

DIARY Dates for Events in the next two months

SEPT

Wed 6th	Evergreen Club	V.Hall	2.30pm
Mon 25th	Garden Club	V.Hall	7.30pm
	AGM & Competitions		

The newsletter needs club News - Potential members need to know about You

Laverstock, Ford, Old Sarum & Hampton Park

Parish Newsletter

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SPECIAL & GENERAL NEWS *compiled by the Editor*

JULIET BRAIN is the new co-editor juliet@artsmonkey.co.uk Tel. 01980 611203. John King (01722 33437) will continue with advertisements and occasional articles

Juliet will be known to some via Friends of St Edmunds, to others via her previous career at Salisbury Playhouse, by yet others for her current work with Youth Arts Agency 'Artswork' and, in addition, she is part of a long line of local residents. There will, no doubt, be changes to the style and format of the newsletter - so if you have any ideas then get in touch now with your suggestions.

AT LEAST AS IMPORTANT - *the new Parish Clerk takes over from September 1st 2006.* Steve Hannath is a retired Head Teacher, he has been on committees at a variety of sport and social clubs being secretary for several of them. He used to live in North Wiltshire and has been in Laverstock for two years.

SCHOOL TRAFFIC - The scrutiny group led by Ian McLennan has come up with new ideas which could produce a major improvement in the village. Use London Road Park&Ride as a drop-off/pick-up site; possibly providing bicycles for pupils to get to the schools.

- Make Laverstock a 'No stopping zone'
- Introduce considerable amounts of anti-rat run traffic calming
- Reduction to 20mph outside the schools.
- Fingers are crossed so as to manoeuvre past the various entrenched groups and their particular views and complaints.

HAMPTON PARK is not going to be transferred to the City. Viewpoint from Ian McLennan counts this as 'People Power triumphs again'.

LATE NEWS - CHANGES at the SPORTS CLUB -

Just as the Newsletter went to Press, the news came in that Peter Sanger had suddenly resigned as Chairman of the Laverstock Sports Club after just being re-elected to begin his 13th year in charge. By the time any details come out in the newsletter, it is more likely that the ever-efficient grapevine will have spread the news around as well as much gossip.

OTHER CONTACTS AROUND THE AREA

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Tai Chi	Cheryl Beeney	Tel 01722 337870
Scouts	Dave Waspe	Tel 01722 421287
Cubs	Kate Knight	Tel 01980 622495
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Garden Club	7.30pm 4th Monday of each month - visitors welcome	
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GENERAL NEWS

Blot on the landscape?

Danescroft have just published their first marketing mail shot for the London Road Office Park – the site between the Leapfrog Day Nursery and the new Park'n'Ride.

It is described as a development of 4 prestigious high-spec two and three storey buildings with on-site car parking. Interestingly enough the shiny brochure also contains a map detailing a proposed supermarket on the site opposite Brewer's Fayre.

Salisbury Council Planning Office seems insistent on cocooning our lovely historic medieval City [good] (as advertised on all roads in) with industrial sites and supermarkets [ugly & bad] – isn't it about time they gave us a new park and planted trees and created cycle ways – some of us would like to be able to do other things when not working and shopping (which is clearly what they think we are always doing!).

SDC Planning have been asked to give a long-term assessment about London Road and the Laverstock-Parish impact in the next issue.

Newspaper Delivery does continue in Ford

A note through the door assures me that Gloria and Alwyn of Martins Newsagents (in Blue Boar) offer a first class service of newspaper and magazine delivery to Ford. Delivery rates are £1.69 a day for a seven day service, delivery is normally by 7am. Ring Gloria/Alwyn on 01722 336402.

Refurbish, Recycle, Renew

What to do with your old electrical appliances – dump them on the side of the road? No! Drag them down to Salisbury waste ... in Churchfields? Possibly! Or you could call **Refurbiz**, a local charity set up in Devizes to help alleviate poverty, improve the environment and provide local jobs for volunteers, job seekers and paid staff.

'Refurbiz' stock a large supply of refurbished large electrical items primarily available for those on benefits and in need. If they can't refurbish an item they will recycle it! To donate an item simply ring 01380 720 200 or look them up at www.refurbiz.org they will arrange collection and simply ask that you make a small donation towards costs.

River Watch

Sidney Vines writes in that there is 'saline pollution' below Laverstock; Wessex Water are dealing with it. Also Adrian Moore of the Environmental Agency is doing a survey which has to propose measures to improve the depth of the river - by narrowing or making more bends. He has £2 million available. It is unclear what effect these efforts will have on the dire state of the Bourne.

