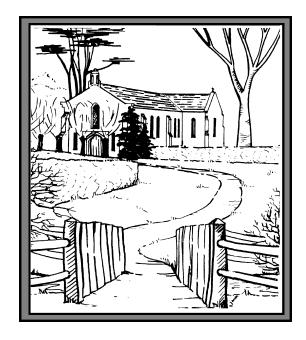
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Bruce Bowes

Bruce Bowes, the head of our family, passed away on the 27th July following a stoic battle with motor neurone disease. His courage throughout was inspiring and reminded us all how precious life is. We and so many others will remember Bruce for his positive outlook, good humour and unending kindness. We will miss him everyday.

The Bowes family

CALLING ALL NEWCOMERS TO WORTON AND MARSTON

If you moved into the villages during 2021 and have not received a Newcomers' Booklet please let us know as soon as possible. Our list of 2020 Newcomers we hope is correct and we very much hope to hold the Newcomers' Welcome Party at the end of January 2022, for both groups of people.

Invitations to this will be delivered towards the end of the year but we do rely on being informed of houses changing hands.

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SEPTEMBER

Sun Sept 12th TRINITY 15

8.00am CHRIST CHURCH

BCP Holy Communion

Sun Sept 26th TRINITY 17

10.00am CHRIST CHURCH

Morning Praise

OCTOBER

Sun Oct 3rd
8.00am
CHRIST CHURCH
BCP Holy Communion

4.00pm
CHRIST CHURCH
All Age Harvest Festival

Updated covid rules now apply:
There is no need to pre-book to attend services.
Face masks should be worn on entry and exit.
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Online services can be accessed via zoom (link below).

Sunday 5th (Trinity 14)

8 am Holy Communion (BCP) Potterne 10 am Holy Communion Seend * 10 am Matins (BCP)/Holy Communion Poulshot

Sunday 12th (Trinity 15)

8am Holy Communion (BCP) Worton 10am Holy Communion Potterne*

Sunday 19th (Trinity 16, Holy Cross Festival)

 8 am
 Holy Communion (BCP)
 Potterne

 10am
 Matins (BCP)
 Poulshot

 10am
 Holy Communion
 Seend *

 10am
 Morning Praise
 Bulkington

Sunday 26th (Trinity 17)

 8am
 Holy Communion (BCP)
 Seend

 10am
 Morning Praise
 Worton

 10am
 Holy Communion
 Potterne *

 6pm
 Evening Prayer/Holy Communion
 Bulkington

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Our churches are now starting to open during the week for private prayer – please check the church noticeboard for times. Anyone attending for private prayer is reminded to check-in (on paper or using the NHS app) and adhere to the covid safety notices displayed.

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Pastoral Letter

What the questionnaire in May told us

It seems that everyone loves a model village, if the crowds of young and old at Babbacombe Model Village that I visited yesterday are anything to go by! As model villages go it is very current with a modern high street and tech shops on display. I also noted that there were two churches, both with weddings going on at the same time. Two weddings a day is something we may have to consider with all the covid postponed wedding bookings that are currently coming into the Rectory!

It seems that everyone loves their local church too, if the responses to the questionnaire we sent out in May are anything to go by. In Worton and Marston, nearly 80% of you that responded told us that you really value the presence of your church in your village. And before you think that the responses only came from regular church goers, around two thirds of them came from people that may never attend church or only attend for weddings or Christmas. There is no doubt, that Churches are very special places, and they stand strong and calm in the midst of all our joys, sadness and pandemics, something they have been doing for hundreds of years.

When it comes to the buildings and churchyards, it seems that most of the respondents were open to the idea of the church building being used for appropriate alternative uses, such as for film nights, exhibitions etc. There is however a greater concern about using the churchyards for alternative purposes. The main reason given for this is that churchyards should remain quiet and beautiful places where loved one's graves can be visited without interruption.

