

Rowde Village News



December 2016 / January 2017

75p



THE CROSS KEYS

Kelly and her team welcome you to our village pub, serving great local beer, and home cooked food including Homemade pizzas, burgers, daily specials, kids menu and mature menu (age 60+)

Opening Hours

Monday 5-11 (no food)

Tuesday - Thursday 12-11
food 12-9

Friday and Saturday 12-12
food 12-9

Sunday 12-11 food 12-9
including carvery 12-2.30

Call 01380 739567 to book

Skittle Alley available for functions

Facebook page 'The Cross Keys'



JOHN STUART FUNERAL SERVICE LIMITED

18 The Britox
Devizes
Wiltshire SN10 1AJ
Tel: 01380 729459



Funerals Arranged
24 Hour Service
Private Chapel of Rest

ROWDE VILLAGE



Have you visited the village website yet? You will find it at www.rowdevillage.org
(Amongst many other things, you can see your Rowde Village News in glorious full colour!)

Please note that our Rowde Village website manager is Rebekah Jeffries and she can be contacted at rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com or 01380 720988.

Editorial

Welcome to the December and January double edition of the Rowde Village News and I hope you enjoy reading it.

Firstly I must thank Ruth Robinson for sending us a photograph to accompany her 'Parenthood' article (page 24) which we immediately stole for the front cover and I hope you will agree that is where it deserves to be.

All the usual excellent reports from our village clubs and organisations again in this issue as well as two very good 'school reports'.

New to this issue is 'News from the Cross Keys' which we hope will be a regular contribution from the new landlady Kelly Dodsworth. So, read all about what's happening in your 'local' on page 27. And as it happens, our Eating Out feature this month comes from the 'Keys' so you can also see what is said about Kelly's culinary skills on page 7.

We also see the return of 'Photo Memories' with another old Rowde Primary School photo. See how many pupils you recognise on page 27.

And, as it is the festive season coming up, I must give a mention to Mary Berry's recipe for Christmas pudding (page 11) and to the advert for the excellent Rowdeford School Christmas cards drawn by some of the pupils. Find out how you can buy them on page 42.

Finally, on behalf of the magazine team, can I wish you all a very happy Christmas and hope that 2017 brings you all you wish for.

See you at the last ever Burns Night Supper in Rowdeford School on 28th January if not before?

Mind how you go, Ed

This magazine is brought to you thanks to The Stationery Cupboard and all the advertisers.

Notice to contributors & advertisers

This magazine is generally printed in black and white in hard copy and delivered free to every home in the parish but additionally it is hosted on the **Village website** in full colour. If anyone does not wish any particular details (photographs, names, contact details, etc) to appear on the World Wide Web then they are advised not include them in their submissions, thank you.

Contributors please also note:

The deadline for articles and any changes to advertisements is the 15th of every month.

Inserts: Due to the extra work created by inserting leaflets into the magazine and the fact that the team is already stretched, we very much regret we are unable to accept requests of this nature except in very special circumstances, when there will be a small charge.

Views expressed in this magazine are those of its contributors. They do not necessarily represent those of the editorial team.

Contents

December 2016 / January 2017

Rowde all about it (page 4) *News and views from village organisations*

Rowde Book Club (page 6)

Eating Out (page 7)

Rowde Parish Council (pages 8 to 10)

Village Shop Report & Recipe (pages 10 & 11)

The St Matthew's Pages (pages 12 & 13)
inc. Church Rotas and details of Services and Events

News from Rowde Primary Academy (pages 14 & 15)

Photo Fun (page 15)

News from Rowdeford School (page 16)

News from Hft (page 17)

John's Farm (page 20)

Short Story (page 21)

Rowdey Cow News (page 22)

Parenthood (page 24)

Photo Memories (page 27)

News from the Cross Keys (page 27)

Local News (pages 28 to 32)

Thoughts for the Month (page 33)

Fun page (page 34)

Useful Tips & Tricks (page 35)

Shopper Bus Services (page 35)

Letters (page 50)

FREE Classified Ads (page 51)

Sudoku (page 52)

Quick Reference List of Advertisers (page 53)

Quick Reference Contacts and Village Guide (page 54)

Village Diary and Rowde Bus Times (page 55)

The Magazine Team

Alan Watters (Editor)

Tel: 01380 724788

Email: watters.alan@gmail.com

Suzan Jackett (Assistant Editor)

Tel: 01380 729791

Email: suzijj@rocketmail.com

Julie Baker (Advertising Manager)

Tel: 07796690413

Email: juliebaker72@yahoo.co.uk

Jan Emm (Distribution Manager)

Tel: 01380 725455 Ext 1004

Email: Jan.Emm@hft.org.uk

Cover Photo

The superb cover shot this month was sent in by Ruth Robinson. Read her excellent 'Parenthood' article on page 24.

ROWDE VILLAGE HALL

If you have passed the Village Hall recently you will have noticed we have had a lot of work done in tidying the ground around the Hall including removing the overgrown hedge alongside the footpath to the Church, erecting a new fence and reseeded the bank.

The Christmas Bazaar will be held on December 3rd. Raffle prize winners and report in next issue.

The Christmas Bingo will be held at 8pm on December 12th. Good Prizes to win!

The Annual General Meeting will be held on February 7th 2017 at 8pm. Anyone interested in joining the Committee pleased contact me for details.

The Village Hall Committee would like to thank everyone for their support over the past year and wish you all a Happy Christmas and all Good Wishes for the New Year.

B Barrett, Chairman

ROWDE TUESDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

The members were all saddened at the passing of one of their former members Pearl Baker who until moving to Devizes attended the Club for many years usually collecting the monthly subs.

The members met in the Village Hall on Nov. 1st. and had a very pleasant afternoon nattering over a cup of tea and cake!

The next meeting will be the Christmas Lunch at the Cross Keys in early December and the first meeting of the New Year will be on January 3rd. at 2.30pm in the Village Hall. Why not come along and join us!

Happy Christmas to you all from the Afternoon Club.

D Ellis, Secretary/Treasurer 722655

ROWDE LADIES CLUB

We were all sorry to hear of the sad loss of Pearl Baker a Ladies Club member for a number of years and extend our sympathy to all her family.

The Ladies Club did not have a meeting in October. Their annual Christmas Party with guests from Devizes WI and Bromham Wives Group was held on Nov. 29th. Report in the next Newsletter.

The January meeting will be on 31st at 7.45pm in the Village Hall when there will be a chance to see another beautiful visual presentation given by Pauline Hawkins and on Feb 28th. we will be having a Pancake evening.

With all Good Wishes for Christmas and the new Year from the Ladies Club member.

Di. Buckland, Secretary

HIWAY CLUB

(for the hearing impaired)

There was no Hiway meeting in October. It was party time on November 23rd when members enjoyed a Ploughman's Supper. More details next time.

The first meeting of 2017 will be held on January 25th in the Village Hall when we will welcome back Alan Truscott with another of his interesting talks and February we will have another visual presentation of places of interest to be given by a member William Ilott.

The members of the Hiway Club wish you all a very Happy Christmas and New Year.

Di. Buckland (Secretary) 723049

MONDAY CLUB NEWS

Bromham and Rowde Day Centre for Older People

Our 12 shoe boxes have been sent off to Operation Christmas child. Thank you to everyone who contributed to them in any way. For the St Nicholas Christmas tree festival we have decorated a tree with photos of members pasts which we collected during the Queen's birthday celebrations.

We are looking forward to Christmas lunch and the school children coming to sing to us on 12th December. We are reorganising our regular exercise sessions so that we can exercise to music. Do come and join us!

Caroline Culley, 01380 850531 or 07557 983940

THE MONDAY CLUB IS A COMMUNITY DAY CENTRE AND LUNCHEON CLUB FOR THE ELDERLY AND HOUSEBOUND RESIDENTS OF BROMHAM & ROWDE. IT IS GRANT AIDED THROUGH WILTSHIRE COUNCIL, AND SUPPORTED BY AGE UK.

**Bromham & Rowde
Twinning Association
AGM & New Year Drinks
7pm Friday 20th January 2017
at**

**Homestead, Durlitt Road,
ROWDE, SN10 1SX**

**We will also have a buffet, a
quiz & a raffle**

**RSVP- 01380-850327
or mail@janetgiles.me.uk**

All are welcome!



Rowde Junior Church Choir

(A Royal School of Church Music affiliated choir)

Does your child enjoy singing?

- The Junior Church Choir has now been running for over 2 years!
- We are looking for more boys and girls aged between 7 and 16 to join our choir
- We sing a wide range of music – both traditional and modern
- Weekly rehearsals are held at St Matthew's Church, Rowde on Thursdays from 6:15 pm to 7:15 pm during term time
- The choir sings at both Rowde and Bromham parish churches each month and further afield including Salisbury Cathedral
- All musical training will be given using the Royal School of Church Music Voice for Life scheme
- No experience necessary – just enthusiasm and commitment to the choir!

Contact: Victoria Bolley 01225 972096 or 07481 991277

victoriam1984@hotmail.co.uk



**The P.C. Doctor
(Rowde/Devizes)**

07833 69 6328

ian@pcdoctor-devizes.co.uk

'Magic Moments'

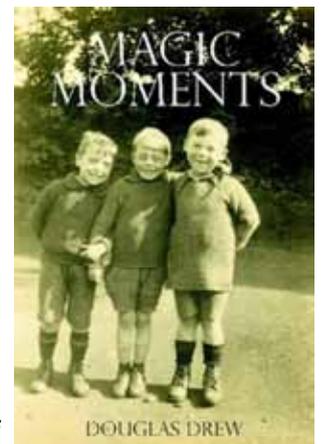
by Rowde's

Douglas Drew

This great book centres around Rowde and is available now, only from the village shop a great present at

£6.99

a must for your bookshelf



ROWDE BOOK CLUB

The next meeting will be the Christmas evening in the George and Dragon on 14th December and it will be a free read to allow for Christmas festivities.

BOOK REVIEW

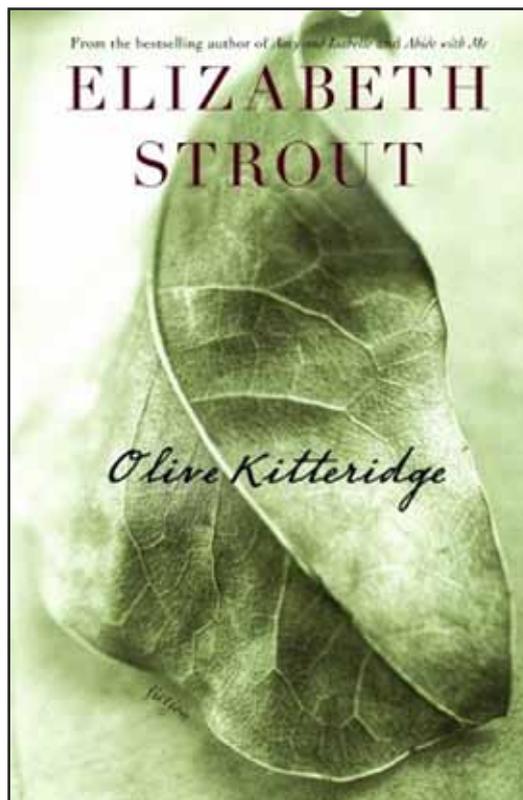
'Olive Kitteridge'

by

Elizabeth Strout

The book is set in the coastal town of Crosby in Maine and is written as a series of 13 short stories linked by the recurring character of Olive, an outspoken and opinionated, retired teacher who is sometimes a major player in the story or just a passing mention. It is an easy, pleasurable read with some sad and laugh out loud moments. It won the 2009 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, was a finalist for the 2008 National Book Critics Circle Award and was made into an award winning TV mini-series.

Ann Swan



 *Agri Services*

Agricultural and Equine contracting.

Fence erecting and grass care.

From harrowing to spraying and everything in between!

All enquiries welcome.

Call Chris on 07912345637



or email chris.chagri@outlook.com

Advertisers!

If you have a business and wish to have it publicised to over 600 households in the parish, or if you have a personal item to sell, then contact: **Julie Baker** on 07796690413 or by email at juliebaker72@yahoo.co.uk

Not receiving your mag?

If you don't receive a copy of the RVN, or have any other questions about its distribution then contact: **Jan Emm** on 01380 725455 or by email at jan.emm@hft.org.uk

Willis Garden Services

Complete Garden Maintenance
Machinery Servicing & Repairs
Fencing Installation & Repair

Small Tree Works

Office: 01249821590

Mobile: 07585633975

E-mail: mowfix01@gmail.com

DISCLAIMER

Please note that the information given and views expressed in this magazine are generally as supplied by the contributors. Our personal comments may sometimes be expressed in the editorial on page 3 and if our views are given elsewhere, they will be credited as so. In addition, much of the local news items is sourced directly from other publications and the internet. We therefore apologise for any inaccuracies published but regrettably we have no control over this possibility happening. We will however publish any corrections notified to us as soon as possible.

Alan Watters, Editor

EATING OUT - THE CROSS KEYS, ROWDE

High Street, Rowde 01380 739567

The Rowde Village News Magazine team decided to hold their annual team meeting at the Cross Keys pub in Rowde as a new landlady, Kelly Dodsworth, had not long taken over the running of the pub – and we were keen to see what she was doing...

There was a regular menu and a 'Homemade Specials' board we could choose from. As we met up for lunch we did not want to have a full 3-course meal but simply a nice, not too heavy lunch option. The four of us all chose from the specials board. Julie ordered the Broccoli and Cheese Quiche served with chips and salad for £7.95 – we all looked at her plate with envy when it was served up as it looked really delicious – and Julie did not leave a single chip on her plate... Jan went for the seasonal creamy Pumpkin Soup, served with a nice chunky piece of bread at £4.95. She was served a generous bowl of lovely steaming soup and just like Julie, she polished off the lot. Both, Alan and I chose the Chilli Con Carne served with rice and tortilla chips at £8.95. Most importantly for Alan and myself, the chilli was served with a helping of yogurt – and how welcome that was, given the heat of the dish! I was actually rather pleasantly surprised at how hot the chilli was. I can only compliment the chef, Kelly, on being 'brave' enough to serve up a 'proper' chilli.



It certainly wasn't for the faint hearted. Alan and I did not only finish our chilli but scraped out our yogurt dishes too, we definitely needed to cool our palates!

The landlady took the time to come out of the kitchen to chat to us and it transpired that she had lots of plans with the pub for the future. So, watch out for the things to come! We all thought that the lit fire at lunch time was a nice touch. It gave the dining area a warm, welcoming feel. We all agreed that we had good value for money in a pleasant village pub setting. We'd like to encourage villagers and visitors to Rowde to try out Kelly's cooking; if you are after honest, home-made, affordable pub food you won't be disappointed.

The pub is open every day for lunch and dinner, except on Mondays when they open from 5pm.

Suzan

REVIEWS NEEDED!

If you have eaten out lately and could write us a review please send it to Suzan at suzijj@rocketmail.com, thanks, Ed



Rowde Primary Academy offer a photocopying and laminating service

Photocopying @

5 pence – black & white

10 pence – colour

Laminating @

30 pence – A4 sheet

50 pence – A3 sheet

For more information please contact 01380 723991 or just pop into the school office between the hours of 8.30am and 4.00pm

Volunteers required

Help in your community shop

Please give us a hand

We need all ages and all hours

Please phone or e-mail

Or pop in!

Phone 01380739800

or e-mail

rowde.village.shop@btconnect.com

Your Parish Council

The information below is current at the time of the Parish Council meeting. If events or information have changed since the meeting, they can not be reflected here. If you would like further information on any of the matters mentioned below, please contact the Parish Clerk, tel: 01380 720988, rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com.

The key areas discussed at the Parish Council meeting on 9th November 2016 were:

Planning & Development

Malthouse Farm – Proposed development

An outline proposal for a housing development on the redundant farm yard at Malthouse Farm was presented to the Parish Council. The developer hopes to apply for outline planning permission with regards to access, siting and number of houses in the next couple of months.

- Concern was raised by residents about:
 - o Existing parking problems on Bunnies Lane
 - o The proposed development is purported to sit outside of the current settlement boundary
 - o The high verge that the site is situated on will overlook residents in Bunnies Lane.
- It was agreed that a further open meeting would be arranged for local residents to view the proposal in more detail and to discuss the concerns that they have. The meeting is proposed for Tuesday 22nd November.

