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EDITORIAL

This month our cover looks appropriately rather like a Christmas card, thanks to yet another photo from Paul Kemp. Inside you will find most of our regular features and we are especially pleased to have back an account of the School's doings – all four pages of it! There is information about the School Christmas Market and about the carol service at the Chapel. As we currently have no vicar, there are no services at the church this month. So, if you want to sing Christmas carols, you can do so in the historic Chapel which promises to be a memorable experience.

Our next issue will be in February. It just remains for me to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a healthy New Year.

Tim Hill

Please send your contributions for the next edition by **Monday 15th January 2024**

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Horningsham Parish Council Thursday 26th October 2023

Parish Steward – the Clerk had been in touch with the Parish Steward who had directed her to the Area Highways Engineer. The Engineer had replied that they will arrange for a road sweeper to visit the village, but it might be worth waiting until more of the leaves are down, so we don't have to return too soon.

With regard to the overruns, Wiltshire Council Highways said they will look to stone them up when they have some road planings available.

Horningsham Street Signs

Councillor John Radley reported on his meeting with the Area Highways Engineer. All the below signs sights have been approved and will be actioned by Wiltshire Council. West Common, Anchor Barton, Hitcombe Bottom, Gentle Street, Rowe's Hill, White Street. To order the signs and install them which will be for all 6, £1,650.00, LHFIFG 75% @ £1,237.50, Horningsham Parish Council contribution 25% @ £412.50.

Traffic Survey Results - 046-031 - C270 Hitcombe Bottom

It was agreed that the Council moves forward with contacting Wiltshire Council Highways to request for a traffic survey, to enable 30mph signage to be placed right through the village, if it meets the criteria from the survey.

Council noted the below survey results sent by the Transport Planning Assistant for the Sustainable Transport Team, Wiltshire Council Transport & Development. Further to your traffic survey request for the C270 Hitcombe Bottom in Horningsham, please find attached the results for your records along with details of the criteria that we follow for intervention.

The survey results demonstrate that the combined 85thile was 42.5 mph (please note that this road is subject to the National Speed Limit and not 30mph as stated on the request).

Where sites do not meet the eligibility criteria for Community Speed Watch, there may be other engineering solutions which can help mitigate against concerns or further reinforce the current speed limit. If there is a desire to consider this, you are encouraged to discuss with your local Town and Parish Council in the first instance, ahead of seeking advice from the Local Highway Footway Improvement Group (LHFIFG). To submit a request for consideration by the LHFIFG, please complete the relevant form which is available here along with guidance on these groups Local Highway and Footway Improvement Groups - Wiltshire Council

SID data roll out - progress review- Council noted the PowerPoint presentation regarding the use of Speed Indicator Device data by the police, it was also noted that as the data in the Traffic Survey Result - 034-018 - C270 Water Lane,

Horningsham identified that there is a speeding issue there, this allows the Parish Council to look at investing in a Speed Indicator Device which would highlight to drivers that they are speeding and allow the police to monitor the speeding issue and act accordingly.

The Clerk's recommendation that the Parish Council discussed budgeting for a Speed Indicator Device for 2024 and working with the Highways Team to arrange for a post to be placed in an approved area was agreed. The Chairman asked for a vote on a consultation with the community first. Council voted 7 for 2 against. The motion was moved. Council instructed the Clerk to action a forms consultation on whether the Community felt it should invest in the purchase of a Speed Indicator Device within the next precept budget.

Bulb Planting Project

Councillor Matt Simpson updated Council on the Bulb planting project. He had sent the Clerk the Snowdrops order. It was agreed hold back to next year, October to November time regarding the purchase and planting of the crocus. Councillor Matt Simpson also reported that he has checked that the bulbs are not sprayed with chemicals. The Clerk was instructed to place the order and have them delivered to Mill Farm.

Play Area Health & Safety ROSPA Report

Councillor John Radley reported he had read the ROSPA Report received for 2023. It was a good report, there were a few issues he will deal with dents have been dealt with, a loose bolt has been tightened.