What was also good to see from the responses was that around two thirds of you in Worton and Marston valued having a local Christian community in your midst. We perhaps thought that this number would be lower, but then again, a church building without church (the collection people who seek to serve their local community as a witness to their love of God) is just an old hall that would probably be better run by someone like the National Trust or English Heritage!

When we asked what type of church services you would like

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to attend, if you were persuaded to even consider it, around 28% in Worton and Marston that responded said that they wanted traditional services, 44% standard services and 42% more modern informal church services. There was also quite a bit of interest, 20%, in outdoor services such as the Gathering on the Green in Marston. As a result of your feedback, we will be offering more informal services on a regular basis in one or two of the villages in your area from the early part of next year. Watch this space!

Finally, of the many and varied reasons why people don't come

to church (health, time of day etc), quite a few of you said the reason they didn't come was because they don't believe in God. In hindsight we have realised that the responses are more likely to be saying that they don't believe in the God they think we, as your local Christian community, believe in. Maybe then, the next time you meet one of your local churchgoers you could ask them to tell you what type of God they believe in. We think you'll be pleasantly surprised.

Rev Adrian

Christ Church Team

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Churchwardens: Jean Lane 01380 722069 Heather Walker 01380 725785



Macmillan Coffee Morning

Saturday 11th September 2021

Market Lavington Community Hall

10am – 12pm

This year marks our 5th year of holding our annual Macmillan Coffee Morning! To date we have raised just over £2,500 & we're hoping to go well above £3,000 by the end of 2021!

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From Christ Church and Worton and Marston Family of Churches:

We are pleased that **Christ Church is now open again every day.** Our thanks to Peter Witcher and Tom Harwood for opening and closing again following relaxation of restrictions, which is happening gradually in Christ Church and will have been reviewed at the end of August. Please see the Wellsprings Benefice website for updates.

COFFEE MORNING 10TH SEPTEMBER

Don't forget the Coffee morning being held in church (or outside) on Friday 10th September, at 10am with donations to Dorothy House Hospice Care. Several of our very well-loved friends in the village received such wonderful care from the Dorothy House team earlier in the year.

We welcome any cakes or offers of help for this.

We welcome Rev Ali and Stu back from a very well-deserved holiday. They, and the Ministry team, work tremendously hard, with great commitment and enthusiasm for the Benefice. Please continue to pray for Ali as she continues through her treatment.

COMING UP IN OCTOBER

An afternoon All Age Harvest Festival on Oct 3rd

An afternoon All Souls service on 31st October; a time of reflection for those who have died.

More information on these to follow

The **FAMILY OF CHURCHES** 'Gathering on the Green' was attended by around 100 people of all ages, who enjoyed live music, Morris Dancers, hot dogs and burgers, free ice creams, and a chance to relax and enjoy the company of others, some whom many had not seen for sometime due to the covid restrictions. We have received good feedback, a good time had by all. Many thanks to all who came to support the event and to those who helped in any way.

Heather and Jean, Churchwardens and on behalf of Worton and Marston Family of Churches.

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Christ Church Churchyard

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We hope to continue the task on Saturday morning 11th September and once again all hands will be welcome, and refreshments will once again be served. Start time is 9.30am but late starters will not be turned away, although if you are too late you might not get any cake! Look forward to seeing you.

Any enquiries please call me on 725785.

Tony Walker

Worton & Marston Link

After far too long a time there will be a Link AGM at the Rose & Crown on September 13th at 7pm. We will discuss what we have been doing during Covid and what we would like to do in the future. Please come along and have your say. We cannot improve our bus services but we are able to put in place a system whereby there is backup for important journeys. This is especially true when health is involved and driving becomes difficult. Even if you do not want to take part there is no reason not to come down and listen in pleasant surroundings and meet some of the drivers.

I have asked Mystic Meg if she could predict the Covid situation that evening, unfortunately I have had no reply. Consequently the AGM may be cancelled at short notice if conditions are unsatisfactory, I hope this will not cause any inconvenience.