Bungalow development – Off Silverlands Road

Wiltshire Council has confirmed that the new bungalow development will be called 'Reed Place', after the Saxon name for Rowde.

- Local residents will know that the brick laying is well underway now. It is hoped that the bungalows will be watertight by Christmas. The programme remains on schedule for completion in April 2017. If you would like to discuss any aspect of the development, please contact Andy Mead, Commissioning Officer (Andrew.M.Mead@Wiltshire.gov.uk or 01225 716672) who will be pleased to assist.
- Residents are invited to visit the site if they are interested in doing so. A visit can be arranged through Cllr John Dalley (tel: 07592 063789).

- Wiltshire Council will carry out a publicity exercise soon by means of letter/leaflet drop to affordable housing residents within the Parish

Neighbourhood Planning

The Chair re-iterated his concerns about Rowde's vulnerability to developers by not having a Neighbourhood Plan.

It is hoped that the village will move forward now with developing a Neighbourhood Plan. A meeting is being arranged between key Parish Councillors, Cllr Cuthbert and other parties interested in leading on the project.

- Potterne is holding a referendum on their local plan in November.

Planning Application

16/09829/FUL The Paddocks, Marsh Lane, Rowde: Full planning application for a two storey side extension to replace garage. The Parish Council found no objections to the application.

All planning applications can be viewed through the Wiltshire Council website at:

<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/planninganddevelopment.htm>

Village Infrastructure

My Wiltshire App

It is easy to report problems like potholes, dog mess, graffiti, litter and street lighting in your area using the 'My Wiltshire' online form. Reports can be made anonymously or you can register for free. Once you have registered you can track the reports you have made, and receive notification once the work has been completed. The more residents that report issues, the more likely we are to have them fixed.

The 'My Wiltshire' page can be accessed through the Wiltshire Council website at:

<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/parkingtransportandstreets/roadshighwaysstreetcare/mywiltshireregister.htm>

Road repairs

Springfield Road, from the junction with the High Street, is due to be patch repaired on 15th November 2016.

Safety reports

Safety reports have been carried out on the play equipment in the small and large playing field. The Parish Council was commended for its new play equipment. There are a few small areas that need remedial work, for example the bearings on the spinning equipment need oiling. This will be addressed by the Parish Council.

- The Skate Park and BMX track need some repair work and attention. This will be looked at by the Youth Council.
- A commendation was given to D Packer for receiving 10/10 from Playsafety Ltd on behalf of RoSPA for the condition of the football pitch.

Fibre-optic broadband

At the time of the Parish Council meeting (9/11/16), it was noted that the fibre-optic cabinet has been installed and electricity powered to it. There was still work to be done in the exchange in Devizes to connect Rowde. [Further update 22/11/16: The planned date for work to be completed on the cabinet is the end of the w/c 21st November 2016. It is anticipated that customers can place orders with their service providers from the w/c 28th November 2016. Residents should call their service providers (BT, TalkTalk, Sky, Plusnet etc.) once the cabinet is ready to place an order for the fibre broadband upgrade].

- Cllr Cuthbert agreed to complain to the Executive Complaints Team for BT in Newcastle regarding the lack of information that has been shared with the Parish Council and residents in spite of their promises to keep us informed of developments.

Community Planter Project

The proposed project has been received positively by villagers. Details of the planter project are still being discussed. If any villager or village groups would like to adopt or sponsor a planter, please contact Lesley Stewart, tel: 01380 720987, or lesleystewart493@gmail.com.

Grounds Maintenance

Allotments

A complaint has been received about the need for the security post at the entrance to the central grassed path. It was reconfirmed by the Parish Council that the post

is in place to prevent damage being caused by cars driving on the grassed central path. The post can be lowered, depending on the weather conditions, upon arrangement with Cllr C Stevens, tel: 07979 938120

Grounds Worker

Tim & Martin have cleared the entrance to the small playing field from the church yard. They have also cleared the pathway along Marsh Lane from Springfield Road junction to Furlong Close. Residents have responded positively about the work that is being done.

The Hill

The grass on the Hill has been kindly cut by D Revell, with many thanks. The grassed area will be scarified in the spring.

Hedges

Clive Orr was thanked for his prompt attention to cutting back the hedgerow at the junction of Conscience Lane with the A342.

Salt bin

It has been reported that the salt bin at the junction of Cock Road with the High Street is solid and full of rubbish. Cllr B Bentley has volunteered to loosen the salt.

Footpaths

Wiltshire Council has made improvements to footpaths around the village, from St. Edith's Marsh to Tanis and on to Devizes. There is a suggestion that a new footpath could be created at the side of Rowdeford School with the landowners permission. Funding will be sought for improvements to the paths.

Communication

Facebook page

G Sartin continues to post details of the Parish Council meeting dates on the Facebook page.

The planter project is a popular topic with many people interested in taking part. Martin & Tim were thanked for all of their hard work.

BT Payphone

BT has notified Wiltshire Council that the payphone in the village is under threat of removal. If any resident has any objection to the removal of the payphone, please contact the Clerk with the reasons for your objections, tel: 01380 720988, rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com. Wiltshire Council has asked for responses to be received by 9th December 2016, although the Parish Council will ask for an extension to this date to allow residents sufficient time to respond.

Wiltshire Council update

Cllr Cuthbert updated the Parish Council on the recent Wiltshire Council budget meeting.

- Central government has offered local councils a four year budget deal. This has been debated by the full council a couple of weeks ago and Wiltshire Council has decided to accept it. More money has been ring-fenced for the care of the elderly.
- The benefit cap reduction is likely to affect some people living in Wiltshire, approximately 380 homes. It is intended to encourage people to go back to work. The Department of Works and Pensions is working with Wiltshire Council before the benefit cap takes effect.

Finances

o Monthly invoices for October totaling £1822.97 were approved (Proposed by J Dalley, seconded by J Hawkins. All Councillors were in favour).

Admin costs/Meeting room hire	£1008.22
Grounds Maintenance	£452.10
Safety reports, village leaflets, etc.	£362.65
Total:	£1822.97

Money for village groups

The Parish Council is permitted to grant money to not-for-profit village groups for local projects which will benefit a good number of people within the parish.

The Parish Council is permitted to spend a set amount per elector through a procedure provided by s. 137 provision of the Local Government Act [1972]. The amount is set at £7.42 per elector for 2016-17. There are currently 1054 electors in the Parish of Rowde. Please note, this is not an additional fund that is available to the Parish Council. Any money that is donated through the s.137 provision will come from the Parish Council's existing funds. It is important that requests for grants are made in advance of the budget setting meeting in January, to enable the Parish Council to make adequate provision for them.

Applications can be made at other times of the year and will be considered according to the funds that are available at the time. Each application is considered on merit and an application does not guarantee that a grant will be awarded.

Please contact the Clerk for a grant application form or download a copy of the form at: rowdevillage.org

Pitch fees

- A query was raised about the pitch fees that have been collected over the last seasons. There is still one payment outstanding which is being pursued.

Thank you...

To Mr. Simmons and his family for the kind donation towards the use of the generator.

- It was agreed to purchase leads for the generator so that it can be used to its full capacity.

Get involved!

The Parish Council has vacancies for three Parish Councillors. If you are interested in matters that affect your village and would like to be involved in making decisions that impact on your local area, please get involved. No previous experience is required and training will be provided. Please contact the Clerk for more detail.

Dates for the diary:

The next Parish Council meetings will be held on Wednesday 14th December 2016 at 7.30pm, in the Village Hall, then on Wednesday 11th January 2017 for budget setting at 7.30pm.

Parish Council meetings dates can be found in the village diary on the back page of the magazine.

Everyone is welcome

A full set of minutes is available on the Parish notice boards and on the village website.

You are very welcome to join us at the next Parish Council meeting or to contact any of the Councillors directly – please see the contact details on the next page.

ROWDE PARISH COUNCIL

Steve Mundy	Chair; Village Hall Liaison	steve.mundy@gmail.com	01380 727598
Ben Bentley	Roads, transport & footpaths	vinecottagebb@btinternet.com	01380 728360
John Dalley	Sports & Playing Fields	rowdesports@hotmail.co.uk	07592 063789
John Hawkins	Planning	jwhawkinsuk@gmail.com	01380 722302
Andrew Seedhouse	Rowde's Future (Neighbourhood Planning)	seedhouse3@gmail.com	01380 829663
Chris Stevens	Allotments		01380 738438
Lesley Stewart	Finance	lesleystewart493@gmail.com	
Gemma Sartin	Youth link	gemma.sartin@yahoo.co.uk	07736550836
VACANCY			
VACANCY			
VACANCY			
Rebekah Jeffries	Clerk	rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com	01380 720988

Wiltshire County Councillor for Rowde, Bromham & Potterne

Anna Cuthbert	Wiltshire Councillor	anna.cuthbert@wiltshire.gov.uk	07980 045351
---------------	----------------------	--------------------------------	--------------

ROWDE VILLAGE SHOP

Hello everyone,

Are you all ready for the celebrations!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

I suspect not.

We have a wide selection of what you will need.

Our biscuits are **CHEAPER THAN SOME SUPERMARKETS.**

Many goods are match priced as we try to keep on par with the bigger stores.



Opening Hours

Mon to Fri	7:30am – 6:00pm
Saturday	8:00am – 1:00pm
Sunday	9:00am – 11:00am
Bank Holidays	9:00am – 12:00

If you order cream, newspapers, vegetables, cold ham, we will have them ready for you to pick up.

DO YOU REALLY WANT TO GO TO DEVIZES AND QUEUE? Surely not.

TURKEYS AND GEESSE ARE AVAILABLE TO BE PICKED UP FROM THE SHOP.

THEY ARE BARN REARED TO EXACTING STANDARDS AND REALLY ARE FANTASTIC BIRDS. I tried them last year and cannot fault them, and compatible prices. Only £3-50/lb

SPECIAL HAND MADE GIFTS ARE HERE AND ARE VERY CHEAP.

We are very grateful to the village for their support. Thank you.

Please remember we can only survive

with your continued support and we are a dedicated team that really does believe the shop, although small, does give that something extra to the community.

So joyful and happy celebrations! To you all. Please pop in and see us.

SPECIAL RAFFLE

FIRST PRIZE

We have a turkey dinner in a box for a raffle (tickets £1 each). Raffle to be drawn on the Thursday the 22nd December.

This will be a turkey, stuffing, vegetables, bread sauce, cranberry sauce and Christmas pud with fresh cream and a bottle of wine.

Some supplementary items such as crackers, and mince pies

SECOND PRIZE

1Ltr BOTTLE MALT WHISKY

THIRD PRIZE

A BAG OF LOGS from Colletts at Horse lane farm.

Guaranteed top quality and dry.

What could be better than a roaring fire and fantastic Christmas lunch!!!!

We also stock paracetamol, indigestion tablets, or a place to escape if all else fails. Happy Christmas.

Do follow us on the Village shop website.

Our opening times will be normal bank holiday times for the holiday days

(but closed on Sunday 25th Christmas Day)

9 to 1 o'clock Saturday 24th

9 to 11 Monday 26th , Tuesday 27th

The Shop Team, 01380 739800

rowde.village.shop@btconnect.com

RECIPE

Mary Berry's Christmas Pudding

An absolute must for Christmas Day. And who better to teach you how to make a Christmas pudding than baking expert Mary Berry.



Difficulty: Easy

Preparation Time: 15 mins

Cooking Time: 360 mins

Serves: 8

INGREDIENTS:

- 90g (3.2 oz) self-raising flour
- 125g (4.4 oz) shredded vegetable suet or grated chilled butter
- 30g (1.1 oz) blanched almonds, shredded
- 125g (4.4 oz) carrot, grated
- 250g (8.8 oz) raisins
- 125g (4.4 oz) currants
- 125g (4.4 oz) sultanas
- 125g (4.4 oz) fresh breadcrumbs
- 0.2 tsp grated nutmeg
- 60g (2.1 oz) mixed candied peel, chopped
- 90g (3.2 oz) light muscovado sugar
- 1 lemon, grated zest and juice
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 cup butter for greasing
- 75ml (2.6 fl oz) dark rum or brandy
- 1 cup brandy butter, to serve

METHOD:

1. In a large bowl, combine the flour, suet or butter, almonds, carrot, raisins, currants, sultanas, breadcrumbs, nutmeg, candied peel, sugar, and lemon zest. Add the lemon juice and eggs, and stir until well combined.
2. Lightly butter a 1.25 litre (2 pint) pudding bowl. Spoon in the mixture and level the surface. Cover with buttered greaseproof paper, then foil, both pleated in the middle. Secure the paper and foil in place by tying string under the rim of the bowl.

3. Put the bowl into a steamer or saucepan of simmering water. Make sure the water comes halfway up the side of the bowl. Cover and steam, topping up with boiling water as needed, for about 6 hours.
4. Remove the bowl from the steamer or pan and leave to cool. Remove the paper and foil covering. Make a few holes in the pudding with a fine skewer, and pour in the rum or brandy.
5. Cover the pudding with fresh greaseproof paper and foil. Store in a cool place for up to 3 months. To reheat for serving, steam the pudding for 2-3 hours. Serve at once, with brandy butter.

Recipe taken from Mary Berry Winter Cookbook eBook, published by DK, available to download from the iBookstore and the Amazon Kindle Store.

(all or most ingredients are available from the village shop so remember to get them there, Ed)

Advertisers!

If you have a business and wish to have it publicised to over 600 households in the parish, or if you have a personal item to sell, then contact: **Julie Baker** on 07796690413 or by email at juliebaker72@yahoo.co.uk

Not receiving your mag?

If you don't receive a copy of the RVN, or have any other questions about its distribution then contact: **Jan Emm** on 01380 725455 or by email at jan.emm@hft.org.uk

WILTSHIRE COUNCIL

Useful phone numbers

Libraries:	01225 713000
Parking:	01380 734812
Pest control:	01380 734721
Planning:	01380 734812
Recycling boxes - Hills Waste:	0845 6032085
Registration – Births, Deaths & Marriages:	01225 713007
Roads & pavements (Clarence) Freephone:	0800 232323
or mobile/outside Wiltshire:	01225 777234
School admissions:	01225 713010
School special educational needs:	01225 718095
School transport:	01225 713004
Social care – adults:	0300 456 0111
Social care – children:	01225 773500
Street care and cleaning:	01380 734849

December & January Worship in Rowde, Bromham and Sandy Lane

Services in St Matthew's, Rowde, *unless otherwise stated*

Currently, there is a service at 10am every Sunday; usually in Rowde but sometimes in Bromham.



Everyone is very welcome at all our services

Date/Time	Service
Sunday 04 10.00 am 10.00 am 6.00 pm	2nd Sunday of Advent Family Service <i>Parish Communion, Bromham</i> <i>Benefice Evensong, Bromham</i>
Tuesday 08 3.00 pm	<i>Mothers Union Christmas Service, Bromham</i>
Saturday 10 6.00 pm	<i>Second Saturday Celtic/Iona, Bromham</i>
Sunday 11 8.00 am 10.00 am 4.00 pm	3rd Sunday of Advent <i>Holy Communion (BCP), Sandy Lane</i> Benefice Holy Communion (BCP) with Junior Choir <i>Carol Service, Sandy Lane</i>
Saturday 17 6.00 pm	<i>Nine lessons and Carols, Bromham</i>
Sunday 18 10.00 am 6.00 pm	4th Sunday of Advent <i>Family Service, Bromham (No Eucharist)</i> Carol Service
Wednesday 21 11.00 am	<i>Holy Communion at Angell House, Bromham</i>
Saturday 24 4.00 pm 4.00 pm 11.30 pm	Crib Service <i>Crib Service, Bromham</i> Midnight Mass
Sunday 25 8.00 am 10.00 am 10.00 am	Christmas <i>Holy Communion BCP, Sandy Lane</i> Christmas Communion led by Bishop Stephen Lowe <i>Holy Communion, Bromham</i>
JANUARY	
Sunday 01 10.00 am 10.00 am	Naming and circumcision of Jesus Family Service <i>Holy Communion, Bromham</i>
Sunday 08 8.00 am 10.00 am	Baptism of Christ <i>Holy Communion (BCP), Sandy Lane</i> <i>Benefice Holy Communion, Bromham</i>
Sunday 15 10.00 am 10.00 am	Epiphany 2 Parish Holy Communion <i>Family Service (No Eucharist), Bromham</i>
Sunday 22 8.00 am 10.00 am 10.00 am	Epiphany 3 <i>Holy Communion (BCP), Sandy Lane</i> Morning Worship <i>Parish Holy Communion, Bromham</i>
Sunday 29 10.00 am	Epiphany 4 Presentation of Christ in the Temple <i>Benefice Holy Communion, Bromham</i>

Do come and explore our beautiful village Church or come in to sit quietly and pray.

