categories include:

- Best front garden
- Best hanging basket
- Best 'Parish' tub
- Best allotment (to be judged in July)

If you have any queries please contact

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NETHERAVON PARISH COUNCIL

Coronavirus Help

If anyone resident in Fittleton, Haxton or Netheravon needs help with shopping, collecting prescriptions or anything else – including a chat on the phone, please contact:

npcemergencyplan@gmail.com Tel: 07438 933652

Or contact Mary Towle at mary.towle@btinternet.com, Tel: 01980 670748 or 07864 186271

KEEP WELL AND SAFE

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help. Not everyone's offer of help was taken up, but it was good to have a list of people to call on if necessary. Thank you again.

NETHERAVON PARISH COUNCIL

Cemetery Trees

Calling for Volunteers!

If anyone has time to spare, it would be appreciated if you could go to the Cemetery and do a bit of weeding around the newly planted trees. The trees are surviving well, but the Parish Council are worried that they might eventually be stifled by weeds if they are not dealt with soon. Choose a time to suit yourself, but if anyone else is in the Cemetery when you are there make sure that you socially distance yourselves.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!