



Editorial

Welcome to the July and August double edition of the Rowde Village News and I hope you enjoy it, even if you have difficulty finding somewhere cool to read it with all this hot weather we have been having!

There's all the usual reports from the schools and the various village organisations but I feel I must repeat my statements from the last issue about the possible closure of Rowdeford School. Wiltshire Council is considering the future of Rowdeford along with two others, St Nicholas in Chippenham and Larkrise in Trowbridge. Campaigners made the most of the crowd at the recent Rowdeford Garden Fair to drum up support for a petition and set up a stall to give people information but we need to do much more. Headteacher Mike Loveridge has pledged to fight hard and strong to keep his beloved school, which looks after children with special needs, safe from closure. If you would like to show your support by signing the petition you will find hard copies of the forms in both pubs, in the village shop and in the Spar shop on Bath Road. It is also important that you complete the consultation survey, which can be found via the following link: https://surveys.wiltshire.gov.uk snapwebhost/s.asp?k=152846412206. And please do not select the one school option as the school thinks it is an ill thought and doesn't put the needs of the young people first. I'm also afraid that, after a very disheartening response to an appeal for help in the June issue, I have to repeat my concerns over the future of your magazine. With increased printing costs and reduced advertisers we are having to look at how we can stay viable and continue to deliver a quality magazine free to every household in the parish of Rowde. Do have another look at our appeal on page 43 and help if you can. On a hopefully brighter note, can I personally invite you all to come along to one of Ann's Open Studio days during July. You would me most welcome to pop in for a browse or a chat in the studio, have a drink of something with us and have a stroll around the gardens (see poster on back page). Finally can I remind authors and advertisers that, this being a double issue, the deadline for contributions to the next issue (September) will be 15th August.

Mind how you go, Ed

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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.

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Front Cover Photo

The beautiful photograph of a Red Admiral butterfly was taken on the Rowde allotments recently by Karen Wheller. Well done Karen, it's a wonderful shot!

ROWDE TUESDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

The Afternoon Club met in the Village Hall on 5th June and enjoyed a quiz and an Anagram competition. Winners were: Mrs. S. Elvin and Mrs. P. Chorley. After tea we played a few games of Card Bingo. For the next meeting on July 3rd members will be going to the Rowdey Cow for tea.

Daphne Ellis, Secretary/Treasurer 722655

HIWAY CLUB

(for the hearing impaired)

The members of the HIway Club (for the Hearing Impaired) held their annual Birthday Dinner at the Bell Inn, Lacock on May 26th. We had a lovely meal and everyone enjoyed the evening. Next meeting will be a Bar B Q at the Village Hall on 27th June and on 25th July the Club Auction Sale. More information regarding the HIway Club can be obtained from either Barrie 722186 or Di 723049.

Di Buckland (Secretary) 723049

MONDAY CLUB NEWS

Bromham and Rowde Day Centre for Older People No report this month.

Contact Caroline Culley for further information, 07557 983940 carolineculley1@outlook.com

The Monday Club is a community day centre and lunch club for older residents of Bromham and Rowde. It is grant aided through Wiltshire Council.

ROWDE LADIES CLUB

On May 29th in the Village Hall the members of the Ladies Club welcomed Margaret from the Wiltshire Scrap Store based at Bowden Hill who brought along samples of the very many different types of materials they recycle. As well as selling these items for customers to create their own ideas some are packed into kits with instructions on how to make.

Raffle winners were: Mrs. C. O'Rourke, Mrs. M. Hayter and Mrs. R. Stevens.

For the Club's 50th Anniversary members will be having Afternoon Tea in the New Forest on June 26th and on July 31st it will be back in the Village Hall for a Games Evening.

Di. Buckland, Secretary 01380723049

ROWDE VILLAGE HALL

Don't forget to get busy in your gardens tending your vegetables and flowers in time for the Annual Vegetable, Flower and Handicraft Show on August 4th and indoors get out your painting kit, knitting needles and sewing equipment and create items for the various classes. Also while you are out and about take your camera and take photos for the Children's Class: Horses and Ponies and the Adult Class: Bird Life.

Committee members and Helpers will be selling schedules Door to Door in the next few weeks, they are only 50p each which entitles you entry to see the exhibits + recipes for the cooking classes and a lucky number.

Barrie Barrett, Chairman

ROWDE BOOK CLUB

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 25th July and it's a free read month!

Contact Ann on 01380 724788 for further info.

BOOK REVIEW

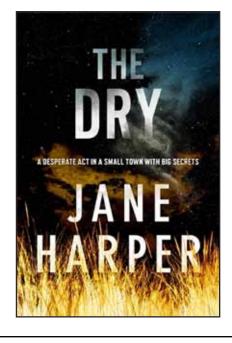
The Dry by Jane Harper

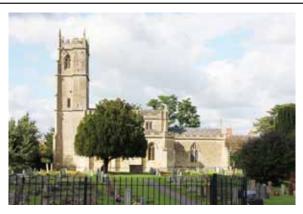
The Dry by Jane Harper is a riveting murder mystery set in the tense setting of the Australian landscape where it hasn't rained for two years.

Policeman Harper returns to the outback town to attend the funeral of a childhood friend who is believed to have killed his wife and son before turning the gun on himself.....but did he? Harper sets out to find the truth.

Some of us had finished the book, some had not so we did not discuss the end. However we all thoroughly enjoyed a really thrilling read.

Maureen Reeves





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- The Junior Church Choir has now been running for over 4 years!
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Alan Watters, Editor

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Your Magazine Needs Your Help

After 7 years of being the Advertising Manager of the Rowde Village News I am afraid the time has come for me to pass the role onto someone new. Life has become so busy and my circumstances have changed so I do not have the time I used to for me to continue with this rewarding voluntary role. The role of Advertising Manager takes up on average a couple of hours a week and can easily be done from home with your home computer. It would really suit a full time stay at home mum or a retired person who is fairly computer literate. You would need to have a basic understanding of Word and Excel. Everything you would need has all been set up and is very easy to use, full training and support would be given by me for as long as you needed.

If you are interested or would just like to find out a little bit more about the position before you make a decision please do not hesitate to contact me on: juliebaker72@yahoo.co.uk or call me on 10380 724159 or 07796 690413.

