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LAVERSTOCK & FORD PARISH COUNCIL

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LONGHEDGE MILFORD OLD SARUM RIVERDOWN PARK

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D-DAY 80

On the 6th June 2024, the D-Day 80 events will mark 80 years since one of the most significant military operations in history, we remember with everlasting gratitude those who gave their lives for the freedom of Europe

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View from the Chair

On May 20th we will be hosting the Annual Parish Meeting at Salisbury Football Club and I hope as many of you as possible will join us. It is your opportunity to have your say in our work and wider community issues, to celebrate what is great about where we live, to call for change where it is needed and to find out ways of getting involved and making a difference yourself (Pg. 6).

Last year I set out our six priorities in our Parish Strategic Plan and I want to use the rest of this space to give you a brief summary of some of the things that have happened and which are planned. There is a lot more there is not space for so do come along to find out more.

Ensuring the parish is a place where everyone feels part of a safe & supportive local community. We are supporting the creation of a new Community Emergency Volunteer group to respond to people affected by flooding, power cuts and other situations. We have opened a dialogue with GPs surgeries trying to improve access to primary healthcare across the parish.

Development in the parish results in a thriving semi-rural community with excellent facilities and heritage assets. As our Neighbourhood Plan enters its second year, we started planning for its required update, and have also contributed to the consultation on Wiltshire's Local Plan. These documents can allow us to engage positively with the need to continue building new homes. At the same time we have actively opposed two large scale developments on unsuitable sites at Old Sarum Airfield and Church Road.

Striving to promote and support safe, sustainable travel across the parish. We are continuing to support improvements to the cycling and walking infrastructure in the parish while challenging Wiltshire Council on some of the longstanding road issues from the continually delayed Church Road Traffic Regulation Order to the ongoing saga of flooding in Milford Mill Road and at Ford.

Delivering initiatives to protect and improve our environment in partnership with other agencies. Our Parish Environmental Action Group is now established and helping us make a difference in this area. We are working with the Land Trust to support some exciting projects to increase Bio-diversity on Castle Hill Country Park.

Provide access to high quality spaces for play, recreation, community activity and the enjoyment of nature. At Bishopdown Farm we have seen the opening of three major new play areas and we have taken ownership of the Pavillion, securing the future of this important community resource. In Laverstock plans are under way for a complete replacement of the play equipment at Whitebridge. At Old Sarum and Longhedge we are gradually taking over responsibility from the developers for play areas and look forward to taking over the country park.

To carry out all of our work in a professional way which provides residents with value for money and opportunities to be heard and participate in decision making. We have held eleven public council meetings where local residents have been able to attend in person and online (it felt like the entire village of Ford came to one!).

Our Parish Clerk, Trudi Deane plans to reduce her commitments in April we have interviewed for her replacement. We are really grateful for all that Trudi has done, far more than there is space to say here, she has been a lynch pin in all we do.

Nick Baker, Chair

Parish Council Meetings

Monday 20 May, 7.30 pm at The Ray McEnhill Stadium, Partridge Way, SP4 6PU
Monday 17 June, 7pm at Old Sarum & Longhedge Community Centre, SP4 6GH

www.laverstockford-pc.gov.uk

For dates of meetings, minutes, agenda's, contacts,
parish information, news and more.

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Report from the Parish Council

Detailed minutes of all the meetings can be found on our website at:

https://laverstockford-pc.gov.uk/meetings/full_council?more=upcoming

Bishopdown Farm Ward A temporary bark mulch was applied to the Sycamore Park entrance which had suffered deterioration from high groundwater levels. The contractor was approved at the April council meeting to replace the sports wall at Saunders Avenue. New benches have been installed at Drake Close & Sycamore Drive Play Parks.

Longhedge We have now taken over all the play parks at Longhedge. The faulty Play item at Trigg Crescent has been replaced by the manufacturer. Thank you to residents who joined us for the April Litter Pick Me-up (see page 19 for photos).

Old Sarum The Community Pantry enjoys it's One year anniversary in May, it has been a great success story (see page 24). We also installed new goal posts in the playing field, and filled in the hole created by some future Jordan Pickfords. The Great British Spring Clean supported by our waste contractors Idverde saw 13 rubbish bags and various rogue items collected. The Parish Noticeboard will be re-located to the wall of the Co-op, our thanks to Remus & Persimmon for their kind permission. We have planted two oak trees at Norman Drive Open Space to replace two saplings that were planted too close to domestic drainage.

FORD BRIDGE WILTSHIRE HIGHWAYS have informed us that the proposed closure has been postponed to 29 July at 8am to 16 August at 5pm. See one.network (online) for diversion routes. We have asked for quotes to replace the wooden bus shelter on the Winterbourne Road near Broken Cross Bridge.

Report from the Parish Council cont.,

Laverstock In March the contract to replace the Play Park at Whitebridge Spinney went out to tender. We will also be refreshing the Multi Use Games Area off Duck Lane. The Edward Norton Memorial Bench on the Green is also due to be replaced. We were also able to help the Village Hall in dealing with a drainage issue.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Out & About Cllrs Baker & Barker met with Salisbury Medical Centre for an update on the Bishopdown Surgery, which will hopefully be refurbished over Easter now legal agreements are in place. We have invited them to speak about their plans for the Surgery and future healthcare delivery at our APM on May 20th.