Please note that, although we try to avoid this whenever possible, times of midweek or special services may change due to unforeseen circumstances.

Please check the Church notice board for further information or contact the Administrator

NOTES FROM THE CHURCH WARDENS

We are entering that time of year we as families and Christians we consider to our busiest. Each family will have their own traditions, for some the decorations go up early, some will not put up decorations before Christmas Eve, decorations may or may not stay up until the 12th day of Christmas. Everyone is either frantically thinking of what to get for as presents for that difficult member of the family and the younger members of the families get more and more excited the closer December 25th dawns.

This year Christmas Day fall on a Sunday so within our parishes we will Carol and Crib services quite close to Christmas day itself, so we would ask the families arrive in time for the services to start on time in as orderly fashion as possible.

Christmas is also a time when each parish holds its Christingle event for collecting money for Children Society. Within Rowde the event will be held within Rowde Academy. Each piece of the Christingle holds special symbolism to help children understand the importance of Jesus and the Gospel, and its relevance at Christmas time.

- The orange represents the world
- The red ribbon (or tape) symbolizes the love and blood of Christ
- The sweets and dried fruit represent all of God's creations
- The lit candle represents Jesus's light in the world, bringing hope to people living in darkness

So please remember those less fortunate ourselves over this Christmas time and in the New Year.

May we just take this opportunity to thank everyone who has been proactive in keeping the services, the church cleaning, the flower arranging, the choir practices and singing, the bell ringers, the sides people, the chalice bearers, the administrators and of course you the church attendees for bearing with us during the interregnum.

On that note we have some exciting news!!!!

Official announcement from the Bishop of Ramsbury about the appointment of our new Priest in Charge of Rowde and Bromham.

The Bishop of Ramsbury is pleased to announce that he has appointed the Reverend Ruth Schofield to be the next Priest in Charge of Rowde and Bromham. Ruth is currently Team Vicar in the parish of Holy Trinity with St Columba, Fareham and part-time Chaplain to Portsmouth Hospitals Trust. Ruth will be licensed by the Bishop of Salisbury on Thursday 30 March at St Nicholas, Bromham. Please continue to pray for Ruth and John as they prepare to leave their current home, and move to Rowde and Bromham, and please continue to pray for the people of the churches as they prepare to welcome Ruth and John to our communities.

Finally, we pray that 2017 will bring a more settled time for both, our Benefice and the world we live in.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Church Roof Repairs. Scaffolding will be around the church until mid December. For the safety of the public the Church will be closed on weekdays but will be opened for services and events. We are sorry if this causes any inconvenience.

Monday 12th December 6pm Carol singing around the Village. Please come and join us for an evening of singing, celebration, fun and really getting into the Christmas spirit. We will be starting at St Matthew's Church singing our way around the village finishing back at the Church for refreshments.

REGULAR EVENTS

Growing in Faith. We will be meeting once in December on Wednesday the 14th at 77 Highfield, where we will

continue to explore the Eucharist. For more details contact Ruth Bray ruthbray@outlook.com Tel: 01380 859847

Mothers' Union. Please contact Jo Partt for details: 01380850435 parttsofbromhame@ntinternet.com

Church Cleaning

St Matthew's Church: Monday 12th December at 1.00pm - We will need all hands on Deck please - bring friends along if they would like to help (there will be cake/tea/coffee) as we need to give the Church a really thorough clean following the roof repairs and in preparation for Christmas. We need a few more people to join our cleaning group (even if you can only do one or two sessions a year) so if you would like to come and help please contact:

Jane Moss 01380 729160 jmosscaudet@gmail.com (Brass cleaning Rota)

Maureen Hiscocks 01380 725406

Choir

Choir leader: Gavin Moss 01380 719160

Choir Practise for Adults is on Thursday Evenings 7.00 – 8.00pm

Junior Choir Leader: Victoria Bolley 07481 991277

Junior Choir Practice is on Thursday 6.15pm-7.15pm. New members are always welcome.

Thursday 15th Choir practice - last one of the year , Thursday 5th of January choir practice resumes

Coffee mornings

Bromham: For further details please contact: Anne Smith 01380 828412 elisabeth.smith77@yahoo.com

Rowde: We will not be holding the coffee morning until after the Church roof is repaired. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Contact: Maureen Hiscocks mosarum@talktalk.net and Caroline Culley carolineculley1@outlook.com

Groups for pre-school children and parents/carers

Tiddlywinks Toddlers and coffee morning: We will not be meeting until after the Church roof is fixed. Sorry for the inconvenience. You will be more than welcome in Bromham.

Contact: Maureen Hiscocks mosarum@talktalk.net and Caroline Culley carolineculley1@outlook.com

Little Angels: St. Nicholas pre-school group which is every fortnight, 9.15am-11am.

Dec. 2nd Christmas Fun. Dec. 16th Christmas Decorations All held in Bromham Church except December, these will be held in the social centre.

Contact: Carole Myer ed.myer@btinternet.com

December Flower Arranging

Do you like flowers and are you interested in joining the flower arranging team at St Matthew's? If so, you are welcome to come along on the morning of Saturday 17 December, 10 am onwards and see the flower arrangers working on the Christmas floral decorations. For more information, please contact Jane Sartin j.ksartin@talktalk.net or call 727446

January Flower Arranging 8/15 Liz Ibbetson, 22/29 Carole Nurland

Contacts

Priest-in-Charge: Revd Ruth Schofield (From early 2017)

Churchwardens: Michael Cornwell 01380 722855 & Gavin Moss 01380 729160

Administrator: Sarah Bowler 07747709492

Email: beneficeadministrator@rowdeandbromhambenefice.co.uk

www.achurchnearyou.com

**Find us at the website: www.achurchnearyou.com
Facebook page: Churches of Rowde and Bromham**

NEWS FROM ROWDE PRIMARY ACADEMY

Our bright start leads to their bright future

I read a super article in the September edition of the Rowde Parish magazine written by a mum whose child was starting in Foundation 2. It was a really well written article and brought back many memories of when my boys started school. Whilst being a teacher I truly believed that I would be prepared for the years ahead, after all I knew the school system and what was expected or so I thought. This did not help on the first day when nerves kicked in and questions whizzed around my head. Was I right in my choice of school? What did I really know about the teacher? What about rumours that I had heard? Would they really understand how precious my son was? It didn't take long for me to realise that Oscar was in a class of 30, and all the children were equally as important to the class teacher and all of them needed that special time and attention.

As weeks went on I learned to relax and trust the teacher, understanding that as a parent I didn't always get it right with the forgotten book bag or PE shorts or letters that were left unread in the bottom of reading bags. This did over time help me to think about how with only two children I easily forgot things in the rush to be a working mum. As a teacher we have 30 children to look after. I also realised that to sort out what I perceived to be concerns as soon as I could, meant that mountains never grew. The teacher never deliberately meant to cause upset and often it was my interpretation. It was about good communication and respect as well as treating the teacher in the same way that as a parent I was treated. I appreciated how important it was to work with the teacher and school as we had a common interest in Oscar's happiness and future learning. Learning was a shared process and the support given at home certainly helped Oscar become more confident in reading, writing and numbers as well as becoming increasingly happier with friends.



As a Foundation 2 teacher I feel privileged to be working with these brilliant children whose minds are always asking questions and challenging what is going on around them. They have a true love of learning already and it is fantastic to be able to take the time to sit back and observe how they interact with each other and the play that is initiated. The learning that goes on across all curriculum areas is so steep and I love to share this with my Rowde colleagues. Even they are impressed. As I sit writing this I am smiling as I recall the snack time discussion about Rudolph water bottles, how delicious the fruit is, what happened last night and what mummies and daddies are doing. I genuinely strive to make learning interesting and vibrant and continue to do so over weekends and holidays. I want the children to leave Cygnus class having had the happiest start they can.

Thank you to all the parents who give continued support to me and your children with their learning. We really couldn't do it without you.

Mrs Bergqvist, Cygnus class teacher

Moving on from Foundation Stage 2 takes the children into Year One, with me ***Kate Dummett***, where we build on all the amazing learning in Cygnus Class and continue to develop a strong sense of independence.

I love being a Year One teacher as it is a non-stop job, full of learning, laughter and fun, with a few quirky moments here and there thrown in!

Year One is a huge change for the children, we move from a play based approach to learning to a more formal approach, where we all sit at tables and learn together. This happens gradually over the first few terms but it is still a very different set of routines and approaches for little people to learn. One thing that can and will have a very strong impact on their learning is support from home, home learning is a vital part of ensuring your child's success in their learning, building learning power and positive work ethic.



We love thinking about Special people in our lives

ROWDE PRIMARY ACADEMY (cont'd)

Phonics in Year One is a very important part of our daily learning routine.

Phonics is a way of teaching children to read quickly and skilfully. They are taught how to: recognise the sounds that each individual letter makes; identify the sounds that different combinations of letters make - such as 'sh' or 'oo'; and blend these sounds together from left to right to make a word. Children can then use this knowledge to 'de-code' new words that they hear or see. This is the first important step in learning to read.

Support with this learning at home, such as practising reading, writing and blending these sounds using reading books, games and fun interactive tasks will not only mean your child learns to read at a quicker pace but it also supports their writing, spelling and overall confidence with learning.

The National Phonics Check at the end of Year One confirms this as an important part of early learning. This check, which every Year One child will take, tests their phonics skills to make sure they have reached the expected level. The results are published nationally and schools are judged on the results.

So as you can see Year One expects a lot from little people of 5 and 6 but it is nothing that we aren't capable of!

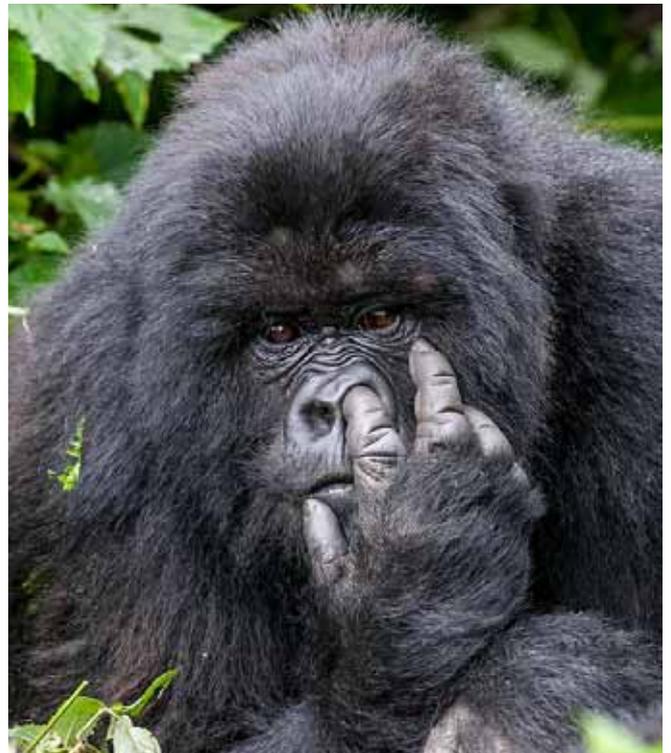


PHOTO FUN

More amusing photos of animals this month.



Who called you a bad dog? Point them out and I will scratch their eyes out!



Do you have any amusing photos of people or pets? Send them in!

NEWS FROM ROWDEFORD SCHOOL

Co-operation Responsibility Happiness Resilience Respect Caring

Ofsted Inspection

As you know, we recently had our Ofsted inspection. We are delighted that the school has been graded as a 'good' school with outstanding features. The quality of teaching, learning and assessment, personal development, behaviour and welfare and overall outcomes for pupils were all judged 'outstanding'.

This is a great achievement which couldn't have been achieved without the hard work of our pupils, staff and governors and support from our parents/carers, volunteers and external agencies.

Our Ofsted report can be found on the School website www.rowdeford.wilts.sch.uk

It has been published on the Ofsted website on 1.11.16 <https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/inspection-reports/find-inspection-report/provider/ELS/126546>

School Values for Term 2

The value that we focus on this term is Responsibility and we sent posters home with the children with some ideas for how to show this value. We suggested to:

- Display the Responsibility Poster at home and refer to it when members of the family show that they are being guided by this value.
- Give the son or daughter a new responsibility that will last for the term, such as looking after a plant, sorting the recycling or a new aspect of their own care that they haven't done before, such as washing their hair independently or making their bed.
- Use the sentences about responsibility as a starting point when talking about television programmes they have watched or news stories they have heard, for example when someone owns up to a mistake they have made or when they take responsibility for looking after something.
- Be a role model of responsibility and talk about it. Talk about what family members will try to do and what they will try to stop doing if they are being guided by the value of responsibility.



Operation Christmas Child

We have been collecting for the Shoe Boxes to be sent abroad for less fortunate children. We have had a fantastic response. We have over a 100 boxes to send, both parents and staff have sent in completed boxes or donations which have then been made up by the boarders and they have thoroughly enjoyed this activity.

Work Experience Week



Our year 11s had their work experience week beginning 14th November, with students working in Care Homes, local shops, Charity Shops and Riding stables. The feedback has been so positive with the students really enjoying their time in work, enabling them to experience working life in the local community.

Christmas Activities

Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper day is on Wednesday 14th December. The children will have a lovely Christmas dinner, with all the trimmings and crackers. Everyone wears their Christmas jumper or hat, Xmas carols will be playing and it will be very festive - which the children enjoy.



Our merit winners will be going Ice-Skating as a special treat. Children win a place on the end of term merit trip for all of the merits they have earned this term. Merits are awarded for working hard, good behaviour and showing school values.

The Christmas Carol concerts are planned for our Key Stage 4 children on Thursday 15th December and will be at St Matthews Church, Rowde.

Key Stage 3 children's concert will be on Friday 16th December at St Nicholas Church in Bromham.

Merry Christmas from everyone at Rowdeford School

NEWS FROM Hft

I can't believe that it's 'that' time of year again, I really do wonder where the time goes.

Another really busy year is well on the way to being behind us. We have just kicked off our Christmas season with our own Christmas Bazaar last Friday. I would like to say a huge thank you to Mr and Mrs Knapp for bringing their lovely old fairground organ here for the occasion but even that couldn't stop the weather, it didn't just rain, it poured and poured. We managed to raise just under £1,300.00 which sadly was £500.00 less than last year. I must say though I really didn't blame people for not turning out in such bad conditions.

Safe to say we still have a lot of Christmas goodies for sale here, from Wooden decorations to handmade Crackers to Sherry Mincemeat and Christmas chutneys. I have taken some pictures and we will be having our goods for sale at various local markets and fairs in the run up to the big day.

We held a very successful Fashion Show in Marsh Hall on 24th November in conjunction with M & Co and kindly sponsored by the George and Dragon. Money was raised for Clic and our Voices to be Heard group (Self advocacy).

Please see photos and a BIG thank you to all the models and audience who made it such a success.



We are holding a fundraising Murder Mystery evening on 2nd December in Marsh Hall from 7pm. Tickets are £10.00 each to include food, bring your own drinks.

We are then all going to Longleat for the day on 6th December very kindly paid for by our Family fundraising group. We are spending the whole day there to make the most of the amazing lantern display.

We are planning to be at a Christmas market in the Lansdown Strand in Calne on the 8th December from 4 to 8pm, do come along and see us.

And we are holding our usual Drama performance on 16th December but due to its popularity we will be doing two performances 4pm and 6pm. Tickets are £1.50 and we are performing our version of Oliver, we look forward to seeing lots of people there.

Finally, I take this opportunity to wish all the readers a very Happy and peaceful Christmas and New Year.