The tennis court net has been removed it will be stored in the hall ready for next year, he will reinstate it before April. Spraying around the tennis court will need to take place in the spring and he warned Council that the lines need repainting, it was agreed to add this to the budget. The Football posts installation had not taken place yet as a meeting has to take place with the Cricket club. He will arrange this in the near future.

Budget Preparations Council to agree its objectives for next year - the below list is to be considered.

- Painting lines on the tennis court
- Hollybush Bus Stop
- Maintenance Contract for the Council Assets
- Christmas tree and solar lights
- Speed Indicator Device
- The Environment project to put in a Community Orchard with picnic benches and bee boxes etc. encouraging biodiversity.
(A Grant to be sought for the above project allocated to Councillor Matt Simpson and the Tree Warden)

- To phase the planting of bulbs through the village over a three-year period funds to be made available within the budget. £330.00 each year with uplift for retail index increase.

External Audit - No issues were highlighted; Council has a clear audit. (A copy has been uploaded to the website)

Wiltshire Council local Plan Consultation - Councillor George Williamson gave a briefing on his view of the online submission system and the local plans content. Council approved the below motion put forward by Councillors George Williamson, Elizabeth Glover, and Ken Windess that:

Having considered the draft Wiltshire Local Plan, no representations need be made to request changes to the proposed policies insofar as they would relate to Horningsham.

It was agreed that a letter should be written to Bill Parkes as our Unitary Councillor to confirm that the Parish Council considers that the draft policies that would affect affecting Small Villages such as Horningsham are balanced and carefully expressed, and that the Parish Council would wish to see them adopted without amendment.

Please refer to Wiltshire Local Plan Pre-Submission Draft 2020-2038 (Regulation 19) for the background information.

Parish Clerks Delegated Powers LGA 1972 s101 - Application No: PL/2023/06934

Application Type: Notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area.

Proposal: T1 Weeping Willow - Reduce back to previous pruning points.

Site Address: Mill Farm, Water Lane, Horningsham, Warminster, BA12 7LL

Decision: Supported.

Cloudy IT - Cloudy IT had sent a copy of their annual contract update. The Clerk had used the financial regulation 11. Iv. In conjunction with the Chairman to process the renewal so that there was no interruption to the Council's Services.

Notice of items to be taken into consideration at the next meeting- Clerk's Appraisal and Wages for inclusion in the draft 2024/2025 budget, Precept request timeline, Reserves and Contingency, General Reserves and Final Budget/Precept,

The date of the next meeting is **Thursday 7th December 2023 at 7.30pm**. All are welcome to attend, as always, the meeting will be open to parishioners to ask questions or make comments on any matter. The website: www.horningsham.gov.uk can be accessed to read a copy of the agenda or minutes electronically or a hard copy is placed on the noticeboard outside of the school.

Mrs Sarah Jeffries PSLCC CertHE

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HORNINGSHAM LUNCHEON CLUB



We are all looking forward to celebrating the Christmas Lunch at Hunters Lodge, Wincanton again this year. This meal is for all members and the cooks and helpers who work so hard through the year to keep the club going. We have also invited some members of the Welcome Club who do not also belong to Luncheon Club to join us. In total a group of 67 will celebrate together, taking over the whole dining area. A very noisy but happy occasion.

Our last lunch at the Village Hall is on 7th December and we reopen again on Thursday 4th January.

From everyone at the Luncheon Club we wish you all a Very Happy Christmas and a Healthy 2024.

Margaret 844756 Lesley 211355



WELCOME CLUB

On Thursday 16th November the Welcome Club held their AGM at Horningsham Hall.

I am pleased to say about 30 members turned up which was very good. Tom the Chairman opened the meeting thanking everyone for coming, saying it is the members' Club so for the running of the club and choosing outings for next year we wanted their input.

The Treasurer Lesley handed members a copy of the balance sheet and discussed the finances which all looked very healthy. Pearl then discussed outings. Pieces of paper had been handed to members to put their three choices so that Tom, Lesley and Pearl can choose the most wanted outing depending on cost.

