

NETHERAVON, HAXTON & FITTLETON NEWSLETTER

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

April 2023

13 th	7:00pm	Gardening for Wildlife – Richard Cripps	Enford Village Hall
30 th	2pm	Friends of Netheravon School PTFA Bingo	Phoenix Hall. Netheravon

May 2023

6 th	10am – 1pm	Monthly Market	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon
7 th	12:30pm	Coronation Celebrations “Music in the Park”	Millenium Park
9 th	7:30pm	Fittleton cum Haxton Annual Parish Meeting	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon
16 th	6:15pm	Durrington & District Link Scheme AGM	Durrington Village Hall

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
Christ the King, Catholic Church, Amesbury	622177
Rev. Rosemary Fletcher, Amesbury Methodist Church	01722 703045
SSAFA Forces Help	632567
Plainwatch	674700
Durrington & District Link Scheme	07484 533559
AWS JOBS, Pre-Schools, Creches	673379
Scout Group for Boys & Girls	07768 579314
Enford Football Club, Children’s Coaching Club	670634
Wiltshire Councillor, Ian Blair-Pilling	07518 942216
Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers contact	girlguiding.org.uk/joinus

Avon River Team Services for April

Parish\Date	April 2 Palm Sunday	April 9 Easter Sunday	April 16	April 23
Bulford	11.00 HC CW	11.00 Easter HC		11.00 HC
Durrington	9.30 Fun Church	9.30 Easter HC		9.30 Informal HC
Enford	9.30 HC	9.30 Easter HC		6.00 Evensong
Figheldean	11.00 Morning Worship	11.00 Easter HC		11.00 Breakfast Church
Fittleton	11.00 With Netheravon	11.0 Easter HC		
Milston	9.30 HC BCP	9.30 Easter HC		9.30 Matins
Netheravon	11.00 HC		10.30 Team HC	11.00 Family Worship

Holy Week Services:

Mon 3 April – 19.00 Compline at Fittleton

Tues 4 April – 19.00 Compline at Netheravon

Wed 5 April – 19.00 Compline at Milston

Thurs 6 April - Maundy Thursday, 19.30 Maundy Service at Enford

Fri 7 April Good Friday, 10.00 Family Worship at Figheldean:

14.00 Hour at the Cross at Bulford

Mid-week services:- Each Wednesday at 10.00 HC at Bulford.

Each Thursday at 10.30 HC at Durrington

(HC – Holy Communion; BCP – Book of Common Prayer)

Are you starting university this year?

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Nicola Hillier

Grants Officer

When I look at a pack of playing cards, the four suits remind me of four truths about the Easter message:

Hearts symbolise Love, **Clubs** symbolise A Big Wooden Stick, **Diamonds** symbolise Wealth, and **Spades** symbolise Digging a Hole.

 The Bible tells us clearly that God so **loved** the world that He gave us Jesus. Not only did God humble Himself and become a human being, but Jesus was prepared to love us even when the world chose to reject Him. Jesus demonstrated a heart full of love like no other, by taking the sins of the world on to Himself.

 The Lord is a gentleman, Jesus doesn't force us to love Him. He doesn't hit us over the head with a big stick and demand that we do. Jesus simply leaves us with an opportunity. He died for us so that we might be forgiven. Our response is to be thankful and love Him in return, if we wish.

 The Bible says that when we do love Jesus in return, we become rich. Not in a material sense with diamonds and the like, but through enabling us to live a life to the full. There are no half measures. Jesus doesn't promise to solve all our problems magically, but He will give us a new perspective and meaning to our life that is priceless.

 One day people will gather, perhaps in a church, and they will pay tribute to the life we've lived. They will dig a hole with a spade, for a coffin or for ashes, and it will all seem very final. The Easter promise tells us that there is more to life than that. The hole in the ground is not the end. Through faith in Jesus, death is only the beginning. Because Jesus did it first, we can follow.

The American author, Richard Bach once said "What the caterpillar calls the end of the world, the master calls a butterfly." The miracle of Jesus rising from the dead, means that He has defeated the odds. Even though, it seems as though we are in the middle of the game, ultimately, the hand is won. Those who live in the Lord never see each other for the last time.

Every blessing, Rev Philip Bromiley

Durrington & District Link Scheme

Cordially invite members of the public to attend the

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 16th May 2023

at 6.15pm

In the Robinson Room,
Durrington Village Hall.

