

NETHERAVON, HAXTON & FITTLETON NEWSLETTER

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

October 2020

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| 8 th | 7:00pm | Netheravon Parish Council Meeting | Phoenix Hall, Netheravon |
| 8 th | 6:45pm | The Lost Gardens of Heligan – DVD Show | Enford Village Hall, Enford |

MINI DIRECTORY

(01980 unless otherwise stated)

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| 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 Services for October

| Parish\Date | October 4 | October 11 | October 18 | October 25 |
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| Bulford | 11.00 HC CW | 11.00 HC CW + APCM | 10.30 Family Service | |
| Durrington | 8.00 HC BCP 9.30 HC | 8.00 HC BCP | 8.00 HC BCP 9.30 Harvest Family Service | 8.00 HC BCP 9.30 Informal Communion |
| Enford | 9.30 HC CW | 6.00 Evensong | 9.30 Informal Family Worship | |
| Figheldean | 6.00 Evening Worship | | 11.00 Morning Worship | 11.00 HC CW |
| Fittleton | 9.30 Family Service | | 6.00 Evensong | 9.30 HC BCP |
| Milston | | 9.30 HC BCP | 9.30 HC BCP | 9.30 Family Service |
| Netheravon | 11.00 Morning Worship | | 11.00 Family HC CW | 11.00 Family Service |
| 10.00 Wednesday 14 th HC at Bulford 10.30 Every Thursday HC at Durrington HC=Holy Communion; BCP=Book of Common Prayer; CW=Common Worship | | | | |
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Food and drink quiz answers

Here are the answers to the quiz in the August/September newsletter. How did you do?

1. *Vodka Martini – shaken not stirred*
2. *Tea*
3. *Vermicelli*
4. *Choux*
5. *Orchid*
6. *Almonds*
7. *Greggs*
8. *Bread*
9. *Tomato*
10. *Squid*
11. *Gordon Ramsay*
12. *Yeast*
13. *Beans*
14. *Saffron*
15. *Vodka*



16. 1940
17. Dave Myers and Si King
18. Garlic
19. Zero
20. Matt Lucas
21. Pomegranate
22. Wheat
23. Subway
24. Marseille
25. Durum
26. Courgette
27. Australia
28. Two
29. Venison
30. White Rum



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A word from Gale Hunt our Team Vicar:

How is life for you right now? Are you moving towards what was normal for you before the pandemic or perhaps you are still very far from that? Maybe you have decided to just embrace the new-normal and take each day as it comes. The dictionary defines normal as 'ordinary or usual; the same as would be expected'. One of the problems with looking back and perhaps yearning for what was or looking forward to what we hope might be, is that we miss out on what is going on right now in the present.

When you go out for a walk, for instance, do you have headphones on listening to music or podcasts? Or maybe your eyes are glued to your phone texting your friends? If that's you, why not, once in a while leave your headphones at home and your phone in your pocket and look at what is around you, stop and look at what's going on in the hedgerow or down by the river; listen to the songs the birds are singing and give thanks that we live a beautiful part of the country.

Jesus, in what is known as The Sermon on the Mount said, 'Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.' Sometimes that's easier said than done, particularly in the times we are living through at the moment. But perhaps we can start each day with the words from Psalm 118, 'This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.' Whatever our situation there will always be something, however small, that we can be thankful for. What are you thankful for today?

Blessings Gale

Netheravon Working Mens Club

It was with great sadness that our 100th year celebrations didn't go ahead as planned.

We have them on hold.

Alas, we have decided to cancel our Life Members Dinner for this year.

We care very much for our older members and wouldn't put them to any unnecessary risk.

It is nice to see our members and their guests coming in and supporting us.

Especially Stu's Quiz on alternate Saturdays. (Covid rules adhered to) .

Next one is on Saturday 26th September.

Might see you there?

