

GRAPEVINE

AUTUMN 2016

NUMBER 25 GREAT HINTON

Which house is number 25 Great Hinton, you will be asking yourselves. Number 25 is Joe and Diane Norris's house.

The photograph opposite was taken about 1901. The lady standing at the door is Mrs Sophie Norris, Joe's great grandmother, who ran a grocery shop which was licensed to sell postage stamps.

The other half of the building was used as a Primitive Methodist Chapel from 1859 as part of the Calne Circuit. According to Kelly's Trade Directory it could seat one hundred people.

In about 1864 a Wesleyan Chapel was built which could seat sixty people and it was situated where Orchard Leigh now stands.



The Wesleyan chapel remained in use until the late sixties. The photograph above shows Joe's sister and three of her sons leaving after a service in 1963.

I am not sure when the Primitive Methodist Chapel ceased to function but when it did that part of the building was used as a store by

Rogers Ironmonger's shop which was situated on the corner of Duke and Church Streets in Trowbridge.



Later Mr Lane who lived opposite eventually bought the old Chapel to use as a workshop. To get back to Joe and Diane's property, it was mentioned in Kelly's Directory in 1903 as a Grocery Shop.

I understand from Joe and Diane that it had been empty for many years when they renovated it and moved in when they married in 1965.

When Mr Lane died they were able to purchase the rest of the property and incorporate it into their cottage which is how we know it today.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 24th September: Harvest Supper

In the Village Hall from 7:00 pm



Friday 30th September, 10 am til noon: Macmillan Coffee Morning

Please come to Rebecca's coffee morning to raise funds for MacMillan Cancer Support. There will be a sale of cakes, Pheonix Trading cards and a raffle. Hope to see you there!

Rebecca, 5 Peppercorn Orchard

Saturday 15th & Sunday 16th October: Art & Craft Exhibition and presentation of the KC Cup (Photographic Competition)

Do come along and view all the art and craft exhibits along with entries for the Village Photographic Competition at the Art and Graft Exhibition on 15th and 16th October in the Hall. The exhibition will be open 2:00 to 5:00 pm Saturday and 10:00 am to 4:00 pm on Sunday.

The winner of the KC Cup will be announced on the Saturday at 3.30 pm, when they will receive the trophy to keep for a year until the challenge for 2017.

Sandra

Tuesday 13th December: Carol Singing

In the Village Hall from 7:00 pm.

ART & CRAFT GROUP

During the Summer weeks we have continued to meet fortnightly in order to keep the artistic flair going in preparation for our Exhibition on the weekend of October 15 & 16.

Villagers will have received details and application forms to exhibit their art work, needlework, knitting, pottery, woodwork. In fact, if you have made it do come and display it. So we do hope you will wish to participate - there are many known talented residents in Great Hinton - and some yet to be discovered!!

There will be a selection of items for sale and greetings cards from our artwork so please come and make an early start to your Christmas shopping.

This year we also have the added interest of the gallery of photographs submitted for the annual KC cup competition.

We look forward to seeing you there.

New members are always most welcome. The cost is £2 per session with free coffee and biscuits.

Carol Clarke 870635

GREAT HINTON INDOOR BOWLING

Our pre-Christmas sessions starts on Monday 19th September.

The afternoon session is 2.30-4.30pm and the evening session is 7.00-9.00pm

New players would be welcome so if you are interested please contact us:

Sue Smith on 870616 or Ken Young on 870403

Ken

QUEEN'S 90TH BIRTHDAY:

VILLAGE STREET PARTY

On Sunday 12th June we gathered as a village community at the top end of Peppercorn Orchard to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday. Both sandwiches and cakes were brought along and shared amongst the residents. The afternoon was a very pleasant and sociable event which also included a children's' competition for "the best made crown". Well done to Emily and Harry Copper for jointly winning the prize.

We were very fortunate with the weather – dark clouds and drizzle in the morning but rain stayed away for the actual afternoon event where we even managed to have our very own village fly-past thanks to the local flying club!!

Thanks to all those who helped make the event a huge success!

GOOD LUCK!

This year we have six young people finishing their school education.

Adam and Daniel Lawes are both off to university to read Maths and Financial Services. Adam is going to Reading and Daniel to Cardiff.

Josie Evans is off to Nottingham to study Product Design.

Chloe Scott is going to Winchester to study Drama and English.

Rosie Carr is off to Bath to read Maths for three years followed by a fourth year to obtain a B Ed with a view to teaching.

And lastly **Monty Keith** is travelling to Adelaide to play cricket for six months during the Australian summer while he decides what to do next. What an opportunity!

We wish all these young villagers well for the next stage of their lives



FROM JONATHON SEED ...

Great Hinton is the smallest of the villages that I represent. I enjoy meetings of the Parish Council and they are always very active. Your Parish Council works hard to address local issues and I always leave with a lengthy list of "jobs to do" on behalf of the village. Issues raised can be as major as imminent planning applications or as minor as an individual blocked drain. To me all require action and all are important as they have been raised by and to elected representatives. This month there has been consideration of a large proposed development by Taylor Wimpey on the edge of the A350 and I would urge local residents to look at this application and comment on it. Other items of concern that have been raised recently include bonfires at the site near to the A350 Semington Roundabout and road flooding near Cold Harbour and again I welcome comment on these or any issues.