CHRISTIAN AID

Due to pressure on space the last issue carried only a brief line about the amount raised this year. This was unfortunate as it gave the impression that the proper thanks and congratulations had not been made to all those who contributed in any way. Of course this was not the intention. However Councillor Thomas was particularly emphatic that the wrong message had been given and that no permission had been given to edit the text in any way.

Barbara Thomas sent in - *“CHRISTIAN AID collection this year raised £1,207.82. Many, many thanks for the generosity of those who faithfully gave, collected and counted. Without Christian Aid many people in poorer countries would not have any help. Thank you for another fantastic Christian Aid Week.”*

Yeah but...

Are you under 25 years old, having a great summer, so many things to do and not enough time to do them in?

Good for you! For many young people the summer holidays are a black hole of boredom. Salisbury District Council are doing their best to help change this with the launch of their new improved dedicated website for young people 'yeahbut'. Perhaps inspired by a well known TV character from 'Little Britain' www.yeahbut.org.uk contains details of events and what's happening in the community, competitions, news on sports and clubs and for those budding politicians among you information about the council, the services they provide and more importantly a 'have your say' section. Which is great because now when you moan that there's nothing to do, nowhere to go, etc., you have a direct link to the council to tell them all about - what you want and why.

As a young person you can have a say on proposed up-coming projects and decisions which affect you and your community - don't waste it - if you do nothing else this summer check it out. Yeahbut was designed in consultation with young people - how many it doesn't say, but if you weren't one of them you still have a chance to give your feedback positive or otherwise. So give it a go, have your say - someone might just be listening! Call Amber Skyring 01722 434568 for details or visit www.yeahbut.org.uk

POLICE NEWS

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Put your post-code and house-number on all your valuables - including your garden equipment. If you see a car speeding - get the numberplate. There have been reports of indecent exposure - If you see anything 'however small and insignificant' (in the words of the NW article) please report it at once.

CLARENDON PALACE - taken from a report by Michael Cowan

The story begins with William the Conqueror, from about 1070, he began to consolidate his control of the area with the castle at Old Sarum. Shortly after he was using the pre-conquest hunting box three miles south-east, just off the road to Winchester, across the Bourne Valley in Clarendon Forest. This was part of a vast swathe of royal hunting land from Windsor to Southampton - *“a territory of woody grounds and fruitful pastures privileged for wild beasts and fowls of forest, chase and warren to rest and abide in, in the safe protection of the King for his princely delight and pleasure”* (Manwood's Forest Laws 1665). The hunting box was developed by Henry I soon after 1100. The King moved around and where he was so was the Court and Government. By 1189, Henry II's court periodically occupied what was now a palace with Great Hall, royal suites containing sculpture, accommodation around courtyards and landscaped gardens: in all eighteen acres.

Henry III (1216 - 1272) has been described as a 'great champion of Gothic Art in England'. He had the palace improved and superbly decorated. Work for which Elias de Dereham was a leading consultant while he simultaneously oversaw the building of the new cathedral in the valley bottom in New Sarum.

Royal interest in the palace waned from the fifteenth century. Charles I sold it; Charles II bought it back and sold it again. In the 1660s it was acquired by Lord Chancellor Hyde, already Earl of Clarendon, the man who created the Clarendon Press at Oxford University. The present mansion was built by Peter Bathurst, the member of Parliament for the rotten borough of Old Sarum in 1737.

The palace decayed but our knowledge is now informed by sporadic archaeo- logical work in the 20th century culminating in the major investigation by Prof. Tom Beaumont-James from the University of Winchester. Spoil heaps from earlier digs have been removed, trees and undergrowth removed to expose the whole site and up-to-date conservation methods used to protect above-ground remains. The site is landscaped to improve the viewing. Excellent display boards are in place.

The exotically named Tancred Borenius excavated in the 1930s and wrote *“every schoolboy knows the name of Clarendon because of the Constitution of Clarendon in 1164”* he could have added 'and the Assize of Clarendon in 1166'. Both these were significant events by which Henry II developed English freedoms. The Constitution limited ecclesiastical authority - to the irritation of Archbishop Becket and the Assize regulated criminal trial and introduced the jury system. While schoolboys then may have known such facts only a few would have known that these events took place at one of Salisbury's great mediaeval treasures.

The ruins are now well conserved and accessible to visitors. There is an excellent but short pamphlet published & sold by the Museum about Clarendon. At the Museum are numbers of the colourful tiles made for the Palace - although the best of these are in Room 43 of the British Museum.