Cllrs Lainey & Williams will meet with 3Chequers Medical Practice to find out what plans are being put in place to ensure people in estates being developed outside Salisbury City are not falling through the gaps in gaining access to basic healthcare.

STOP PRESS! LFPC have recently taken ownership of the Hampton Park Pavilion in Bishopdown Farm, thereby securing its future as a community asset

LONGHEDGE OUTDOOR GYM Sports Coach, Abi Cleary will be leading some Monday sessions for 18 + which will include advice on how to get the best from the outdoor gym equipment - lookout on for dates on the Longhedge & Old Sarum Community Centre facebook pages (page 12).

PARISH GRANT SCHEME At the March Council meeting grants were awarded to the Devenish Bradshaw Trust to improve access to the water meadows, and it was agreed to donate to the Wiltshire Search and Rescue Service.

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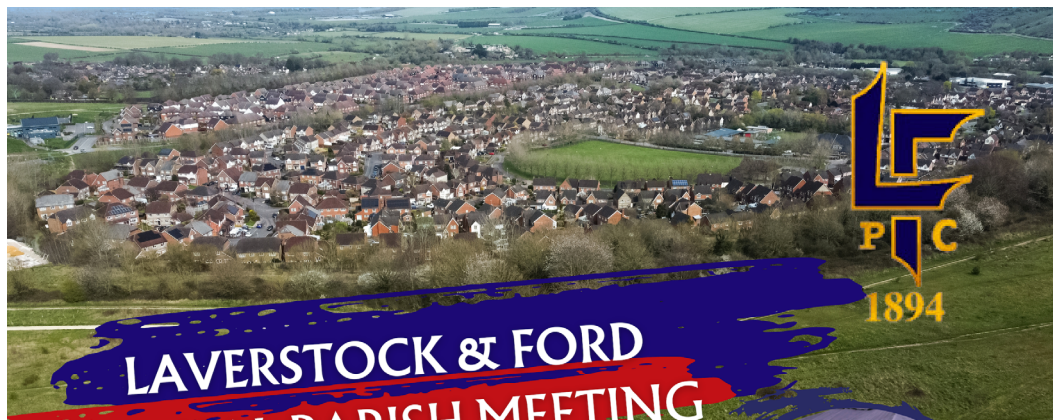
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Please join us for this meeting held for electors resident in Bishopdown Farm (Hampton Park and River Down Park) Ford, Laverstock Longhedge, Milford and Old Sarum - ALL WELCOME!



FIND OUT ABOUT Boscombe Down Aviation Collection's plans for Commemorating D-DAY 80 in the Parish

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HEAR FROM THE NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICE TEAM, SALISBURY MEDICAL PRACTICE, Community Emergency Volunteers, the Speedwatch Team and the Parish Strategic Plan



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PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following Planning Applications have been submitted to the Parish. Italics after the application show the Parish Council response. Bold print shows a decision by Wiltshire Council.

DECISIONS

PL/2024/02654 GREEN LANE, FORD, SALISBURY, SP4 6DE 5 x Elm trees, The Land Trust - fell under dead, die dangerous. **APPROVED** on date of submission.

PL/2024/01762 Householder application. Single storey front extension and associated works. 25 Mayfair Road, Laverstock, SP1 1PQ **APPROVED**

PL/2024/01683 Construction of Double Car port on existing concrete slab, 18 Ashlands Ford SP4 6DY **APPROVED**

PL/2024/01468 Householder planning permission. Part Garage conversion, general glazing changes and associated works. 24 Norman Drive **APPROVED**

PL/2024/01073 Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) on PL/2022/05123 for removal of water source heat pump from proposals and addition of 2 air source heat pumps. Mill House, Milford Mill Road, Salisbury, SP1 2RT **WITHDRAWN BY COUNCIL**

PL/2024/00509 Conversion of garage into laundry area, gym, and shower room and toilet. 56, Burden Drive, Bishopdown Farm SP1 3RD

PL/2024/00102 Listed building consent. HANGAR 3, LANCASTER ROAD, OLD SARUM, SALISBURY, SP4 6DZ - **APPROVED**

PL/2023/00073 3 No. branded signage fixed to the front (East elevation). 1 No. directional branded signage fixed to the fencing along the East elevation. 1 No. branded signage fixed to the South elevation. 10 Rhodes-moorhouse Way, Longhedge, SP4 6SA **APPROVED**

OUTSTANDING AND NEW APPLICATIONS

PL/2024/03225 Householder planning permission Proposed Single Storey Side Extension and Alterations 6 Whitebridge Road, Laverstock, Salisbury, SP1 1QA **NO COMMENT**

PL/2024/02656 4 ST ALBANS CLOSE, BISHOPDOWN, SALISBURY, SP1 3FN G1 Consent under Tree Preservation Orders - 4 x Field Maple - reduce overhanging the gardens by up to 1.5m at suitable growth points, selective reduction of the longer limbs over the green behind. T1 Laurel - Reduction of the overhang to match trimmed area (this is for info as not a protected tree) **SUPPORT**

PL/2024/00416 Removal of Conditions. Variation of conditions 1, 2, 3 and 12 and removal of conditions 6, 7, 8, 13 and 14 on PL/2021/11645. The Old Chalk Pit, Gypsy Lane, Petersfinger SP5 3PA **NO COMMENT**

PL/2024/00412 T1 - Chestnut tree - pollard to 3m T2 - Walnut tree - fell T3 - 4 x Scots Pine trees - fell. 1 THROGMORTON HALL, PORTWAY, OLD SARUM, SP4 6BQ **NO COMMENT**