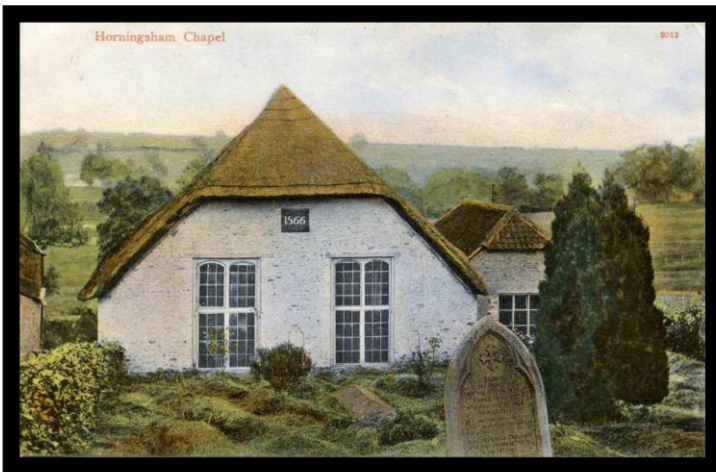
Members were offered tea and biscuits, Tom then thanked Lesley and Pearl for their work and reminded members of the Christmas Bingo on Monday 27th November 7pm for 7.30pm at Maiden Bradley Hall, also the Christmas dinner is at Hunters Lodge on Thursday 14th December. We wish all the members and everyone a Happy Christmas also let's hope 2024 is a more peaceful year around the world.

Pearl Hudson

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of Christmas with a family

Carol Service

Sunday December 17th 3pm



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Horningsham Fayre

The planning has begun for the 2024 event of the year: The Horningsham Village Fayre!

Get it into your diaries now: **Sunday 9th June** - it's going to be another cracker!

We've a few new faces in the village who may yet to have experienced all the fun of the Fayre but trust us when we say it's akin to Wallace and Gromit's Grand Day Out but with more cheese. There's always cute dogs, arena entertainment, delicious cake, lovingly grown plants and a variety of stalls selling arts, crafts and local produce. As well as all that there's the opportunity to throw a wet sponge at James, splat the rat or win a coconut; it really is village fayre nirvana. The Bath Arms run a well-stocked bar and there's the school dads' barbecue tasty sausages along with many other food stalls; it's the opportunity for a great afternoon out and to be part of a community event that's fun for all ages. Along with helping raise thousands of pounds for the local village causes: the School, the Village Hall, Chapel, Church, Cricket Club, Luncheon Club and the Horningsham News.

As ever, we are always on the lookout for fresh ideas and new energy to help with the planning and execution. The committee are a friendly bunch who meet once a month from January to June (just 6 times) to pull the whole lot together. The next meeting is at 6pm on Wednesday 10th January 2024. Please email chb.bristol@gmail.com if you have any ideas or want to get involved or just turn up on the 10th Jan; we'd love to see you.

Caroline Dykes & the Fayre Committee

HALL NEWS



Our thanks to everyone who came to the bonfire & fireworks on 5th November, and everyone who helped make it happen. Bozzy has written a kind piece elsewhere in the News in which he mentions who did what, so I won't repeat it all here. The event was mainly for fun but it also raised a very helpful sum of around £400 for the Hall, which goes towards covering our running costs.

The next event at the Hall is the Dinner on 2nd December. Rick and Katie Gunning have done a heroic job putting this on, I hope it is well supported.

The next coffee morning is on Sunday 17th December, 10am to 12, please come along if you can.

James Osborne

Fabulous Fireworks Thank You



Photos by
Peter Halpin



The fireworks night was the best yet. Rick Gunning & Co. built and lit the bonfire, Katy Gunning and her team made delicious hot dogs with superb hand-made sausages from Cayfords in Frome, which will as usual have been kind on the price. Richard and Mandy were Front of House. The Bath Arms came up trumps with a fabulous bar and it's good to see the mulled wine barrel dusted down and back in use, well done Amy and Jack. Firework lighters from the Cricket Club were Bill White and Geoff Lodge with club Captain Callum Widdows alongside.

All of them deserve our thanks, and apologies if anyone has been left out - a whole host of others no doubt helped set up and then clear the Hall.