I look forward to hearing from you! xx Julie Baker

EATING OUT - THE GEORGE INN, SANDY LANE

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RECENT REVIEWS

Great Carvery (June 2018)

Had lunch here, recommend you book as inside was full and that was a weekday lunchtime. We sat outside and had the carvery which was delicious, and a good price. Staff friendly, lovely pub.

Fiona F

An Amazing Visit (June 2018)

Thank you to all the staff. Four of us went for a birthday celebration, & we were NOT let down. The food was incredible, the portions were more



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than adequate!, & the staff were lovely too - & it was genuine. Our meals were brilliant, & just SO plentiful! The only thing is you do need to book! - popular, or what? speaks for itself.

John W

A Nice Homely Restaurant (June 2018)

Had lunch here, recommend you book as inside was full and that was a weekday lunchtime. We sat outside and had the carvery which was delicious, and a good price. Staff friendly, lovely pub.

Bob T (Swindon)



NEWS FROM ROWDEFORD SCHOOL

Co-operation Responsibility Happiness Resilience Respect Caring

Rowdeford School Fete

The School fete was a fantastic event that brought all members of the community together for some fun. Thank you for all the donations received, and for your support, the total raised was approximately £2200, which will be used to



help buy a new minibus to take students out to enrich their learning even further.





Outdoor Learning

We have had some pheasant chicks hatch on site and the students have been busy looking after the pigs and chickens too.







Rowde Primary Academy

The reception class from Rowde Academy have been for a visit in the woods, making use of the great outdoor space here at school.

Values

The value we have been focusing on this term is Caring.

Consultation on special school provision in the north of Wiltshire for children and young people with severe learning disabilities (SLD) and complex needs

We have a petition to save Rowdeford School, If you have not already done so please can you to visit our Facebook page or Twitter feed (@ RowdefordSchool) and follow the link to sign the petition. Please also share, retweet and email your contacts to encourage them to do the same. Please copy the link and share your views: http://wiltshire.objective.co.uk/portal/education/special school provision in wiltshire



NEWS FROM ROWDE PRIMARY ACADEMY

Our bright start leads to their bright future

As the sun has made more of an appearance, we at Rowde have been able to fully appreciate the outdoor environment. From playing on the field (although we do enjoy using our wellies in the mud) to having fun at our sports day.

Our sports day has been one of the many highlights of last term. We also had eight fantastic sportsmanship awards handed out (although it was very hard to choose only 8). The race that many children enjoyed watching was our fantastic parents' race. Thank you to all who joined in, it was great to see the excitement as children cheered on not only their friends, but also their parents! Also this year we had our first ever long distance race.

Our sporty achievements don't stop there, we have had children competing in netball and football competitions, as well as tennis and tri-golf. We are very proud of all the hard work both the children and staff put in for all these tournaments.



Our school has also been lucky enough to undergo some big changes with our learning areas over half term. We now have a lovely new library area, which is well used each day, meaning that our old library area can now be used for group work for anyone in school. Our old ICT room is now a well-used "hub", where several of our children have their music lessons and many others use it throughout the day. It is all looking fantastic, as is the new outdoor area as you come out of the hub, with new plants, grass seed and a bird feeder.



In Cassiopeia Class (Year 4) we have been on our first residential! It was a fantastic experience and all 33 children came. It was great to see children enjoying the outdoors, and working well in teams. We stayed for two nights at Croft Farm, in Tewkesbury.

While we were there, we completed several activities both on land and water. We built rafts in the lake and did some katakanuing, where we had to work as a team using our oars along the river.



On land, we had a go at the climbing wall (which looks really tall and scary), we launched our own mini rockets having a competition to see who's could go the furthest or highest or fastest. We all had a go at fencing, where you use foils and we learnt some of the techniques and language. IEs was a great activity too, we were told it was insect eating! But it was Innovative Exercises (lots of team work was needed to complete a range of challenges). Before bed each



evening, we had an activity too, one night we played Cluedo, where Harry Hotdog was guilty (played by Miss James) and the other night we had a run around quiz, where we had to find answers from around the site in groups. A great time was had by all children and staff!

By the time this reaches you, the children in year 6 will have also been on their residential and we hope they had a great time just like us! We as staff thoroughly enjoy seeing the learning which takes place at Rowde, and look forward to seeing what the remainder of the year will bring.

Miss James – Year 4 teacher You can now follow us on twitter at Rowde C of E Primary @RowdeSchool or on Facebook

Your Parish Council

Parish Council meeting - Update

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. Please note, this a representation of the meeting and not the minutes in full. A full set of the minutes can be viewed at: www.rowdevillage.org, on the village notice boards, or by application to the Clerk.

If you would like further information on any Parish Council matter, please contact the Parish Clerk, tel: 01380 720988, rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com

COUNTY NEWS!

Rowdeford School – consultation on the future provision of special schools in Wiltshire

- The Parish Council discussed the ongoing survey for special schools provision in Wiltshire. Due to the significant growth in housing in Wiltshire, the county's special schools are now full. It is anticipated that the County will need to find at least 220 new special school places by 2026. This could lead to a proposal to build a super-sized school in another part of the county and to close Rowdeford School. The Parish Council expressed concern for the children who attend the school, their parents and local residents who are employed at Rowdeford School.
- It was proposed that the Headteacher of Rowdeford School is invited to the next Parish Council meeting to give more information on the proposal. The Parish Council will also invite Laura Mayes, Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills, to the meeting.

Update on the double yellow line consultation

 Wiltshire Council has informed the Parish Council that due to several complaints, they will remove the proposed extension to double yellow lines on Cock Road. The request for double yellow lines on Marsh Lane and Springfield Road has been submitted to Wiltshire Council's legal team for recommendation. It is hoped that the lines will be installed in September 2018.

Devizes Area Board - local update

- The Devizes Area Board wants to make Devizes a Makaton sign language friendly town. Makaton uses speech with hand signs to communicate with young children and their parents and people with development disabilities.
- Kerbside recycling is changing very soon and it will be possible to recycle much more than is currently collected. Further information will be available shortly.
- The Local Government Boundary
 Commission for England (LGBCE) is currently
 conducting an electoral review of Wiltshire Council.
 This will first determine the overall council size,
 followed by determination of the shape of electoral
 divisions. Division boundaries will change significantly
 due to changes in electorate patterns. The public
 consultation on division boundaries has been delayed
 from the previously announced dates.
- The next Area Board meeting will be on 16th July 2018. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Please forward requests for highway repairs to the Clerk or report them through the 'My Wiltshire App'.