Alun Newman

WASP SOUNDS

I bought a record the other day from a second-hand shop; it was called 'Sounds Wasps Make'. When I got home and played it, I said to myself: "this doesn't sound anything like wasp sounds".

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The Village Show

A quick reminder to all that the Village Show is taking place on Saturday 4th September. Remember, if you want to enter a class, please do so with any of the committee members by Wednesday 1st.

It will be great to see lots of people as we start to get back to normal.

Thank you

Bill Francis



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The basis of the appeal lay largely in terms of the way that data had been considered in terms of access and traffic issues, though, as decisions on planning matters always come down to judgment of the range of factors involved, the appeal also sought to question whether, on balance, that judgment should be reconsidered.

As the fundamental details of the planning application were the same as those that had previously been considered at some length - it was not possible to change these as the appeal was related to the earlier submission - there was little need for further in depth discussion as our response to the planning authority had already been made. It will be recalled that this had been made after all residents had had the opportunity to air their views, both directly and via the Parish Council, particularly by way of a well-attended virtual Zoom meeting.

We did, however, take the opportunity to amplify the points that had already been made in our earlier response. In summary, these were with regard to access, the Housing Needs Survey findings used and speculation on likely impacts. In addition, the Neighbourhood Plan steering group have reviewed their original response.

The meeting was quite well attended and a number of concerns were expressed. It must be realised that the situation remains a fluid one. As a Parish Council we need to avoid speculation and deal with situations as they arise, keeping the best interests of our village as our priority. We will continue to do this and will make sure that everybody has the opportunity to air their views as appropriate before we take a position as a Parish Council.

I will also briefly refer to a very informative session that took place on the topic of fraud safety. This was led by a representative of

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South West ROCU (Regional Organised Crime Unit). Those who attended were able to get some useful tips and could exchange anecdotes that proved they were far from alone in their experiences. A supply of "The little book of big scams" was left for us. If you would like a copy, please see Sarah or I.

Incidentally, what a pleasure it was to enjoy the upgraded facilities in our Village Hall. By the time you read this you will have had further opportunity to have a look for yourself during the VJ celebrations (many thanks to Chris, David and team). The Village Hall trustees have done fantastic work throughout the pandemic -they even missed out on accepting an award from Danny Kruger - and should be congratulated on how well they do a job that most of us are unaware of.

I really hope you have enjoyed the summer and that the world is about to open up for us again.

Barry Devine

Dog Fouling in Back Lane

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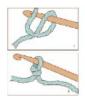
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We thought we would make a start on Christmas ideas....just in case!!







Worton and Marston Gardening Club

Our typical British Summers make life difficult for us British gardeners and this year is proving to be no exception as after an exceptionally hot week at the beginning of July the rest of the month has been rather wet, without as much sunshine as I would have wished for. In other words, our tomatoes in the greenhouse got rather overdone, the flowers bloomed joyfully, and the weeds set root and have tried to take over. As usual, the lack of sun has rather adversely affected our flowers and roses. Fortunately, I have had to spend some time at home recently, so I have been madly deadheading our roses, which were brilliant this year, and I have been waging war on the weeds and any overgrown shrubs.

Jane has got the tomatoes back on track now and we are getting a regular supply of tomatoes and cucumbers. The lettuces bolted before we could eat them all and we have plenty of courgettes. The Greyhound cabbage plants we bought from Bill at the plant sale are being eaten regularly, so all in all a good gardening year so far.

Yesterday morning I went through the schedule for our village show. Although we haven't planted anything specifically with the show in mind I am hopeful that the garden will yield several worthwhile exhibits by the end of August. I think sunshine rather than rain is required now.

Thanks to the end of Covid restrictions I was able to spend the last two days of July and the first day of August at the Silverstone Classic car meeting. Although the weather wasn't perfect we did have some sunshine and consequently the racing was interesting to say the least. All in all, a very enjoyable weekend.

I am now looking forward to seeing everyone at our Village Show on Saturday 4th September.

