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September 2024

FROM THE HEART OF CANADA WOODS

I grew up in the industrial city of Leeds in Yorkshire, belching factory chimneys, smoke from thousands of domestic coal fires and the billowing blasts from scores of steam engines that rattled our doors every day creating grey skies often thick with smog. Nearby, just to add to the all pervading grimness were the banks of the River Aire – an open sewer streaked with chemical spills and brown swirling effluent. This was the dismal playground of a small boy but then... I went fishing!

I was taken by car north to the River Nidd, a clean, pellucid stream where, with my little heart thumping, I caught a tiny trout. I've been an angler and a champion of nature and the countryside ever since.

Decades later I spent a year living near the River Dove in Derbyshire where I fished for trout, learning, as I cast, about the most famous fisherman in history who roamed those self same banks and wrote the third most printed English book in history after the Bible and the works of Shakespeare. His 'Compleat Angler' has never been out of print since its first publication in 1653. Like millions of other readers worldwide I have long been captivated by Izaak Walton's famous work and in 2012, after a discreet entreaty to the guardian of the pearly gates who gave Walton a one week heavenly pass allowing him to escort me along his old haunts, I wrote my own 'Complete Angler'. My book is a text for our times, the positive messages that ring loud from its pages on the need to harmonise with nature, protect the environment, nurture friendships and identify the real sources of contentment and happiness never having been more relevant, topical and uplifting. Then, after dimpling many more streams — oh how the years fly — two years ago I arrived in Easterton little knowing that in my endless perambulations I would meet Walton again!

After a short time I joined a group of wild nature enthusiasts like myself who are dedicated to restoring Canada Woods and its attendant brook in Market Lavington, spurred on by seeing cruising brown trout nearby. Little did I know at the time that Walton had himself blessed the locality on many occasions, a little exciting research confirming that he often visited the neighbourhood to stay with his son who was the vicar of the church in Poulshot for forty years. As we all beaver away bringing sunlight back to Canada Woods, planting a community orchard and cleaning up the brook, I am excited about the possibility

of engaging local school children in completing the project, some, catching diminutive trout like me all those years ago. And perhaps I might ask the current incumbent of the church in Poulshot to give

his brookside blessing to our noble scheme?

Len Markham

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St Mary's & St. Barnabas Church (Anglican)

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Fridays and the last Thursday of the month are the Rector's days off.

The office is now open twice a week,

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More information can be found on our website www.lavingtonchurch.org

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September reflection

For many of us September is a time of new beginnings. Our children start school or return to a new class. Our 11year olds move from primary to secondary school and our teenagers move from school to college and university. This is also the time our twenty somethings are looking to make their first move into the work place. All these transitions can be a mine field for the emotions. As for myself, I will be leaving the benefice to move into retirement. I too will be facing change and transition from a work based life to . . .

We have all faced times of transitions in our lives. Times when we move from what we know and are sure of, a place of stability and safety and move to a new praxis. One where we may not know the people around us or what is required of us. We feel excited by what is new and fearful of the unknown. We mourn for what we have lost or put down while eagerly making new connections with those around us. How we cope with the emotional turmoil created within us is a sign of our maturity.

So, if you are in transition or know someone who is, and would like some advice, embrace change, grow into your new state of being and enjoy all that life has to offer you. That is what I am going to try and do.

I will miss you all and think of my time here as your priest with fondness. I wish you well and will continue to pray for you as you start your interregnum, moving forward the next stage of the Christian life of the benefice.

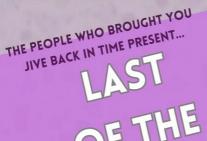
With all God's Blessings.

Rev Marion Harrison

An apology from Colin Osborn

As well as fitting all the copy I get sent into the magazine I also bulk deliver magazines to volunteer deliverers. Our daughter Sarah was taking part in a cycle challenge raising money for a children's hospice (nearly £5,000 so far. I had planned to send off the magazine from Italy, and be back in the UK to deliver, before going to Norway to collect Sarah. At short notice I was unable to come back and despite the efforts of volunteers some of you will have either not received the August magazine or got it very late. **SORRY**

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Charlotte Vear NEAL of Easterton died on 10th July 2024, aged 71 years. Her funeral at St Barnabas Easterton on 27th July 2024, taken by Rev Marion Harrison was followed by cremation.

Andrew OLIVER (formerly MACRDECHIAN) of Market Lavington died on 12th July, aged 58 years. His funeral at St Mary's Church, Market Lavington on 1st August was taken by Rev Marion Harrison and followed by cremation.

Weddings

Jessica Laura CARSWELL and George James Morgan WEBSTER were married at St Peter's Church, Great Cheverell, by Rev Marion Harrison, on Saturday 17th August 2024.