The more reports that are logged through the App, the higher the priority will be given to the issue.

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 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

VILLAGE UPDATE!

Village Appearance

Overgrown hedges & grass verges

- Wiltshire Council will now only cut grass once a year unless there is a safety reason to do so. This has resulted in pavements so overgrown that they can not be used (Marsh Lane towards Caen Hill) and hedgerows hanging dangerously over footpaths and roads (Conscience Lane being one).
- Residents who have issues with hedgerows or overgrown grass verges are urged to report the problems through the My Wiltshire App (please see details above). The more reports that are received, the higher the priority is given to the issue.
- The Parish Steward has recommenced carrying out work in the village, one day a month. The Parish Steward can cut back grass verges; fill small potholes; clean road signs. If you have suggestions for tasks that the Parish Steward could carry out, please contact the Clerk.
- A volunteer has kindly offered to remove the debris of a felled tree on Cock Road.
- The condition of 'The Hill' is being reviewed by the council's grounds maintenance contractors.

Damaged Road Signs

- The 'Rowde' Village sign on Marsh Lane will be re-sited soon. The rusted posts will be replaced and the sign mounted.
- The Parish Council is still pursing Wiltshire Council to replace the 'Bunnies Lane' road sign.

Bins

 A request has been made to move the bin sited at the junction of Cock Road with the High Street.
 The Parish Council discussed moving this bin to the junction of Marsh Lane with the High Street. It was also agreed to look at purchasing a new, larger bin which could be sited on the Hill behind the salt bin.

Planning

 18/04429/FUL West End Farm, Rowde, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 2QH: New stone wall at farm entrance (deadline for response: 18th June 2018). It was noted that this is a retrospective application as the wall has been built. The Parish Council had no objections to the application and complimented the work that had been done.

- 17/08755/FUL Malthouse Farm: Hybrid Planning Application seeking: Part Outline application for residential development of 3 market sector dwellings including siting, access and parking; and Part Full Permission application for the change of use of the retained buildings to form 3 market sector dwellings including appearance and parking (deadline for responses is 5th July 2018).
- o The Parish Council's position on the application remained the same as for previous applications for this site. The Parish Council supports the application with conditions, as previously outlined in the Parish Council response on 15th February 2018. It was noted that the objection letters submitted to Wiltshire Council all still stand. It was recommended that if people have objections to the application that they should state them or re-iterate them.
- 18/05688/TPO 1 Wheeler Place, Rowde: to fell 1 hornbeam protected tree (deadline for response 5th July 2018). The Parish Council did not object to the application.
- Wiltshire Council's draft Housing Site Allocations
 Plan: On 15 May 2018, Wiltshire Council's Cabinet deferred
 the decision on the draft site allocations plan. This will be
 considered at Cabinet on 3 July 2018 and Council on 10
 July 2018. This was to provide Councillors with more time
 to fully consider the documents prepared by officers, and
 specifically, the Schedule of Proposed Changes to the plan.

Allotments Update

- Allotment holders are kindly reminded to dispose of their green waste in an appropriate manner: through the Wiltshire Council green waste collection, or through composting. There have been reports of grass being fly-tipped onto neighbouring properties.
 This is an offence and is anti-social.
- There is discussion about obtaining a polytunnel which could be used by all allotment tenants. This suggestion will be investigated further.
- There are currently no vacant plots.

World War I – commemoration plans

- Representatives from the Parish Council, St. Matthew's Church and Rowde Primary School have met again to discuss plans to commemorate the end of World War I. There are plans to create a giant poppy out of painted pebbles on The Hill.
- J Hawkins with L Wills are researching the history of the men named on the war memorial who died during the First World War. It is hoped that this information will be collated and displayed around the village at the houses were they lived.

War Memorial

• The war memorial has been granted listed building status. It was agreed that the Parish Council would carry out a condition survey on the memorial. It has been reported that the Cornish granite headstone structure and foundations are in good order, as is the inscription. It has been recommended that in the near future, the stone should be thoroughly cleaned to prevent the lichen from attacking the granite. It also

recommended engraving the lettering on the white marble plaque with black enamel.

• The Parish Council discussed that it was an important year for the village with the commemoration of the end of World War I and it felt that it was important to have the work carried out. It was agreed that the Parish Council would obtain 2 further quotes for the work to be done.

Finance

Monthly invoices for May were as follows, proposed by Chris Stevens, seconded by L Wills.

Admin costs	£1,099.54
Grounds Maintenance	£573.86
Playground repairs/new equipment	£4, 791.90
Total:	£6, 465.30

Neighbourliness

- Please can we remind everyone to park with respect for your neighbours and residents who live in the village. Everyone should be able to easily access their own drives or houses.
- Please be aware of any hedgerow/bushes/ trees that may hang over your property and cause obstructions and dangers for pedestrians and drivers.
- There is no such thing as the 'dog poo fairy'. Please keep our streets and grassed areas dean for everyone to enjoy.

Parish Council Vacancies

We have vacancies for three Parish Councillors.

If you are interested in shaping the future of the village and would like to become a Parish Councillor, you can be coopted onto the Parish Council. You are invited to attend a Parish Council meeting in the first instance as an observer.

At the following meeting, the Parish Council would vote to co-opt you onto the Council. If you would like more details on how to join the Parish Council or about being a Parish Councillor, please contact Rebekah Jeffries, the Parish Clerk (01380 720988, rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com).

Mobile Library

Please remember to use the Mobile Library which will be stopping in Maundrell Close on Thursday 5th July, 2nd & 30th August, 27th September 2018.

The mobile library will be parked from 9.30 – 10am and can be used by everyone. Please support your library service.

Police Matters

If you need to report a crime:

- Please dial 101 to report a crime and 999 in an emergency.