OUTSTANDING AND NEW APPLICATIONS continued

PL/2024/00315 Consent to display an advertisement. Proposed panel sign and fret cut lettering. Unit 7, Castlegate Business Park, Old Sarum, Salisbury, Wilts, SP4 6QX *NO COMMENT*

PL/2023/10145 Change of Use of land to provide 3No. Additional Gypsy and Traveller family pitches for an extended family, x3 No. Static Mobile Homes, parking for 6 vehicles 2 per pitch, turning area, passing places, together with other hardstandings. Land between Open View and Little Acre, Main Road, Winterbourne Earls, Salisbury, Wilts, SP4 6DS *NO COMMENT*

PL/2023/07368 Outline application with all matters reserved. Provision of approximately 15.03ha of residential land accommodating approximately 315 residential dwellings. Provision for mixture of employment, commercial/leisure, and aviation uses on 3.51ha of land. OLD SARUM FLYING CLUB, OLD SARUM AIRFIELD, SP4 6D *OBJECT WITH REASONS*

PL/2023/07727 Erection of a new dwelling, landscaping and associated works. Beehive Cottage, Portway, Old Sarum, Salisbury, SP4 6BL

PL/2023/04526 Development of 46 dwellings (Reserved Matters application pursuant of Outline Application) LAND AT WESTSIDE CLOSE, OLD SARUM, SP4 6BX. original *OBJECT WITH REASONS CONDITIONS still stands*

2022/04875 Proposed commercial development, SALISBURY RETAIL PARK, LONDON ROAD Salisbury SP1 3YX *SUPPORT SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS*

PL/2021/09567 relating to landscape, layout, appearance and scale LAND AT WESTSIDE CLOSE, OLD SARUM, SP4 6BX *SUPPORT WITH CONDITIONS*

2021/04084 Residential development of 53 new dwellings on land to the west of Roger Way (Areas A&F) alongside with the change of use of the vacant ground floor unit at Block C of the OLD SARUM LOCAL CENTRE (Area G) to provide 7 affordable apartments. OLD SARUM. *OBJECT WITH REASONS*

20/11598/OUT Erection of up to 135 dwellings, the laying out of a car park with up-to 50 spaces, access from Church Road. (Outline application relating to access) CHURCH ROAD, LAVERSTOCK *OBJECT WITH REASONS*

20/11145/OUT Outline application (all matters reserved except for access) for the subdivision of the residential plot and the erection of up 2 residential dwellings (Use Class C3). Land SE Of BOURNE HOUSE, FORD LANE, FORD, SP4 6DJ *NO COMMENT*

20/09949/FUL Additional 13 new dwellings in Parcel D, Longhedge *OBJECT WITH REASONS*

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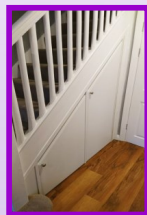
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Matt Wilcock, Chief pilot WAA

June 11: Aircraft Reconnaissance by Phil Nelson

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Our speaker in February was Hadrian Cook, Head Drowner of the Harnham Water Meadows. A drowner supervises the flooding of the water meadows. They sit at the confluence of the Rivers Nadder and Avon. Originally there were two water mills which helped with the control of water levels. Water enters via sluices and runs along channels called carriers before trickling through the grass. The purpose was to encourage the grass to grow sooner because of root oxygenation, increased mineral supply and warmer soil. Originally the grass fed sheep which would be led onto arable fields to provide manure but this became too expensive in man-power and the grass was cut as hay. It could provide two hay crops a year because of the extended growing season. The hay was carried out by carts and sold locally.

In March we welcomed Rebecca Twigg who talked about the Arundell's Community Garden. She was approached by Arundell's in 2022 after they received a Heritage Lottery Grant. They wished to reach out to a wider proportion of the local population. She set up a garden in a weed-strewn strip of land with help from garden volunteers, service veterans and Alabare. The intention was to help people who were recovering from illness or trauma increase their sense of self-worth, pride, belonging and purpose by meaningful learning. Raised beds were made with the help of Mens' Shed, Salisbury.

In May we welcome Ray Broughton, an old favourite, and in June Mark and Sue Brandon on their Salisbury Community Garden Project.

David Hutchinson, Programme Secretary 01722 334036

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In May and June, we will have lecturers speaking on:

'Wild Men of the North' - a collective of Canadian artists who established themselves on the international stage in the early 20th century

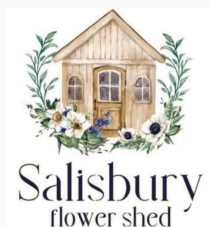
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Hello Sunshine!

It's time to get outdoors after our very sodden Spring. Regulars to the River Bourne Community Farm will have noticed plenty of activity in April, the Farmers Market was a huge success and the Plant sale sold out. Meanwhile the Cafe saw a roaring trade in bacon butties and hot chocolates as the weather roller-coasted from spring sunshine to hail and sleet, with constant rain during the Easter Holidays. The Farmers Market continues on the last Sunday of the month - keep an eye on the River Bourne Community facebook page for announcements.

<https://www.riverbournecommunityfarm.org.uk>

The Devenish Bradshaw Trust have been busy along the water meadows, in April they collected Crab Apples from Castle Hill Country Park for their traditional orchard, plus some cuttings of other species for their hedgerow plantings. They are currently establishing a willow tunnel.