Jan Emm,

Tel: 01380 725455 Ext 1004

Email: Jan.Emm@hft.org.uk

The Tranquil Moment

HEALTH & BEAUTY CLINIC

Unit 1 Townsend Court, POULSHOT, DEVIZES,

WILTSHIRE SN10 1SD

TELEPHONE: 01380 828297

www.tranquilmoment.co.uk

email: tranquilmoment@live.co.uk

**Decleor facials,
microdermabrasion, massage,
sports massage and injury clinic,
shrinking Violet fat loss body wraps,
CND shellac and Brisa Lite
sculpting gel nails, CND manicure
and pedicure, Apilus electrolysis,
CACI non surgical face lift,
Decleor and CND stockist**

Please call Jo at The Tranquil Moment Health and Beauty Clinic to make an appointment

Call us or follow us on Facebook for up to date offers and news

Adams Renovations

Property Services



www.adamsrenovations.co.uk

For All Your Property Requirements:

Painting, Decorating (interior & exterior)

Tiling & Flooring

Paving, Decking & Patios

Guttering & Facias

Light Building Works

Repair & Renovation Work

Bathroom Specialists

Competitive prices from an honest & reliable worker.

No job too small. All areas of Wiltshire covered.

Fully insured. References available.

Email: info@adamsrenovations.co.uk

Telephone: 01380 500549

Mobile: 07725 638165

ROWDEY COW



Locally Sourced Food
Children's Play Area

Spectacular Views
Miniature Ponies

Delicious Home Made Ice Cream made using our own milk fresh from the farm

FARM CAFE & ICE CREAM PARLOUR

Open 7 Days a Week 10am - 4pm

Cooked Breakfasts

served from 10am - 11.30am

Full Lunch and Snack Menu

served from 12noon - 3pm

Children's Menu Available

Ice Cream Available All Day

Homemade Cakes and Cream Teas

all our food is freshly made from local produce

Lower Farm, Devizes Road, Rowde, Nr Devizes SN10 2LX

Tel: 01380 829666 | www.rowdeycow.co.uk

Wiltshire Mind



Your Local Mental Health Charity

**Depressed? Anxious? Stuck? Grieving?
Stressed? Not Managing?**

COUNSELLING SERVICE

A safe, confidential and personal place to talk, and help you to move forward

A low cost counselling service in the community for all

Initial Assessment Free of Charge

For further information please contact:

Wiltshire Mind

24a High Street

Melksham

SN12 6LA

Email: counselling@wiltshiremind.co.uk

Phone 01225 706532

Reg Charity Number: 1113751 Reg Company Number: 5498430

JOIN US...

ROWDE PARISH COUNCIL



We need new Parish Councillors.

It is easy to join.

The only qualifications required are local residency, to be aged 18 years or over and to be interested in the village.

Are you interested in any of the following?

- Potential building development on the farmyard at Malthouse Farm
- Retaining the pay phone in the village
- The need to progress with a Neighbourhood Plan
- The naming of the new bungalow development as 'Reed Place'
- Reporting faults with the Highway and pavements through the 'My Wiltshire' App
- Plans for a new footpath near to Rowdeford School
- Fibre-optic broadband
- Donations to village groups
- A local planning application
- Maintenance of 'The Hill'

These matters were all discussed at the last Parish Council meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 14th December 2016, 7.30pm, Village Hall.

Everyone is welcome!

Could YOU be a school governor??

Do you believe every young person deserves the chance to develop their full potential??

Are you interested in the education and welfare of children with special educational needs??



Rowdeford is an outstanding special school with an extensive range of facilities and resources and a dynamic, dedicated staff to meet the needs of its pupils.

The Governing Body would like to appoint a new governor to join the Board. If you would like to know more about this exciting opportunity please contact the school on 01380-

850309 , visit the web site at www.rowdeford.wilts.sch.uk

or contact the Clerk to the Governors: susancannings305@googlemail.com

JOHN'S FARM



The new hens have started to lay some eggs.... at last. Normally they should begin at around 18 – 20 weeks of age but this lot seem to have been reluctant to get going! However with the addition of a timer on their lighting, they have been waking up at 5.30am which has forced them into action. The eggs are quite small initially but within a few weeks they are up to normal size. They should each lay around 300 in the first year. The older birds are moulting so hopefully they will start again after Christmas.

The crops are looking well despite being battered by the recent heavy rain and pest attacks. The slugs are mostly leaving the leaves alone now and everything seems to have rooted fine. We planted the last field in late October with field beans. These are spread on the ground and ploughed in to a depth of around eight inches to prevent the rooks from pulling them up. They have just started to emerge and should continue to grow slowly for a few weeks.

We have started to take delivery of the fertiliser for next season. The prices have been a little bit less than 2015, but in recent weeks they have shot up due to the effects of the pound. It is sometimes difficult to know when to buy some of the inputs for the farm, as getting it wrong can be quite expensive! Quite a bit of the fertiliser we buy is foreign from places like Lithuania, where traditionally it has been cheaper but the pound may change this in 2016.

Training courses are continuing on most Fridays with some good numbers – recently we have been to Bristol Zoo doing tractor driving with the groundwork team and have held vertebrate control, telehandler, chainsaw and digger driving courses here. We have



Vertebrate control training



Digger Training



Following training the candidate is assessed in order to achieve their City and Guilds qualification



We have been invaded by over 60 Canada geese!

also been hiring out the room for social and company events. In December there will be a meeting hosted by Bartholomew's – a supplier to farmers of feed, chemicals and fertiliser etc. and ADAS – a farm advisory company have booked it for three days.

The farm website www.rowdefieldfarm.co.uk has been updated and you can also see what we have been up to on Facebook.

John Butler, Rowdefield Farm

December 2016 / January 2017 Rowde Village News

SHORT STORY

'Before/After' by Mary McCluskey

In an instant, a life can divide into Before and After. A phone call, a news flash can do it. Invariably, something remains as a reminder. For Joseph, a colleague at Chloe's office, it is Bach playing on the stereo before the screech of brakes, the crunch of metal, an ambulance, the hospital.

"I hear Bach now and think: oh, yes, I used to love that. Before. In my other life."

For Chloe's sister, Anna, it is a body shampoo. She told Chloe how the shower was hot and steam clouded the glass. She stood in the warm fog, then sniffed the fresh, pine scent of the new Badedas body shampoo. That clean scent of mountains and good health. Just seconds later, her fingers, tentative, pressed back and forth, smoothing the skin as her brain bristled indignantly. It can't be! But it is, yes, it is. I think it is. A lump.

And after – doctors visits, surgery, chemo, hair loss, pain.

Chloe will be reminded of these conversations in four minutes. Right now she chooses a pretty china cup, Staffordshire, patterned with red roses. She pokes the tea bag with a spoon while she pours in the boiling water and then decides to start the laundry while the tea steeps. Dan's shirts are already loaded in the washer but she pulls them out anyway, to shake them. She is nervous that a stray ballpoint might lie forgotten in a pocket, leave a Caspian Sea of navy ink never to be bleached away. As she shakes the shirt, something flies out, floats up like confetti to land on the lid of the dryer. She studies, frowning, a pair of ticket stubs for a New York City theatre.

She is puzzled at first. Then remembers, of course, the business conference in New York City. Seven days had stretched to ten; Dan had been exhausted when he came home, complaining about the demands of clients, the tedious conversation of his colleagues. Chloe studies these tickets with a sense of unreality, as if she is watching herself on a movie set, frowning for the camera. But her mind is seething with questions. Dan had not told her of this theatre visit. Off-Broadway does not seem appropriate, somehow. Hedda Gabler is an

odd choice for an evening with a client. Or a colleague.

With cold clarity, Chloe sees that these stubs will lead to questions that she does not want to ask, but must ask. That will lead to answers she does not want to hear. Later, a Decree Absolute, loneliness.

Chloe knows as she stirs her tea, stirs what is now gungey, tarry soup, that she is already in the after. She throws the tea away, gets a fresh tea bag, starts over. The tea, though freshly brewed, still tastes thick and stale.

She understands now, that she has moved in space, slid towards some other life. She has crossed that invisible but solid line. Lipton's Orange Pekoe has joined Bach's St. Matthew's Passion and Badedas with Original Scent, to be forever in the before. And there is no going back.

If you write or have a favourite short story (one page or less) please send it in, Ed

arts
together

...ageing creatively

Is an award-winning local charity, seeking to reduce loneliness and isolation and in doing so improve health and well being for vulnerable elderly people through participation in the arts. We run weekly sessions in Pewsey, Marlborough and Devizes and are looking for friends and supporters to join us in fundraising, raise local awareness and help at our sessions.

COULD YOU PLEDGE SOME TIME IN 2017 AND HELP BY?

- **Businesses:** Adopting us as your 'Charity or Choice' or supporting us in other ways?
- **Individuals:** Help spread the word in your community, join our 'friends' scheme, run a fundraiser for us, help promote our work?
- **Groups:** We have plenty of ideas and resources to support groups involvement

For more info about our activities or being involved

liz.lavender@artstogether.co.uk / 07780860922

www.artstogether.co.uk Registered Charity 1109432

ROWDEY COW NEWS



November has just flown by and we are now looking towards Christmas and the New Year. Half Term was a really busy week for us and the Halloween Party was a huge hit for all the children. They enjoyed party games, disco, fancy dress, food and ice cream! We will be holding a Christmas party and disco on Wednesday 21st December which will also include a visit from Father Christmas and tickets are selling out quickly for this event.

Kim, who works at the Rowdey Cow, organised a very successful 1940s night where she raised over £600 for the Poppy Appeal. So much effort went into decorating the café and the costumes were amazing. The whole evening was so authentic it felt like we had stepped back in time. We even had a professional Captain Mainwaring look alike in attendance!

We have a Christmas evening planned for Friday the 2nd December with a delicious 3 course menu (see our website or Facebook page for menu choices) and we are also available for private Christmas evening functions. From the 5th to 23rd December we will have Daily Christmas Specials on our board and we are looking forward to launching our Christmas Ice cream flavours! We will be shut on 24th, 25th and 26th December. We will be back open on Monday 27th for business as usual.

We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all of us at the Rowdey Cow! **Sue**



CHARLES S. WINCHCOMBE & SON LTD.

Est. 1932

FOURTH GENERATION INDEPENDENT FAMILY
FUNERAL DIRECTORS & MEMORIAL CRAFTSMEN

Incorporating Thomas Free & Sons of Marlborough Est. 1875



www.wiltshirefunerals.co.uk

wiltshirefunerals@gmail.com

Marlborough:

01672 512110



Devizes:

01380 722500

CLAIRE PERRY
*Working hard for the
 Devizes Constituency*



 Claire Perry MP
 House of Commons,
 London,
 SW1A 0AA
 01380 729358
 www.claireperry.org.uk
 claire.perry.mp@parliament.uk

*I hold regular surgeries around the Constituency
 - please call or email to book an appointment*

**Would you like help with
 your Garden?**



weeding, grass, borders, hedges, scrub clearance
 one-off or regular visits

your tools or mine

**Phone Helen on: 01380 859881 or
 07889274180**

**ROWDE
 SEWING CIRCLE
 HELD IN
 THE VILLAGE HALL**

Alternate Tuesdays 1.30 to 4pm

**Please come along and join us or
 ring Yvonne on 01380728745**

ACTIVE PLUS



Are you age 60+?
 Come and join our friendly
 exercise class and help
 maintain/improve your mobility
 (Exercises may be done seated or standing)

Mondays
 2.30pm – 3.30pm
 followed by coffee/tea and a chat
 at Rowde Village Hall

Cost : £2.00

For more information contact:
 Yvonne 01380 723086




HELEN LEE HOMEOPATHY
 ~The Holistic & Natural way to Health~
 Registered Homeopathic Practitioner
 Helen Lee DSH RSHOM



Clinics at:
 The Wellbeing Clinic, Marlborough
 01672 513583
 Equilibrium, Pewsham, Chippenham
 01249 446388

helen@oxleecedar.fsnet.co.uk
 07773983739

Become a shareholder for Rowde Village Shop
Adult shareholders £10, Under 18s £5
**Please fill in the form on the next page and drop your
 completed form and payment into the shop**
**Please complete an entry for each household member who is
 buying a share**
Please make cheques payable to Rowde Village Shop
Many Thanks

PARENTHOOD

I WANT THAT!

So it has begun! Every single advert that comes on the television displaying some overpriced toy, just in time for Christmas, my children whoop and cheer and plead: 'I WANT THAT, I WANT THAT!'

How delightful.

Not so delightful after the millionth advert I might add. My dear children don't even know what half of these toys are, but because there are smiling children on the television, laughing and having an absolute blast, my children feel they need these things in their life.

These are just some of the things they have seen on TV and declared so desperately they need;

- A head of a boy, that you appear to be pulling 'snot' from his nose. This is apparently a game. Really?!
- It gets worse. A plastic dog game, that teaches you to pick up the dogs 'doo-doo' (Good for those dog owners that don't pick up after their dogs!)
- A plastic device that you put your painted nails into, shake for a few seconds and then TA-DA! dry sparkly nails.
- A fluffy rainbow coloured dog with puppies that all make dog noises. NO THANK YOU!
- Some fluffy little plastic hamsters that live in a little plastic house. (Might I just add that they already have a REAL hamster in a cage in the house, surely that's better?!)
- A baby doll that wee's, and eats and drinks. (They have about 5 dolls upstairs in their playroom that haven't seen the light of day in a long time...)
- An Elsa doll that sings. Repeatedly. (They hate Frozen. The obsession has finished. So why on earth would you ask for an Elsa doll?!)

The list goes on.

As much as I love to buy my children things, at the end of the day, we have a playroom full of toys, half of which I have given away, that they just don't play with. Their favourite things to do aren't playing with toys, they are going out for an adventure, playing make believe, singing and dancing to music and family movie nights. So I know that however many toys I buy, after the first initial play, they will just be left in the playroom with the rest.



So this year, me and my husband have pledged to be sensible. And to only buy a couple of things for the girls. We have agreed to fill up the girls' stockings with things they need & we have booked to go out together as a family to a pantomime Christmas Eve.

At the end of the day, Christmas isn't about fancy toys, it's about being together with your loved ones, creating memories & being grateful for what you do have.

I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Ruth Robinson

ruthrobinson2721@outlook.com

(Footnote: Ruth is happy for any parents to contact her on the above email if they would like to share their experiences and feelings about parenthood or to arrange a chat, Ed)

Rowde Village Shop Shareholder Form

Name	Address	Tel No	E-Mail	Amount



The Owl

New Road, Bromham



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from everyone at The Owl

Sat 10th Dec

The Hoot

acoustic music night

Sat 17th Dec

Christmas Draw

8pm

Sun 25th Dec

Christmas Day

open 11am- 2pm

Mon 26th Dec

Boxing Day

open noon - 11pm

Sat 31st Dec

New Years Eve Disco

with Rollierz Inc DJs

open 12pm - late

Sun 1st Jan

New Years Day

open 2pm - 6pm

01380 850671

facebook.com/TheOwlBromham



Canal Boat Rental

From the Wharf below
Caen Hill Locks

www.foxhangers.co.uk

Choose from our fleet of 14 modern narrowboats, all built new at Foxhangers

Visit our website for complete details of our

Weekend Breaks

Midweek breaks

Weekly Breaks

More to Foxhangers than boat hire!

Bespoke boat building/Re-fits/Painting

All aspects of boat engineering

Chandlery

Tel: 01380 828795

4 self-catering units and a campsite

available at Lower Foxhangers

Visit www.foxhangers.com for details



WHISTLEY CANINE COUNTRY CLUB

The New Luxury Holiday Venue For

Our Four Legged Friends

Spacious Suites Under-Floor Heating

Day Care Facility Inspections Welcome

Potterne Devises

01380 738189/726330

Please see our website for more details

www.whistleykennels.co.uk

Christmas

Rowde DIY Village Christmas Party full details

Date: Saturday 17 December 2016

Venue: Rowde Village Hall

Time: 7:30 till 12:30

Cost: £5.00 per person (please put envelope through our letterbox ASAP!)

Dress Code: Party sparkle and a 'Christmas' hat!

Secret Santa: a small gift circa £5.00

(females to provide a male gift – males to provide a female gift, wrapped and simply tagged His or Hers – to be delivered to:
18 Rowde Court Road no later than Monday 12 December 2016.
We have organised a 'secret' Santa to hand out your gifts.

Pot Luck Buffet: please supply a 'disposable platter' of edibles/ nibbles and of course drinks for your own consumption on the night.