It is possible to follow the Police on:

- Twitter https://twitter.com/wiltshirepolice
- Facebook https://www.facebook.com/wiltshirepolice/
- Or sign up to Community Messaging https:// www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/

Dates for the diary:

The next Parish Council meeting will be an ordinary Parish Council meeting to be held on Wednesday 11th July, 7.30pm in the Village Hall. There will be no Parish Council meeting in August.

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

We would like to encourage all villagers to attend, to observe and to make use of the public question time at the next Parish Council meeting.

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

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FUN COLUMN

Welcome to this month's fun column which features three funny stories:

Story About Toddlers ~ The Cup of Tea

Well, one day my mother was out and my dad was in charge of me. I was maybe 2 1/2 years old and had just recovered from an accident.

Someone had given me a little 'tea set' as a getwell gift and it was one of my favourite toys.

Daddy was in the living room engrossed in the evening news when I brought Daddy a little cup of "tea," which was just water.

After several cups of tea and lots of praise for such yummy tea, my Mum came home.

My Dad made her wait in the living room to watch me bring him a cup of tea, because it was "just the cutest thing!"

My Mum waited, and sure enough, here I come down the hall with a cup of tea for Daddy and she watched him drink it up.

Then she says, (as only a mother would know) "Did it ever occur to you that the only place she can reach to get water is the toilet?"

The Art Collector

A famous art collector is walking through London when he notices a mangy cat lapping milk from a saucer in the doorway of a shop and he does a double take.

He notices that the saucer is extremely old and very valuable, so he walks casually into the store and offers to buy the cat for £2.

The shop owner replies, "I'm sorry, but the cat isn't for sale."

The collector says, "Please, I need a hungry cat around the house to catch mice. I'll pay you £25 for that cat."

And the owner says "Sold." And he hands over the cat.

The collector continues, "Hey, for another £10, I wonder if you could throw in that old saucer. The cat's looks like he used to it and it'll save me from having to get a dish."

And the owner says, "Sorry mate, but that's my lucky saucer. So far this week I've sold twenty six cats."

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We have had a slight problem with dog mess being placed in our shop bin, There are other bins in the village and if they could be used instead we would be grateful.

We have a evening in the Cross Keys for dementia buddying on the 2nd July 7-30,. Jo is organizing this and anyone is welcome to come and learn more about how dementia affects so many families, We hope to have a raffle and look forward to seeing you there.

Our new card stand has plenty of choice and is rotated regularly.

Kind Regards, Jan Barber and The Shop Team, 01380 739800 rowde.village.shop@btconnect.com

RECIPE Gaelic Chicken

Our recipe this month reflects the summer appetite with a Chicken dish that has a twist.

INGREDIENTS:

- 4 large Chicken breasts, filleted..
- · salt and pepper and mixed herbs
- 10nion chopped and 1 Clove Garlic crushed
- 1oz (25g)butter, 1teasp oil
- 1/2tsp rosemary, 1teasp paprika, ½ teasp curry powder
- 1 tablesp. tomato sauce
- 3-4 tablsp. Sherry, 3-4 Table Whisky, 1/2pint (300ml)Chicken stock
- 1 tablesp. Cornflour or roux 4-5 tablsp cream.

METHOD:

- 1. Cut the chicken breasts into thin strips and season with salt, pepper and herbs ...Leave aside
- 2. Melt half the butter and oil, add onion, and garlic and cook until soft but not brown
- 3. Add the rosemary, paprika, curry powder, tomato sauce, sherry, whisky and stock.
- 4. Simmer for 10 minutes.
- 5. Blend in the cornflour with a little water and add to the pan, stirring until thick. (Or thicken with roux)
- 6. Fry the chicken pieces in the remaining oil and butter until golden.
- 7. Add sauce and simmer gently with a lid for 10 minutes.
- 8. Stir in cream before serving with rice.

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



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SHORT STORY EMPTINESS

"Focus on your studies Ananya. Don't get distracted by some handsome boy," said Meera as she folded Ananya's crop top and placed it in the suitcase. Her bed was strewn with clothes and she and Ananya were sorting them.

"You always say that Ma! I'm 21 now. I am not going to end up like you," said Ananya.

Meera felt a sharp pain in her chest, she felt like the air was being squeezed from her body. Her eyes filled up even before she realized it.

"Sorry Ma, I'm really sorry" said Ananya cupping Meera's face in her hands. She tried to hold Meera in her arms but Meera pushed her away. She felt weary and lay down on the bed, wrapping her blanket tightly around her. "Ma, why do you worry so much? You were in school then, only 17. I am an adult now. All you did was make one mistake. Look at your life now, you are the Principal of Annapoorna College. You've won so many awards. Please! I'm so sorry Ma," said Ananya kissing her on her forehead. Tears were streaming down her eyes now. "I'll make you some tea."

No, Ananya was not like her, thought Meera as she watched her striding away to the kitchen. In many ways, she was her father's daughter, focused on what she wanted, at the expense of everything else. She had his same loose limbed high strung energy, the same eyes and the same long fingers.

His fingers had attracted her first, when he played the harmonium. She couldn't take her eyes away when his fingers danced on the tabla. She was too timid to look at his face. He was the substitute music teacher-a prodigy awaiting his big break, or so he said. His voice had mesmerized her. When he sang, he seemed to be singing only for her. He only had to glance at her to set her on fire. She spent every moment thinking and dreaming of him.

Her doctor parents wanted her, their only child, to become a doctor as well but she couldn't even stand the sight of a hospital. She was from a family of achievers, her grandmother was the principal of their family run college. She had been an average student, never a topper. Her parents had put her on extra tuitions and forbade her from going out or spending time with her friends. Music class was her only escape.

One day he waited for her after school. A week later she eloped with him to Bombay. A top composer had offered him a break. She became pregnant almost immediately. He was sweet at first, then as he suffered one setback after another, he hit the bottle. She became the target of his frustrations. She could take the verbal abuse but when he started hitting her, she packed her bags and left. Her parents refused to take her back, she moved in with her grandmother. She was just 18.

For the first time in her life, she started studying. Her parents finally came to visit her when she became

Dr. Meera (after completing her PhD in ancient history) but she could never reconcile with them.