Charlotte Holly BLAIR and Nicholas John Frederick DOMAN were married at All Saints' Church, West Lavington, by Rev Caroline Spindlow, on Saturday 17th August 2024.

We are on our summer break at the moment but we will be back together from Thursday 12th September at 8 for 8.15pm at Market Lavington Community Hall.



Newcomers always welcome, no experience or sight-reading skills necessary and the first session is free.

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Classes will begin in September and will run during term time (Tuesdays) at St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Devizes from 4:30pm-5:15pm. The First Holy Communion Catechists will be Yvonne Wilkins (Headteacher at St Joseph's) and Elizabeth Dale (RE Lead at St Joseph's.)

If you would like your child to make their First Holy Communion, please contact the Parish Office on 01380 723572 or via email on devizes.ourlady@cliftondiocese.com

The Deadline for Applications is Friday 6th September

TRINITY CHURCH September



We meet in the Community Hall, Market Lavington every Sunday morning at 10.30am unless stated otherwise.

We welcome all visitors to our informal style of worship in the United Reformed Church/Methodist tradition.

All services are accompanied by refreshments.

1st September - Trinity Church Service with Holy Communion

Led by Revd. Graham Warmington

8th September - Trinity 'United' Church Service @ St. Barnabas

Easterton

(10.30 am) Led by Revd. Gary Gotham

15th September - Trinity Church Service

Led by Holly Adams

22nd September - Trinity Church 'Sector' Service

Led by Revd. Gary Gotham

29th September - Trinity Church Service

Led by Jeannie MacMeekin

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Benefice 200 Club July and August Winners

The summer is almost over but we have two winners of the 200 Club to announce. The July draw was won by Ann Janes of West Lavington and the August draw was drawn in favour of Slater Reynolds of Market Lavington.

Congratulations to both Benefice residents.



A Community Group working to raise funds to improve and protect the two community assets.

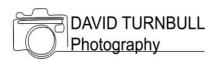
If you would like to get involved, become one of our valued volunteers for specific working parties, help with planned community events or the Community Orchard, please get in touch.

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Deadlines

"Depend upon it, sir", wrote Dr Johnson, "when a man knows he is to be hanged in a fortnight, it concentrates his mind wonderfully." The editor of this publication has not threatened to hang me, yet. But he does set deadlines.

They have the effect of concentrating this writer's mind wonderfully. Especially when nothing has thus far entered his mind as a topic for the next edition of the magazine. There's a deadline to meet. A blank Word document to fill up. Better get on with it, then.

From the grandest columnist for The Times newspaper to the humble contributor to your local parish mag, scribblers live and die by editorial time limits. In fact, there's a deadline looming over us all. The day will come when we are called to give an account of our lives to our Maker and Judge.

That thought should certainly concentrate our minds. For who of us can say that the copy book of their life is without blot or blemish? The good news is that God has done everything necessary for us to be prepared to meet him.

He sent his Son, the Lord Jesus to die on the cross that the record of our sins may be wiped clean. The Holy Spirit has been poured out to give us new life. A grand invitation is made for us to 'seek the Lord while he may be found and call upon him while he is near'.

Well, if you're reading this, it means I was ready in time for the deadline. Always important, that and not just for writers.

Guy Davies www.pbc-ebc.org.uk

You are welcome to join us for our Sunday services at 4.30pm. On the 4th Sunday of the month we have 'Time for Tea +', a traditional Sunday tea, followed by a short service.



Our September meeting is

Tuesday 10th September 7.30, at The Old School Speaker: Sarah Delves, Handbags, a historical journey

More details from Jayne Roberts 07863 768837

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Membership fees for the term:- £38 for individual and £76 for a family.

For further details about joining this offering please contact Alison Andrews Membership Secretary on Lavingtonswim@gmail.com

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Tickets for this concert are on sale now from £11 to £25 with a 10% discount for Edington Angels on all seats, and can be secured through the What's On page on the Edington Arts website, www.edingtonarts.org, or by phoning Chrissy on 01380 831256. Students 18 and under come free. The performance starts at 7.30pm and will end at approximately 9.30pm, including an interval.



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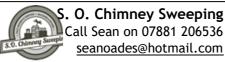
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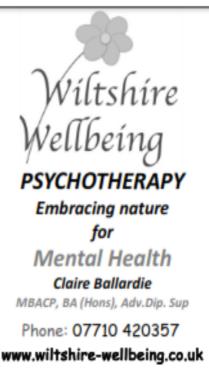
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John or Taff.

