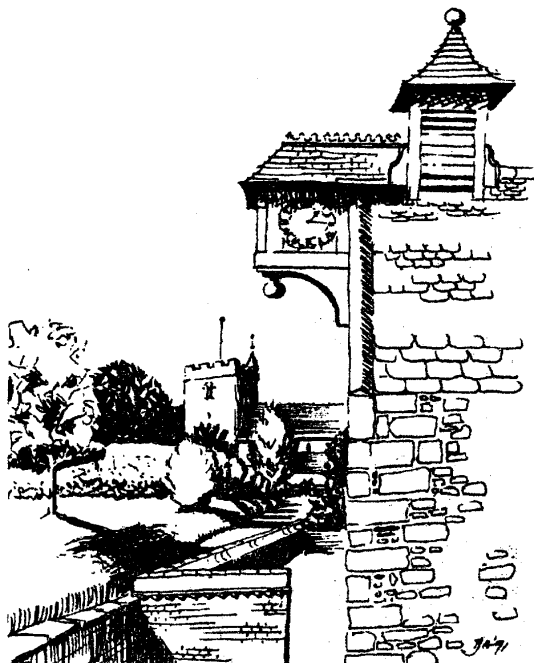


# PARISH NEWS

## The Deverills & Crockerton



Alms House and Church Longbridge Deverill by Pat Armstrong

# FEBRUARY 2024

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**PARISH NEWS ANNUAL DONATION ENVELOPE  
INCLUDED IN THIS ISSUE**

Please give generously to support your local magazine  
see page 3 for details

## **Community Coffee Mornings 10.30 - 12.00 noon**

**Wednesday 7th February & Wednesday 6th March**

The George Inn, Longbridge - £2

*Everyone welcome so please join us*

*Call Judy 844385 if you require transport*



## **Upper Deverills Village Hall**

**Antiques, Bygones and Collectibles - Thursday 8th February**

Richard Joy and Ted Flint are hosting a quiz about the above three

Bread and cheese served in the interval, 7.00 for 7.30 pm

**UDVH AGM - Wednesday 21st February**

starting at 6.00 pm - all welcome

**Pub Night & Chilli Friday 23rd February 6.00 - 10.30 pm**

Pop in early with children or later after work;

Meet old and new friends and enjoy our community.

Draught beer, wine, spirits, soft drinks, snacks.

Everyone welcome, look forward to seeing you!

Facebook [www.facebook.com/groups/upperdeverills](http://www.facebook.com/groups/upperdeverills)



## **VALLEY CHAT - Monday 12th February**

Upper Deverills Village Hall 2.00 – 4.00 pm

Tea and Cake, bring a friend and your hobbies,

Games & crafts to share. **Everyone welcome**

Information: Judy 844385 or Bridget 844884



## **LENT LUNCHES**

**Donations to Christian Aid**

**12.00 noon Tuesday 20th February**

Sue & Robert Stone's, 84 Monkton Deverill, BA12 7EX

**12.00 noon Tuesday 5th March**

Mari & Nigel Poole's, 7 Homefields, Longbridge BA12 7DQ

**12.00 noon Tuesday 19th March**

Judy & Richard Munro's, Whitepits Lodge, Kingston BA12 7HD

*Please come along and support this life giving charity*

*Enjoy a simple lunch in good company!*



## Letter from Bishop Stephen

It won't have escaped many of us that this year Ash Wednesday falls on Valentine's Day. This may feel like an uncomfortable union. Whilst we know Valentine's Day is Saint Valentine's Day, the commercial reality of this occasion means it has become a day of heart-shaped balloons and chocolates, red roses and looking your best for a romantic meal for two. This doesn't sit easily with the sombre, penitential tone of Ash Wednesday when flowers are removed from our churches, and we are brought face to face with our imperfections; our daily ability to turn from God. As a gritty cross of ash is marked on our forehead we are told. Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return. Turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ.

This stark, deeply humbling, yet powerful moment sets the tone for the season of Lent when we are called to step into the wilderness with Christ and into a time of prayer, self-reflection, repentance and self-denial. Yet, nothing about Ash Wednesday or Lent is about dwelling in self-loathing or indeed an unforgiveness of ourselves for the times when we have turned from God. On the contrary, it is a time when we are re-directed and re-centred on our absolute need for God – for God's forgiveness, for God's grace, for God's saving love made known to us through Jesus.

Maybe then Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday are not poles apart after all. For it is in the wilderness of Lent, and in the events of Holy Week that follow, we see face to face the depths of God's love. A love that is not expressed in fine dining or red roses, but the bread and wine of the Last Supper, the blood of Christ shed on the cross and the joy of the open tomb on Easter morning.

## Parish News annual donation

Many people enjoy reading the magazine and find it useful for local events and information. It is now time to make your annual donation towards the printing costs of our magazine. **A £10 - £15 donation from each household in our valley is VITAL to ensure continued production.** Some financial assistance is received from the PCC, the two Parish Councils and local groups but the printing costs have risen, as have many other costs this year.