Meera looked at the suitcases lying around her. For 21 years, her only goal in life was to be the kind of mother, her mother never was. She had encouraged Ananya to pursue every activity she had liked, never forcing her to study. Paradoxically, Ananya had ended up being a topper. She had just won a scholarship to pursue her masters at MIT. She was leaving now and would never come back, except for an occasional visit. She would meet someone, get married, have a child of her own (not anytime soon, she hoped) and Meera would be alone. Her grandmother had passed away a few years back, she rarely spoke to her parents.

She looked around the room, at all the photographs around her, photographs of her and Ananya. They had visited many countries together (she had taken loans just to travel), she had never wanted Ananya to feel that her life was any different from other children. She used to ask about her father, a lot, when she was younger but one meeting with him had stopped all her questions.

"Ma, Ajay uncle is here," said Ananya. Meera jumped out of the bed, wiped away her tears, straightened out her clothes, combed her hair and headed out to meet him.

"Meera, the car is fine now. The mechanic said that the fan belt was broken, he has replaced it, are you ok?" he said. "Yes, yes," she nodded and asked him about the car. She thanked him and they started discussing Ananya's travel. Ajay was a family friend, she had known him all her life. Over the years she had come to depend on him.

After he left, Ananya looked at her. "Ma, Ajay uncle asked me something today. He asked me if I could persuade you to marry him."

"What! How dare he?"

"Ma, please! He told me that he asked you many years ago but you refused because of me. Now I'm leaving Ma, you'll be all alone. Why don't you agree, I know you care about him."

"Ananya, are you mad! At my age? What will people say?"

"What age? You are just 40. Ma, please for me. At least think about it."

"I should be planning your wedding and you are thinking of mine? Silly girl! Now come, finish the packing soon. I have to make those laddoos also," said Meera shaking her head and rushing towards the suitcases.

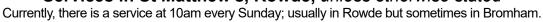
"Marriage? Not now! Never? Maybe?" thought Meera. The weariness had left her, a small spark was lit, a chapter in her life was closing but she could set a new goal now, a new obsession. She would start planning soon, as soon as her daughter left.

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Date/Time	Service
Sunday July 8	Trinity 6
8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP), Sandy Lane
10.00 am	Benefice Holy Communion, Bromham
6.00 pm	Evensong BCP, Rowde
Thursday 12	
8.30 am	Morning Prayer, Rowde
Sunday 15	Trinity 7
8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP), Bromham
10.00 am	Holy Communion, Rowde
10.00 am	Family Service, Bromham
Wednesday 18	
11.00 am	Holy Communion, Angell House, Bromham
Thursday 19	
8.30 am	Morning Prayer, Rowde
Sunday 22	Trinity 8
8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP), Sandy Lane
10.00 am	Morning Worship, Rowde
10.00 am	Holy Communion, Bromham
Thursday 26	Marning Draver Bourds
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Sunday 29 10.00 am	Trinity 9 Holy Communion, Bromham
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Sunday 5 8.00 am	Trinity 10 Holy Communion (BCP), Rowde
10.00 am	All Age Service with Junior Choir, craft, songs, small children's play
l 10.00 am	area and refreshments (No Eucharist), Rowde
10.00 am	Holy Communion, Bromham
6.00 pm	Evensong BCP, Bromham
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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 Sarah Bowler 07876142112.

Revd Ruth's Morning Prayer Groups

Please come and join Ruth for a moment of calm and prayer in Church .

Tuesdays 8.30am, Bromham. Thursdays 8.30am, Rowde. Everyone is welcome 07738 858909

Growing in Faith

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Mothers' Union Please contact Jo Partt for details: 01380 850435 parttsofbromham@internet.com

Church Cleaning

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 jmosscadet@gmail.com (Brass cleaning Rota)

Maureen Hiscocks 01380 725406

Choir

Choir Leader: David Grove dgrove9814@btinternet.com Choir Practise for Adults is on Thursday Evenings 7.00 - 8.00pm

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

Bell Ringing

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St Matthews Cafe

Coffee and chat. St Matthews Coffee Shop will be opening on Tuesdays 10.30 am-12 noon. If you might be free to make drinks and host, please contact Caroline carolineculley1@outlook.com or Revd Ruth

Open the Book

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We have been advised by Church House that unfortunately there has been a significant theft of lead from a church roof near Salisbury, and near Warminster, and a break in through a leaded light window to another church near Salisbury.

Please be vigilant and report any unusual activity immediately to the Police.

Contacts

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

Dear Friends (for July),

There is something quite wonderful about singing your heart out with other people. Singing hymns can move us in deep ways: at a funeral singing "The Lord's my Shepherd" might make us emotional; a favourite hymn from school days can summon nostalgia or happy memories; and a rousing hymn like Jerusalem can make us feel good to be part of a crowd.

Research carried out by Oxford University showed that singing improves breathing and posture and relieves muscle tension. Taking part in making music can release endorphins which act as a natural painkiller, and reduces the level of stress hormones. And singing with others can help regulate heart rhythms and boost our mood.

Singing has always been part of Christian worship, which often included singing Psalms inherited from Jewish worship of God. Some of the Psalms were written more than 1000 years before Jesus was born, and the Psalms themselves encourage us to sing worship to God:

"Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth." (Psalm 96)

But Is singing a psalm or a hymn any different to singing along to the radio?

Well yes. Because we are made in God's image to have a relationship with him. And singing hymns to God builds up that relationship, just as spending time with a friend builds up that friendship. Hymns can also help us to express or explore our faith.

If you like singing, or have ever liked singing, why not come and join us. In any of the churches in our villages, you'll find a warm welcome and people with a song in their hearts. Come and sing with us on a Sunday morning, or evening come to that. And if you've ever wanted to try singing in harmony, how about coming to find out more about our choir?

"Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." Ephesians 5.19-20

In His name, Revd Ruth

Dear Friends (for August),

The gospels tell us that Jesus used to take time out every now and then, go to a deserted place and spend some time with God. The modern equivalent is to go on retreat – spending a few days with a Christian community or in a quiet place with particular times set aside for thinking, reading and prayer. But the

demands of work, family life or the expense and other problems of travelling can make it difficult to go away for a retreat. Summer is as good a time as any to make a change to our routine, and even if we can't get away for a retreat, we can look for spiritual refreshment by thinking again about when and how we pray.