Apart from the thanks above, the clarity on funding is as follows. The excellent fireworks were financed jointly by The Bath Arms, the Cricket Club, and the Village Hall. The latter's contribution came via James Osborne bowling out the middle stump by charging a Bath Arms' party a hefty sum for needing to arrive by helicopter (as you do!) and overseeing the aircraft's landing on the playing field.

There seems to be some momentum growing to get the village together again apart from just the Fayre. No pun intended, but a fuse seems to have been lit. Do come to the village Supper on Saturday 2nd December, details in Horningsham News or from the usual suspects!

Thank you again to the fireworks organisers, workers, and very importantly the Sponsors, who made this event possible and so memorable.

Bozzy



Armed with a scruffy note book and a steely air of determination, my door-knocking has finally borne fruit; I have not 1, but 3 new introductions to make!

First up was Rachel, Rupert, Ghyll and Ivor who moved into 123 Scotland back in May. Rachel and Ru, met while studying in London; she was at SOAS studying Philosophy, he, at Slade School of Fine Art, studying Sculpture. They enjoyed the delights of South London; Peckham and Camberwell have much to offer the youth, before heading West in 2016. Living first at a cottage in Tellisford before heading to Frome and then moving to Horningsham this year. Ghyll, their eldest, is five and goes to school in Frome, Ivor is two and heartily enjoys peas and oatcakes if my visit was anything to go by. The boys take up a lot of their parents time, along with a very cuddly cat called Freida, but Rachel makes time to experiment with table-top art and is currently producing some rather lovely paper and wax portals. Together, they have a workshop in West Woodlands where they make handmade furniture; anything from tables, shelving and kitchens to plinths for galleries. Rupert is a fan of bowl turning and I'd like to introduce him to Ken who is also a wood turner with a lovely lathe. Ken please get in touch with Rupert. Welcome to all at 123.

Next I met Cherry at 140 West Common (the cute house next to Michael and Lesley's old place, for the old-timers). Cherry, Peter, Ernest and Oakley, (the Staffie/Whippet cross), arrived in August this year. They also travelled via Frome but Cherry spent her teens in Salisbury so is a West Country girl at heart. Cherry is from an Army family and has a mother from Yorkshire who would have been horrified that fresh scones were not forthcoming on my arrival. Ernest is 8 years old and is pleased to have already made friends in the village. He's being home-schooled with Cherry's family pitching in: Granddad teaches History and Geography, his uncle teaches Music and Spanish and his parents fill in the blanks with a mix of child-led learning on the other 2 days. It sounded idyllic and when Ernest arrived home from a writing excursion to Warminster, he was keen to get on with the rest of his lessons outdoors. Cherry works as a Food Artist, which needed explaining to me, (and apparently to her dad). It sounds like a fun, creative role which always ends with food - what's not to love?! Cherry has undertaken various commissions, from running foraging workshops as part of "Edible Ebble" to creating Moon Milk for over 200 people to celebrate a full moon at The Hayward Gallery in London. She's also studying for a PhD in agriculture with a focus on oats. Peter is a man who loves a pun. He started out as an actor and voice over artist which led to a career in stand-up. At one point he was touted as "the

natural successor to Tim Vine and Milton Jones". There's still plenty of time for that, but for now he writes for TV and commercials as well as working as a photographer for performance and events. A house full of creative talent. Welcome to you all at number 140.

Finally, I caught up with Tammy and Mimi (aged 9) at 126 Cock Road. They moved in at the end of May, along with Macey their blind 15yr old dog and Beko (after the fridge), a 2yr old tabby cat. Tammy grew up in Nunney so is used to village life and Mimi would like it to be known she's from Bath (RUH). Mimi grew up in Frome and is a pupil at Oakfield Academy, she received a special badge for her uniform as she'd amassed 100 merit points since September. Well done Mimi! And well done mum for sewing on that badge! Tammy used to run a successful cleaning firm but has now retrained as a mindfulness coach. She's running an 8-week mindfulness course at the village hall from January, please look out for the advert in this issue. Tammy also has a background in cooking and is interested in helping out at the Luncheon Club - Lesley, Margaret, this is your chance. Mimi enjoys the trees, the pheasants and the big living room in her new house. They are looking forward to meeting more neighbours and villagers over the coming year, they loved the fireworks and are looking forward to the village supper at the beginning of December. Welcome to all at 126.