See you there.

Dave

As "life" slowly returns to normal we are planning for the next few meetings at least.

September...another garden meeting and barbeque (venue TBA)

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October...possibly a talk in the Village Hall.....and that's a far as we've got so far!!

If you could all think about how you feel about meeting in the hall.... at the moment there are no limits or restrictions....but we are all keen that *everyone* feels comfortable about attending...any other thoughts/suggestions/ideas are always welcome.

Any newcomers to the villages who would like to join us...that would be great...please email either of us (see below) and you will be added to the contact list and receive all the messages we send. At the moment subscriptions are £6.00 per year and will be due at the up-coming AGM.....

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It seems unbelievable that another academic year has been and gone. In the last two terms we have said some farewells but have also welcomed new team members to Five Lanes and we look forward to working together in the new academic year.

At the end of term we said farewell to our fantastic Year 6 children who will be moving on to secondary school in September. We wish them lots of luck and every success in their next school adventure. They ended the year with a morning canoeing on the canal with Devizes Canoe Club followed by a party back at school.



The school allotment is looking glorious with an abundance of fruit and vegetables growing. Please pop over to our Instagram page to see how amazing it looks @five_lanes_greenfingers. We are looking forward to using the produce at our Community Soup Share in October. Keep an eye on our Facebook and Twitter pages for news and information about the event nearer to the time

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We are always very grateful for donations of school books for our library. We have recently been asked if there is a list of books that would capture the imaginations of our young readers, so with this in mind we have created a wishlist of books that would be perfect for the school library. If you were interested in donating a book, please follow the link: https://rocketshipbookshop.co.uk/wishlist/view/4AIMY4JQ29XE/ We have used The Rocketship Bookshop an independent shop in Salisbury which is a lovely shop and well worth a visit.

Finally, we would like to say a big thank to all of our fabulous children, families, governors, PFA, volunteers, Open the Book team, PH Sports, Dauntsey's School and Devizes School for their hard work, support, generosity and kindness over the past year. We are incredibly lucky to have such a supportive school community. We hope you all have an enjoyable and relaxing summer and we'll see you in September!

Louise

Community Speed Watch - Figures so far this year						
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Our August meeting was a Bring and Share supper in Jean's garden, with garden games like Giant Jenga, Skittles, Hoop-La etc. As there were only eight of us, more time was spent on eating and chatting rather than the games! The weather turned out warm and sunny so our only disappointment was how many members weren't able to join us.

With great excitement and anticipation, we look forward to our SEPTEMBER meeting in the VILLAGE HALL on TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 14th at 7:30pm. Please note the earlier time! As the Brownies aren't starting back until later in the month, we will take advantage of being a little earlier. We hope to have a discussion about the possibility of changing to another night to enable an earlier start, as starting at 8:00pm makes for rather a late finish, once clearing/locking up is done. Please start having a think about this possibility.

The meeting in September will be a talk on the work of local resident, RICHARD SNOW, who is a Senior Environmental Advisor for the MOD. He advises on the environmental management of training areas and recent projects have been in Kenya, Belize and Cyprus. With much discussion these days on environmental issues this sounds like a timely talk for us.

If you are not yet a member of the WI but would like to come to this talk, please come along as a visitor. You will be very welcome.

Future meetings include a Bring and Share Harvest Supper, a demonstration of how to make paper gift bags, and Christmas craft and eats.

SEE YOU ON THE 14th!

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OLD FORGE GARAGE, WORTON CLOCK WORKING AGAIN!



The clock fitted to the outside wall of the Old Forge Garage, Worton is now working again after a long rest.

The clock was made by James William Benson, who started his business in Cornhill and Ludgate Hill, London in 1847. James Benson died in 1878, aged 52 years, and the business was taken over by his sons James, Alfred and Arthur.



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J. W. Benson Limited were official watchmakers to the Admiralty, War Department and held a number of royal warrants, being watchmakers to Queen Victoria and several other royal families. In 1973 the business was sold to Garrard Jewellers, London.