St Andrews Church News

Mothers Union - on a smaller but more personal scale to the requests from the Trussell Trust for food and donations - the Mothers Union runs a 'Holiday for Disadvantaged Families' on the Isle of Wight between the 19th and 26th of August. Whilst the newsletter will be too late for anyone to contribute this year - this is a very worthwhile operation and any help given can easily be set aside for use at next year's effort. Sue Gallagher Tel. 01722 332619 will be giving a report next issue.

Being Green - (based on an excellent article by Bryan Evans)

The environmental 'footprint' of the typical user has been calculated - measuring the use of forest, sea, agriculture, mining and so on. The work implies that there are enough resources for '1.7 hectare-unit' for each person on the planet. In the UK we use about 5.3 hu per person [3 times as much]. We get away with this because the poor are so far below the satisfactory level. But the Indians and Chinese, for example, are all going to want their share of cars, fridges and holiday travel.

1. Try to cut your power consumption. Use curtains in winter; wear more clothes before turning on the heating; don't leave TVs etc on standby.
2. Switch to renewable energy - contact Good Energy 0845 456 1640.
3. re-think your paper usage. Don't print emails; protest about packaging.
4. Stop all junk mail [Mailing Preference, Freepost 22, London W1E 7EZ]
5. Cut water consumption - wash up by hand; use a bucket;
6. Patronise the local Farmers Market and the ordinary market. Avoid buying well-travelled out-of-season food.
7. consider the necessity of the car - do you really need it to go a mile.
8. and consider your love affair with international travel.
9. Take a hard look at the amount of waste you produce - and cut back.
10. Or even find a worthwhile small and personal charity where you can be confident that your contribution will really get to the people who need it.

Cycling for Churches - last year the St Andrews effort raised £476 out of a South Wilts total of £34,700. Let's get a real effort going for Sat Sept 9th. Contact Alan Ely for details of sponsorship on 01722 329213.

CANCER RESEARCH UK BEETLE DRIVE

Saturday 21st October at 7.30pm in Laverstock Village Hall

Tickets £5 (to include Light Refreshments) Tel Sue Gallagher 332619

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Meetings: every second Monday of the month at 7pm in St Andrews School. All members of the Public are welcome to attend and also to put questions to the Parish Council prior to the start of any meeting.

As usual, there have been two Council meetings since the last Newsletter at which a number of issues were discussed. The request for a new councillor to represent the parish area of Old Sarum continues. If you live in this area and would like to serve your local community then please get in touch or attend the next Council meeting at St Andrews School on Monday September 11th at 7.00pm.

Work in the Whitebridge Spinney area is nearing completion with four more unhelpfully sited trees to be removed during the autumn. The tarmac footpaths from the boardwalk to Riverbourne Road are now completed and this now completes the circuit. The play equipment will be renovated shortly and RoSPA will carry out a further safety inspection in September. Still more work will follow to improve the football area (which will be out of action for a period) and also the one at Duck Lane after the hot summer has passed. More seats and litter bins are also planned for the area.

A request for low-level lighting along the boardwalk was discussed at the last meeting and, following adverse reaction from local residents, was rejected.

The progress on the Duck Lane 'Pilgrims Way' development has led to some complaints which we will pursue with Bloor Homes and the SDC Planning but we are still awaiting a date for this meeting.

On the related topic of the improvements to St Andrews School, per the letter sent out by Karen Walker in May - *"it is hoped that work will begin in the Summer holidays; knocking down the two undersized classrooms and putting a temporary partition in the hall. New toilets will be built immediately. During the building project the hall will be used for teaching (so as to save the £17,000 cost of a mobile classroom). The Governors and I will always have the childrens' interests at the forefront when negotiating with the Diocese and the contractors as regards the schedule of works."*

The Old Sarum development has still not yet started. As reported elsewhere, the school building will be the first to be done. Complaints regarding the re-routing of the bus in the Ford / Green Lane area so as to direct it off a small section of private land were heard but the Parish Council have no authority to intervene in private disputes. If the area were to be taken over by SDC or WCC then they would almost certainly have to upgrade a large section of Green Lane at considerable expense. It is understood that SDC and WCC do not wish to do so.

Numerous planning applications were discussed. As usual, the majority are for extensions, conservatories and the like. Following representations to SDC, I can report that an application for cement silos at St Thomas' Farm (CB Skips) has been withdrawn. We have queried the status of this land i.e. agricultural or industrial; we await an answer.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS - continued

New larger notice-boards have been ordered for both Laverstock and Ford. These will allow for more information to be displayed and should be erected in the near future.

Thanks are due to the Gardening Club, which meets monthly at the Village Hall, for maintaining the flower-bed of roses near the Green bus stop and also for planting the tubs outside the hall. Their involvement has helped by reducing the demand on your rates. We would all be glad of your help in preventing vandalism in these areas.