A regular at St Arbucks is John, some know him as Taff, he can most often been see sitting outside the 'caff'. With a shout and a wave to all who happen to pass by, he seems to know everyone a real character I sigh. With many a tale of which he is always willing to share, whether they are true, most people don't seem to care. It's just nice to have a cheery welcome, I must say, I am sure to lots of passers by he cheers up their day. Whether young or old he always likes to have a word, it's characters like him that make it a lovely world. great to see him sat there with a coffee in the summer sun, happily smiling and laughing and waving to everyone. Whether he knows them or not it doesn't seem to matter. if they have time to stop, then he will aways have a chatter. With his Welsh accent with some Wiltshire dialect as well. sometimes it's difficult to understand him, but what the hell.

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Wiltshire Police is urging anyone who has concerns about the safety of public places in their area to report it via a dedicated service.

StreetSafe allows people to report any issues like poorly lit streets, abandoned buildings, or vandalism, as well as instances where they feel unsafe due to someone following or verbally abusing them.

This is completely anonymous and takes no more than a couple of minutes.

https://www.police.uk/pu/notices/streetsafe/street-safe/

By completing the report police can target the main areas of concern and work with partners to make the county a safer place to live.

StreetSafe is also one of the many initiatives being used to help the police prioritise our ongoing work to reduce Violence Against Women and Girls, reduce incidents of violence and intimidation and make people feel safe on our streets.

PC Lisa Draper, Neighbourhood Harm Reduction Unit, said: "We want everyone living and working in our county to feel safe. However, the police cannot do it alone – we need the public's help in identifying where the areas of concern are so we, along with our partners, can do something about it.

Safer Streets funding has already been used to improve CCTV and lighting in parts of Swindon, Chippenham and Salisbury and it's also been used to provide night-time economy wardens in Salisbury and Trowbridge on Friday and Saturday evenings.

Ponytail Pete.

Another of Mkt Lavington's characters Ponytail Pete, best known for his ponytail, which I thought was neat. Now for Ponytail Pete should we now all mourn, because the pony-tail he had, it has been shorn. Not recognised without his ponytail that's for sure, looks guite different without it, but there's more. He's had his hair cut quite short, I don't know why, didn't think it was long enough for anyone to buy. But perhaps his hair was in demand and why not, or perhaps he had it cut off because it was hot. If you see him about the village please don't stare, you may not recognise him, as his ponytail ain't there. He still looks as good looking as he did before, but without the ponytail he looks different for sure. So now I think I will have to change his name, to just Peter, as he said "I will still be the same".

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The much delayed and postponed traffic light instillation and road repairs on Lavington Lane and The Spring are now planned for the **End of August** and beginning of September. Road Closure is planned for overnight for September 9th to 13th for Wiltshire Council to resurface the road after the lights are installed.

Nurture Nature Notes for September 2024

We tend to ignore somewhat the corvids, however, each has its contribution. First Jackdaws, which have increased in numbers since the 1960s, which is rather surprising considering that many of their nesting sites are no longer available, viz, chimney stacks now either cowled or wired over due in part to domestic heating and grate fires by other fuel sources. In the 1960s a householder in a local village could not understand why his kitchen Turtle iron stove wouldn't draw so the local chimney sweep was called in. He discovered that there was a fifteen foot mass of sticks blocking the flue. Jackdaws, when choosing a chimney for their nest site drop twigs and sticks down the flue until a few lodge across it, which establishes a firm base for their nest, they continue to drop sticks down until they reach the desired height for their nest. Such nests often caught fire when the kindling and coal in the grate were ignited! Jackdaws are accomplished thieves, as they plunder other birds' nests for the eggs and nestlings, and also raid garden bird feeders, which are frequently damaged by them and other corvids. They are highly social, gathering in noisy flocks and performing aerial acrobatics. They mate for life, choosing their mate in their first year but don't breed until the following year. The pair will perch side by side preening each other. The name originates from their call 'daw' and the' jack' part means a rogue, or knave, think packs of playing cards. I hope some readers took up the suggestion in a previous Nurture Nature article and have located spots around your gardens to watch what nature is up to at different times of the day, as we do. At the end of July when looking at chimney stacks for bird activity we witnessed an amusing episode on a stack of a female jackdaw trying to get the attention of a male. She was giving him the 'Come-on' with wing fluttering and other body type seduction but to no avail. He walked around the chimney pot to try and avoid her, she followed. After about five minutes of this he flew up to the tallest stack topped by a stainless steel cowl. She tried to follow but couldn't get a footing on the slippery metal and gave up. Just digressing a moment, perhaps you have seen the romantic habits of wood pigeons, whose squabs (young) may hatch as late as October. Not for fun this jackdaw seduction stand-off was the activity of a pair of wood pigeons on poles supporting an OBC (Overhead Bungee Cable) for conducting the local electricity supply. Local pigeons are becoming something of a problem now in gardens due to loss of woodland habitat and arable foraging. However, there was a rather charming lovey-dovey carry-on which involved a lot of cooing and much necking. So see what acts of nature you've observed, and write in. You'll be surprised what you'll see and hear. Due to Dutch Elm Disease in the 1960s, much of our countryside looked as if it had been nuked due to the devastating effects of this rapidly spreading disease, which was carried in on imported timber and spread. In Wiltshire elms were once so plentiful that they were known as Wiltshire weeds. The Government and woodland charities started a project in the 70s "Plant a Tree in '73". Let us take up this mantle again in our decade with 'Plant More in '24'. Due to lack of space the other corvids will have to be left til later NN items. As a follow up about gulls in the August issue, there was a very good BBC Radio 4 programme a month ago on gulls mainly around the British Isles but also worldwide. It's well worth a listen on BBC Sounds. Otis Tarda



