

NETHERAVON, HAXTON & FITTLETON NEWSLETTER

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

October 2022

November 2022

5 th	12:30pm	Netheravon Autumn Church Fete	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon
8 th	10:00am	Cheerful Cuppa Poppy Appeal	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon
8 th	7:30pm	Fittleton cum Haxton Parish Council Meeting	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon
10 th	7:00pm	Enford Gardening Club – Suzanne Millward	Enford Village Hall
26 th	11:00am	Brushh Christmas Fair	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon

December 2022

3 rd	10:30am	Christmas Coffee Morning	River Cottage, Fittleton
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MINI DIRECTORY

(01980 unless otherwise stated)

Phoenix Hall Bookings (Pam/Steve Perry)	670021
Day Centre (Caroline A-F)	670364
Rev. Gale Hunt, Avon River Team	670326
Rev. Barry Davis, Amesbury Baptist Centre	622355
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SSAFA Forces Help	632567
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Durrington & District Link Scheme	07484 533559
AWS JOBS, Pre-Schools, Creches	673379
Scout Group for Boys & Girls	07768 579314
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Wiltshire Councillor, Ian Blair-Pilling	07518 942216
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A reminder that the next month's edition will cover December '22 and January '23, so please send in your notices for that period.

All readers are invited to send their personal, local Season's Greetings for publication too.

Avon River Team Service Schedule for November

Parish\Date	November 6	November 13 Remembrance Day	November 20	November 27 Advent Sunday
Bulford	11.00 HC	10.45 Remembrance Service at War Memorial	10.30 Family Service	11.00 HC
Durrington	9.30 Fun Church	10.45 Remembrance Service at War Memorial	9.30 HC CW	18.00 Advent Service of Darkness into Light
Enford	9.30 HC	9.00 Lychgate Remembrance Service	9.30 Breakfast Church	6.00 Evensong
Figheldean	11.00 Morning Worship	10.30 Remembrance	11.00 HC	11.00 Breakfast Church
Fittleton		6.00 Evensong Remembrance	6.00 Evensong	11.00 HC BCP
Milston	9.30 HC BCP	10.45 Remembrance Service	9.30 HC BCP	9.30 Matins
Netheravon	11.00 Morning Worship	10.20 at War Memorial & 10.45 in church	11.00 Family HC CW	11.00 Family Service

Every Sunday at 8.00 pm ZOOM Compline (See Avon River Team website for details)
 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

SPENCER Cyril Lawrence

23.11.39 – 11.10.22

Peacefully at Salisbury Hospital

Beloved husband of Christine for 59 years.

Adored by his children Katy, Rebecca, his late son Myles and James. Devoted to, and cherished by, grandsons Joshua, Oliver and Samuel.

The funeral service will be held at St Michael and All Angels church in Figheldean at **2pm on Friday 4 November**.

No flowers please. Donations to Parkinson's UK and MS Society UK.

He loved his family above all and, next to them, the land around him. He is now at peace and free from pain

Fittleton Bell Appeal Update

Thanks to the wonderful people of Netheravon, Fittleton and Haxton, and grants received from the Parish council and the Llewellyn Edwards Bell restoration Fund, we have reached halfway to our target.

Of the £8,000 needed, nearly £4,000 has been donated. Thank you all so much. If you had thought of donating, but haven't yet got round to it, please could you visit our JustGiving page on line, or contact me on 07518 716300 for bank details. We have a wedding and a coronation to ring for!

Gill K-C on behalf of the Avon Valley Ringing Team

Amesbury Methodist Church welcomed their new vicar, the Reverend Rosemary Fletcher on 1 September 2022. As an adult, after graduation, she lived in the West Midlands and worked as a Civil Servant for 9 years (the Ministry of Justice), before being called to ordination. She trained ecumenically at Queen's College in Birmingham and from there she has worked in Swindon, Reading, Sri Lanka, Kennington and Vauxhall in London, then St Albans, and now back to Wiltshire.

Safety First

We live in a dangerous world, but thankfully there are people out there who have come up with health and safety labelling to protect us. Let me give you some examples:

Label on a power tool – this drill is not to be used for dental purposes.

Label on pushchair – remove child before folding.

“This Vanishing fabric marker should not be used for signing legal documents”.

There’s something about Remembrance Sunday that reminds us just how unsafe the world can be. We recall the sacrifice of so many men and women over the years, who played their part in keeping us safe. Our way of life was preserved through them. Evil regimes, terrorist organisations, and fascist dictators have had to be confronted in order for us to live in safety.