One of my favourite ways of praying is to go for a walk. Walking frees us up to think, it can help to clear the mind, and also gives us material for our prayers. Whatever we see, hear, or think about can be turned into a prayer – either thanking God for what we see, or perhaps asking him for help to change, heal or transform a situation. As I write it is late June, and our fields and gardens are looking parched. My prayer on my most recent walk was to find new ways of saving water and caring for the environment. No doubt by the time you read this, we will have had heavy downpours and be longing for the sun again!

Another idea is to create a special place for our prayers. You might have one already, perhaps just keeping a notebook or Bible by your bed, or a comfortable chair free from distractions. A prayer space doesn't have to be inside - finding a spot in the garden, (even making a den or putting up a small popup tent if you have one), can provide a peaceful place to spend time with God.

Our churches are open during the day, and anyone and everyone is welcome to use them to pray. There is something encouraging about knowing that thousands of others have brought their prayers to God in our precious churches. Many of us find a sense of peace there and closeness to God which is very special, often because of the many times we

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have sensed God's presence in worship or when celebrating particular events in our lives, particularly weddings and christenings.

However you pray this summer, I hope that you find time to be with God. And also that your prayer time brings you refreshment, challenge and encouragement in your own journey.

With love, Revd Ruth

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:

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NEWS FROM Hft

Hello all, what amazing weather we are having at the moment, but such a shame it came a little late to help us with our music festival as we had showers aplenty on the Saturday. Although once the lovely Wendy Bell had driven home and collected her HUGE gazebo for people to shelter under – would you believe it, the rain actually stopped?

We had a few more showers but nothing significant, so thank you Wendy.

The festival has been the highlight of the month as so much work goes into it we are hard pushed to do much else in the month that it happens.

We had a few moments of panic on the Friday as the lorry didn't arrive until 6.00 so it was hastily decorated by many willing hands. The evening kicked off with a performance from our Drama group, which was particularly entertaining due to one of the curtains falling down mid performance. Both cast and audience took it in their stride, like true professionals.

Once the Drama was over everyone moved outside where DJ Rich played for a couple of hours and everyone enjoyed the music and food on offer.

We actually had our first complaint ever, from someone in the village who rang at 6.15 to say the music was too loud. If you are reading this we only do this once a year and it never goes beyond 8.30, but apologies if it disturbed you.

Saturday started dry and I think there may even have been a little sun, but it soon started to turn grey. However, we had some amazing performances from The Full Motley and Blue Rose with our very own Helen Carter on guitar and vocals. The evening ended with a set from Modern Vintage which got everyone up on their feet dancing and Mark up on the stage singing.

Here are some of the pictures taken during the event.







Finally, I want to say a big thank you to all the people who came along and gave their time for free, and all the stall holders, plus Simon, who organised the 'Name the chicken' competition which was won by lona and we now have John, Toby and lona, both the boys are grey and 'lona' is a very pretty brown!

Finally on a sad note, we recently lost Tim Fielding who was one of our long standing members of our community here in Furlong Close.

I worked with him in the kitchen many many years ago when I first came to work here and he would always tell me off as a new member of staff if I did something 'not quite right'.

Some of you may have known him from working at the Cross Keys and the Greyhound with Adrian. We will be having a celebration of his life on the 9th July in the Orchard.

Till next time, Jan Emm



THOUGHTS FOR THE MONTH

Summer Quotes

I walk without flinching through the burning cathedral of the summer. My bank of wild grass is majestic and full of music. It is a fire that solitude presses against my lips.

~Violette Leduc

A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken.

~James Dent

Summer set lip to earth's bosom bare, And left the flushed print in a poppy there.

~Francis Thompson

To see the Summer Sky
Is Poetry, though never in a Book it lie –
True Poems flee –

~Emily Dickinson, c.1879

In winter I get up at night And dress by yellow candle-light. In summer quite the other way I have to go to bed by day.

~Robert Louis Stevenson

Oh, the summer night
Has a smile of light
And she sits on a sapphire throne.

~Barry Cornwall

And so with the sunshine and the great bursts of leaves growing on the trees, just as things grow in fast movies, I had that familiar conviction that life was beginning over again with the summer.

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This issue we have more amusing photos.







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ROWDEY COW NEWS

June has been a lovely month with some nice sunny ice cream days and a busy half term. We have received our Muddy Stilettos award for best local food producer and we have also had the fantastic news that we have won the Gold Award for Café & Tea rooms for Taste of the West for the 6th year running.



We had the sad news that Patrick our chef is leaving but he has an exciting opportunity to start his own business. We are, however, thrilled to announce that Mark Jenkinson will be joining our team as head chef who has very successfully ran some of Wadworth's finest businesses over the past including currently the Wagon and Horses and previously Edwin Giddings and the George in





Sandy Lane. He has extensive chef experience and has famously been on television with Rick Stein who said his Steak & Kidney Pudding was the best he has ever tasted!

Our afternoon teas are becoming increasingly popular and we hosted a large birthday party who enjoyed afternoon teas for all the family which was really fun.

The ice cream trike has been out to the HFC festival and also to the Julia's House event. By the time you read this we will have been to the Bromham carnival with the cart and we have also some events with the trike at Dauntseys School and a Wedding coming up.

We have an Italian Chef coming over to help us perfect some new ice cream flavour recipes in July who will be accompanied by Chris Tomlinson, the Olympic Long jumper, who has now moved into the ice cream industry and has introduced us to some new recipes whilst we were at the ice cream alliance expo at Harrogate earlier this year.

We are also looking forward to having a marquee attached to the café to give us extra shaded seating throughout the months of July and August which will also be perfect for birthday parties and other functions. Before we know it the School Summer holidays will be with us and we are working hard preparing towards this busy time of year. We look forward to seeing you soon!

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ROWDE ARTIST ON SHOW IN JULY



'Pencil Drawing Rocks!' by Ann Swan

Local artist Ann Swan will be taking part in the Marlborough Open Studios 2018. The art trail takes place over the first four weeks of July where artists open their studios to visitors free of charge.

Rowde Court Studios will be open Saturday and Sunday from 11am to 5pm on the first three weekends in July and all are welcome to come along, browse or buy Ann's work and have a stroll around the gardens. Refreshments will be provided at all times. Enter through the green door in the high wall on Marsh Lane, opposite the entrance to Springfield Road. See you there!