NETHERAVON PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEES**2020**

| | |
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| Planning | Cllr. David Burke Cllr. David Jaffray Cllr. Brian Covil Cllr. Charles Coslett Cllr. Andy Linscer |
| Flooding / Adverse Weather / Emergency Planning | Cllr. David Burke Cllr. Brian Covil Cllr. Andy Linscer |
| Highways (Parish Steward) | Cllr. Brian Covil Cllr. Fred Collison |
| Cemetery/Enhancement | Cllr. Maureen Mitchell |
| Recreation includes: Millennium Pk BMX Court Farm Play | Cllr. Andy Linscer Cllr. Tom Gerrard |
| Phoenix Hall | Cllr. Charles Coslett Cllr. David Jaffray |
| Allotments | Cllr. Steve Perry |
| Rights of Way | Cllr. Maureen Mitchell |
| Tidworth AB | Chairman/Vice Chairman |
| Jubilee Committee | Cllr. Maureen Mitchell, David Burke |
| Defibrillators | Cllrs. David Burke, Maureen Mitchell, Brian Covil |

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>

NETHERAVON PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

New Chairman

At the AGM in July, Cllr. Andy Linscer was elected Chairman of the Netheravon Parish Council. Cllr. Linscer thanked Cllr. Burke for all his hard work as Chairman of the Council. Cllr. Burke was elected Vice-chairman of the Parish Council.

Co-option of Councillor

At the Parish Council Meeting in September, it was agreed to co-opt Mr. Richard Ayling onto the Council. Many thanks must go to the other candidates who applied for showing an interest in serving their community.

BMX Track

Some users of the track came to the Parish Council meeting to report on the work which has been carried out over the last few months. There are two tracks, one for older more experienced people and a beginners track for younger children. The Chairman thanked them for all their hard work which has made it a great facility for the community to use. It was agreed that the Parish Council would provide a gate so that riders cannot ride straight out into the sometimes busy Mill Road.

Volunteers

Netheravon Parish Council would like to thank everyone who volunteered to help the vulnerable during lockdown. We had a massive list of people who were willing to go shopping, collect prescriptions, walk dogs and many other tasks. Not everyone was called on, but this is still ongoing and it might be that you will be called on in the future. Thank you very much.

NETHERAVON IN BLOOM

The Parish Council were very pleased with Netheravon in Bloom this year. There were some spectacular gardens, hanging baskets, village tubs and allotments. Thank you all very much for making Netheravon look so lovely.

RESULTS

Best Front Garden

| | |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| Gold Award: | The Brown Family |
| Silver Award: | Val Butler |
| Bronze Award: | The Panther Family |
| Highly Commended: | Phil Drayson |
| Highly Commended: | Janet Buckland |
| Highly Commended: | Sandra Addleton |

Best Hanging Basket

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|---------------|-------------------------|
| Gold Award: | Joan Farrant |
| Silver Award: | David Soul |
| Bronze Award: | 9,10,11 Court Farm Road |

Best Village Tub

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|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| Gold Award: | Rhoda Watson/Maureen Mitchell |
| Silver Award: | Panther Family |
| Bronze Award: | David Ogilvie |
| Highly Commended: | The Brown Family |
| Highly Commended: | Graeme Allen |

Best Allotment:

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| Gold Award: | Bob Rodgers |
| Silver Award: | Leighton Phillips |
| Bronze Award: | Stacey Luce |

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 for FY 2019/20

Charles Coslett (Chairman), Alan Wood (Secretary & Vice-Chairman), Michala Mather (Treasurer), Caroline Aubrey-Fletcher, Alan Brown, Sue Greenhow, Nigel Jackaman, David Jaffrey. Gill Murphy has run the 200 Club Lottery to raise funds for the Hall.

THE PHOENIX HALL is OPEN for bookings

The Management Committee has taken all necessary Covid-19 safety precautions, with free sanitisers and wipes available to hirers. Advice on Risk Assessment available.