<https://www.dbct.org>

Take a walk from Laverstock, London Road or Cow Lane along the Laverstock watermeadows and enjoy the fruits of all the hours of voluntary support from all ages, who give their time to coppice, build, dig, run workshops, look after the animals and manage the farm - including the work of PlantLife members in propagating wildflowers and gathering seeds to protect species from habitat loss. If you love the outdoors then volunteering on one of our Open Spaces is something to consider.

<https://volunteering.wiltshirewildlife.org/>



CASTLE HILL COUNTRY PARK

I think lots of us will be looking forward to some warmer and dryer weather after the wet winter months we have been having. Thankfully there are signs of spring appearing around the country park. Buds are appearing on shrubs and trees and some important early spring flowers are out to help out our early waking pollinators. I have seen lots of bumblebees about and even a couple of bee flies which are one of my favourites! The bee fly gets its name because it can be easily mistaken for a bumble bee but it is in fact a fly that relies on nectar for its energy.

The skylark nesting season has begun and we have seen a fantastic number of males singing high in the air in search for a mate. They are a red list species, and we are very lucky to have them in our country park so we do ask that you to keep to the footpaths as they can be spooked very easily which can potentially force them to abandoning there nests leading to their young not surviving. You may Rember in the last issue we planned to put in a skylark protection area, unfortunately between the wet weather and nesting season speeding towards us, we had to postpone, but will finish the area after this nesting season ends

COMING SOON Do look out for posters around the park in the next few months as we look to run events such as dawn chorus walks and some family Bio-Blitzing events!

Jake Taylor,

Countryside and Greenspace Officer South & West, The Land Trust

See also the free course offered by Green Angels at the Castle Hill Country Park on page 14 with Wiltshire Wildlife Trust who also offer a variety of volunteering opportunities at Castle Hill Country Park.





D-Day 80

On 6 June 1944, Operations Neptune and Overlord unfolded. Meticulously planned over the course of years, they set the stage for one of humanity's most audacious military campaigns as the Allies sought to retake Western Europe from the Nazis. In planning and execution, the synchronised

movements of hundreds of thousands of personnel and millions of tonnes of steel by sea and air onto the land, paved the way for extraordinary success.

In 2024 we will gather to celebrate the 80th anniversary of D-Day. The numbers of those who remain grow fewer every year but their deeds remain as inspiring as ever. They sailed offshore, flew overhead and stormed the beaches, facing down incredible odds with unwavering resolve. Their footsteps are forever etched in history's sands and their bravery reflects the highest of human courage and determination.

The Royal Navy is delighted to participate in the lighting of beacons on 6 June 2024 to pay tribute to all those who took part in D-Day, whether as part of the landings or supporting from the United Kingdom. The values that those involved were fighting for are ones that we continue to uphold – peace, freedom and democracy. Through this endeavour, we can connect communities across the country in memory of all those who made the ultimate sacrifice.

Admiral Sir Ben Key KCB CBE ADC
First Sea Lord and Chief of Naval Staff

Old Sarum played a significant role in D-day preparations, what is often forgotten is that over 3,500 RAF personnel played key roles in the war efforts in western Europe as the significant deeds in the air and RAF personnel supported operations from the ground, including the construction of airfields, servicing aircraft and providing a forward air control function. RAF Old Sarum was very influential during D-Day as it is where 22,000 of the RAF's vehicle force were serviced and waterproofed, in Operation Snug. The National Archives at Kew record 75,000+ service folk that came through Old Sarum April to December 1944.

Here across the Parish of Laverstock & Ford we will also be marking this significant anniversary. St Andrews church will be ringing a special peal of bells of June 06, and at the Country Park we will be installing a memorial bench made from a felled ash beside the war memorial where visitors can sit and overlook the Historic Old Sarum Airfield and reflect not only on the ancient landscape but the freedom to enjoy our open spaces and the sacrifices made to preserve those freedoms.

OPERATION HAM & JAM*

In June the Boscombe Down Aviation Collection are planning a D-Day exhibition trail to highlight the role of Old Sarum Airfield, from 06 - 08 June there will be demo's (such as parachute packing and talks)

At 6.30 pm on June 06 there will be a drumhead service culminating in lighting the Lamp of Peace, with special guests including the Army Cadets with a drill demo and the Amesbury Town Band and we invite you all to join us for this commemoration.

We have some other ideas brewing - so check out our facebook pages and our website nearer the time.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

BUNTING We'd love it if you could put up some D-Day Bunting to decorate your home, classroom or office.

RUN, CYCLE, WALK with the Lamp of Peace: if you, your family or your community group would like to be an official escort for the lamp light of peace to be taken around the Parish on June 06 please get in touch

** Ham & Jam – The Daring Glider Operation To Take Pegasus Bridge On the night before D-Day, as part of the Allied invasion of Normandy, 181 men of the Glider Infantry of the British 6th Airborne Division dropped by parachutes and Horsa Gliders near the Caen Canal and Orne River. Within 10 minutes of landing and through an intense gunfight, they captured both bridges. Six hours before the D-Day ships landed on Normandy's beaches, Major Howard radioed "Ham and Jam", code that he now held both bridges.*



THE GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN Our thanks to Idverde our Parish waste collectors, who supported our litter pick around Old Sarum and Longhedge in April. We met after the Community Pantry session at the Old Sarum Community Centre on a blustery day during the Easter Holidays and were joined by Ricky Chahal, Abri's Community Safety Officer, Cllrs Lynn, Williams and Jones. We were particularly impressed with the Samways family who joined us in their lunchbreak! Numerous items were unearthed from hedges and having been dumped over garden fences, along with twelve bags of litter. Most of these items could have been taken to the Household Waste & Recycling Centre at which is open 9 - 4pm (closed Thursdays). If your large goods are unsuitable for reuse, the council can collect these from outside of your property for a charge. They are unable to enter your property to collect large items. We cannot collect any commercial items.