See back page for posters and check out Ann's website www.annswan.co.uk for more information and examples of her work.

POLICE APPEAL FOR WITNESSES TO A365 CRASH



Police have appealed for witnesses to a twovehicle crash on the A365 at Sells Green near Devizes on 12th June.

A man was airlifted to hospital with serious injuries following the collision at 1.30pm. Emergency services were called to a collision between a silver Volkswagen Eos and a cement mixer vehicle.

For reasons unknown at this stage, the driver of the cement mixer lost control while negotiating a sharp left-hand bend and collided with the Volkswagen. The driver of the Volkswagen, a man in his 50s, was trapped in his vehicle and cut free by fire and rescue crews using hydraulic equipment. He was airlifted to Southmead Hospital in Bristol with serious head and chest injuries.

The driver of the cement mixer, a man in his 20s, was taken to Royal United Hospital in Bath by land ambulance. His vehicle turned over onto its side but he was not trapped.

Anyone who witnessed the collision is asked to contact PC John Armstrong, from the Roads Policing Unit, on 101. Alternatively you can call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.





TRAINERS ARE ON FOR SCENIC TOUR



Rowde Academy pupils get ready for the 1km run at Lacock Road Races on Sunday 10th June Photo by www.gphillipsphotography.com

Pupils lining up for the Lacock Relish Run experienced their first ever race as Rowde Primary Academy's running club took part.

Acting head teacher Sue Holford from Rowde Primary Academy said: "It was fantastic to see nearly all children from the club take part, around a quarter of the whole school took part. The children have worked very hard towards the run. Running at a sprint across the playground is different to running for a sustained period and now they have done this race they are keen to do longer distances. Evidence shows there is a correlation between activity and academic success, but the club was also set up to stimulate them and give the pupils the spirit of community to help each other be successful."

Lots of parents were dusting off their running shoes too, as they took to the course to run alongside children aged under eight.

The children's race was quickly followed by five and 10km races and the half marathon around Lacock.

FIRE CREWS TACKLE TWO INCIDENTS



FIRE crews from Devizes tackled two domestic property fires in the space of less than 12 hours on Friday 22nd June.

In the first incident at 1.46pm, they were called out to a chimney fire in Close Lane, Rowde. It was extinguished using the chimney kit.

ROWDEY COW BARN DANCE FOR TWINNING WEEKEND

A twinning weekend for people from Mayenne in France and Geldermalsen in Holland allowed hosts to show the many sides of Devizes to their visitors.



Delegations from rotary clubs from the towns twinned with Devizes Rotary enjoyed everything from a trip around Cross Engineering to find out about the work it does for the aerospace industry to a trip on the canal.

The visitors also enjoyed a barn dance and meal at The Rowdey Cow at Rowde and a visit to the Owl Lodge near Lacock for a barbecue and afternoon of games.

Derk van den Haak, the Geldermalsen president said: "On behalf of Rotary Club Geldermalsen I would like to thank our friends from Devizes for the great weekend. Well organized and varied. Just like the Royal Wedding it has been amazing."

NEWS ON BREWS

I was going to write about all the various things
Devitera has been up to this month, and then a few small things happened that made me change my mind.

The main prompt was this morning whilst taking my children to school and was most unexpected. A lady stopped me and complimented me on my beer. I had never seen the lady before and she almost disappeared before I could say thank you. It was such a lovely gesture and made my day before it had really begun!

My former employer

Yesterday I visited my former place of work selling beer for father's day. I was made redundant there in 2016, left on good terms, and kept in touch with old colleagues still there. Going back was a little weird, it brought back distant memories and really showed how much I've changed from a corporate clone to a businessman. I was also reminded on how lucky I've been on my journey. I noticed that all the people weren't really passionate about what they did, simply it paid the bills.



I didn't know what to expect and was extremely pleased with not only the warm response, but selling out of beer in just two hours. What a feeling!



Devitera iat Rowdeford Garden Fair

Turning a mistake into an opportunity

The final thing I wanted to mention was how good folk can help turn a mistake into an opportunity. I recently brewed some beer and made a mistake on the ingredients. I'm learning the hard way but, to quote Frank Spencer, "every day in every way I get better and better".

The beer tasted extremely bitter and I racked my brains on what to do next. I didn't want to throw it away if I could avoid it, but it couldn't be drunk as is.

Now you can read more about this on my blog, along with lots of other stuff, but essentially a good chap from the village offered a solution; beer batter. He was prepared to experiment and came back and bought some



more. I'm pleased it didn't get wasted, and even happier that people are prepared to take a chance on me. So a big thank you to that chap!

Finally

So a bit of a different type of update this month, but I felt I needed to write this. It is the little things that make the difference, and I must remember this on my journey.

RowdeFest – 11th August 2018

By the time this goes to print there will be more details available both online and at the village shop. I'm hoping to have tickets available soon so keep your eyes peeled. devitera.co.uk/rowdefest

Cheers for now!!

DOUBLE WEDDING 20TH JULY 1968 EDWINA AND LESLEY ELVIN

On this day my sister and I were married at St Matthew's Rowde by Revd Gibson.

I married Bill Peffers and Edwina married Chris Dodd. The weather was very hot and I remember villagers standing on the grass opposite the church watching us arrive.





This year is our Golden Wedding Anniversary. 50 years has blessed Bill and I with two children Andrew and Sarah-Jane and three grandsons Hamish, Archie and Noah and 22 years ago we moved to The Forest of Dean after living most of my life in Rowde.

Edwina and Chris have three daughters, Tina, Claire and Emily and three grand daughters and one grandson Abigail, Sophie, Ruby and Jacob. They have lived all of their married life in Devizes.

Our link with Rowde is still very strong as my mum Stella Elvin aged 89 years lives in Maundrell Close.

I know it is a cliché but the years have gone by so quickly and it doesn't seem possible that we will be celebrating 50 years of marriage.

RIFLE LEAGUE PRESENTATIONS

Members of Rowde rifle club recently attended the presentation night of the Devizes and District Miniature Rifle League held in the Conservative Club in Devizes.



Pictured left to right are Bob Luke (open individual runner up) Laurence Plumb with the Casuals cup for best away average and team captain Andy Stewart who won the tube individual cup.