The following Groups are now using the hall:-

Band Practice

Bridge & Whist – every Monday 2pm – face masks or shields needed for the moment

Gentle Exercise – 2pm from 1 October with Cherryll – face coverings not needed

Parish Council and Management Committee meetings – face coverings not needed

All are following the latest Government rules and guidance on safe use of the hall and social distancing

Alan Wood Secretary

Phoenix Hall Management Committee

LOCAL NEWS

The 2yo filly called FITTLETON FERRY is owned by the SASHEEN PARTNERSHIP syndicate, which includes 10 share owners in Netheravon, Haxton and Fittleton plus others in Durrington and Shrewton. She has run 3 times since July, currently in training with Roger Teal at Lambourn, and has an official handicap of 56.

She has shown an exciting turn of foot over 6 furlongs and is expected to race again in the next 4-6 weeks with an excellent chance of winning following a jockey change.

A few shares are available. Contact Syndicator Alan Wood. 01980 671265

PHOENIX HALL AGM - 17 SEPTEMBER 2020 - 7pm

Chairman Charles Coslett announced that the hall has had many improvements in the past year including total refurbishment of the small party/meeting room and its kitchenette, new heating and new emergency doors. It has had additions like sanitisers as recommended by experts to make it useable despite Covid-19. Hirers are now returning to the hall and are complimentary on the super facilities for such events as Band Practice, Exercise, Bridge/Whist and Meetings.

Whilst the trading account shows a loss of £1800 for 2019/20, the committee had secured grants from Netheravon and Fittleton Parish Councils, Wiltshire Council, Aspire Ltd and the Co-op totalling over £20,000 whilst raising £1325 with a fun race night. It has provided the money for the improvements.

The AGM approved new Management Committee Procedures allowing more local clubs and private residents to become Committee members to help run our village hall for the residents of Netheravon and Fittleton cum Haxton parishes (the new name for the parish in 2020), and other hirers.

The new Committee is as follows:-

Chairman - Charles Coslett, Secretary - Alan Wood, Treasurer - Michala Mather, Vice-Chairman - David Jaffrey. Caroline Aubrey-Fletcher (Day Centre rep), Nigel Jackaman (School rep), Sue Greenhow & Alan Brown. -

Following on from our successful September meeting, the next meeting will be on **Thursday 8th October, 6.45 for 7.15 in Enford Village Hall**. We will be following the necessary regulations, the most important being that everyone is required to wear a face covering, and to follow social distancing rules please. We will also be taking details for the Track & Trace requirement.

Unfortunately, our planned speaker is now unable to come so we have decided to show the DVD of The Lost Gardens of Heligan.

Made in 1997 " it follows a team's vision and obsession to bring this glorious garden back to life, after more than 70 years of sleep".

Do come and join us. All are very welcome, but please remember to wear a face covering. Lifts can be arranged, please ask.

Cost £4.00

Coffee/tea/raffle.

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

Time 6.45 for 7.15 pm.

Further details from Fanny Middleton 01980 671645

email: fannysurtees@btinternet.com

SALISBURY CATHEDRAL

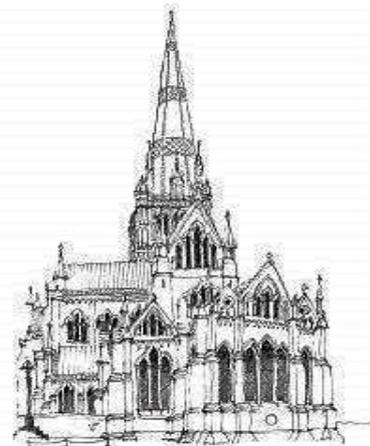
The five rivers of Salisbury Plain are like one of Christ's hands
And in the very centre our great cathedral stands
Piercing through as the nails of Galgotha gored
And from which his precious lifeblood poured

Through storm and tempest it has stood
Without e'en a quiver from it's holy rood
It stands exemplar to our faith.
Builders cannot explain how it rests without foundation.
For, as with our beliefs, it floats like a raft upon a rocky nation.