This is also the time of year when Annual Parish Meetings and AGMs take place and by the time you read this your annual village meeting will have taken place. These meetings include election of Parish Council Chairman and reports. Great Hinton should be proud of its record of a very high percentage turnout of villagers at the annual meeting and one which is the best in my Division.

I do my utmost to attend these meetings in all of the seven villages which I represent on Wiltshire Council and am generally invited to give a report on my work the village. This report is usually delivered alongside reports of other village activities which are always genuinely informative and generally fascinating. Village meetings are great ways to find out what is going on locally. Next year all the Parish Councillors are due for re-election and I would urge anyone thinking of getting involved to consider standing as it is generally difficult to find willing volunteers for the Parish Council.

Finally, when those who give their time to the community decide to call it a day please do not forget to thank them for all the (often unseen) time and effort that they have given to the village. I have enjoyed working with George McDonic and it is sad that he has decided to retire after several excellent years as Parish Council Chairman and after a lifetime in public service. I wish him well in his retirement and his successor the very best in the job.

Jonathon Seed

Cabinet Member for Housing, Leisure, Libraries and Flooding

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LADIES CLUB SPRING 2016

We ended another busy Ladies Club year in June, with our Annual Village Fete. Our theme was 'colourful carnival' and all the ladies made a really great effort to dress and decorate their stalls accordingly. The fete was officially opened for us by Hazel Jackson and her son. Hazel is one of the founders of the Hope Nature Centre, our chosen charity for last year. A special thank you to Lily who presented a beautiful posy to Hazel, welcoming her to the fete. (Thanks also to Di for making up the posy).

We were entertained throughout the afternoon by a band of four, local, talented musicians - Ellen, Dermot, Jack and Henry who were absolutely brilliant - especially since it was their first gig. They gave us our very own Glastonbury in Great Hinton! We were lucky with the weather as the rain stayed away till we were almost packed up, although some of us did manage to get very very wet on the way back home! Sadly, the weather stayed wet in the evening so the helpers meal had to be inside, although the men still had to barbecue in the rain!

The fete was really enjoyable and successful, raising £863 - a great achievement for such a small village. We donated £676 (75% of the fete profit as well as money raised from previous activities) to the Hope Nature Centre and £215 to the Village Hall Trust (25% of the fete profit). Many thanks to all those involved in helping on and around the fete day, especially to Gill and Dom for kindly lending us their home once again. Added to the £300 we donated after Christmas, we have raised a grand total of £976 for Hope Nature Centre this year, which is fantastic!

We begin another Ladies Club year in September, with a Cheese and Wine evening and a talk from our Charity for the year - Larkrise Community Farm.

Ladies Club runs from September to April and we meet at the Village Hall at 8:00 pm on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. We are an informal and friendly group of ladies of all ages and warmly welcome new members.

Subscription is £8 per year which helps cover guest speaker fees and refreshments.

Rebecca

For further information please contact either of the joint chairs:

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Rebecca Locke 01380 870588

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Programme for 2016/17:

September 21st: Cheese and Wine and a talk from Larkrise Community Farm.

October 19th: Introduction to Acupuncture - Elaine Howitt

November 16th: Sugar Craft for Christmas - Lesley From Pitts

December 13th: Carol Singing

December 21st: Ladies Christmas Meal

January 18th: Easy Orchids - Geoff Hobson

February 15th: Skittles with guest

March 15th: Gourmet Evening with guest

April 19th: AGM and Bring + Buy

May 24th: Fete Planning Meeting

Don't forget Rebecca's Macmillan Coffee Morning on 30th September, 10 til noon, 5 Peppercorn Orchard

HEALTHWATCH

Healthwatch Wiltshire would like to learn more about how well hospital discharge processes are working for you or the person you care for.

Healthwatch Wiltshire is an independent organisation which supports local people to speak up on health and care. There are 148 local teams under the national umbrella organisation, Healthwatch England.

Hospital discharge is a big topic in the news. We hear nationally about people being discharged from hospital too soon, delays if appropriate care in community settings is not available, and people being discharged without their individual needs and those of their unpaid carers being taken into account.

But what's the Wiltshire story? Healthwatch Wiltshire want to hear the experiences of patients and their unpaid carers when they are transferred between health and care settings (e.g. from an acute hospital to a community hospital bed or a care home, or back to their own home). We want to hear from Wiltshire people who have been discharged from hospital in the last 12 months, or the friends or relatives who care for them. We also want to talk to people who have used intermediate care beds in nursing homes as an alternative to going into hospital or on the way home from hospital.

As well as visiting care locations to talk to people about their discharges being planned, we have produced a questionnaire that can be accessed online or in hard copy. The questionnaire can be found here <https://surveys.wiltshire.gov.uk/snapwebhost/s.asp?k=146712036662> or paper versions can be requested from the Healthwatch Wiltshire office. We are offering one-to-one conversations on the phone, or in a person's own home if they would prefer. Would you be able to share any experiences with us?