Link members will be available to answer any questions

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>

People with an interest in scrutinising police force performance, speaking up for vulnerable prisoners and assisting with serious misconduct hearings can now apply for volunteer opportunities within the Police and Crime Commissioner's (PCC) office. These roles will support the PCC in delivering the four priorities set out in his Making Wiltshire Safer: Police and Crime Plan 2022-25.

The latest round of volunteer recruitment includes opportunities to be part of the Joint Independent Governance and Risk Audit Committee, Police Misconduct Hearing Panels and Scrutiny Panels. These roles involve reviewing police actions as well as providing independent advice, assurance and recommendations to the Commissioner and the Chief Constable.

Over a thousand people give up their free time to support the criminal justice system in Wiltshire whether it's through being a Special Constable, being part of the Community Speed Watch scheme, working within restorative justice or being part of the many other volunteering opportunities on offer. Wiltshire PCC Philip Wilkinson said: "Volunteers give up their own time to make a real difference to their communities and help make Wiltshire a safer place to live and work. I'm constantly struck by their outstanding efforts which are unpaid and often, unseen.

"I'd like them to know that without their work, our communities would be worse off and less protected. I'd like to put on record my gratitude and heartfelt thanks for their efforts.

"I hope that more people, if they can, think about making their own contribution to making a difference to where they live. You can look on my website to see the latest opportunities we have available to you."

We like to ensure our panels are as diverse and inclusive as the communities we represent and serve. Therefore, we place no barriers to entry when it comes to volunteering and helping communities.

To see the latest volunteering opportunities, please visit our Get Involved page.

<https://www.wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk/the-pcc-and-you/get-involved/>

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**Richard Cripps – “Gardening for
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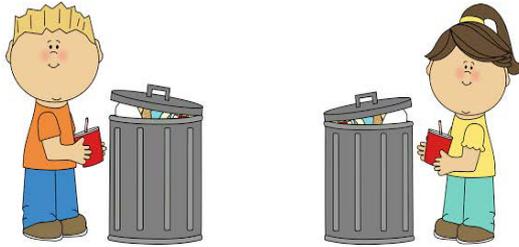
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Fittleton cum Haxton

Tidy Day

Sunday 30 April,

10am

Meet at The Pound

We are sprucing up for the Coronation



NOTICE

Is hereby given of the
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Of

Fittleton cum Haxton Parish Council

To be held at

Phoenix Hall

On

Tuesday 9th May 2023

At 7:30 in the evening

Members of the public are invited to attend. This is a meeting of the whole parish and, as such, is an opportunity to bring any matters you feel are affecting our community to the attention of the Parish Council and to help shape priorities for the coming year.

MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING INCLUDE

- Chairman's report
- Report of the County Council Representative
- Financial Report
- Any other parish business

Any queries or suggested items of business can be addressed to the Parish Clerk at
01980 464030 or
clerkfittletonhaxton@gmail.com



Netheravon W.M.C Forthcoming Events 2023

Sat 1st April

EASTER SAT

EASTER SUN

Easter Mon

Sat 15th April

Sat 22nd April

Sun 23rd April

Sat 29th April

Sat 6th May

Sat 6th May

Quiz

50th Birthday Party

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Kay 60th Birthday Party

St Georges Day

Quiz

Kings Coronation

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Sun 7th May

Coronation Party in the Park

Sat 13th May

Quiz

Sat 27th May

Miss Tish Ewe Drag Act

Netheravon Chairman's Report

I would like to begin by remembering Cllr. Fred Collison who died last week. He had been a Councillor for approximately 25 years and during that time has been a valued member of the council. He made it his main goal to make the A345 safer for all road users. It is sad that he has died before the speed limit is reduced. He will be missed.

The Parish Council has had a very busy time this year. As a result of the cost-of-living crisis we have opened a Community Larder which is managed by Hedge Burley – thank you very much. Also, many thanks to all the people who have contributed by putting food and goods into the Larder. It is continually being replenished. People are very generous. Also continuing on from the Community Larder the Parish Council agreed to put to one side an allotment for a Community Allotment which will help to put fresh vegetables into the Larder. The first meeting of volunteers at the allotment was very successful with 12 people turning up on a very cold Saturday morning including 4 young people. Thanks to everyone for the effort they are putting into the project and for the offers of seeds and tools from residents.

I would also like to thank the organisations who are supporting the 'Warm Spaces' initiative in Netheravon. They are the Working Men's Club, The Library and Cheerful Cuppa.

Unfortunately, after many years in the Phoenix Hall, the Youth Club has closed. The Parish Council would like to thank all the organisers and helpers who have made it happen over the years. All their hard work has been much appreciated.