Disposable table-ware will be provided to include:

Table covers, Plates, Napkins, Cutlery and Tumblers, along with Christmas table decorations. We have also organised a very good DJ.

Due to several requests a raffle will be drawn on the night. Please inform us if you have any further suggestions to make it a night that you will remember, we will endeavour to satisfy.

We have respectfully decided not to have children at the party and we hope you won't be offended by this choice.

Hugs & Kisses your Rowde Party Fairy xx



PS: *If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me:*
ep.rowde@btinternet.com

PHOTO MEMORIES



This old class photo from Rowde Primary School was discovered by Terry Nicholls, a pupil in the photo, and was sent in by Lisa Wills. Does anyone recognise any of the pupils?

NEWS FROM THE CROSS KEYS

After a busy five months getting settled into the Cross Keys I am very excited to be able to write my first 'News from The Cross Keys!'

We have some important dates for you to remember in December:

December 1st is Bingo Thursday, book sales start at 7.30pm and Bingo starts just after 8pm.

December 22nd is Christmas Bingo with the Rowde Choir Carol Service. Book sales for the bingo starts at 7pm, Carol Services starts at 7.30pm. January Bingo dates are the 5th and 19th.

Our Christmas Raffle will also be drawn, raffle tickets sales start 1st December, prize donations welcome up until 21st December.

Saturday 31st New Years Eve Party with disco starts at 8pm until late.

Christmas opening hours:

Christmas Eve 12-11pm food 12-8pm.

Christmas Day 11-2pm come join us for Christmas drinks whilst the turkey is cooking!

Boxing Day 12-11pm food 12-8pm.

New Years Day 12-11pm Carvery 12-2.30pm
Carvery booking essential, normal menu 5-8pm
New Years Day quiz starts at 8pm.

Our Christmas set Menu is available from 1st December until 24th December, pop in



for a copy of our menu and see order form, or call us on 01380739567

Don't forget about our homemade pizzas also available for takeaway, and our Mature Menu (over 60s) - meals from £4.95.

We have also had Sky Sports installed! Seasonal beer from Wadworth will also be available during the festive season - look out for Draybells and Old Timer on our pumps.

I would like to thank everyone for their support since moving to the village. Myself, family and team are all looking forward to our first Christmas in the pub and hope to see everyone during the festive season!

Many thanks,

Kelly Dodsworth

kdodsworth815@gmail.com

Local News



VILLAGE PAY PHONE

Do you use our payphone?

BT has notified Wiltshire Council that the pay phone in the village is under used and is under threat of removal.

If you have any objections to the pay phone being removed, please contact the Clerk before 9th December.

R. Jeffries (tel: 01380 720988, rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com)



On inspection of the ceiling on Monday morning it was decided that we couldn't risk the ceiling falling in – a possibility as there had been so much rain – so the search was on for an alternative venue and time wasn't on our side as we only had 9 hours to find somewhere which could hold 100+ people. Desperate phone calls were made to various places in the village and also Bromham, all of whom were already booked. The Village hall - Bingo night, Hft - Pilates, Rowde School - Dancing classes – who says there is nothing going on in Rowde! Would we find anywhere?

Then to the rescue came Kelly at The Cross Keys - The Skittle Alley was free, there were tables for 70 and we could spill out into the lounge Bar, our prayers had been answered.

Now the only problem was how to let everyone know about the change of Venue before 6.30pm. This was going to be my job as Gavin and his helpers, Sally, Tayte and Mike had stews to cook.

STEWSDAY



Sunday 20th November – Gavin and some other members of St Matthew's congregation arrived at the Church to discover water coming in through the ceiling following Hurricane Angus overnight, buckets were quickly put under the drips and some temporary measures carried out to try and stop the next onslaught of rain which continued for most of the day. Concerns were voiced about the safety of the ceiling as the place where the water was coming in was directly over where the food would be set up for 'Stewsdays' the following night.





So full steam ahead - 1.30pm e-mail sent to everyone whose e-mail address we knew, Amanda arrived to help load up the car with plates, cutlery, napkins, French bread etc. to take up to the Cross Keys, a few quick phone calls before going up to the church at 2.00pm to meet the potential new incumbent. 3.00pm straight from the Church to the Cross Keys with Amanda, Wesley, Jenny, Jane and Mo, to set up the Skittle Alley for the evening. Leaving them all to set up and cut up 14 French sticks I went home to make a few more phone calls, Facebook a few people and write some quick change of Venue notes to put through the last few doors. The stews were done and loaded into the car to take them all up to the Cross Keys. It was 5.30 by this time so only an hour to go, mad rush around the village to pick up a Vegetarian Curry and Ratatouille and deliver the change of venue notes.

6.00pm – Everything in place, everyone informed of the Venue change and a glass of Beer and soft drinks for all the helpers as we waited for people to arrive – What was all the panic about??

6.45pm - 102 of us were seated in the Skittle Alley and the Lounge bar for a selection of Stews followed by an amazing range of Puddings. Kelly the landlady and her staff helped make the evening one of the best 'Stewsdays' we have had. We were raising money for Finlay who is the 8 year old Grandson of one of our parishioners who needs a specialist spinal operation at Bristol Children's Hospital. Everyone dug deep into their pockets for the raffle (£151) and we are delighted to say that with the tickets sales and the raffle we raised the grand total of £750. If you would like to donate to Footsteps 4 Finlay please go to www.justgiving.com/footsteps4finlay to text FSFF99 £5 to 70070

What a wonderful evening it was. The Cross Keys turned out to be a great place to hold 'Stewsday'. Kelly and her staff couldn't have been more helpful and we will definitely be returning to the pub again for another event in 2017.



NEW PRIEST APPOINTED

The Bishop of Ramsbury is pleased to announce that he has appointed Reverend Ruth Schofield to be the next Priest in Charge of Rowde and Bromham. Ruth is currently Team Vicar in the parish of Holy Trinity with St Columba, Fareham and part-time Chaplain to Portsmouth Hospitals Trust. Ruth will be licensed by the Bishop of Salisbury on Thursday 30 March at St Nicholas, Bromham. Please continue to pray for Ruth and John as they prepare to leave their current home, and move to Rowde and Bromham, and please continue to pray for the people of the churches as they prepare to welcome Ruth and John to our communities.



Gavin Moss

SERIOUS ACCIDENT NEAR ROWDE JUNCTION



photograph by Alan Watters

A woman was flown to Southmead hospital with serious injuries after a car crash along Caen Hill heading towards Devizes.

The incident happened shortly before 2.15pm on Friday 25th November and Caen Hill was closed both ways between Seend Fork and Rowde junction.

As of Wednesday 30th November the woman remains in hospital but her condition is believed to be improving.

POLICE APPEAL AFTER DEVIZES ACCIDENT

Police are appealing for information following a three vehicle collision in Devizes at the junction of Caen Hill with and Devizes Road.

A police spokesman said: "At 6:10 pm on Wednesday 16 November 2016 a blue Peugeot, Grey Mini and a red Citroen were involved in the collision. The female drivers of the Peugeot and the Mini sustained minor injuries. The road was obstructed for approximately two hours

as officers dealt with the incident. Officers would like to speak to anyone who witnessed the collision or who has any information. In particular, there was a cyclist in the area at the time who is believed to have seen what happened and officers would like this person to come forward as they may have important information to assist the investigation.

Please call PC Andy Lee at the Tri force Specialist Operations unit at Police Headquarters, Devizes on 101. Or call Crimestoppers 0800 555 111 where details may be left anonymously if preferred."

CAEN HILL DOG IS A HERO



Rescue dog Jasper has been hailed a hero by his new family when he stepped in to protect a young boy from two angry swans.

Jasper went into action when Jude Bolton, five, was on a walk with his parents and three older brothers and sisters near the Kennet and Avon Canal.

His mum Alison, 47, from Bremhill, near Calne said: "We were all enjoying the walk when I realised Jude had gone towards the swans. They were young ones but fully grown. I had just called out to my husband Cris to warn him when suddenly one of the swans started coming towards Jude. Before we knew it Jasper had rushed between the swans and Jude and was obviously protecting him. The swans were rearing up and hissing madly.

Jasper is usually quite timid and hardly ever makes a noise but he was barking at the swans and was down on his haunches making the swans back off. He was amazing and it showed us how he had bonded with us as a family. It really gives us confidence that if anyone was to ever threaten any of us or try to break into our house he would protect us."

Jasper was adopted by Mr and Mrs Bolton and their children Phoenix, 15, Zak, 12, Trixie, eight and Jude after he was found abandoned in Spain.

They originally fostered the dog from Trowbridge charity Leash Of Life that was set up in 2014 to help rescue dogs from Romania but now also works in Spain.



Mrs Bolton said: "We took Jasper on about six months ago. We think he is a cross between a Beagle and a Jack Russell and about two years old. He has been wonderful from the start but very timid. He is very gentle with the children and Jude adores him. This is the first time we have ever seen a different side to him and it was obviously because he thought Jude was in danger."

Mrs Bolton, who home schools her children, said they had not been put off walking by the Caen Hill flight of locks in Rowde.

She said: "It is a lovely spot and now we actually feel more confident because we know Jasper will protect us."

OBITUARY

Pearl Margaret Baker

Pearl, formerly of Rowde, passed away suddenly on 23rd October at the Royal United Hospital, Bath. The funeral was held on 18th November at St Matthew's Church, Rowde. Family flowers only. Donations to The British Heart Foundation c/o D J Bewley Funeral Directors, 64 New Park Street, Devizes SN10 1DP. Fondest memories and God Bless from her family; a very special lady.

ROWDE CRICKETER TOM ALSOP TO STAY WITH HAMPSHIRE UNTIL END OF 2019 SEASON

Rowde's Tom Alsop has become the second Wiltshire player to commit his future to Hampshire after signing a new deal that will see him remain at the Ageas Bowl until the end of the 2019 season.

The 20 year old follows in the footsteps of Calne's Liam Dawson, who earlier this week penned an extended contract with the Southampton-based county outfit.



Alsop's current deal was due to expire at the end of next season, but the promising batsman has now sealed an extended stay.

Alsop, who graduated through Hampshire's youth setup, made his first-class debut in 2014 before enjoying a successful 2015 season in the Hampshire Second XI.

The left-hander also made his England U19 debut in 2015, in which he hit a half-century against Australia U19 in a youth Test.

This season saw Alsop feature prominently for the first XI as he struck more than 1,200 runs across all formats in the 2016 campaign, including recording his maiden first-class and List A centuries.

"I'm delighted to put pen to paper on a new three year contract with Hampshire," he said. "The club have certainly got a bright future and I'm pleased to be able to continue to be a part of something special here at the Ageas Bowl."

The Potterne CC youngster proved to be a crucial component of the top-order in the Specsavers County Championship, contributing six half-centuries and a century in his 13 first-class matches whilst also impressing in both limited-overs competitions.

He averaged more than 54 in seven 50-over fixtures including two 50s and one century, whilst also helping Hampshire record a win in the NatWest T20 Blast contest against Somerset, striking a quick-fire 85 at the top of the order.

Alsop was called up for the England Lion's training camp in Dubai for games against Afghanistan and the United Arab Emirates.

FOOTBALL

**Sunday 30th October
Seven Goal Thriller!**

Neither Rowdey Cow Rowde or White Horse (Sunday) A have been at their best in the opening two months of the season, but both teams played their part in a seven-goal thriller which Rowdey Cow eventually won 4-3.

Matt Lever broke the deadlock for Rowdey Cow on 22 minutes, with White Horse levelling things up 45 minutes when Rob Hart turned the ball in following a goalmouth scramble.

Lever regained the lead for Cow in the 47th minute only for Max Whittaker to made it 2-2 with a delicate lob on 55 minutes.

Goals from Jay Walters in the 57th and 79th minutes gave Rowdey Cow a 4-2 advantage.

With the game in injury time a second delightful finish from Whittaker made things interesting.



Sunday 6th November

CHIPPENHAM & DISTRICT SUNDAY LEAGUE KNOCKOUT CUP

Mixed fortunes for the two Rowde teams

Third division Faded FC, who walloped FC Pig & Whistle 11-0 in the previous round were unable to conjure up more cup magic as they suffered a 3-2 defeat at home to top-flight side Rowdey Cow Rowde with all the goals coming in the first half.

Faded must have thought they would be heading through to the last 16 after goals from Matt Minnis and Alexandru Stroiescu had given them a 2-0 lead.

Robbie Whyte got Rowdey Cow back in the tie when he scored from the penalty spot, Matt Taccuso restored parity and Matt Lever sealed the win.

First division, FC Bradford had a safe passage into the second round after they defeated third division opponents AFC Rowde 6-1.

Josh Magiure, a Troy Hawkes own goal and Steve Badger were on target for Bradford in a first half that also saw Hawkes have a penalty saved by Bradford keeper Morgan Williams.

Mike Evans and Ashley Styles found the net for Bradford prior to George Thomas replying for Rowde. Steve Bryant added number six for Bradford.

Sunday 13th November

Treble's first, but trouble for Rowde

It is now starting to look as if it will be a two-horse race for the Division Three title this season, with Box Rovers currently top of the pile.

Their most likely challengers will be Faded FC who kept the pressure on the villagers with an 8-2 win at AFC Rowde.

Simon Trebble's first Rowde goal and Luke Thomson's penalty was little consolation for Rowde who were no match for Faded's rampant front line, led by Matt Minnis, whose hat-trick took his tally to 30 in all competitions.

Nassen Abourachid netted twice, Dan Jones, Zack Manna and a first goal for Steve Evans made up the eight.

SUNDAY LEAGUE WG PARR TROPHY Nine Goal Thriller!

Last term's Trophy winners and this season's favourites, Rowdey Cow Rowde, began the defence of their title with a far-from-convincing 5-4 victory at second division FC St George.

Cow had an impressive first 45 minutes as goals from Josh Scott and Steven House put them 2-0 ahead. Reece Collyer halved the deficit for St George only for Rowdey Cow to open up a 5-1 lead, Scott and House each adding a second before Robbie Whyte netted the fifth.

Craig Sheppard gave St George a lifeline prior to the break. Thanks to a Sheppard double, which saw him complete a hat-trick, the holders were left hanging on in the second half. Phew!

Sunday 27th November

More trouble for AFC Rowde

North Star Club and AFC Rowde played the first ever Chippenham League match on the 3G pitch at Beversbrook in Calne and North Star clinched a 2-1 success.

WHITE HORSE OPERA CHRISTMAS CONCERT



ST JOHN'S CHURCH DEVIZES

7.30PM WED 14TH DECEMBER

TICKETS £8 FROM

DEVIZES BOOKS

AND ONLINE AT

www.ticketsource.co.uk/whitehorseopera

**The RVN magazine team
wish all our readers a
very merry Christmas
and a happy New Year**

THOUGHTS FOR THE MONTH

"There are many things from which I might have derived good, by which I have not profited, I dare say," returned the nephew: "Christmas among the rest. But I am sure I have always thought of Christmas time, when it has come round--apart from the veneration due to its sacred name and origin, if anything belonging to it can be apart from that--as a good time: a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time: the only time I know of, in the long calendar of the year, when men and women seem by one consent to open their shut-up hearts freely, and to think of people below them as if they were really fellow-passengers to the grave, and not another race of creatures bound on other journeys. And therefore, uncle, though it has never put a scrap of gold or silver in my pocket, I believe it has done me good, and will do me good; and I say, God bless it!"

Charles Dickens, from A Christmas Carol

On Christmas morning, our joy or our happiness can be at a very high level, not because of our anticipation of what we might receive but, rather, in anticipation of watching our loved ones open our gifts to them. In fact, if we're not careful, we can fail to register sufficient excitement and joy upon opening the gifts we receive from others. We must remember that they are happiest at that time and to give them top billing, to stretch their happiness to its full length.

Earl Nightingale

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

And here's a thought for the day you are reading this:

"During anxious times, it can be tempting to follow the siren call of the angriest voices. We must resist that temptation. No one who is willing to work hard, abide by our laws and love our traditions should ever feel unwelcome in this country."