The rear of the clock movement is stamped with the maker's mark and bears the serial number 6752. Sadly Benson's business records no longer exist, but it is likely that that the Worton clock was made during the last quarter of the 19th century. Before the clock was fitted in Old Forge Garage it had been fitted into the wall of Worton village school.

The clock has a substantial weight driven movement, which is housed within a solid mahogany clock case on the inside wall of the garage. The movement drives a clock dial inside the garage and also drives the dial on the outside wall of the building. The drive

is provided by a steel shaft, which passes through the brick wall to the dial. Behind the dial is a small gearbox, which drives the hands.



The images show the stamp on the rear movement plate, the movement before it was refitted to the case, and the dial gearbox before it was dismantled and cleaned.

ECO-CORNER

On route to COP 26



Cllr Dominic Muns (left) and Cllr Tamara Reay (right) with Bishop Andrew and WL organiser Anne Wilson (kneeling right) welcome Youth Climate Change Network Relay's Rachel Manders (standing with flag) and other YCCN walkers

On Tuesday 20th July, the first time the UK has ever experienced an extreme hot weather warning, a group of very hot and weary walkers arrived in West Lavington after walking 13 miles from Trowbridge. Why would anyone walk this distance on such a hot day?

Well, the Young Christians Climate Network (YCCN) is leading a relay from this year's G7 summit in Cornwall to the Climate Change Conference, COP26, in November in Glasgow. Young people, in particular, feel their generation is at stake and YCCN, among them, is calling on world leaders to take urgent action.

On July 20th the pilgrims' main route passed through our area and made an overnight stop in West Lavington before heading for Shrewton and Salisbury. They were welcomed by Andrew, Bishop of Ramsbury, by Wiltshire Councillors Dominic Muns (portfolio holder for education) and Tamara Reay (portfolio holder for climate change) and by local residents. West Lavington Mothers' Union and local church members provided tea and cakes. (continued on next page)

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Rachel Manders, one of the organisers of the relay, said, "to be clapped and cheered by about 30 people who were waiting outside the village hall for us was immensely moving and so encouraging". Rachel was extremely thankful for the gift of hospitality from the villagers.

Bishop Andrew thanked the walkers and said, "We are part of nature ourselves. We are ourselves held in this remarkable balance of relationships. You are making a transformational journey. Things happen and changes will happen along the way".

Cllr Muns paid tribute. "It was a pleasure to attend and an incredibly inspiring event. I thought Rachel was fantastic and leading the way in the fight against climate change. I am very grateful to her for the dedication and passion she has".

Cllr Reay said, "I look forward to following the journey, and I hope that everyone in West Lavington, and across the County will get involved in the Climate Change plans, including the Wiltshire Council Strategy which will be available for public consultation in September and October".

Devizes MP, Danny Kruger messaged his support. "Thank you also to everybody that has helped to organise this trip, and everyone who has helped in West Lavington. I honour what you are doing and wish you all the very best".

To know more about the Relay, go to https://www.yccn.uk/rise-to-the-moment

The Marston Annual Footpath Walk.....

.....will take place again this year, on Friday 27th August, meet at the Bus Shelter at 6.45pm for a prompt departure at 7pm.

Our route this time will be across Right of Way No. 1 from End Farm to Cheverell Mill, along the lane to the far end of Longstreet and back to Marston Green.

All are invited, dogs on leads where necessary please.

Wear walking boots or stout shoes.

Dave Hansford

A Message from Tamara Reay Wiltshire Councillor for The Devizes Rural West Division

Our world is already changing around us, with increasing temperatures, extreme weather and risks to property, health, wildlife habitats, and food production. A sober assessment of our planet's future has been delivered by the UN's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), a group of scientists whose findings are endorsed by the world's governments. Their report is the first major review of the science of climate change since 2013. Its release comes less than three months before the COP26 climate summit in Glasgow.