Here are a few of the many issues and initiatives which the Parish Council have tackled throughout the year:

- New fence at the BMX track
- Outdoor adult exercise equipment at the Millennium Park
- Supporting Jubilee Street Party
- Jubilee Beacon
- Hanging Baskets along the High Street
- Queens Green Canopy – Jubilee Walk between Court Farm Road and Queensway to be planted with cherry trees
- Jubilee mugs were given to all children of age 11 and under
- Welcome Packs are given out to all new residents of Netheravon
- Community Governance Review – change of boundaries taking in Airfield Camp to Netheravon
- Trial Speed Limit reduction along the A345 starting July
- Planning – several planning meetings have been held to discuss plans for the land at the junction of Pigott Close/A345. Plans have been approved, but new plans have been submitted and they are awaiting determination by Wiltshire Council.
- Avon Valley Parish Skittles Match. This was held in the WMC and was won by Durrington Town Council. Netheravon Parish Council received the wooden spoon
- Silver Jubilee Cup was presented to Dylan Hughes for all his Community Work
- Working parties to put up flags for the Jubilee, Hanging baskets, Poppies for Remembrance and lights on the Christmas Tree. Thanks to everyone how helped.
- New notices made for Court Farm Playground and the BMX track
- Several people and organisations have been awarded Stonehenge Area Achievement Awards. They are Cheerful Cuppa, Netheravon Day Centre, Dylan Hughes for Youth Community work, David Burke as Exemplary Councillor, and Mary Towle as Community Champion

I would like to end my report by thanking our small team of loyal staff. Cecil Phillimore unfortunately due to ill health has had to step down after about 25 years of service. Many thanks must go to Cecil for all the work he has done for the Parish. At the moment Graeme Allen has undertaken to do his job as well as his own as Village Handyman and Cemetery groundsman. Thanks must go to Graeme for all his good humour and willingness to undertake any job which needs doing in the Village.

NETHERAVON PARISH COUNCIL UPDATES

Annual Parish Meeting

There was good attendance at the Netheravon Annual Parish Meeting. In the Chairman's absence Cllr. David Burke gave the Annual Report for the Parish Council. Reports were also given by many local organisations including Netheravon Parochial Church Council, Netheravon Day Centre, The Working Men's Club, Cheerful Cuppa and the Youth Club. It was very disappointing to hear that the Youth Club is going to close down unless more volunteers come forward. Cllr. David Burke thanked the Youth Club for all the work for the young people of the community they have done over the years.

A345

Cllr. Ian Blair-Pilling gave the very welcome news that there is going to be a trial 40mph along the Netheravon stretch of the A345 starting in the summer/autumn of this year. He said that there is a strict timetable for this trial with tests every month for a year to see whether the trial is working. If the speed of the cars does not decrease during that time the speed limit will revert to 50mph when the trial is finished.

Speed Watch

John Derryman from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner very kindly came along to speak about the importance of Speed Watch volunteers and Speed Indicator Devices in this process. Any volunteers will be trained by the police and the police will provide a camera which will be calibrated regularly to ensure accuracy. Volunteers will be on occasion joined and supported by the police. It was very heartening to find that 10 people have volunteered to join the Speed Watch Group. These people will be trained by the police in time for the start of the trial. The Speed Watch Group have applied for a grant from the Stonehenge Area Board for a Speed Indicator Device and the Parish Council have budgeted for another SID so that there will be one at each end of the speed limit.

Community Governance Review – Boundary changes for Netheravon, Figheledean and Fittleton cum Haxton

Cllr. Ian Blair-Pilling explained the thinking behind the proposed changes to Netheravon parish boundary. The Parish Council have wanted this to happen for many years as the Netheravon Cemetery is, at the moment, in the parish of Figheledean. When the changes to the Area Board boundaries came into being and Netheravon became part of the Stonehenge Area Board, the opportunity arose for an application to the Boundary Commission to not only include the Cemetery with the Parish boundary, but also the whole of Netheravon Airfield Camp which includes the military housing. There is a consultation going on at the moment and people were urged to go to the survey and give their views on the proposal. The survey can be found on the Wiltshire Council website. If anyone needs any help in finding the survey please email the Clerk to the Council, Mary Towle at clerk@netheravonparishcouncil.co.uk

CLLR. FRED COLLISON

It was with great sadness that the Chairman of the Council announced the sudden death of a long-standing Parish Councillor, Fred Collison. He was a Councillor for about 25 years and hardly ever missed a meeting. His campaign to make the A345 safer was untiring and unfortunately his passing has come before the fruition of his labours are realised with the lowering of the speed limit. He will be sorely missed.