Health and Safety legislation of course has quite a reputation and can often be the butt of our jokes. We associate it with over bureaucracy and litigation culture, but the simple truth is – being safe is a good thing. It’s not to be taken lightly.

There is a scene in the Chronicles of Narnia, where Lucy asks Mr Beaver about Aslan. The Lion that represents Jesus in the story. Lucy says, “Is He Safe?” The response comes. “Oh no he’s not safe, but He is good.”

Holding on to a faith in God, means admitting our own vulnerability and trusting in God’s goodness. It is God who is our refuge and our strength. He is the ever-present help in time of trouble.

Remembering sacrifice, honouring the fallen and for the first time in 70 years, singing “God save the King”, is a solemn duty, but we gather in humility, praying for a safer world.

Rev Philip Bromiley



Most of you will be aware that we had to cancel the fete in September. We want to make sure that all of the hard work that had been put in is not wasted and will therefore be holding a smaller event at Phoenix Hall, on **Saturday 5th November 12:30-4:30**. Many of the familiar stalls will be there so there will be something for everyone along with a BBQ and bar (Gin and Fizz and Stonehenge Ales). We will have the Tea and Cakes, Made in Netheravon, a fantastic Raffle and much more. Keep an eye on the Netheravon Noticeboard Facebook page for more details - we hope that you will come and support this village event and look forward to seeing you there!!

On 26th November 2022 we will be holding our second Christmas fair at Phoenix Hall, High St, Netheravon, Salisbury SP4 9PJ.

The event is also open from 11- 3 pm.

A selection of different crafts, foods, and much more, the tea and coffee stand will also be open throughout the day.

With such a good turn out last year we wanted to progress and hold the fair on a much larger scale.

BRUSHH Artisan Coffee and Co

We are delighted to be hosting another fabulous Festive Good & Gift Fair which takes place over two days.

Christmas is around the corner, friends and family will, once again, be able to enjoy a truly magical time together. So that you can find that unique gift, there will be festive stalls selling delicious wines, gins, food, gorgeous candles, leather goods, jewellery plus lots, lots more.

PLEASE NOTE: This event takes place in the Kerry Suite at Bowood Hotel, Spa and Golf Resort – NOT Bowood House & Gardens.

Wednesday 23rd November £15 per person
| 4pm – 8pm | Tickets in advance only,
Includes a glass of Mulled Wine & Mince Pie from 4pm or a glass of Wine & Canapes from 5.30pm

Thursday 24th November | £5 per person |
9am – 3pm | Tickets in advance or at the door.

To Book Tickets – please go to our website
[Events 2022 \(wiltshirebobbyvan.org.uk\)](https://wiltshirebobbyvan.org.uk)

ENFORD GARDENING CLUB

Suzanne Milward

*The joy of a 17th century garden
And “Gardeners’ question time”*

Thursday 10thth November 2022

7.00 for 7.15 pm

ENFORD VILLAGE HALL

Bring and buy plant stall.

Raffle

Tea and coffee, entry £4

Everyone Welcome!

Further details from Steve

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Every home burglary victim to get a police visit

Every burglary victim knows the impact is deeper than simply having your possessions taken.

Burglary violates a safe space and you expect the police to respond appropriately when you report it.

Sadly, that expected police service when you are a home burglary victim has been severely lacking in recent years. This is consistent across the UK - not just in here in Wiltshire.

That is why I am pleased Wiltshire Police have now pledged to attend every home burglary. It's a leap in the right direction.

The force is already providing this in 88.7% of cases but this extra effort should help to increase victim satisfaction, preserve evidence sooner with increased prosecutions.

Residents tell me they want police officers to do the basics right: good, quality investigations which result in locking the bad people up, protect the vulnerable and care about victims.

Wiltshire Police's home burglary further action taken figures, where a suspect is identified, charged or cautioned, is currently at 3.9% on a rolling 12month average. This isn't good enough and I have been clear in letting our Chief Constable know this – and he agrees.

By improving how officers deal with home burglary victims should not only increase those figures but also, and more importantly, will positively impact on the public's confidence and trust in the policing service they receive.

I will be directly scrutinising this commitment and challenging them to show that effective, quality, investigations are taking place.

I have also senior officers to explore if it is operationally possible to extend this commitment to all non-dwelling burglaries, like rural outbuildings and sheds. As ever, this will be a delicate balance but aiming to provide the policing service our communities want is vital.