LUNCH CLUB OUTING

As we don't meet for lunch in the village hall during the summer months we always plan a visit in June to a garden open under the National Gardens Scheme preceded by a pub lunch. This year we chose to go to Forest Lodge at Pen Selwood which is just on past Stourhead and the Zeals. The sun just about shone for twelve of us to wander around the three acres and admire the roses and wonder at the sculptures. Tea and cakes were enjoyed on the terrace with views towards the Blackmore Vale.



If you are ever down that way we'd recommend lunch at the Bell and Crown, New Road, Zeals, a lovely country pub with restaurant quality food. As the website says, the cooking is inspired by good old fashioned principles of quality sourced meats and daily fish supplies from Brixham. And we all agreed that is what we enjoyed, backed up by friendly and efficient service.

Healthwatch Wiltshire are based in Melksham and their contact details are as follows:



01225 434218



info@healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk

100 CLUB

The village 100 club is a major source of financing the running costs of the village hall. We have 114 members who pay £15 subscription per year. Around half the income is redistributed as prizes. 5 monthly cash prizes of £20, £15, £12, £10 and £8. There are also two bonus prizes - one in the summer and one at Christmas. Good luck all members and I look forward to delivering any winnings to you!! Thank you for your continued support.

Rachael Lawes

100 Club – 2016/7

These are the names of the lucky winners

	No.	£20	No.	£15	No.	£12	No.	£10	No.	£8
April 2016	76	Rachael Lawes	98	B Adams	44	Matt Long	117	Paula Williams	62	Gill Whatley
May 2016	93	Rachel Carr	99	Joyce Newman	120	K&E Shepperdson	33	Chris Munday	118	Christine Yates
June 2016	88	L. Unsworth	99	Joyce Newman	69	Russell Covey	1	Mary Jones	100	Ros Cornelius
July 2016	21	Monica Meade	82	Daniel Lawes	33	Chris Munday	56	Claire Evans	106	Hilary Davis
August 2016	28	Mark Souster	4	Geoffrey Truman	111	Debbie Scott	11	Beryl Francis	38	Jenny Scrivener

Summer bonus £25 Monica Meade, no. 21

KIOSK LIBRARY

Thanks to all of you who continue to use the Library and to everyone who has donated books. We have had a very varied selection lately and during September Beryl and I will be having a grand sort out again. We have some really good titles on hold in the village hall so keep reading!! Together with the lovely flower arrangements, curtesy of Mary and Keith, plus the noticeboards, feel we have a very interesting centre to our village.

The Mind Charity shop on Paxcroft are still very happy to have any books we swap, so it's a win/win situation.

Anne & Beryl



CORRECTION

In the last copy of The Grapevine I stated that when The Linnet was taken over by Wadsworth's in the seventies, it had to be razed to the ground. This information was not completely correct as it was only part of the taller section where this was necessary as there was a major crack in the front wall. My apologies for misinformation.

Audrey

COUNTRY LIVING

We live in the countryside because we enjoy the quiet life, away from the hustle and bustle and grime of the city. In order to ensure everyone is able to live harmoniously it would help if we all followed these few golden rules:

DIY enthusiasts – please respect your neighbours and don't undertake noisy projects before 8:00 am (9:00 am on weekends) or after 8:00 pm – children need their sleep.

Gardeners – please don't have bonfires before 6:00 pm. If you can see washing out or windows open, it would be neighbourly to let people know before lighting the fire.

Dog owners – please remember to always pick up after your dogs and don't allow your pet to poop on the verge, or leave poo-bags around the village.

There is a real risk of the spread of disease in livestock from dog faeces so if you walk your dogs off lead in the fields, please be aware of their 'movements' in every sense!

Party people – everyone enjoys a party but generally only if they're actually there! If you're celebrating, good for you, but please take it indoors and keep the noise down after midnight (8:00 pm on weekdays).

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

As always, thieves are looking for anything easily obtainable around your property. Make sure you always lock up your garage/sheds/outbuildings so that you do not become an easy target. Smartwater is a unique way of protecting your valuables by using a forensic coding system unique to you. More information can be obtained from smartwater.com.

I am continually receiving updates about internet fraud and scams. This is an ongoing issue and is getting more and more widespread as the internet becomes our most popular way of purchasing goods and communicating.

- Make sure you keep your accounts secure by choosing a great password.
- Think before opening email attachments (even if they are from friends).
- If using online banking, use all the banks security recommendations.
- Keep your virus software up to date.

More information about online safety can be obtained from actionfraud.police.uk.

Phone scams are another major source of crime and are on the increase. Never give your details to anybody on the telephone. If they are from a legitimate source, they won't mind if you check their details before returning their call.

If you are new to the village and would like to receive local Neighbourhood Watch reports on local crime and information, please contact me on details below.

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NHW Area Coordinator

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Other useful contact numbers

Emergency Calls	999
Non-emergency Calls	101
Crimestoppers	0800 555 111
Action Fraud	0300 123 2040