Welcome to all our new villagers; If you would like to be featured or have a new neighbour, please let me know.

Caroline Dykes chb.bristol@gmail.com

CHURCH NEWS

Unfortunately, there will not be a service in Horningsham over Christmas. As the Benefice is vacant, it is very difficult to find clergy available to take services at all the churches.



The Bathampton Morris Men will be visiting us as usual in January. It is so kind of them to visit us every year and share this very jolly occasion with us. It is possible that the Bishop of Salisbury will be coming, which will be a first for Horningsham. Do put the date in your diary.

Church Dates

Sunday 14th January 11.15am Plough Sunday

Helen Taylor



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Autumn Term

It has been a busy start to the school year. Miss Andrews was taken unwell during the summer and is currently absent from school, we all wish her the best with her recovery. In her absence Mrs Lapham has stepped into the role of Acting Headteacher and the staff have all been doing a fantastic job of keeping the school running smoothly. There are lots of exciting plans for the year ahead and we are all looking forward to returning to Longleat for the Children's Christmas Party and a walk around the Festival of Light at the end of the term.

Pupil Leadership

Our pupils take great pride in our school and are always keen to take on leadership roles. Our Y6 pupils have really stepped into their roles as Team Captains for each of the houses and enjoy announcing the points in assembly each week. Matilda has taken on the role of Head of Children's Council and will also be working alongside Miss Young to create a children's newsletter.



Teddy Bear's Picnic

Robins enjoyed creating picnic food, writing invitations and sharing a picnic with their teddies in school. They sang songs, played games and read lots of books about bears.



Acorn Project

Organised by Longleat, the Reception and Y6 pupils from both Horningsham and Crockerton visited the estate to collect acorns. Unfortunately, this year due to unseasonably warm conditions the acorns were few and far between. So this year instead they collected lime seeds to plant at a later date.

A couple of weeks later, the Y6 pupils visited the estate again to plant oak saplings as part of their legacy programme. It will be wonderful to see these trees grow over time.





Phunky Foods Ambassadors

Following their excellent applications, we have appointed five Y5 pupils to work alongside the local Phunky Foods leader. They are going to be encouraging people to:

Get Fit!
Get Healthy!
Have Fun!

Apples and Electricity

A couple of weeks ago we were greeted with a fallen tree and electrical cable outside the front of school. Longleat Forestry were super quick to lend their assistance in manning the situation and worked alongside school to ensure that pupils could arrive safely. We are very grateful to them for their help. We were also joined by 2 Police cars and 4 Southern Electric vans which all made for a very exciting start to the day! The teachers had to be quick on their feet to come up with new plans for the day that involved no technology - something that we have all come to rely on.

Digestive Systems

Owls' Class worked in groups to demonstrate the journey of food through the digestive system. They each completed 'jobs' in different roles: the mouth (mashing banana, crackers and water together); the stomach (churning the food with orange juice); the small intestine (squeezing out the liquid through one leg of tights); and the large intestine (pushing the solid food waste out). Lots of laughter, cries of 'gross!' and great learning was achieved by all!



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Congratulations



Jen and Andy of Pottle Street, are delighted to announce the arrival of their daughter Dusty Emmeline. Dusty was delivered Wednesday 8th November at the RUH in Bath. She weighed 1.96kg (4.3lbs in old money) and is currently enjoying lots of love, cuddles and attention on the wonderful NICU ward. Mum and Dad are a little sleep deprived but can't take their eyes off of her. She's a cutie. Welcome to the world Dusty; we look forward to seeing you at home soon. Andy sends apologies for the lack of a Wild Horningsham in the December edition.

Caroline Dykes

Then & Now



1960



2023

Over 60 years separate these two photos of Bakery Farm at 179 Chapel Street. The most remarkable change, as with so many houses in the village, is the replacement of the thatched roof with tiles. When the roof was tiled, the timbers were taken to the pickling tanks to be treated with creosote, now a restricted use substance in the EU due to the harmful effects of its vapours. The creosote then stained the newly replaced ceilings and seeped through the nail holes in the metal foil used to line the plaster board. Creosote can still be smelled upstairs even now and brown streaks are still visible on the outside walls.