This is not a complete list, if you cannot see an item, phone 0300 456 0102 as some other items can be collected by special arrangement: beds, mattresses, sofas, chairs and tables, cupboards, fridges (must be emptied of food), freezers (must be emptied of food), washing machines, cookers, bicycles, carpets (must be rolled and no longer than 6ft/1.8m in length), underlay (must be rolled and no longer than 6ft/1.8m in length), computer items, electrical items, garden furniture, portable heaters/coolers, toys, trampolines if dismantled fully, single items under 50kg. SEE HERE FOR MORE INFO:

<https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/large-item-collection>

When they play, children drive their own development. Play has a critical role in building: stronger, healthy bodies, resilience – children's ability to cope with stress, challenges and setbacks and skills such as creativity, problem-solving and critical thinking.

Playing also builds: children's sense of identity, close family relationships and strong connections within communities. Our full programme of play park renovation, replacement and installation across the parish is coming to a close with our focus now on replacing the Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) at

Saunders Avenue, restoration work planned on the Duck Lane MUGA (pictured here looking like a set from a Wes Anderson film courtesy of parish resident, Ian Sinnette), and at Whitebridge Spinney. We've read and included recommendations in our tender requests from Play England, Fields In Trust, and Make Space for Girls, and hope that these new and refurbished areas will help to re-dress the shift seen in how young people safely access outdoor play moving away from (pandemic-induced) screen-time. It is a responsibility we take seriously and hope that play parks such as the one installed at Sycamore Drive will continue to bring pleasure and develop healthier minds and bodies in our young. We are lucky to also have a skate park, outdoor gym and open spaces such as Cocky Down, Laverstock Watermeadows, Norman Drive, Longhedge, a Sports field off Pheasant Drive and Castle Hill Country Park. Not forgetting two football clubs - all adding to the opportunities for young people to get back outside for play and activity.



No Greater Sacrifice



Tucked in between the hangers at Old Sarum Airfield is a very special memorial. It commemorates those who served with the Air Observation Post during World War II. This branch was a collaboration between the Royal Artillery and the Royal Air Force.

I was very honoured to receive an invitation from the Boscombe Down Aviation Collection (BDAC) to attend a Memorial Service in memory of these servicemen given by their surviving comrades.

Visiting the memorial were retired AOP service personnel who flew in these small, unarmed aircraft, the Squadrons of whom formed up at RAF Old Sarum in 1942. (almost all of them formed up at Old Sarum). They flew Taylorcraft Austers, small defence-less light aircraft flown by a Royal Artillery pilot (RA servicemen who then were trained to fly by the RAF) and an observer in the rear. This carried on from aircraft & artillery co-operation work which had been undertaken at RAF Old Sarum since 1924 (the School of Army Co-operation was based at RAF Old Sarum from 1924-40). The RAF provided the servicing of the aircraft, plus equipment, personnel and adjutants.



The aircraft were deployed in the field - notably in the Normandy invasion & further afield - and would radio to gunners back at artillery positions on the ground, where the enemy positions were. This would then provide the Royal Artillery gunners superior information to deal with the enemy position, and they would have feedback from the AOP aircraft in the vicinity that would establish whether there was a successful hit, or not, and if the gun needed to be adjusted.

These aircraft were not equipped with any means of defending themselves against attacks from both ground based heavy artillery, and overhead attacks from enemy aircraft. Despite this, day after day, hour after hour they carried out their missions. BDAC have one of these Taylorcraft Auster aircraft at the Museum the Remembrance Service took place beside this (due to horrendous weather conditions outside). An opening address was given by the President of the AOP Association, followed by a descriptive address by Wally Steward, of operations he undertook in the Auster during the Korean War. The Last Post was played and a two minute silence observed. A wreath was laid in remembrance of fallen comrades and The Rev. Chris Wray gave the Blessing, thus bringing the Service to a close.

During lunch I had the privilege to chat to many of the guest Veterans and was shown around the aircraft by one of the Pilots who flew it on operational missions. The Museum have brought together equipment used in the aircraft, uniforms and photographs to create a unique window to the work of the Air Operations Post. We in the Parish are fortunate to be able to visit the Boscombe Down Aviation Collection and learn the amazing part Old Sarum Airfield and the Air Observation Post played during World War 2.

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Speaking to the Veterans left me feeling very humbled and aware of the huge sacrifices that were made. I would like to thank the Air Observation Post Association and the Boscombe Down Aviation Collection for inviting me to participate in such a deeply moving dedication.



Thanks must also go to Spencer Mulholland Photography for the photographs taken during the event and used on our front cover, and to Tim Cornish of the BDAC for the photographs and extensive information on the AOP operations at Old Sarum and beyond.

Cllr Lainey Barker

On April 10th Parish Councillors were invited to attend a last minute visit by the Secretary of State to view the Boscombe Down Aviation Collection. Pictured here beside the XX154 BAe Hawk T.1



What's On at the Old Sarum & Longhedge Community Centre

We are urgently seeking new Trustees to help guide and support the aims and offer of this busy and vibrant Community Centre.