Nikki Haley



The Farm Cookery School



Netherstreet Farm, Bromham
Tel: 01380 859 478 : Email: enquiries@thefarmcookeryschool.co.uk
www.thefarmcookeryschool.co.uk

Cookery Classes & Demonstrations for Adults

Lovely Lunches £45 Wednesdays 11am – 1pm
Creative Cooking £65 Thursdays 10am – 2pm
5 dish demonstration £25 Evenings 7pm – 8.30pm
Classic Cooking £35 Evenings 7pm – 8.30pm

After School Workshops and Holiday Clubs for Children
from £15 per session

T O'ROURKE

All plastering work undertaken

No job too small

FREE ESTIMATES



Contact Troy on:

01380 698993

or 07968 634689

Dolman Audio Visual

Berhills Lane Farm, Sells Green, Seend

provides

**reliable and effective repairs
& maintenance to all makes of
TV, Hi-Fi & video equipment**

by knowledgeable and friendly technical staff
at our well-equipped service department

Please contact

Maggie or Peter

Phone/Fax: 01380 828524

Email: peterdolman@btconnect.com

Andrew Goodfield Woodwork

Devizes Road, Rowde

**CARPENTRY/JOINERY/FURNITURE/
KITCHENS**

Established 12 years

Specialist in 'built in'

Bookcases/Cupboards/Wardrobes

FREE DESIGN & QUOTATION

NO VAT

Tel: 01380 722067

Email: apgoodfield@tiscali.co.uk

Web Site: www.apgoodfield.co.uk



The Farm Cookery School



Netherstreet Farm, Bromham

Tel: 01380 859 478 :

Email: enquiries@thefarmcookeryschool.co.uk

www.thefarmcookeryschool.co.uk

CHRISTMAS FAIR SUNDAY 11TH DECEMBER 2PM – 6PM

Create Festive Food Treats

Create Christmas Crafts

Father Christmas in his Grotto

Stalls to Browse

Seasonal Food and Drink

FREE ENTRY

Small Charge for Activities

FUN COLUMN

Welcome to this month's fun column. We have some facts about Christmas for you this month.

- The tradition of Christmas lights dates back to when Christians were persecuted for saying Mass. A simple candle in the window meant that Mass would be celebrated there that night.
- Queen Elizabeth's Christmas message to the nation was televised for the first time on December 25, 1957.
- The custom of singing Christmas carols is very old - the earliest English collection was published in 1521.
- After "A Christmas Carol," Charles Dickens wrote several other Christmas stories, one each year, but none was as successful as the original.
- The popular Christmas song "Jingle Bells" was composed in 1857 by James Pierpont, and was originally called "One-Horse Open Sleigh."
- There are twelve courses in the Ukrainian Christmas Eve supper. According to the Christian tradition, each course is dedicated to one of Christ's apostles.
- The first printed reference to Christmas trees appeared in Germany in 1531.
- The northern European custom of the candlelit Christmas tree is derived from the belief that it sheltered woodland spirits when other trees lost their leaves during winter.
- For every real Christmas tree harvested, two to three seedlings are planted in its place.
- In Medieval England, Nicholas was just another saint - he had not yet been referred to as Santa Claus and he had nothing to do with Christmas.
- In 1937, the first postage stamp to commemorate Christmas was issued in Austria.
- More diamonds are purchased at Christmas-time (31 percent) than during any other holiday or occasion during the year.
- Christmas caroling began as an old English custom called Wassailing - toasting neighbours to a long and healthy life.
- It is a Christmas tradition in the UK that a wish made while mixing the Christmas pudding will come true only if the ingredients are stirred in a clockwise direction.
- A traditional Christmas dinner in early England was the head of a pig prepared with mustard.
- In the British armed forces it is traditional that officers wait on the men and serve them their Christmas dinner. This dates back to a custom from the Middle Ages.
- Yuletide-named towns in the United States include Santa Claus, located in Arizona and Indiana, Noel in Missouri, and Christmas in both Arizona and Florida.

Avalon Lodge Bed & Breakfast *....more than just a place to stay*

If you need somewhere for friends or family to stay whilst visiting we are here to help.

We offer:

- large, double glazed, centrally heated, en-suite rooms
- hotel comfort mattresses
- luxurious bedding
- well stocked silent fridges in each room
- free Wi-Fi
- ample off road parking
- delicious full English breakfast using local produce and eggs from our own hens
- free electric point car charger
- walking distance of village

With prices from £65 per night our AA 4* Gold service is here for you

Call 01380 728189
or email stay@avalonlodge.co.uk
for bookings or further details

Nick & Jenny
Avalon Lodge, Devezes Road, Rowde, SN10 2LU
www.avalonlodge.co.uk

Trip Advisor Certificate of Excellence 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016

USEFUL TIPS & TRICKS



Use a rubber band to remove a stripped screw



Stick a few marshmallows or pieces of bread in your brown sugar to keep it soft

Do you have a disability of any kind or a mobility problem ?

Are you elderly and find it difficult to go shopping?

Then Devizes & District PHAB may be able to help you with their Shopper Buses

The following are the services we can offer you:

DEVIZES PHAB TRANSPORT Registered Charity No 282543 **SHOPPER BUS SERVICES**

DOOR to DOOR Service Transporting people with disabilities & mobility problems also companions

Devizes & District PHAB offer the following DOOR to DOOR services for people with Disabilities, also elderly with mobility problems and their carers or friend if required.

LOCAL DEVIZES SERVICE EVERY THURSDAY

To Devizes Town Centre - Morrisons LIDLs on a 3rd Thursday - picking up from 9.00am returning around 12 midday. Return fare £2.00

DEVIZES TO SALISBURY or WILTON SHOPPING VILLAGE & TROWBRIDGE

Every **FIRST FRIDAY** 9.00am returning 3.30pm - Return Fare £ 3.00

Salisbury: December

DEVIZES TO SWINDON or OUTLET VILLAGE

Every **THIRD FRIDAY** (every month) 9.00am returning 3.30pm
Return Fare £3.00

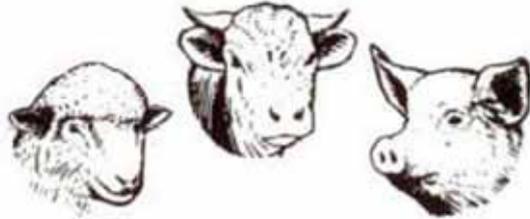
(If you wish to go to Marlborough this can be arranged)

For full details of the shopper bus services please see the August issue of the Rowde Village News

PLEASE CONTACT:

01380 818684 – Devizes Local Service

01225 702753 – Trowbridge, Salisbury & Swindon



H.F. STILES & SON LTD

Fourth generation family butchers

Retail butchers established over a century

**Beef, Pork and Lamb sourced from local farms and
slaughtered at our own abattoir ensuring that we know
exactly where your meat comes from**

All beef hung and matured for 3 weeks

This months special offer – only £35

3½ lb Loin Pork Roasting Joints or Pork Steaks

4 Norfolk Chicken Breasts

2 lb Minced Beef or Lamb

1 lb Home cured Bacon

10 Homemade Traditional Pork Sausages

1 Pack Colliers Cheddar Cheese

An average of less than £1.20 per meal

All packed and labelled to your requirements

**If you would like anything packed or butchered differently then
please ask and we will be more than happy to help**

Follow us for up to date monthly offers -

<https://www.facebook.com/stilesbutcher>

**Please phone with any orders or enquiries that you may have and
to find out about our weekly delivery service**

Opening Times

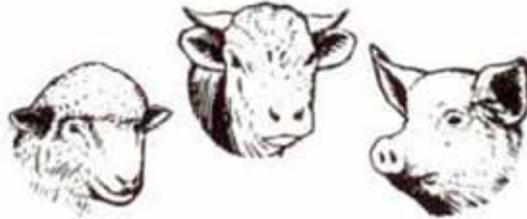
Monday: 8am – 1pm

Tuesday - Friday: 8am – 5pm (closed between 1pm and 2pm)

Saturday: 8am – 1pm

**22 High Street, Bromham, Chippenham,
Wiltshire, SN15 2EX**

Telephone: (01380) 850342



H.F. STILES & SON LTD

CHRISTMAS BOXES

Fresh Usk Vale Turkey	Wiltshire Topside Roasting Joint
Home cooked Ham Joint	Home cooked Ham Joint
Homemade Chestnut and Sausage meat stuffing	Homemade Sausage meat stuffing
Homemade Chipolata Sausages	Pigs in Blankets
Home cured Streaky Bacon	Creamed Horseradish
Luxury Cranberry Sauce	
For 4 people £47.50	For 4 people £32.50
For 6 people £65.00	For 6 people £47.50
For 10 people £87.50	For 10 people £75.00

Other sizes available on request

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Usk Vale Turkeys	£3.25/lb £7.17/Kg	Home cooked ham	£4.60/lb £10.14/Kg
Free Range Turkeys	£4.95/lb £10.91/Kg	Salt beef	£4.80/lb £10.58/Kg
Chickens	£2.90/lb £6.39/Kg	Ox Tongue	£4.80/lb £10.58/Kg
Chickens 8 lb +	£3.30/lb £7.28/Kg	Pigs in blankets	£3.00 pack 6
Geese	£5.65/lb £12.46/Kg	Gammon Joints	£3.10/lb £6.83/Kg
Ducks	£2.95/lb £6.50/Kg	Leg Pork boneless	£2.95/lb £6.50/Kg
Boneless Turkey crown	£4.65 /lb £10.25/Kg	Boneless Rib Beef	£8.69/lb £19.16/Kg
- can be filled with our homemade stuffing		Bone in Rib Beef	£6.25/lb £13.77/Kg
Topside and Silverside	£4.65/lb £10.25/Kg	Rolled Sirloin	£10.65/lb £23.48/Kg
Homemade Chestnut stuffing	£2.95/lb		

Christmas gift vouchers available

Christmas Opening Times

Wednesday 21st	8am - 5pm
Thursday 22nd	8am - 5pm
Friday 23rd	8am - 5 pm
Saturday 24th	8am - 1pm

Orders now being taken

To be sure of availability please order before Saturday 10th December.
Please phone with any orders or come in to see us.

**22 High Street, Bromham, Chippenham,
Wiltshire, SN15 2EX**

Telephone: (01380) 850342

Mobile Library Service



A mobile library van visits Rowde (Village Hall) on a Saturday every four weeks, from **11.40am to 12.30pm**.

You can borrow books for adults and children of all ages, plus story tapes/CDs. It is also possible to reserve items that are not available on the van. The library van is wheelchair accessible.

For more details on Wiltshire Library Service, log on to: www.wiltshire.gov.uk/libraries

What you will need:

Either a Wiltshire Library card or proof of your name and current address (for

example an allowance book, bank/building society statement, driving licence or official bill/invoice).

Next dates for the Library van (all Saturdays):

10th December 2016, 7th January 2017, 4th February 2017, 4th March 2017, 1st April 2017.

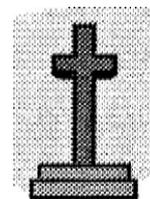
Modern & Traditional
Designed Memorials

M J SLY

Memorial Stonemason - New Memorials
Additional Inscriptions - Restorations
Free Home Visits & Brochure

Tel: Marlborough (01672) 516797
www.mjsly.co.uk

Email: martin@mjsly.co.uk
Workshop & Showroom at
Pelhams Court, London Road
Marlborough



Trevor Hale

NPTC Certified (arb) Fully Insured

City &
Guilds
NPTC



Tree Surgery

Felling ▪ Reductions ▪ Dismantles
Chipping ▪ Stumpremoval ▪ Hedging

Very Competitive Pricing

07737 934777

www.wiltshiretreesurgery.co.uk

Seend Cleeve

Easterton Vehicles Ltd.

ATA Automotive
Technician Accreditation
Master Technician AT 1803087958

Independent
BMW, Mercedes, VW, Audi
and Skoda Specialists
at less than 1/2 dealer prices.
All Makes Mot's & Servicing.

Award Winning Knowledge Of Modern Motor Vehicles
Champion Bright Spark 2006 - 2nd
Auto Trade Technician 1999 - Winner

John Kyte, Director

Unit 1 Hillcroft Farm, 5 Easterton Sands, Devizes
Wiltshire, SN10 4PY

Call: 01380 812192 or 01380 816436
www.eastertonvehicles.com



Lifeboats

QUIZ & FISH & CHIP SUPPER

THE CROSS KEYS, ROWDE

Friday 27 January 2017

7.30 P.M.

BEAT THE POST CHRISTMAS BLUES AND COME AND HAVE
SOME FUN/WIN SOME CASH - PLUS A GREAT FISH AND CHIP
SUPPER

CASH PRIZE for winning team of 4

TICKETS £10 per head (to include supper) from Devizes Books
and Rowde Village Shop



The RNLI is the charity that saves lives at sea

Registered National Charitable Institution (RNLI), a charity registered in England and Wales (206282) and Scotland (SC292762). Registered charity number 202829 in the Republic of Ireland.

The George & Dragon - January 2017 Offer

As a thank you for your support throughout 2016 we would like to offer you a 25% off your bill (food & drink or accommodation)

Please cut out and bring this 'voucher' with you

Potterne Village Hall and Potterne Social Club

invite you to their

Christmas Fayre

Saturday December 12th 4 p.m. - 9 p.m.

at the Village Hall and the Social Club

Attractions include: Santa's Grotto, Crafts, Village Stalls, Produce, Cakes, Preserves, Refreshments and performances from Potterne Mummers, Children's Choir etc

To book a stall contact Nesta on: npudney1@sky.com

Volunteers required

Help in your community shop

Please give us a hand

We need all ages and all hours

Please phone or e-mail

Or pop in!

Phone 01380739800

or e-mail

rowde.village.shop@btconnect.com

COMMUNITY RESILIENCE PLAN

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

WHEN? DURING A CRISIS!

Flood

Snow

Pandemic Flu

Loss of utilities

Fuel disruption

Animal Disease Outbreak

WHERE

- Bunnies Lane
- Cock Road/Tower View
- Conscience Lane
- Devizes Road
- High Street
- Marsh Lane (to HFT)
- Marsh Lane (to Caen Hill)
- Rowde Court Road
- Springfield Road (Bungalows)
- Springfield Road
- Silverlands
- Tanis
- Wheeler Place

WHAT?

Are you willing to be a first point of contact for your area in the village, if there is an emergency in Rowde?

It will help us to reach the most vulnerable people in the village at a time of crisis.

Please contact Rebekah (Parish Clerk) if you can help: tel: 01380 720988; rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com

Oil Fired Boiler Maintenance/Repair



OFTEC qualified technician can install, commission and repair heating and hot water systems from oil tank to radiator

Qualified in unvented and solar heating

For fast, friendly and efficient service and repair call

Nigel Block on:

01380 859479 or 07886 834641

BRINTON BROTHERS

General Building
Restoration & Maintenance
Painting & Decorating

DEVIZES WILTSHIRE SN10 5LH
TEL: 01380 728582 07789 806904
brintonbrothers@gmail.com

The George and Dragon

Pub, dining room & accommodation Tel: 01380 723 053

December Events

Christmas Parties

Our Christmas menus are now available, starting from £24.95.
Menus are available for tables of 4 to 36 people for lunch & dinner
Fancy a private room? The sitting room holds up to 18 people

As a special for Rowde Villagers, your Christmas party will receive a glass of complimentary fizz on arrival. Pls call Chippy or email him on:
gm@thegeorgeanddragonrowde.co.uk

Boxing Day Lunch 12-6pm:

**Leave the leftovers and join us for a relaxing lunch with our famous BMF (Bring me food) menu.
2 sittings 12 & 3pm Adults £25/ kids £12.50**

Christmas Opening hours:

**Sunday 18th December: Village Carols at 5.30pm
Christmas Eve: Lunch & Dinner
Christmas Day: Drinks only 12-2pm
Boxing Day: Lunch only 12-6pm (* booking advisable)
December 27th – 30th Normal lunch & dinner
New Year's Eve: Lunch 12-3pm
NYE Dinner & Party: 7pm to very very late (*booking essential)
New Year's Day: Closed**

G&D New Years Eve Party!!!!

Doors open at 7pm (No admittance after 11pm)

DINNER: 5 course delicious supper & party.

Includes glass of fizz on arrival £55per person BOOK ASAP!

DRINKS & DANCING: from 10pm DJ CY will be spinning the decks with music from the 60's 70's 80's to the present....

Please go to www.thegeorgeanddragonrowde.co.uk for the New Years Eve menu

Please call 01380 723053 to book.