As the name suggests, this was both a bakery and a small farm and it was also a grocery shop. In 1890 George Chapman took over from James Trollope. The farm supplied milk and butter as well as home-cured bacon from the pigs they kept. Bread was delivered around the village and beyond several times a week. We can now reveal the trade secret of why the bread stayed fresh for so long – the dough contained potato. At the end of the week fruit dough and lardy cakes were specially baked in the wood-fired oven. The fuel consisted of hazel faggots from the Longleat Woods Department.

George's son Edward Chapman took over the business until he retired in the early 1940s and handed over to his son Arthur and his wife Jessie. The shop continued into the 1960s and the farm ceased in 1969. When Jessie died in 1999, son Roy and his wife Christine moved in meaning that Chapmans have lived here continuously for an amazing 133 years.

Parsonage Farm Rainfall

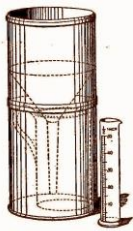


FIG. 151.—Standard rain-gauge.

October was mild and fairly warm to start with, giving us time to catch up with the autumn drilling of milling wheat (crusoe) but the ground was still quite wet , so we were unable to ring roll the fields. The frost came calling a few mornings and the rain started on the 18th, and has hardly drawn a breath since then, with some quite heavy storms. The ground cannot take much more as over the whole country we have had severe weather with flooding in most town and cities and fields. We are so very lucky not to have been flooded out

around here.

November was still wet with such high winds giving us over 2 inches over 2 days. I am beginning to wonder if it will stop or perhaps this is now going to be our weather pattern in the future ?

John Whatley

Remembrance

On Sunday 12th December Horningsham remembered its dead from the two wars in a service led by Mr Tim Moore.





Dates For Your Diary

Saturday 2nd December **Village Supper** 6.30 at the Hall

Thursday 7th December **Parish Council** 7.30 at the Hall

Saturday 9th December **School Christmas Market** 11 – 2 at the Hall

Sunday 17th December **Coffee Morning** 10 – 12 at the Hall

Sunday 17th December **Carols** 3.00 at the Chapel

Wednesday 10th January **Fayre Committee** 6.00 at the Hall

Mobile Library Tuesday 12th Dec 9th Jan

10.00 – 10.25 opposite the Village Hall



Sunday 17th December

10 – 12 at the Hall

Everyone Welcome

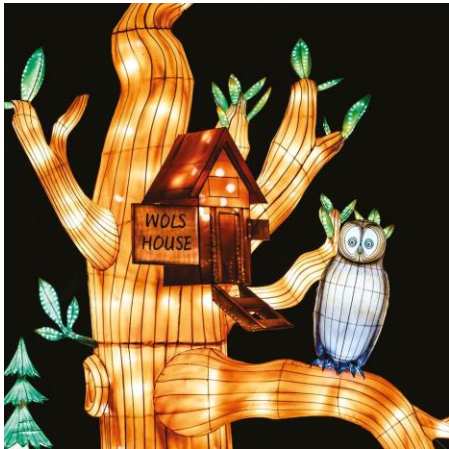
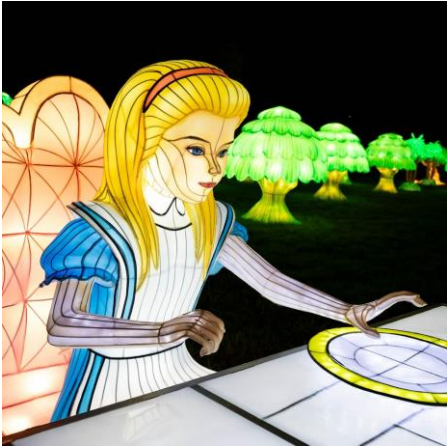
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Future events coming up