May Fri 10 - Glass Workshop

Wed 15 - Community Pantry 1st Birthday Party

Fri 24 - Bingo!

June Fri 14 - Live morning concert with Frankie Simpkins

Fri 28 - Bingo!

Pop in to the centre or visit www.oslcommunitycentre.co.uk for more details.

To book email oldsarumcommunitycentre@gmail.com
or call 01722 335349

Happy 1st Birthday to Old Sarum & Longhedge Community Pantry!

On May 15th the Pantry will celebrate it's first year since opening at the Old Sarum & Longhedge Community Centre. It now regularly feeds fifty families and has over 150 subscribers.

Over the year, funding from Abri, Selwood Housing, L&F Parish Council and Wiltshire Council have enabled the purchase of a freezer, the building of a larder and running costs. Recently Salisbury Museum donated ahelp with chill cabinet. Tescos have donated 1.2 tonnes of food and Waitrose have regularly donated items, plus donations from other local food waste projects. Each week a collection is made from Fare Share.

Come and visit us at the Community Centre on Wednesday mornings 9am - 12.30 where we have our 'Chatter and Natter ' table plus the Community Pantry is open from 9am - 12.30pm. The Pantry is also open Tuesday evenings from 8 - 9pm





LAVERSTOCK DISTRICT EVENING WI

Looking back to a very wet February, we enjoyed an informative talk by practitioners from the Afon House Chiropractic Clinic when we learnt about the importance of exercise in preserving good posture and balance thus helping us to avoid falling

over - a problem we are likely to face as we age and our sight and hearing changes. Some simple exercises were demonstrated, which we attempted fairly successfully. The self discipline of course is our responsibility and that is probably the hardest part!

We enjoyed our Lunch Club outing to the Wig & Quill and another sociable Coffee morning at the Riverbourne Farm.

Also in March we held our Annual General Meeting at which Amy our President was welcomed back together with our Secretary and the Hon Treasurer and Committee. Two retiring Committee Members were thanked and presented with flowers in appreciation of their commitment. After the business was completed we all tackled a tricky cryptic flower quiz while refreshments were served to ease the tension!

We are now set to enjoy a good programme of talks and activities for the next WI year which ends in March 2025.

We welcome newcomers and if you would like to learn more about your local WI branch please contact Louise Hall by email - laverstocksec@wiltshirewi.org.uk. Or by telephone on 01722326549.

NEW SARUM WI

Since the last newsletter, our group has continued to keep active. Our History, Culture and Outings group enjoyed a very interesting tour of Salisbury's Odeon Cinema. This involved going behind the scenes and seeing parts of the old building not normally seen by the general public and included the old restaurant which closed during the sixties and the original stage. How many readers here enjoyed a meal in the restaurant or went to a live concert there? One of the more famous groups to come to Salisbury was the Bee Gees. Did you know the Odeon has a resident ghost called Geoffrey? Our thanks go to a very knowledgeable cinema manageress.

Our speaker in March was Alison Kidner, a local pharmacist, who explained her lifelong love of pharmacy and gave us an insight into what the job actually entails.

The dining-out group had a lovely lunch in the Wessex Restaurant at Salisbury College and have more planned at the same venue. They also sampled the delights of the Thai Orchid one lunchtime and have a Carvery lunch booked at Qudos in early April.

A small group braved appalling weather and ventured to an exhibition of shoes through the ages in Winchester. A visit to Bletchley Park is planned and also the Blandford Costume Museum.

Our sub groups which include Coffee mornings, Craft and Chat and book group continue to thrive, and the Striders walking group will resume their outings once some drier weather is promised!

Our April meeting will see the Annual Meeting, after which we will have some social time and explore amongst ourselves Colour Analysis (following a recent talk from 'House of Colour') . Our May meeting is a change from the printed programme. Kate O'ara-Hatchley's talk on "Inequality in the workplace" will now take place in the autumn. Instead Simon Dickenson will be talking to us about safety online.

If you would like to find out more about this diverse, friendly and sociable group please either phone Sue on 07931 582357, email at newsarumwi@gmail.com, find us on www.facebook.com/NewSarumWi or just turn up at the Old Sarum Community Centre, the first Wednesday of the month from 7.00pm

WHAT'S IN A NAME 3.

WARNEFORD CRESCENT is named after Flight Sub Lieutenant Reginald Warneford VC of the Royal Naval Air Service.

Reginald Warneford was born in Darjeeling, India on 15 October 1891. He was educated in Stratford-upon-Avon and later at the English College, Shimla. He joined the British-India Steam Navigation Company and at the outbreak of the First World War he returned to Britain and joined the Royal Fusiliers. He soon transferred to the Royal Naval Air Service and had pilot training at Hendon and Upavon.