Rowdeford School Christmas Cards

The three new seasons designs,
3 ships, Christmas elf and the
sleigh over the night sky, are all
£3.50

All the others are £1.50



Purchases can be made by Emailing maggiemoore@firenet.uk.net, phoning 01249 814979 or visiting Rowdeford School reception.

Most of the designs are done by the pupils.

£ £ £

Money for Village Groups

If you are a not-for-profit group or organisation based in Rowde which offers activities or help to a good number of people in the village, you are invited to apply for a grant from Rowde Parish Council. Please see further information in the Parish Council update on page 9.

A grant application form can be obtained from the Clerk at the address below or downloaded from the village website at rowdevillage.org.

Please return completed application forms by 20th December 2016 to:

The Clerk of Rowde Parish Council, 10 Devizes Road, Rowde, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 2LZ or by e-mail: rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com.

Tel: 01380 720988.

GAIGER BROTHERS LTD

Building Contractors

6 Northgate Street, Devizes, Wiltshire SN10 1JL

Tel: (01380) 722412

Fax: (01380) 727890

The Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust



Registered Charity No 1153790

The Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust provide a Courtesy Home Security Service for elderly, vulnerable and disadvantaged people living in Wiltshire, who have become, or are at risk of becoming victims of house crime or domestic abuse.

Our operators will carry out a full security and fire risk assessment before fitting the appropriate security devices. If you are over 60 or vulnerable due to a mental or physical disability and don't feel that you have adequate home security please contact us to arrange a visit.

Tel No: 01380 861155 Email: bobbyvan@wiltshire.police.uk
www.wiltshirebobbyvan.org.uk



BEWLEY

Funeral Directors Limited

Our family are here for your family

- | | | |
|---------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| 24hr Service to all areas | - | Private Chapels of Rest |
| Pre Paid Funeral Plans | - | Homes Visits |
| Religious Services | - | Non Religious Services |
| Motor Hearse | - | Motorcycle or Horsedrawn |

Patrik Bewley & Ryan Bewley

We are the original family funeral directors Est 1970

64 New Park Street, Devizes
Devizes 01380 728008
contact@djbewley.com

15 Bank Street, Melksham
Melksham 01225702521
www.bewleyfunerals.com

LAURENCE PLUMB

Interior & exterior Painting/
Decorating

Free Estimates

Tel: 01380 728174

Mike's Tiling Services

Ceramic
Porcelain
Natural Stone

Fitting - Supply - Design Services for Floor and Wall Tiling

Call for a free quotation
Fully insured, quality workmanship

Call Mike Foster on - 01380 720987 - Mobile: 07835 213112
Email: mikes tilingservices@gmail.com
Web: mikes tilingservices.co.uk

Greyhounds
Rock!



Greyhound Rescue West of England

Greyhound Rescue West of England is an independent greyhound rescue charity, dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation and rehoming of abused and abandoned greyhounds and greyhound crosses. If you would like to rehome a greyhound or greyhound cross or volunteer for GRWE, please contact us for more information.

Email: enquiries@grwe.com
Visit: www.grwe.com
Call 07000 785 092



KFR

refurbishing furniture
reviving communities

Kennet Furniture Refurbiz

The Furniture and White goods charity.

To donate items or purchase please call:

01380 720722 / 720200

Unit 6B, Hopton Industrial Estate,
Devizes, SN10 2EU.

Rowde Village News Pledge

The Rowde village News is independent of political parties, private interests and government. Our policy is to provide readers with a complete, fair, accurate and balanced news and information service.

Although we are a voluntary run, nonprofit making publication we still do our best to adhere to the Press Complaints Commission's Code of Practice. While we try hard to avoid mistakes, some errors can occur during the part time and hectic process of producing one of Wiltshire's largest and most regarded (apparently, from feedback received over recent years) monthly village magazines.

Our policy is to correct errors of fact as soon as possible and, where appropriate, apologise. If you find an error of concern, please contact the editor (contact details on page 3).

Thank you for your continued support and understanding,

Alan Watters, Editor

Martina's Professional Cleaning Services

Is cleaning and ironing taking
up your valuable time?

**We guarantee the best price
for the perfect job**

Regular Cleaning

Spring Cleaning

Office Cleaning

Oven Cleaning

Window Cleaning

Carpet Cleaning

Ironing

**Fully insured and absolute
privacy assured**

The same regular cleaner guaranteed

Call Martina on 07859818198

T.M.DICKINSON PAINTING AND DECORATING



**External and Internal
Local and Independent**

Free estimates

Fully insured

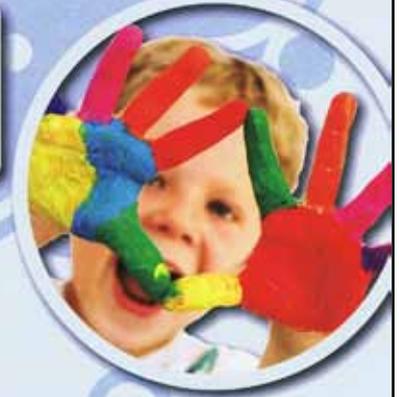
Quality finish

01380 293110

07542606191

tmdickinson77@gmail.com

4CHILDREN



**What your 4Children Children's
Centre offers**

Groups and services that run from your local centre are designed for families with children under five. Your centre can provide you with information or advice on all aspects of family life, so drop in to visit us or call one of our staff team.

**For further
information or to get
involved, telephone
01380 739835**



Sure Start

Wiltshire Council



TOWNSEND BARN NURSERY POULSHOT



**For pre-school children age 0-5 years
Open all year from 8am - 6pm**

The Nursery makes full use of its rural setting, and focuses on outdoor play as well as indoor activities. Home cooked food provided.

**Children's gardens & greenhouse | Vegetable plot
Tennis court | Nature garden | Outdoor wood oven
Swimming with Parents | Sandpit | Outings & Trips**

**For further details please contact:
01380 828141 / 07976 899946
www.townsendbarnnursery.co.uk**

The Board Room
Renelec House
46, New Park St,
Devizes
SN10 1DS
sycamorecentre.devizes@yahoo.co.uk
www.careconfidential.com/devizes

The
SYCAMORE
Centre 
07762 382913
A Pregnancy Choices Centre

Vine Cottage B&B

AA ****

AA Breakfast Award

Trip Advisor certificate of
excellence 2015

En suite Rooms from £60 single
and £80 double

Our own hens eggs in the all-inclusive
cooked breakfast. Also use of guest
lounge, sauna, Wi-Fi, garden and POD Point
Electric car charger, included in room price.

Mention Rowde mag for 5% off, Telephone
bookings only.

Tel: Mary and Ben Bentley
on 01380 728360 or email:
vincottagebb@btinternet.com

Or book on-line via web-site
www.vincottagebb.co.uk

or FaceBook page,

www.facebook.com/vincottagebb



Theodora Wildcroft

 Wild Yoga

ROWDE VILLAGE HALL

WEDNESDAYS 10.30 AM - 12

Full term, concession and drop-in rates available.
Beginners and experienced yogis are welcome.
Call or email for bookings and further details.



theo@wildyoga.co.uk 07818401110 www.wildyoga.co.uk
Rebalance mind, body and soul with a smile.

WE NEED YOU!

Do you have some news to share or just
have something to say about the village?
If you can contribute to the content of
your Rowde Village News in any way or
would like to give us feedback (good or
bad) or discuss any magazine issues
then please contact:

Alan Watters on 01380 724788 or by email
at watters.alan@gmail.com

or **Suzan Jackett** on 01380 729791 or by
email at suzijj@rocketmail.com

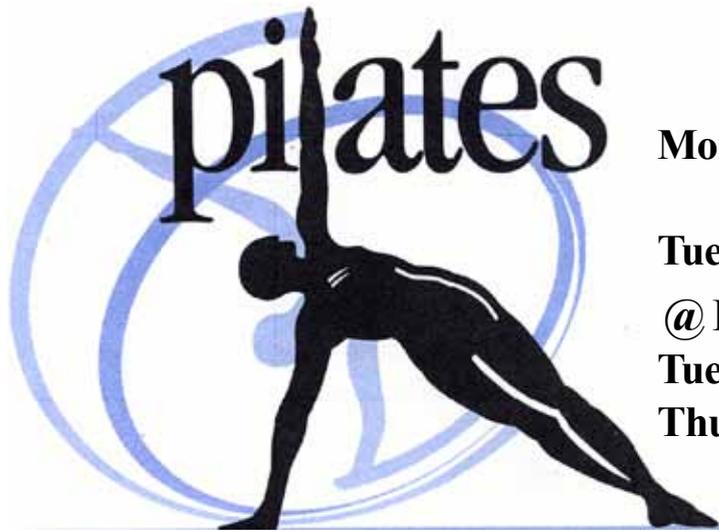
**PLEASE
REMEMBER
to mention where
you saw the
advert when you
contact any of
our advertisers!**



Cut & Go
Mobile Hairdresser
07990 556 001
FaceBook:
Elaine Mortimer
cp.rowde@btinternet.com

Move. Every. Day.

New morning and evening classes starting in January



Currently running classes:

@ Hft, Rowde:

Mondays: 6.15 pm - Improvers

7.30 pm - Intermediates

Tuesdays: 7.00 pm - Beginners

@ Dance Studio, Bath Road, Devizes:

Tuesdays: 9.30 am - Intermediates +

Thursdays: 9.30 am - Improvers/
Intermediates

To book your place or for any enquiries please email suzijj@rocketmail.com
or call Suzan on 01380 729791



The George & Dragon Rowde Our annual G&D Christmas Carols evening is on Sunday 18th December:

5.30pm - mince pies & mulled wine at G&D

5.50pm - walk to St Matthews Church (2 minutes away)

6pm - Carol Service

7pm for 7.30pm - back to G&D for 2 course
dinner (Roast Turkey with all the trimmings &
Christmas pudding with brandy Anglaise)

All at £17.50 per person (£8 for children)

Please call 01380 723053 to book



Your Complete Office Supplier

12 Market Place

Devizes

Wiltshire

SN10 1HT

Telephone: 01380 729429

Fax: 01380 728368

Email: sales@stat-cup.co.uk

www.thestationerycupboard.com

**INKJET
CARTRIDGES
LASER TONERS
PHOTOCOPYING**

**BUSINESS
MACHINES**

**PLAN PRINT
SERVICES**

LAMINATION

**OFFICE
FURNITURE**

**FREE DELIVERY
SERVICE**

HESTIA

SOFT FURNISHINGS

For beautiful handmade
curtains, blinds, loose
covers and soft
furnishings.

Browse through pattern books from James Hare,
Warwick, Elanbach and many more.

Free measuring and quotations.

Telephone 07982 985925

01380 859949

01249 815334

BBB

PHILIP HALE

**Clinical Sports & Remedial
Massage Therapist**

Promoting a healthy body and mind

PRE TREATMENT POSTURAL ASSESSMENT

Soft Tissue Massage

SPORTS INJURIES

**Training & Muscle Conditioning
Preparation**

**TREATMENT & PREVENTION OF: MUSCLE
INJURY, BACK PAIN, POOR POSTURE AND
EVERYDAY STRESSES & STRAINS**

**Pre, Inter & Post Event Treatment &
Recovery**

WILTSHIRE BASED & MOBILE CLINIC

Please call for an appointment

TELEPHONE: 07825180179

EMAIL: reception@philiphalesportsclinic.co.uk

WEBSITE: www.philiphalesportsclinic.co.uk

**INDUSTRY MEMBERSHIP AT THE
LONDON SCHOOL OF SPORTS &
REMEDIAL MASSAGE**

St John's Marlborough: Adult Education

St John's, Marlborough offers a variety of evening and weekend classes for adults

- **Accounting and Business**
How to start out online, Time 4 crowd funding, Power of online video, Bookkeeping using the Cloud
- **Cookery**
Middle Eastern, Parent and child workshops
- **Creative Writing**
Writing a pantomime, Writing comedy
- **Sport and Fitness**
Level 2 Certificate in Fitness Instructing: Exercise to Music & Gym Instruction, Level 3 Award in Sports Conditioning
- **Photography**
Introduction to Digital Photography, Beginners Photoshop
- **Family History**
- **Computing and IT**
Computing the basics, How to make the most of your computer, Intro to Microsoft Office, Word, Excel and PowerPoint, Web design using Dreamweaver, eBay, Internet safety, Social networking, Getting to Grips with your iPad
- **Languages**
French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Japanese, Latin, Arabic, Mandarin Chinese, Portuguese, Czech, Russian, Spanish, English as an additional language
- **Complementary Therapies**
Jin Shin Jyutsu, Mastering your mind, Mindful approach to the menopause, Reiki
- **How to Clear Your Clutter**
Devise a plan to create a clutter free zone

New courses are being added all the time, visit web site for up-to-date information, <http://www.stjohns.wilts.sch.uk/html/community/AdultEd.html>

For more information please contact Sally Bere on either SBere@stjohns.wilts.sch.uk or 01672-519558
sbere@stjohns.wilts.sch.uk or 01672 519558

Tom Ashpole TREE SURGERY

All Aspects of Tree
Surgery Covered



Including Hedgework And Stumpgrinding
NPTC certified, Cert.Arb (RFS) Fully Insured

Tel 01380 399473 Mob 07929 898544

Email: enquiries@wiltshiretreecare.co.uk

Web: www.wiltshiretreecare.co.uk

LETTERS

EVENTS CLASH RESOLVED

Clarification ref the G&D Christmas Carol Singing and Carol Service:

Unfortunately there has been a clash of events on the 18th December 2016.

St Matthew's Church have their annual Carol Service at 6.00pm and The George & Dragon have advertised their traditional gathering for Christmas Carols at 5.30pm. Having spoke to Chippy, we have decided that rather than trying to change the events we propose the following:

The George and Dragon will be open for mince pies and mulled wine at 5.30pm. Anyone who wishes can then join in the traditional Church Service of lessons and Carols for all the family at St Matthew's Church at 6.00pm.

As already planned, there will be an intimate 2 course dinner at The George & Dragon at 7.30pm for £17.50pp. Please note there is limited space so reservations are essential.

For anyone who is not going to the dinner at the George & Dragon there will be mulled wine and mince pies in St Matthew's Church after the service.

Chippy and Jane

THANKS FOR FLOWERS



Thank you to Jane Sartin and all her helpers who once again produced some wonderful arrangements for the Harvest Festival service in St Matthew's Church.

WHITE HORSE OPERA

I would be most grateful if the following might be included in the next edition of your parish news please:

White Horse Opera has some real treats for you this Christmas.

Their concert at St John's Church Devizes on Wed 14th December will include excerpts from Vivaldi's Gloria and Haydn's Creation also gorgeous Christmas music by Rutter, Holst, Stanford, Warlock & Byrd as well

as an opportunity to raise your voices with traditional carols.

Tickets £8, include mince pies and mulled wine, are available from Devizes Books 01380-725944 and on-line at www.ticketsource.co.uk/whitehorseopera

Do hope you can join us for a magical Christmas evening!

Thanking you

Barbara Gompels

BEST WISHES FOR CHRISTMAS

Sending to all in Rowde my very best wishes for a joyful Christmas and a good and Happy New Year!!

I will be supporting charities as usual in lieu of so many cards.

Greetings from ~ Mel ~ The Lollypop Lady



COULD YOU BE A

SAMARITAN VOLUNTEER?

Volunteers have been the lifeblood of Samaritans since the organisation was first formed by Chad Varah in 1953.

Could you touch another person's life when it really matters?

At Swindon and District branch we discuss feelings with our callers directly offering emotional support by telephone, by email, text, letter or by seeing callers face-to-face in the branch. It is a busy branch, reaching out to our local community by visiting schools, colleges and prisons, and is constantly looking for people to strengthen our teams.

Each year volunteers give their time to deliver this essential service to the thousands of people who choose to contact us, and last year around 27,000 people contacted Swindon and District Samaritans.

Volunteers are usually asked to commit to 3 – 4 hours per week, including some overnight time.

TELEPHONE US TODAY!

To request a volunteer pack visit volunteering@samaritans.org

Telephone 01793 537373 or ring me, Sheila King, on 01380 720730.