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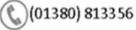
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I hope you had a lovely summer and saw some sunshine, either at home in The Lavingtons or further afield. There were lots of local events held across the area and thankfully I got to enjoy several in between work and childcare. It was good to catchup with many of you on my travels.

As I reported at the start of the summer, traffic lights will be installed at Black Dog crossroads in the spring. With that project developing at pace behind the scenes I wanted to discuss the cause of accidents at the junction and why some suggestions won't work or can't be delivered.

Poor judgement is the cause of every accident I have seen in the last ten years. I can't think of a single incident that wasn't caused by someone pulling out from Worton or Broadway in front of a vehicle on the A360. The errors are usually explained by poor visibility and/or excess speed of A360 traffic, however, the fault always rests with the driver pulling out, even in cases when the vehicle on the A360 is speeding. This might not seem fair, but it is a fact of highway code and motoring law.

A roundabout was explored early in the project but given what we now know about the impossibility of acquiring extra land from a neighbouring landowner, that idea is impossible. Furthermore, the DfT says that roundabouts on a 50mph road need to be illuminated and so aside from being impossible from a space point of view, it would also be significantly more expensive. Traffic lights therefore are the best option available given the constraints that exist.

All sorts of temporary mitigation steps have been suggested including lowering the speed limit. This is something I have been pushing for since my election and unfortunately the decision does not solely rest with Wiltshire Council. Wiltshire Police have a veto and they have chosen not to support a reduction. Of course, reducing any limit does not guarantee every driver will comply anyway. This creates a more dangerous situation where the driver sat at the Worton turning might assume all cars are doing 40mph and pulls out accordingly, failing to spot that the other car is travelling much faster than even the previous 50mph limit.

I am exploring what temporary signage might be installed to cover the short gap between now and the traffic light switch-on. I don't believe a sign will make any difference to someone's decision to pull out in front of a moving vehicle, however, it might help encourage A360 traffic to stick to the speed limit and have their foot hovering over the brake. I will keep you posted as I find out more.

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Whether you like it or not, we are facing climate change. Countries subjected to wild fires teach their young how to respect fire, how to behave around it, how to prepare for it and how to manage it. The fire in Canada Woods recently was set against a holly tree. Holly leaves contain oils and are highly flammable. As the flames reached several metres above their heads, one boy decided to remove his shirt and fan the flames with it. Whether it was to try and put it out or make the flames go higher is a matter of opinion but the option he chose in that moment could have ended in tragedy if a local resident had not intervened.

Regaling your children with stories of cosy woodland camp fires when you were a child is a dangerous exercise. It might have been innocuous in your day – but it's not your day anymore – times change, our climate is changing. Children should be taught how to be responsible around fire, the preparation, the danger, the consequences. If you are in any doubt about the consequences, I suggest you venture into a woodland scorched by fire to stand and consider how lucky you

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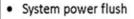
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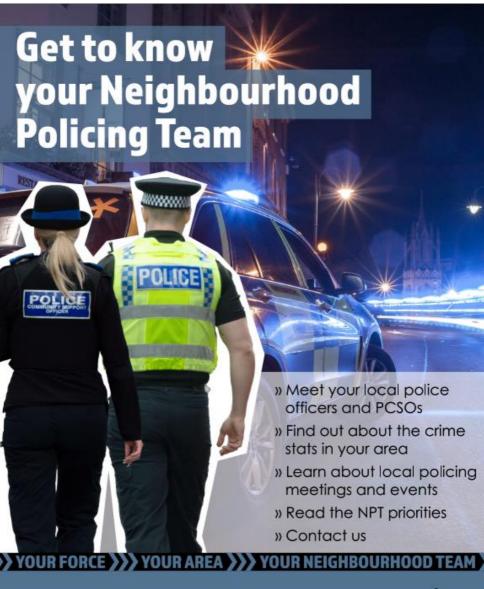
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