Rowde also won the Copeland Griffiths team knock out cup.

The shooting season starts again in September and goes through to next May.

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With the hot weather finally here we have managed to cut and bale the hay. It has been some years since it has not had some rain on it before it was baled up. The crops have all had their final fungicide and fertiliser. Despite the slow start in the spring they all seem to have caught up including the rye which is now 5 feet tall. The soya beans have been very slow to emerge from the soil and have been under attack from pigeons and cereal seed maggot – which is a new pest to us! The maize is up and looking well as it soaks up the heat - it has been short of potassium so we have added a foliar feed. There is little more to do to it now other than hope it keeps growing.



The rye is growing well



Haymaking 2018

The combine is currently being made ready for the harvest and has had an oil change and general service. The next job will be to clean out the grain store and fumigate it, although we still have 60 tonnes of wheat to sell. The first crop to be harvested will be the oilseed rape.

After a quiet month with the training the first three weeks of July are fully booked with digger, dumper, telehandler, sprayer, first aid and tractor courses, and the last two school visits of the season. We also have a couple of weddings booked during August.



Shearing the Sheep

The sheep were shorn this month – they were quite relieved to lose their wool I think. Recently they were the subject of a visit by Lavington School. We have two lambs which will be on display on July 7th for our Fun on the Farm Day – as hopefully will be some kid goats which are due on the 5th - details are elsewhere in the magazine.

The farm website has more information – have a look at www.rowdefieldtraining.co.uk and you can also see what we have been up to at Rowdefield Training on Facebook where there are also details of upcoming courses and events – not all of which are farming related!

John Butler, Rowdefield Farm



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Alan Watters, Editor



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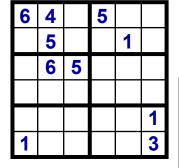
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1			2			9	4	
9	4			8		2		
		2			7			
			8			4		
4				1		7		
	5			7	4		8	

Last Month's Solution

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

Mini Sudoku (difficult 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.



Last Month's Mini Sudoku Solution

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

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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.

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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 7.30pm 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 07876142112

Church Choir

Junior Choir Practice Thursdays at 6.15 pm, David Grove 01672 539358 / 07825152753 Senior Choir Practice Thursdays at 7.00 pm, David Grove 01672 539358 / 07825152753

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

Ivan Whittaker-Axon 01380 728669

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

Mr M Loveridge 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 Wills

Enquiries - Tel: 01380 730078

Village Shop

Enquiries - Tel: 01380 739800

Website

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

Youth Club

lain Marr 07540017184

Village Diary

7 July First day of Ann Swan's Open Studio (see page 24 & back page)

7 July **Jamie Hawkins at The Owl** (see page 28)

8 July **Summer BBQ** (see page 36)

11 July Parish Council meeting 7.30pm Village Hall

13 July Bogs & Grubs Identification Line (see page 33)

30 July Salads & Puddings Night (see page 35)

4 August Flower Show (see pages 4 & 47)

10 August **RowdeFest** (See page 26)

11 August Gin & Tapas Tasting (See page 36)

25 August Larkin at The Owl (See page 28)

10-16 September **Bake Offs** (see pages 30 & 45 in June issue)

12 September Parish Council meeting 7.30pm Village Hall

? October Ploughman's Lunch (Note: date to be announced)

10 October Parish Council meeting 7.30pm Village Hall

14 November Parish Council meeting 7.30pm Village Hall

1 December Christmas Bazaar

12 December Parish Council meeting 7.30pm Village Hall

All Tuesdays St Matthew's Cafe (see page 18)

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**

New Bus timetable from 30th April 2017 for Service numbers 33 & 33X Monday to Friday (except Public Holidays)

Rowde, Cross Keys 0747 0923 1007 1037 1137 1237 1337 1437 1722 1806R

Devizes, Market Place 0755 0929 1013 1043 1143 1243 1343 1443 1728 1811R

Rowde, Cross Keys 0808 0938 1038 1138 1238 1338 1418 1555 1740 1820 Chippenham Bus Stn 0839 0959 - * - 1059 - * - 1359 1449 1626 1813 - * -

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Additional journeys on 1510 Devizes School via Caen Hill and Marsh Lane to Rowde

Schooldays only: 1525 Rowde School via Marsh Lane and Caen Hill to Devizes Market Place

Saturday (all journeys are on service 33)

Rowde, Cross Keys 0807 0922 1022 1222 1352 1622 1752 Devizes, Market Place 0813 0928 1028 1228 1358 1628 1758

Rowde, Cross Keys 0820 0935 1105 1235 1435 1635 Chippenham Bus Stn 0851 1006 1136 1306 1506 1706

Note: If going to Chippenham Railway Station, add approximately 6 minutes to times shown

For the most reliable and up to date source of information please go to www. faresaver.co.uk or for further details of this service or to report a problem please call 01249444444 or email enquiries@faresaver.co.uk

Rowde Village Hall ANNUAL

FLOWER, VEGETABLE & HANDICRAFT SHOW

Saturday 4th August

Parishioners of Rowde & Rowde Allotment holders only

Doors open 4.30pm

Admission by lucky Programme Number 50p

All exhibits will be sold for Village Hall Funds unless marked NOT FOR SALE



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Ann Swan's

Summer Open Studio

Rowde Court Studios

Marsh Lane

Rowde

SN10 2NW

Open weekends 7/8th, 14/15th & 21/22nd July 11am - 5pm

Enjoy some refreshment and a stroll around our garden, the inspiration for my work.

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www.annswan.co.uk 01380724788

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Marlborough Open Studios

July Weekends 7-8, 14-15, 21-22, 28-29 (11am - 5pm) marlboroughopenstudios.co.uk

CALNE DEVIZES MARLBOROUGH PEWSEY ROWDE WROUGHTON



Open Studios is an annual opportunity to meet amateur and professional artists in the beautiful North Wessex Chalk Downs (AONB) and visit their studios, workshops or pop-up galleries over the last four weekends in July. There is no charge, just drop in when the artist is open.

This year we have many new artists from Calne and Avebury to Hungerford.

Pick up a brochure in Rowde village shop, Rowdey Cow Cafe or from Ann's studio in Rowde