Scientists say a catastrophe can be avoided if the world acts fast and whilst this is of course a global challenge, there is still much that we can do in Wiltshire. In 2019 Wiltshire Council acknowledged the climate emergency and committed to becoming carbon neutral as an organisation by 2030.

Over the last few months, as Wiltshire Council Portfolio Holder for Climate Change I have worked with the Climate Programme team to develop our Climate Strategy and on 1st September the draft Strategy will be available for public consultation. This is your chance to help shape the future of Wiltshire in its journey to becoming a carbon neutral county and more resilient to climate impacts. We will be asking for your views on how you think residents, communities and businesses in the county, can all play their part to achieve this.

There will be an opportunity to attend engagement events to ask questions and share your views during the six weeks of the consultation period, so please do get involved and help to spread the word. The full consultation documents and information about events will be available at www.wiltshire.gov.uk/green-economy from 1st September.

I know that many communities are keen to take local action towards carbon neutrality and I am keen to work with local groups to progress initiatives. As well as Devizes Area Board funding opportunities, this week a new grant programme was announced by the National Lottery. Together for Our Planet will open for applications on 1st September and will offer grants from £1,000 to £10,000 to support communities to take action on climate change. Projects could

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cover areas such as food, transport, energy, waste and consumption or the natural environment. I would be delighted to support groups across Devizes Rural West take local action on Climate Change please do get in touch if I can help on Climate Change or any other matter.

Tamara Reay

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The village hall now owns this 9m x 3m party gazebo Ideal for parties or even wedding receptions It is available for hire for just £50. Please contact: Pauline (720248) or Jeff (726845) or any other Trustee

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir

I found it very interesting that nearly all of the reports from the Parish Council were paraphrased from what I have been trying to get through to them for some time. I would suggest that more of the people of Worton attend Council meetings and say what they feel so that their views can be represented as well.

Yours Roger Wilshire



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Below is a poem that was read recently at the funeral of a relative, a remarkable man who tragically died far too young. He made a huge impact on everyone he met.

Tom 23rd October 1984 - 14th July 2021

THE DASH

by Linda Ellis

I read of a man who stood to speak at the funeral of a friend. He referred to the dates on the tombstone from the beginning... to the end.

He noted that first came the date of birth and spoke of the following date with tears, but he said what mattered most of all was the dash between those years.

For that dash represents all the time they spent alive on earth and now only those who loved them know what that little line is worth.

For it matters not, how much we own, the cars... the house... the cash. What matters is how we live and love and how we spend our dash.

So think about this long and hard; are there things you'd like to change? For you never know how much time is left that still can be rearranged.

To be less quick to anger and show appreciation more and love the people in our lives like we've never loved before.

If we treat each other with respect and more often wear a smile... remembering that this special dash might only last a little while.

So when your eulogy is being read, with your life's actions to rehash, would you be proud of the things they say about how you lived your dash?

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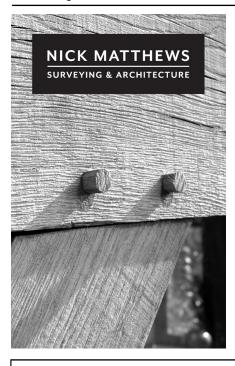












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The new season is almost here and the teams are all starting to get ready for the challenges ahead. A few new contacts in teams and are listed at the end of this report. Please get in touch with the relevant contact if interested in joining The Badgers.

Badger Cubs - ages 4-6 years. Returning Saturdays from 4th September 9am @ Elisha Field, Market Lavington. All welcome to come and try for 2 weeks free.

U7s - Returning Wednesdays from 1st September 6pm @ Elisha Field, Market Lavington. Looking forward to playing matches in Mid-Wilts league for the first time.