(I live in Rowde and would be happy to see anyone who is interested in becoming a Samaritan Volunteer)

Seasoned Logs and Kindling Available



Don't Shiver, We Deliver

**Call James on
07970 781828**

J F Chimney Sweep Devizes



Member of

'Institute of Chimney Sweeps'

Clean, Reliable and Professional service
Insurance certificate supplied with each sweep

Standard Sweep £35

Enquiries call James

07849 423883

Email: jfchimneysweep@outlook.com



Furlong Close,
Marsh Lane, Rowde,
Devizes, Wiltshire
SN10 2TQ
Reg Charity No 313069

Duvet Cleaning Service

Duvet too big for your washing machine?
Let us do it for you!

We can also launder sleeping bags, throws, blankets,
football/rugby strips (discount for whole teams)

Gifts

We have a large range of Handcrafted Gifts
from Jewellery to Bird and Bug Houses,
handmade cards to personalised gift boxes

Produce

We make a wide range of Jams, Chutneys and Marmalades
Orders taken for Celebration Cakes or Sugar Craft Flowers
We also sell delicious Shortbread, Handmade Chocolates
and many other seasonal treats.

Rowde Orchard Apple Juice

We produce our own Apple Juice from the orchards here
at Furlong Close. Food miles - ZERO! Give it a try!

Marsh Hall / Catering

A beautiful wheelchair accessible space to hire, with or
without catering, for Meetings, Parties, Training Courses, etc

**For all the above please call in and see us
or contact us on 01380 725455**

FREE Classified Ads

PART TIME WORKERS WANTED

The George and Dragon is looking
for part time staff in the pub/
restaurant. We are also looking for a
cleaner for our bedrooms and in the
pub (10am - 12pm weekly and some
weekends).

Call Chippy on 01380 723053 for
more info.

FOR SALE

Wonderful collection of 26
20th century Lilliput Lane models.
Well looked after.

**£50 ono for the lot or
individual offers.**

Phone 07886870053 or email
watters.alan@gmail.com for list.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR GOOD ORIGINAL ART OR DO YOU HAVE ANY TO SELL?

I deal in 18th and 19th century
original art (including engravings).

If you have anything to sell or if
there are particular subjects you
collect then send some details to me
at watters.alan@gmail.com or text
me on 07886870053 for an appraisal.

PERSONALISED CHRISTMAS AND GENERAL GREETINGS CARDS

And if you would like to send
personalised Christmas cards of
local snow scenes this year, please
contact me ASAP for quick order.

Alan, email watters.alan@gmail.com

How to advertise here for FREE:

If you live locally and have an item to sell then just
contact Julie on juliebaker72@yahoo.co.uk or
telephone 07796690413, giving a brief description
of the item, the amount you would like for it, and a
contact telephone number (name optional). 'Wanted'
ads also accepted. **Note - private advertisers only**
**Please also let us know whether your item
sells or not so that we can either remove it or
keep it in for subsequent months**



K&B Snook Ltd

Plumbing & Heating

Boiler installations, maintenance & servicing
Unvented hot water systems
Heating system power flushing
Bathroom design and installation
And all other plumbing & heating services

Grant UK accredited installers
OFTEC registered
LOGIC certified

Ken Snook
 Home
 01380 729495
 Mobile
 07971 172914

Ben Snook
 Home
 01380 728270
 Mobile
 07823 335584

Email – kbplumbing@outlook.com

Sudoku (medium this month)

2		7			4			
			2	1				
					3			
			5	2		6		8
		2			6		5	
3	6				8		7	
4		9		3				2
8			4					
	3	6	7					9

Last Month's Solution

6	5	7	1	2	3	4	8	9
2	8	4	9	5	7	3	6	1
9	1	3	4	8	6	7	2	5
5	9	2	6	1	4	8	3	7
4	3	1	8	7	9	6	5	2
7	6	8	5	3	2	9	1	4
8	4	5	3	9	1	2	7	6
3	2	6	7	4	5	1	9	8
1	7	9	2	6	8	5	4	3

Mini Sudoku (easy this month)

Insert the numbers 1 to 6 in the blank boxes so that each of the six separate areas of the puzzle and each line vertically and horizontally contains each number only once.

3		4			2
				5	3
	1			6	
	4	2			
1		5	3		
		6	5		

Last Month's Mini Sudoku Solution

1	6	2	4	5	3
4	5	3	2	6	1
5	3	1	6	2	4
6	2	4	1	3	5
2	1	5	3	4	6
3	4	6	5	1	2

Tracy Slade VTCT IFHB IHHT IHBC
 Call 01380 859 278 for your appointment
N.B. Although the property is sold, Beechwood Beauty will continue trading from 168 St Edith's Marsh

Offering holistic, beauty and remedial treatments in a relaxed & friendly environment

Up to the minute treatments available
 Event Days introduce new ideas products & treatments
 Quality skin care and beauty products for purchase
 Susan Molyneux, Environ, Jane Iredale, Advanced Nutrition Programme
 Gift vouchers also available

Salon close to Devizes, Calne & Chippenham with ample free parking
 Open Monday to Friday, day & evening appointments available

<p>Enhancing Eyebrow Shaping Jane Iredale Make-up</p>	<p>De-stressing Thai Foot Massage Hot Stone Massage</p>	<p>Holiday Shellac Fake Bake GOLD</p>
<p>Maintenance Waxing Monu Aromatic Facial</p>	<p>Pampering Pamper Packages Manicure Pedicure</p>	<p>Therapeutic Hopi Candle Electrolysis</p>
<p>Wedding Wedding Make-up Eyelash Extensions</p>	<p>Anti-ageing Renu Lift Facial Environ Vitamin A</p>	<p>The Latest Environ Vinylux Nails</p>

www.beechwoodbeauty.com - enquiries@beechwoodbeauty.com
 @BeechwoodBeauty - facebook.com/BeechwoodBeauty

Quick Reference List of Advertisers

Advertiser Page

FOOD:

H S Stiles & Son Ltd	36 & 37
Rowde Village Shop	various pages

FUNERAL DIRECTORS ETC:

Charles S Winchcombe & Son Ltd	22
M J Sly (Memorial Stonemasons)	38
John Stuart Funeral Services	2
D J Bewley Funeral Directors	43

TECHNICAL/PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:

The Stationery Cupboard	48
The PC Doctor (Ian Diddams)	5
St John's Adult Education	49
Photocopying & Laminating Service	7

ART, GRAPHICS, PUBLISHING & DESIGN:

'Magic Moments' by Douglas Drew	5
---------------------------------	---

CARPENTRY AND WOODWORK:

Andrew Goodfield Woodwork	33
---------------------------	----

HOUSE MAINTENANCE:

Duvet Cleaning (Hft)	51
House Cleaning (Martina)	44
Oil Boiler Engineer (Nigel Block)	40
Painter & Decorator (Lawrence Plumb)	44
Plasterer (T O'Rourke)	33
Adams Renovations	18
Hestia Soft Furnishings	48
Building Contractors (Gaiger Brothers)	43
KFR (used furniture and white goods)	44
K&B Snook Plumbing & Heating	52
Mike's Tiling Service	44
T M Dickinson Painting & Decorating	45
Brinton Brothers	40

GARDEN SERVICES:

Willis Garden Services	6
Help in your Garden – Helen	23
Tree Surgery - Trevor Hale	38
Tree Surgery – Tom Ashpole	49

PUBS/RESTAURANTS/CAFES/B&Bs:

The Cross Keys	2
The Rowdey Cow	18
Vine Cottage B&B	46
The Owl	25
The George and Dragon	41
The Farm Cookery School	33 & 34
Avalon Lodge B&B	34

HEALTH AND FITNESS:

Clinical Sports & Remedial Massage	48
Active Plus for over 60s	23
The Tranquil Moment Health & Beauty	18
Beechwood Beauty	52
Wiltshire Mind	18
Theo Wildcroft Yoga Classes	46
The Sycamore Centre	46
Helen Lee Homeopathy	23
Pilates Classes	47

PETS & LIVESTOCK:

Whistley Canine Country Club	25
Greyhound Rescue	44

MISCELLANEOUS:

Agri Services (agricultural & equine)	6
Logs and Kindling	51
Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust	43
Nursery – Townsend Barn	45
Canal Boat Rental – Foxhangers	25
Rowde Village Website	2
Car Sales, MOTs & Servicing	38
Dolman Audio Visual (TV & Hi Fi repairs)	33
Claire Perry	23
4Children	45
J F Chimney Sweep	51
Cut & Go Mobile Hairdresser	46

And please remember to mention where you saw the advert when you contact any of our advertisers! Ed

Jokes

What do you call a kid who doesn't believe in Santa?

A rebel without a Claus.

What do you call an elf who sings?

A wrapper!

What do you call a cat on the beach at Christmas time?

Sandy Claws!



Quick Reference Contacts and Village Guide

Listed below in alphabetical order are the various village organisations with contact names and telephone numbers

Allotments

Chris Stevens, Tel: 01380 738438

Bell Ringing

Friday evenings, Bell Tower, St Matthew's Church at 7pm
Contact Richard Heath
on 01380722379

Bingo

Mondays 8 pm in Village Hall

Charities

Rowdeford Charity Trust
trustees@rowdefordcharity.org.uk
www.rowdefordcharity.org.uk

Children's Art & Craft Classes

Hayley Mitchell 01225458679
hayleymitchell@thecreationstation.co.uk

Church Coordinator

Benefice Administrator:
Sarah Bowler 07747709492

Church Choir

Junior Choir Practice Thursdays at 6.15 pm
Victoria Bolley 01225 972096
Senior Choir Practice Thursdays at 7.00 pm
Gavin Moss 01380 729160

Church Wardens

Michael Cornwell Tel: 01380 722855
Gavin Moss Tel: 01380 729160

Doctor

For list of doctors contact the Health Commission, Pans Lane, Devizes, Tel: 0300 111 5717

Football

John Dalley, Tel: 727094

Footpaths

Ben Bentley 01380 728360

Garage

Slades of Devizes Tel: 727755

Hospitals

Devizes Community Hospital
Tel: 723511
Chippenham Community Hospital
Tel: 01249 447100
Trowbridge Community Hospital
Tel: 01225 711300

Ladies Club

Held in Village Hall on last Tuesday in the month at 8 pm.
Mrs Di Buckland, Tel: 723049

Local Councils

Wiltshire Council
Tel: 0300 4560100
Devizes Town Council 722160

Neighbourhood Police Team

Jo Newbury Rural Beat Manager
PCSO Fiona Marlow
PCSO Ellen Carter
Google devizes npt to contact the team on
www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk>devizes

Parish Council

Chair - Mr Steve Mundy
Tel: 01380 727598
Clerk - Mrs Rebekah Jeffries
Tel: 01380 720988

PC Repairs - 07833696328
ian@pcdoctor-devizes.co.uk

Playing Fields

For playing field bookings please contact the Parish Council Clerk on 01380 720988
rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com

Police

Devizes Police Tel: 101

Pubs/Restaurants

Cross Keys, Tel: 739567
George & Dragon, Tel: 723053
Rowdey Cow Cafe, Tel: 829666

Rifle Club

Practice Wednesdays, Matches Thursdays in Village Hall.
Laurence Plumb, Tel: 728174

Roads/Pavements

'My Wiltshire App or 03004560100

Rowde Court Studios

Ann Swan, Tel: 01380 724788

Rowde Rainbows

Meet: Tuesdays 6.15 to 7.15pm
Contact: Pam Ridley 01380 730442
Email: RowdeRainbows@gmail.com

Rowde Village News

Alan Watters, Tel: 01380 724788

Rowde Village Hall

Enquiries - Tel: 07926952631
Bookings - 722497 (after 6 pm)

Rowde C of E Primary Academy

High Street, Rowde SN10 2ND
Head teacher - Lorraine Colquhoun
723991

Rowdeford Special School

Head Teacher
Ingrid Sidmouth Tel: 850309

Hft (ex Self Unlimited)

Rosa Lancaster, Tel: 725455

Sewing Circle

Ring Yvonne on 01380 728745

St Matthew's Flower Guild

Liz Ibbetson, Tel: 720630
Flowers for all occasions,
Weddings, Funerals &
Anniversaries

TAXI

R H Reeves 725072
J Dalley 07592 063789

Toddler Group

Village Hall Thursdays 9.30-11.30

Tuesday Afternoon Club (60s+)

Held in Village Hall first Tuesday in the month at 2.30 pm.
Mrs D Ellis, Tel: 722655

Veterinary Surgeries

Estcourt - Tel: 723687
McQueens - Tel: 728505
The Paddock - Tel: 813202

Village Fete - Lisa Mundy

Enquiries - Tel: 01380 727598

Village Shop

Enquiries - Tel: 01380 739800

Website

www.rowdevillage.org
rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com
or contact Rebekah 01380 720988

Youth Club

Iain Marr 01380 738096

Village Diary



- 9 December **School Christmas Fayre & shopping evening 5.30-7.30pm**
10 December **Volunteering starts for Jubilee Wood** (see September issue)
10 December **The Hoot** (see page 25)
12 December **Carol Singing around the village** (see pages 13 & 47)
12 December **Christmas Fayre** (see page 40)
12 December **Church Cleaning 1pm**
14 December **White Horse Opera Christmas Concert** (see page 32)
14 December **Parish Council Meeting - 7.30pm in Village Hall**
16 December **Hft Drama Performances** (see page 17)
17 December **Rowde DIT Christmas Party** (see page 26)
18 December **December Carol Service at St Matthew's Church 6pm**
20 December **Deadline for Grant applications** (see page 42)
26 December **Boxing Day Lunch** (see page 41)
31 December **New Year's Family Disco** (see page 25)
11 January **Parish Council Meeting - 7.30pm in Village Hall**
20 January **Bromham & Rowde Twinning Association AGM and NY Drinks** (see page 4)
27 January **Quiz and Fish & Chips Supper** (see page 39)
28 January **Charity Burns Night Supper** (see back page)
8 February **Parish Council Meeting - 7.30pm in Village Hall**
8 March **Parish Council Meeting - 7.30pm in Village Hall**
5 April **Parish Council Meeting - 7.30pm in Village Hall**
10 May **Parish Council Meeting - 7.30pm in Village Hall**
14 June **Parish Council Meeting - 7.30pm in Village Hall**
12 July **Parish Council Meeting - 7.30pm in Village Hall**

Updating the Diary or Village Guide

If you would like to add an event to the Village Diary (this page) or amend an entry in the contacts page (opposite page), please email details to watters.alan@gmail.com or phone 01380 724788

ROWDE BUS TIMES (to and from Chippenham and Devizes)

Monday to Friday (except Public Holidays)

Rowde, Cross Keys 0739 0816 0939 1036 1136 1236 1336 1436 1556 1656 1741 1836
Chippenham Bus Stn 0817 0839 1007 ----*-- 1204 ---*-- 1404 ---*--- 1634 1734 1819 ---*-- (* ends at Calne)
Rowde, Cross Keys 0720 0750 0840 0845 0923 1015 1044 1215 1244 1415 1444 1640 1720 1820
Devizes, The Pelican 0728 0803 0848 0858 0931 1023 1050 1223 1250 1423 1450 1653 1733 1833
Additional journey on Schooldays only 1525 Rowde School via Marsh Lane and Caen Hill to Devizes market Place

Saturday

Rowde, Cross Keys 0741 0821 0946 1126 1306 1516 1656 1801 1836
Chippenham Bus Stn 0819 --*--- 1024 1204 1344 1554 1734 1839 ---*-- (* ends at Calne)
Rowde, Cross Keys 0725 0805 0914 0930 1110 1250 1500 1640 1820
Devizes, The Pelican 0733 0815 0920 0938 1120 1300 1510 1650 1830

**Note: If going to Chippenham Railway Station, add 6 minutes to times shown
Times correct as at November 2016**

**To check all service updates for all services shown on this timetable go to:
<http://www.travelinesw.com>**

LAST EVER! CHARITY BURNS NIGHT SUPPER

in aid of

Rowdeford Charity Trust

in

Bowden Hall, Rowdeford School

Rowde SN10 2QQ

Saturday 28th January 2017

7pm for 7.30pm

**Traditional 4 Course Dinner
with Wine and Whisky**

**Haggis Piped in and Addressed by
Piper Bob McNaught**

followed by Dancing

Tickets £50

Luxury Raffle / Cash Bar

Black Tie / Tartan

Contact Rosie Berry

01380 722820

rosieberry@btconnect.com