The prospective new editor for the Newsletter to replace John King has yet to be interviewed by the Council, but there is at least one candidate. If anyone else is interested please liaise asap with the Parish Clerk to see what the job entails.

To end this report on a happy note - the Council has agreed to appoint Mr Steve Hannath, a retired Head Teacher, as Clerk from 1st September 2006. His details will appear on the contacts page of the newsletter. Our thanks go to Andy Hall, our outgoing clerk, for his diligence and help over the last six years, but more of this later. We wish him a happy retirement.

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Members of the council, led by Councillor Derek Hayes, are compiling a Parish Plan. This draft will be circulated for comment to all areas of our community later in the year. It is hoped to have it in final form by early 2007. The next issue of the newsletter may have an article giving preliminary comments and asking for suggestions and assistance.

Your Parish Council (PC) is here to help you and we trust that we have your continued support. However, in order to ensure that the relationship is properly a two-way activity we need you to tell us what is good and what is poor, we need you to say what you like and what you don't like about all the four different and disparate parts of the parish. Indeed, knowing about these things will become part of the Parish Plan.

The PC can only act and react to concerns that are properly within their remit and officially brought to their notice. The most unwelcome comment to be heard by any councillor is 'Why didn't somebody do something'. The most unsatisfying response is 'Nobody raised the issue, we didn't know'.



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St. Andrew's, Laverstock

Vicar	Revd Keith Robinson	T. 01722 503123
Parish Office	Barry Makin	Tel/Fax 503123
Churchwarden	Mr Brian Evans	T. 01722 320129
Churchwarden	Mrs Sue Gallagher	T. 01722 332619
Sun 8.00am	Holy Communion	1st Sunday BCP
<i>2nd & 4th Sundays at St. Martins</i>		
Sun 9.30am	Sung Eucharist	3rd Sun. Common Worship
Sun 9.30am	Family Eucharist	except 1st Sunday
Sun 11.00am	Kingfishers	1st Sunday in the month*
Sun 6.30pm	Evensong	other Sundays ex. Summer Hols
Wed 9.30am	Holy Communion (said)	

OTHER Churches - St. Marks Parish Church,

IN Interregnum	Revd David Stokes/	T. 01722 327426
	Revd Jill Offer	T. 01722 334455
	<i>Parish Office</i>	T. 01722 323767

Sun 8.00am	Holy Communion	2 nd and 4 th Sunday
Sun 10.30am	Parish Communion;	1st Sun. - Service for all ages
	Common Worship with Creche and Sunday School	

Sun 6.00pm	Evensong	(BCP sung)
Wed 10.00am	Holy Communion	2 nd Weds of every month

St. Mary's -	Winterbourne Gunner	service at 9.30am exc. 5th Sunday
St. Michael's -	Winterbourne Earls	service at 11.00am

1st Sun 6pm	Holy Communion	
Wed 9.30am	Holy Communion	
Vicar	Revd Stuart Burns	T. 01980 611350

Catholic Church Services at Holy Redeemer, Bishopdown

Until further notice services will only be as follows - Sat Mass at 7pm
Fr Barnaby Dowling & Fr Andrew Goodman T. 01722 333581

Bourne Valley Methodist Church, Winterbourne Dauntsey

Sun 10.00am	includes Junior Church	
Revd Rosemary Richter	T. 01722 334833 or	T. 01980 611274

Orthodox Church - Fr Columba Graham Flegg T. 01722 340520
holds monthly services at Sarum College Chapel on Saturdays at 11.30 approx. monthly

Unofficial Report of the Sports Club AGM

About 150 of the 1,300 members attended the AGM. This makes the AGM one of the busier events at the club - which is a little surprising as each year it seems that much the same things are said. Peter Sanger should know, he was re-elected as Chairman to begin his 13th year in charge. He began with a very unhelpful pair of microphones which meant that nobody could hear or understand a word he said. Eventually, all the reports were made simply by speaking a little louder - which was fine except when the constant background murmur rose to drown out each speaker in turn. The majority of the evening ran as slickly and smokily as ever. The accounts were accepted without any questions; last year's AGM Minutes went the same way; the Treasurer said much the same as for the last few years; the election of officers was pretty straightforward; and finally there was no change to their honoraria.

The Chairman began as usual with a minute's silence for departed members followed by comprehensive thanks to the committee and the bar-staff and the cleaners and everyone who contributed to the running of the club. As for sporting successes, the Ladies Darts team was the most successful; the Snooker team were runners-up in Division 1; the two Senior Football teams were both runners-up in their respective divisions - The Men's 1st team left Wessex 3 and are promoted to Wessex 1; the Men's Reserve team rise from Wessex Combination League 2 to League 1. Sportswise generally the club was doing well.