NETHERAVON SPEED WATCH GROUP

Many people complain about the A345 and the dangerous entrances onto the road.

Please do your part to make the road safer by volunteering

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Mary Towle at clerk@netheravonparishcouncil.co.uk

The Jubilee Committee Presents:



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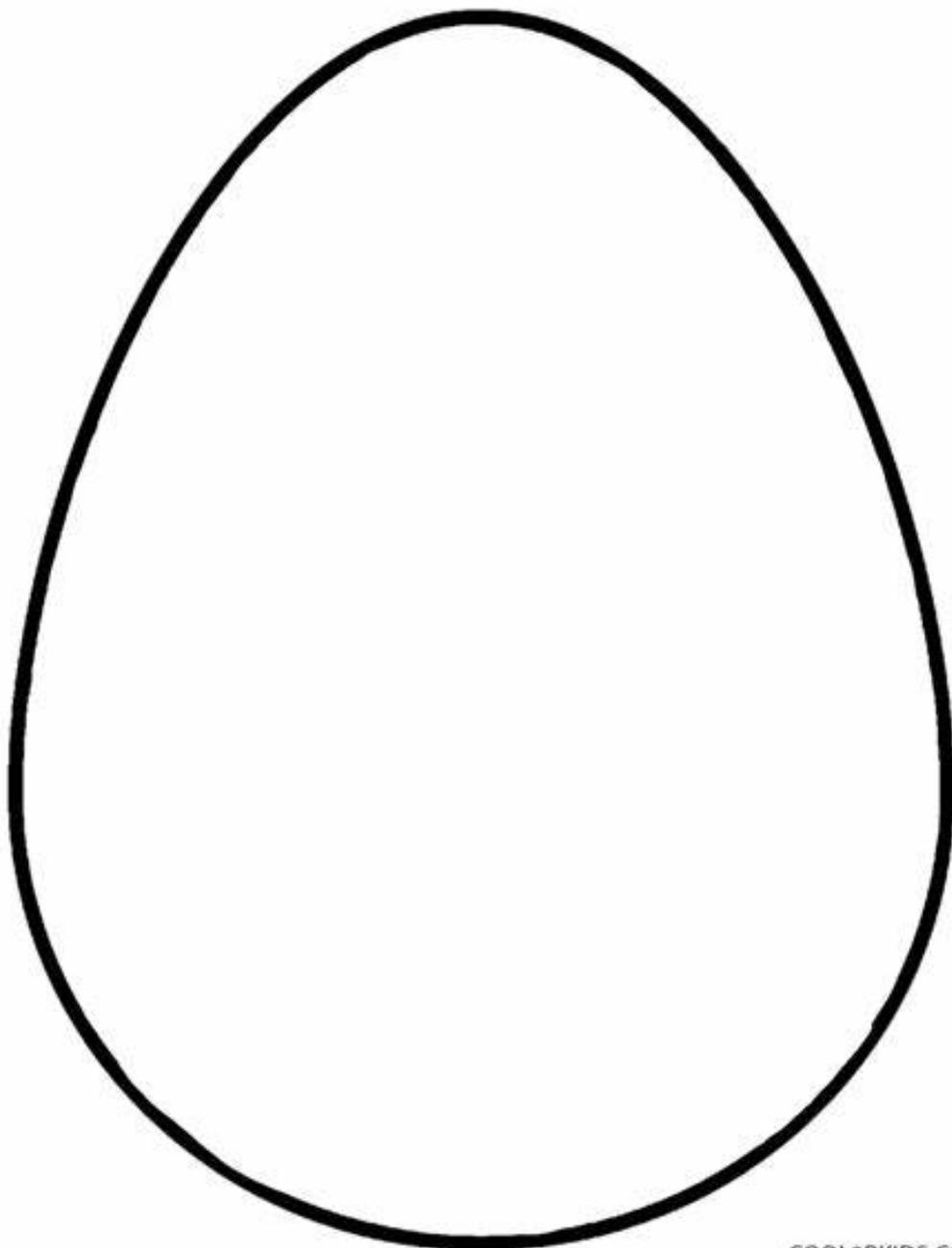
Netheravon Jubilee Committee

We will be holding a raffle at this Coronation Music in the Park event on Sunday 7th May. If you wish to donate a raffle prize please contact any member of the committee or contact Margaret on 07884147286

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