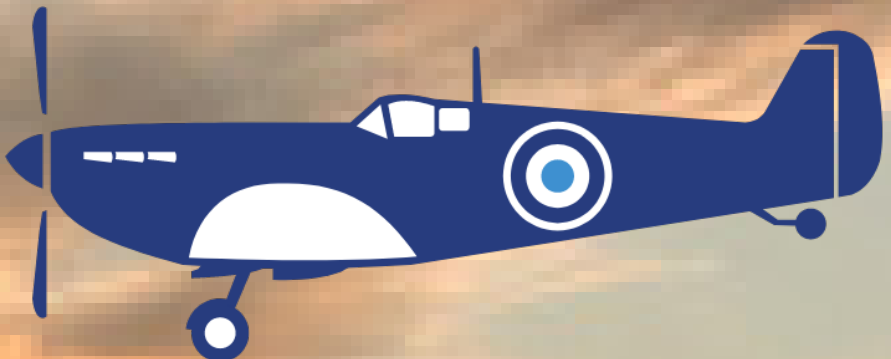


In May 1915 Warneford was posted to 1 Wing at Veurne in Belgium flying a Morane-Saulnier French built monoplane. He was involved in several actions against enemy aircraft as well as troops and gun positions.

On 7 June 1915, on a moonlit night, Warneford attacked the German airship, LZ 37, and destroyed it with bombs. In the ensuing explosion his aircraft was turned upside down and the engine stopped. He regained control and landed behind enemy lines. He repaired the aircraft, took off and returned to base. He was awarded the Victoria Cross and the Legion d'honneur for his action.

Ten days later, on 17 June 1915, Warneford was seriously injured in a flying accident and died on his way to hospital. His funeral at the Brompton Cemetery was attended by thousands of mourners.

By Andrew Prince



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Dial 101 in a NON Emergency - To report a crime (not mentioned above) or to contact an officer



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LAVERSTOCK LADIES OPEN GROUP

At last Spring is here although judging by the constant rain it seems to have been washed away. When the Newsletter is published, we will hopefully be enjoying some warm and sunny days.

Ladies group continues well. We have approximately 28 members and have been lucky to have some new members in recent times. Our Programme for this year is complete and we are now planning for 2025.

In February we enjoyed a talk by Alan Jones called 'Tales of a Roving Reporter' Alan was a Hypnotherapist before becoming a Reporter. Earlier in his career he applied for a job as a Television reporter. He got a job offer but was told at the interview that he had a face for Radio! He enjoyed his job reporting from many different parts of the country, but one downside was the heavy recording equipment he had to carry around, in those days. One story he told was of a plane in which the cockpit window blew out taking the pilot with it. The pilot survived because the quick-thinking co-pilot managed to grab his ankles. A steward then had to take over holding the pilot while the co-pilot landed the plane!

In March Dawn Lawrence gave a talk about the work of the Born Free Foundation. Dawn illustrated her talks with some of her own poetry. The Born Free Foundation is now helping to protect all wildlife. It was originally formed to protect Lions and Elsa the Lioness was the famous one of these.

In April we have Lucy Duncalfe from Salisbury Chiropractic Clinic who will be giving us advice on staying fit and active and in May we have Amanda Butler to give a talk about David Shepherd the Artist. We are hoping for fine weather for our June meeting for our Treasure Hunt around the village.

We welcome new members and meet on the second Monday of the month at 7.45pm in the Village Hall.

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SALISBURY SCHOOLS MINI MARATHON

Dear Residents,

The Salisbury Schools' Mini Marathon Committee would like to inform local residents that this year's event will be held on the Laverstock schools' campus on:

Saturday 18th May 2024

9.00am – 12.00pm

This is a popular event in the Salisbury school calendar with around 1,500 local children and parents participating each year.

In previous years there have been issues with parking causing difficulties for local residents and traffic build-up, we are keen to avoid as much inconvenience for residents as possible and will implement the following measures:

There will be cones outside the schools on Church Road on the morning of the race, to prevent parking on the main road and help keep the traffic moving.

Parents of children attending the event have been asked to park at the Laverstock Club, where the field and car park are being opened up for the morning, or at the secondary school sites.

I hope that these actions will ensure that the residents of the village are not inconvenienced in any way during the morning and ensure an enjoyable and successful event for all concerned. As always, we are very grateful to the local school and business communities for their continued support of this event.

Yours sincerely,

Salisbury Schools' Mini Marathon Committee

The Listening Place, is a charity based at Salisbury Methodist Church, St Edmunds Church Street, Salisbury SP1 1EF, provides a free confidential service to anyone who needs to talk through their problems, big or small. Listeners do not interrupt, advise or judge you but will support you to find your own way forward. Appointments can be made by telephone (01722 325 294) by email (salisburylisteningplace@gmail.com) or by simply dropping in.

This is a unique face-to-face service provided for residents in and around Salisbury. For further details and information: www.thelisteningplace.org.uk.

Local Artists on the Trail

Phoenix Artists

Salisbury Art Trail (Laverstock)

*Phoenix Artists (Mel Cane, Mary Gilson, Liz Hoppe & guest artist, Ann Miller)
are holding an art exhibition and sale of their work
together with craft stalls*

at

The Studio, 1 Willow Close, Laverstock SP1 1QF

Saturday 25th May, Sunday 26th May

Friday 31st May, Sat 1st June, Sunday 2nd June

Friday 7th June, Saturday 8th June, Sunday 9th June

10.30 am to 5.00 pm on each of the above days

Refreshments (tea, coffee & biscuits)

Please make a note in your diary and drop in with friends
for a cuppa at this social event.