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The Treasurer said that sales were 15% below expectations as 200K rather than 230K (2004 214K). Fortunately profit margins were fractionally up so the overall profit before expenses was 111K dropping slightly from 114K. The club's beer supplier said that our performance was typical throughout the country. But yet again, the treasurer said that many problems would be smoothed if there was an increase in the number of regular customers at the clubhouse. He was hopeful that the World Cup would bring in extra revenue but the remainder of the summer and, indeed, through to October was expected to be slow. The cost of Sky, which does bring several viewers through the door, was about £10 per day whether or not there was anybody watching - this cost-benefit of Sky might need to be re-assessed. He made it clear that the committee is happy and eager to hear ideas which would help increase the activity, turnover and general attractiveness of the club and clubhouse.

Several points were raised which may be having an effect. One member had asked that parties arranged by members, 'private parties', should actually be made unavailable to uninvited members. This suggestion was loudly applauded. The committee said that it would consider this and the aspects of insurance, bar-staff and so on before probably making a suitable 'committee ruling' on the issue in the next month or so.

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Another member complained that a small but loud group of members were sniping and criticising the bar-staff. The committee response was to say that the whole club was grateful because without the considerable efforts of the bar-staff, and the other backstage teams there would be little or no, profitable or pleasurable activity at the club.

A third member raised the issue of membership fees. Due to an unfortunate misunderstanding, her suggestion of £20 to join and £10 to continue was heard by many as an overall figure of £30 to join (compared with the current figures of £12 and £6.) After several attempts at "clarification", the new rates were agreed at £12.50 for new members which as before covers them for their first year, and £10 annual renewal fee. It was then pointed out that the rules as displayed on the noticeboard were not up-to-date as regards 'life membership'. The old rule was that OAPs who had been members for 25 years could apply for 'life membership and 50% discount'.

The recent rule is that 'members whom the committee think suitable' can be given life-membership and that, i. there are not very many such candidates, ii. the committee feels that £10 is not a hugely significant sum.

The fourth point, and not on the agenda, was that there was too little enforcement of non-members getting into the club. It was asked that an official letter of complaint be sent to the committee.



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In the bar afterwards, it was difficult to get many new ideas for how the club could generate extra income or get more people through the doors. Re-instating the cricket team was one suggestion but it is unclear how feasible this is both as regards getting a full-summer-season pitch or enough players.

Several people commented that the difficulties they had heard about were mostly caused by only a small number of members and their guests - but that it only needed a small group to ruin someone's enjoyment.

On the 24th & 25th June, the 7 to 14 year old 6-a-side competition was very successful. In almost every age group there were 10 or more teams competing. There were even some 5 and 6 year-olds who played in the U7 teams.

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4th in month	Garden Club	7.30pm
Tuesday	Taoist Tai Chi	10am to 12 noon
	Pilates	6pm to 8pm
Wednesday	Mini-Movers Playgroup	
1st in month	Evergreen	2.30pm
	Cubs	6.30pm to 7.30pm
	Scouts	7.30pm to 10 pm
Thursday	Toddler Group (term-time only)	10am to 11.30am
	Line-Dancing	2.30pm to 4pm
	Tai Chi	7.30pm to 9.30pm
Friday	Fitness League	2.00pm to 3pm
	Extend - Exercise to Music	3pm to 4pm
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The Parish Council will be supplying their news and reports on issues, the Schools, Church and Clubs have been asked to contribute more often.

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The inaugural meeting of this group took place on Thursday 20th July 2006. It was agreed that :-

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- 2) the Trust will encourage the preservation and enhancement of the open spaces currently situated in the parish (and the adjacent area of Milford).
- 3) there is a determination that these areas should be reinstated and maintained as pastoral land and as traditional watermeadows for generations to come.
- 4) there is a lack of a unified management strategy; in particular in relation to flood protection, wildlife conservation & enhancement and access management.
- 5) liaison will take place with the Living Rivers Project.

For the present, David Burton of Riverside Close would accept the position of Chair of the Trust while Naomi King would act as Secretary. The post of Treasurer is vacant.

The Trust will liaise with Ian McLennan, one of the two SDC councillors for the area, to discuss access and management issues and, in particular, the options for a cycle path between Laverstock and Salisbury.

David Burton would make enquiries of the successful watermeadow and downland trusts in the area such as Harnham, Wilton and Langford.

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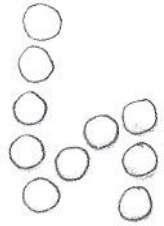
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