Police and Crime Commissioner – Wiltshire & Swindon

Helping hands needed in Julia's House team



Are you looking to make some new friends, support your local community or build your skills? Volunteers are being called on to join the Julia's House team and help out at the children's hospice charity's shops across Wiltshire.

Anneka Grayson, Julia's House Volunteer Co-ordinator said, "There are lots of volunteering roles and new ones coming up all the time, so we'd love to hear from anyone who has a few hours to spare. And you don't have to have experience to be a volunteer at Julia's House, as we provide all the training you'll require."

If you are interested or would like more information, contact the Julia's House Volunteer Team on 01202 644220 / 07748 684043 or volunteer@juliashouse.org

Silver Jubilee Cup

At a recent meeting of the Netheravon Parish Council, the Council were pleased to present Dylan Hughes with the Netheravon and Fittleton Jubilee Cup. Dylan won this for outstanding community service. He has helped the Parish Council with putting up the Remembrance Poppies, Christmas lights, Cheerful Cuppa and the Platinum Jubilee bonfire to name but a few things he has done over the year. He has selflessly given up his free time to help the Community and the Parish Council recognised this by presenting him the Silver Jubilee Cup.

Thank you very much Dylan.

Vacancy for a Councillor on Netheravon Parish Council

The Parish Council were very sorry to learn that Pam Panther has resigned from the Council. She was a very valuable member and worked tirelessly for the Council. She was always first to volunteer for working parties and she will be missed. She very kindly has agreed to continue to monitor the defibrillators for which the Council are grateful.

There is, therefore, a vacancy for a Councillor. The procedure is that the post has to be advertised for 10 days. If, at the end of the 10 days, an election has not been called for, the Parish Council are free to co-opt a willing volunteer onto the Council. To call an election 10 people must contact the Returning Officer.

Mary Towle, Clerk to the Council



NETHERAVON REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY



13 NOVEMBER 2022

10.20 AM – WREATH LAYING AT VILLAGE WAR MEMORIAL

10.45 AM – REMEMBRANCE SERVICE IN CHURCH

followed by
CURRY LUNCH IN WORKING MEN'S CLUB

'The Cheerful Cuppa'

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Sarah and Mary are pleased to report that the Macmillan Coffee Morning made a total of £350. This was made up of donations for cakes, bric-a-brac and a raffle and boosted by the Pewsey Vale Male Voice Choir who donated £100.

Thanks to everyone who came to the very enjoyable morning and gave freely to a very good cause.

Fittleton cum Haxton Parish Council

A meeting of the Stonehenge Area Board took place at Phoenix Hall in September and discussions included how support could be offered to anyone in need of support during the challenges we all face in the forthcoming winter months. Plans are being put in place across the area to address those challenges. Details can be found on parish notice boards and updates will be available on social media or by contacting the parish clerk or chairman. Following a successful search for a new parish clerk, we are delighted to welcome Stephen O'Grady who started in the role on 17 October and has already made a great impact. Stephen can be contacted via clerkfittletonhaxton@gmail.com.

At the last meeting, the parish council was asked to support the appeal for repairs to the bells at Fittleton church. Councillors agreed to support the appeal with a donation of £800, towards the £8,000 cost of repairs. The bells are an integral part of the community and are an important element of marriages, funeral services and significant national events. Imagine Easter Sunday or New Year without a peal of the bells! If anyone would like to contribute to the appeal, please search the JustGiving page for Fittleton or contact Gill Kershaw-Creedy (contact details are on page 2 of this newsletter). Plans are underway to ensure that the Christmas get-together is yet another successful event. Details will be distributed through letterboxes in the parish towards the end of November.

The next meeting of the parish council is Tuesday 8 November, 7:30pm at Phoenix Hall. Members of the public are invited to attend.

WORKING MEN'S CLUB

Forthcoming Events

Sat 5th Nov Quiz

Sat 12th Nov Race Night

Sun 13th Nov Remembrance Sunday Lunchtime

Free Curry Lunch for Everyone

Sat 19th Nov Quiz

Sun 20th Nov Lunchtime 2- 3pm

Singalong with Ukulele Band.

Sat 3rd Dec Life Members' Dinner

Followed by Cat & Mouse Duo - Lots of 60s Music

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Cheerful Cuppa

Tuesday 8th Nov

there will be a

RAFFLE

in aid of the

Royal Legion Poppy Appeal

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New Year's Day

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