'Tis truly a miracle to behold!
A building of such stature!
Which for so many centuries tolled
Has been filled with Christian rapture:
We walk along the nave and aisles upon the graves of men
Where once Saints trod and called aloud their long and hard "Amen".

It's spire points to lands far beyond –
Beyond our wildest dreams
Where peace and tranquility can be forever found
Where all is as it seems.

James Spencer



SALISBURY DISTRICT HOSPITAL

My name is **Peter Kosminsky** and I have lived with my family in Netheravon for 27 years. I've recently been elected to the Council of Governors for Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust, which of course includes Salisbury District Hospital. Here is a little information about the rôle of the Council of Governors.

The Trust is run by the board of directors. The Council of Governors ensures that the non-executive directors are doing their job by holding them to account. The over-all concern of the governors is to see that the Trust and the hospital are being properly run.

Secondly the governors are the link between the Trust, its hospital, and its members. They are to represent the interests of the members and the public generally through their communication with the directors, and by listening to what they hear from their members and the public. Governors do not deal directly with complaints. These should be reported to the appropriate person within the Trust. But a governor is entitled to see that any complaint which they have received is dealt with swiftly and appropriately.

Governors have in particular a responsibility to ensure that the Trust maintains the high standards of medical and nursing care expected by the members and public. Governors may visit wards and talk to patients and their relatives if visiting. They may also check cleanliness etc. Governors may receive information from patients and ex-patients and their relatives or carers, whom they may meet outside the hospital environment - Governors should have 'an ear to the ground'. In addition, governors have a particular concern with the interface between the hospital and its patients and the public. This includes:

- - reception of in-patients and out-patients
- - food
- - signage
- - parking and transport
- - sanitary facilities
- - linen
- - waiting lists and cancellations
- - the ease of use of the Trust's website.

As at November 2013 there are 15 governors elected by the 8 constituencies which represent the Trust's catchment area. (I represent the Kennet area.) There are 6 governors elected by the staff. There is one governor nominated by Wiltshire Council, and one nominated by Wessex Community Action. The Wiltshire, Dorset and West Hampshire Clinical Commissioning Groups have each appointed a Governor. There are 26 Governors in total. No governor can serve more than a total of 9 years under any circumstances.

I'm sorry, that's a lot of words but I have to admit I was pretty much completely ignorant of most of the above before being elected, so I thought others might find this of interest.

Here is the latest piece of news from the hospital on waiting lists and prioritisation:

"In March, all hospitals, including Salisbury District Hospital, were instructed by NHS England to temporarily cancel non-urgent outpatient appointments and routine surgery so as to be able to maintain services for urgent treatments, whilst freeing up capacity for the expected surge in COVID-19 patients.

We have now restarted some non-emergency services and our clinicians have reviewed all waiting lists very carefully to prioritise patients dependent on the state of their health. This means that those with the greatest need will be seen first.

If you were on a waiting list before the COVID-19 outbreak, you will still be on our waiting list unless we have contacted you to advise you differently. However, it is likely that waiting times will be longer than you would have expected at Salisbury District Hospital. We are sorry for this and for any worry this may cause you.

If you feel that you are seriously unwell, please call 111 or, in an emergency, call 999. If you think your condition is deteriorating, or you are experiencing increasing pain, please contact your GP.

Many services are now open and we have also introduced alternative ways to see patients. For example we have introduced video and telephone consultations where it is clinically appropriate to do so. These and other measures are helping us to provide the care needed by our patients and are also helping us to work through waiting lists as quickly as possible.

When it's time for you to come for your appointment or procedure, we'll get in touch with you. Thank you for your patience while our staff work hard to safely restore our services."

The purpose of this letter is to let my neighbours know of my appointment. If you feel, based on the above, that I could help in any way with a concern you have about the hospital, then please don't hesitate to get in touch. I'm very new to the job but I will help if I can and where the access I'm given as a Governor allows.

I can be contacted at: kosmo@atlas.co.uk