Friday 1st December – Christmas Celebrations at the Hall from
6pm

Saturday 2nd December – Christmas Wreath Making 10-12

Monday 4th December – Village Bingo Evening

Doors open at 7pm Eyes down for 7.30pm

Saturday 9th December – Underwoods Fish & Chip Van
4.30pm-5.30pm

Monday 11th December – Carol Singing with mulled wine &
mince pies donations to Dorothy House 6pm

Please see www.maidenbradleyhall.co.uk for further details

Regular events

Mondays	9.30am-10.30am	Pilates
Mondays	5.00pm-6.00pm	Dr's Surgery
Tuesday	9.30am-10.30am	Bradley Babies
Tuesday	1.00pm-3.00pm	Post Office Service
Wednesdays	9.30am-10.30am	Movement to Music with Dawn
Wednesdays	6.15pm-7.15pm	Yoga Flow
Thursdays	9.30am-10.30am	Pilates
Fridays	10am-12noon	Coffee Morning
Saturdays	4.30-5.30pm	Fish & Chip Van
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HORNINGSHAM.

SAD DEATH OF A FARMER'S WIFE. Choked by a Piece of Tripe.

Much regret has been felt in the village at the death of Mrs. Mary Ann Hinton, who was choked by a piece of tripe whilst having supper with her husband, Mr. Joseph Hinton, on Saturday evening. Mrs. Hinton was 62 years of age, and her husband formerly occupied the Royal Oak Farm, from which he retired some time ago, and had since resided at Newbury, Horningsham.

Mr. F. A. P. Sylvester (coroner) held an inquest at the house of Mr. Charles Doel on Monday. The husband stated that at about 7.15 p.m. on Saturday his wife and himself were having some tripe for supper, when his wife began suddenly to choke. Witness tried to remove a small piece of tripe which had got lodged in her throat, but was unable to do so, and called in Mrs. Grist (a neighbour).—The latter stated that she found Mrs. Hinton on the floor, and having got her up and loosened her clothing it was found that she was dead.—Dr. Bothwell said he discovered a piece of tripe in the woman's throat, which appeared to be the cause of death.—The jury, of whom Mr. Charles Whitmarsh was foreman, returned a verdict of death from asphyxia.

Much sympathy has been felt for the husband, who has now lost his fourth wife.

Tripe is the edible lining of the stomach of, most often, a cow.



Ed: I couldn't resist this earlier story of the unfortunate Joseph Hinton

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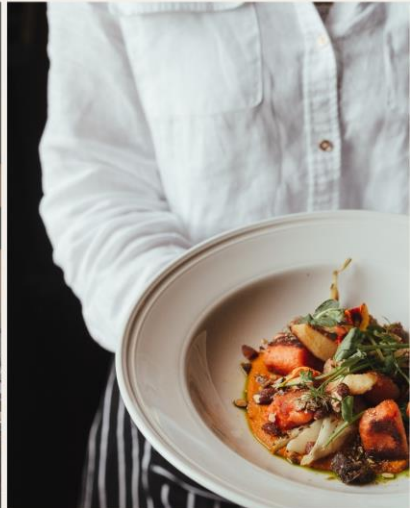
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RICK FIRE: £10 DAMAGE BY A TOY PISTOL.— Shortly before six o'clock on Tuesday evening it was discovered that a large hayrick situate in Whitestreet field and belonging to Mr. Joseph Hinton, of Oak Farm, Horningsham, was in flames. An alarm was quickly raised and thanks to the prompt and willing assistance rendered by the villagers the fire was soon put out, not however before the whole of the rick had been burnt round, doing damage to the extent of about £10. From what can be ascertained as to the origin of the outbreak it appears that a little boy named Thomas Trollope aged eight years, the son of Mr. S. Trollope, of this village, stated he was given three matches by another little boy as he was leaving school, and on reaching Whitestreet field he put these in a toy pistol and fired them off with the result that the rick caught fire. A person named Fanny Adlam noticed the flames and she called the attention of a neighbour to the outbreak, while between them, and with the help of others buckets of water were thrown on the rick until the flames were extinguished. Directly the outbreak occurred the lad Trollope was seen running away from the rick. We understand the property is fully insured.



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