Milford House is also joining in The Salisbury Art Trail

Residents and staff at Milford House Care Home are really looking forward to joining in this year's Salisbury Art Trail which opens on the 25th May and runs for two weeks. Alongside works by residents, the home will also be showing-casing works by two artists who are members of staff: Ela Anthony who creates vibrant pictures in mixed media as well as resin jewelry and home decor and Scarlet Leatham who is a photographer. There will also be a guest artist, Paul Cooper who specialises in Metal Garden Art. Art plays such an important role in the life of the home and is one of our most popular activities and residents have previously exhibited at Waterstones in Salisbury and some of their work is currently on display in the cafe at River Bourne Community Farm. Art Trail brochures will be available in the home from the end of the first week in May if you would like a copy. The Milford exhibition will be open for viewing between 11am - 4pm on 25th - 27th May, 30th May - 2nd June and 6th - 9th June and on some days there will be the opportunity to meet the artists.

Wiltshire Neighbourhood Watch Association in the Parish of Laverstock & Ford

I am Ross Walker, your Local Committee Member Wiltshire NW,

Wiltshire Neighbourhood Watch is a volunteer led organisation which aims to bring neighbours together to create strong, friendly, active communities, in which trust and respect reduce the extent to which people, young and old, feel afraid, vulnerable or isolated in the place where they live.

Neighbourhood Watch Network (NWN) the national umbrella organisation for Neighbourhood Watch, to which Wiltshire NHW is affiliated, was relaunched in 2017.

Our Partnership Agreement with Wiltshire Police and the Police and Crime Commissioner reflects the desire of each partner to collaborate in supporting safer communities to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour.

There are about 2.3-million-member households already in the UK, why not join them?

At the heart of Neighbourhood Watch are 3 key principles:

KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOURS BE NEIGHBOURLY GET INVOLVED IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Membership also allows you to receive messages from Wiltshire Police and other partner agencies, which you can select through a free data secure system called Community Messaging, these messages are called Alerts.

We currently have 2 schemes in Laverstock, 3 in Ford, as well as others on the Estates of Old Sarum & Longhedge. Joining NW is free, there are no costs.

I am here to help and support you join a scheme or start a new one in your local community. It can be a group neighbours, a road, or do you have a different idea. ross.walker@wiltshirenhw.org

To find your nearest scheme go to our web site. www.wiltshireNHW.org

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**Community facebook groups and pages:** search for

Ask a Salisbury Vet, Bishopdown Farm and Riverdown Park Community, HOPEChurchSalisbury, Missing Dogs Salisbury page, SalisburyCampSiteQuest, LandFPC, Laverstock & Ford Community, @RiverBourneCommunityFarm, @Cafeatthefarm, Laverstock & Ford Residents, Longhedge Greenfingers, MilfordAreaPreservationGroup, The Duck Inn, New Sarum WI, Laverstock, Bishopdown, Ford & Old Sarum Litter Wombles, Laverstock and Ford Parish Council, Longhedge Residents, Longhedge Residents Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, Laverstock & District Evening W.I., St Joseph's Catholic School, Laverstock, Wyvern St Edmund's Learning Campus, Friends of Wyvern St Edmund's Learning Campus (link to group for uniform exchange), Old Sarum & Longhedge Community, SOS - Save Old Sarum, Old Sarum Community Centre, Old Sarum Garden Centre, Laverstock & Ford Ladies FC, StMarksAndStAndrewsSalisbury, SarumRotary, WildaboutLaverstock

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Boscombe Down Aviation Museum - Conference Room available

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The Ray MacEnhill Stadium Meeting Rooms

email info@salisburyfc.co.uk or call **01722 776655**.

Domestic Abuse Support

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u3a JOIN US!

Sarum u3a, is an organisation which welcomes people no longer in full time employment to join together to learn, laugh and live!

We hold Monthly Meetings on the third Wednesday morning of the month with interesting and varied speakers. These meetings are held at St Francis Church on Castle Road and begin with coffee/tea at 10am. We also offer a vast variety of Interest Groups led by members with knowledge, experience or simply an interest in the subject, generally meeting in their own homes.

May 15th Group Exhibitions/Displays

June 19th Ian Caskie – Brunel's SS Great Britain

July 17th Roger Hiron – The Plant Doctor – Growing to Eat



Mothers Union

We have just celebrated Lady Day, when we remember the example of Jesus' mother Mary and her response to God. Across the world, in the 83 countries where Mothers Union is represented, Lady Day is celebrated in many and varied ways. Here in Salisbury it is an opportunity to meet with other MU groups, and this year we were invited to join members at St Francis Church for a short service, refreshments and conversations – a chance to make connections with each other.

In May (9th) we look forward to Bryan Evans returning for the second part of his talk on the history of St Andrew's and Laverstock. We have our annual outing in June (13th) – destination still under discussion at the time of writing this, but if you are interested in joining us please contact Pip Carter 07854 827233 or Joan Prior 07833 781075 for more info.

And in July (11th) we look forward to welcoming Suzanne Waters as our speaker – she can speak about our various projects, and she also understands where the money that we give will go and how it will be spent. It's always good to listen to someone who is passionate about what they do, and Suzanne is certainly passionate about MU – so if you want to understand more about who we are and what we do, please make a note of this date in your diary. We would love to see you. ***This Christian Aid Week – from 12-18 May – supporters are once more stepping up, knowing that every prayer, every gift, every action helps transforms lives. Watch out for the red envelope through your door.***

St Andrews Churchyard **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We urgently need volunteers to help maintain the Laverstock village churchyard. If you can help, or if you know of somebody who could give an hour or two a month during the growing season to help us with mowing and strimming, please get in touch. Godfrey King – 07974809708

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