U8s - Returning Tuesdays from 31st August 6.15pm @ Elisha Field, Market Lavington

U9s – Returning Tuesdays from 7th September 6pm @ Elisha Field, Market Lavington Girls – Returning Tuesdays from 7th September 6pm @ Elisha Field, Market Lavington

U10/11s – Returning Fridays from 3rd September 5pm @ West Lavington. Friendly vs Devizes on 5th September

U12s - Already back in training Fridays 6pm @ Elisha Field, Market Lavington

U14's - Returning Fridays from 3rd September 6pm @ West Lavington. Friendly vs Devizes on 5th September

U15s – Already back in training Fridays 7pm @ Northbrook. Friendly lined up for 5th September.

U16s – Already back in training Fridays 5.45pm @ Northbrook. Friendly lined up for 5th September.

Committee for Season 2021/22

Chairperson: Pete Huntley Secretary: Vicky Goddard

Treasurer: Vicky Goddard Welfare Officers: David Kiddle & Hannah Kervin

Grounds: Mark Goddard Web Pages: James Partington

Newsletter: David Groves All Team Managers

Treasurer and Welfare Officer positions with be changing during this season.

Club Secretary fundraising update – Now completed 17 runs at the time of writing (15th). Vicky is raising funds for a Secondary Cancer charity during the year has new target of 26 10K runs this year. Please look at the story on http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/VickyGoddard2

Team Contacts for 2021/22 Season:

Badger Cubs – James Partington - 07532 628219
U7 - Rob Nuttall - 07706 167347
U8 – Pete Huntley - 07974756131
U9- Adam Shanley – 07423 576368
U12 - Neil Black- 07769 261750
U15 – Dave Kiddle- 07843678781
Girls Team – Liz Gaule – 07949 176623
U8 – Pete Huntley - 07974756131
U10/11- Mark Goddard – 01380 813160
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WORTON AND MARSTON FLOWER SHOW

This really is the last reminder for the show on 7th September. Don't be shy about entering! If you have not received a schedule please ask any of the organisers for one (50p).

Prize for the lucky programme number:

Raffle - a bottle of whiskey and other prizes.

Auction of produce at the end. Good luck on the day.

John Vint

GRAND PRIX RACES

Nigel Mansell's done it again Three times in a row He drove his car at breakneck speed As round and round they go He's had some bad luck in the past When things were not quite right But now they're getting better And the championships in sight He only has to keep his nerve And try to win more races Then perhaps he'll come up trumps And put smiles on all their faces So good luck Nigel, carry on The way you've done so far You've put the "Great" in Britain lad With your super Williams car.

1. Hale

MARSTON COUNTRY FAIR AND DANCE

Saturday August 17th.

The day was "jus perfick", the people, the weather, the fun, the profit.

Thanks to the committee and helpers, they worked so hard. It was very pleasing to see such a big crowd enjoying it all and a wonderful memory for us all to treasure.

Ken Harris.

VILLAGE DIARY

Regular Meetings

In the Village Hall
(all currently suspended or on Zoom)

- Gardening Club
 3rd Monday 8.00pm (not Aug/Dec)
- Pilates classes
 Thursdays 7pm-8pm & 8pm-9pm
- Ladies Group Last Wednesday (not Aug/Dec)
- Women's Institute 2nd Tuesday 7.45pm
- Worton Toddler Group Wednesday 10.00 am - Noon
- 1st Worton & Marston Brownies Alternate Tuesdays (term time only)
- Worton Parish Council Meeting
 1st Monday (not Aug) or as shown on notice boards

In the Chapel at Marston (currently suspended or on Zoom)

 Marston Parish Council Meeting Last Tuesday (every odd month)

Various Venues Announced Monthly

 Book Swap 2nd Saturday 10.00 - Noon

Mobile Library

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Forthcoming Events

4th Village Show

10th Coffee, Cake & Chat

11th Book Swap

13th Link AGM

14th W.I. meeting

17th Are you Crafty?

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Deadline for items for the next Bridge is 15th September 2021 Giles Collins, Editor at Westview House, 109 High Street, Worton Telephone: 01380 728664

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