**Enclosed is a pale blue envelope for your donation.** If you are a UK tax payer please complete the relevant section (IN CAPITALS), name, address and signature so Gift Aid can be reclaimed. (No Sellotape to seal the envelope please.)

**Cash or Cheques** (payable to 'PCC of the Deverills and Horningsham').

**Envelopes:** Please take them to **Longbridge Deverill Garage**; or place them in the **church collection**; or give them to **Karen Seymour**, PCC Treasurer (see page 16); or to **Judy Munro** (Editor) Whitepits Lodge, Kingston Deverill, BA12 7HD.

**THANK YOU for your continued support of the Parish News.**

**Also a very special thank you to everyone who contributes to the magazine and delivers it to all households in the valley during the year.**

***Judy Munro - Editor***



# RDA



## QUIZ NIGHT

Raising funds for the  
Warminster Group of  
Riding for the Disabled  
Association

Thursday 8th February  
The Conservative Club

7.00 for 7.45 pm start

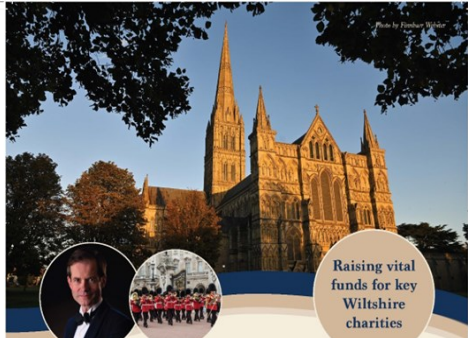
Raffle Prizes - appreciated

Advanced Booking Only

Teams of 4 max.

Call Ron Dawson :

840638



Raising vital funds for key Wiltshire charities

### A Unique Concert for Wiltshire


Award-winning concert pianist Rupert Egerton-Smith performs with the Band of The Grenadier Guards and the Band and Bugles of The Rifles

Salisbury Cathedral | Thursday 8 February 2024

Doors open at 6.15pm | 7pm start  
Please note, all guests must be seated by 6.45pm for security reasons

Book online: [tinyurl.com/UniqueWiltshire](https://tinyurl.com/UniqueWiltshire)  
or scan the QR code on the right

Tickets priced from £15



All profits from this event will go towards key Wiltshire charities, with a donation to the Regiments involved.



## Longbridge Deverill & Crockerton Parish Hall Annual General Meeting

The AGM will be at 7.00 pm Monday 11th March in the hall. Everyone is welcome to come along, we would love to hear your suggestions for how use of the hall can be improved.



## Upper & Lower Deverills Quiz Night

Friday April 19th 7.30 pm

Upper Deverills Village Hall

In the spirit of very friendly competition, we are holding a fun quiz between the Upper and Lower Deverills.

During the evening there will be a break for cheese and bread, but please bring your own drinks and snacks (plus a small donation per team to cover costs)

Pre-booking is essential, only 5 teams (up to 4 people) each side; teams entered on 1st come 1st served basis.

To take part please contact

Claire Watts 07745 586815 (Upper Deverills)

Dympna Bell 07976 986825 (Lower Deverills)

## **Maiden Bradley Memorial Hall**

See [www.maidenbradleyhall.co.uk](http://www.maidenbradleyhall.co.uk) /call 845303 answerphone

**Saturday 3rd February** Underwood's Fish & Chips van 4.30 - 6.00 pm

**Friday 9th February** Talk 6.30 pm 'A Wilder Future' by Ben Goldsmith

**Saturday 17th February** Underwood's Fish & Chips van 4.30 - 6.00 pm

**Pantomime - Goldilocks and the Three Bears and the Big Bad Wolf**

**Performances: 7.30 pm Thursday 15th February, Friday 16th February**

**2.30 pm matinee & 7.30 pm Saturday 17th February**

**Tickets available from Eventbrite or Carol Kenzie 844745**

**Sunday 18th February** 10.00 am Swap Shop

**Friday 1st March** Talk 'Conflict in Israel/Gaza and Ukraine' by Professor Geoff Till

### **Regular events:**

**Mondays:** 9.30-10.30 Pilates; 10.45-11.30 Chair Pilates; 5.00-6.00pm Dr's Surgery

**Tuesdays:** 9.30 -10.30 am Bradley Babies, 1.00 - 3.00 pm Post Office Service

**Wednesdays:** 10.00 - 11.15 am Silver Sneakers, 6.15 - 7.15 pm Yoga flow

**Thursdays:** 9.30 am - 10.30 Pilates

**Fridays:** 10.00 - 12.00 Coffee Morning Book lending library open

## **Mere Historical Society**

Talks held in the Grove building, Mere.

**Tuesday 27th February: Evening Talk 7.30 pm**

Dining at Villa Ventorum, Ancient Roman Cookery at the Newt by Dr Mark Grant

**Tuesday 5th March: Morning Talk 10.30 am**

Past Forward at Salisbury Museum by Adrian Green, Director

**Tuesday 2nd April: Evening Talk 7.45 pm (AGM at 7.30 pm)**

Francis Faugoin, Forgotten Gardener of Stourhead by Julia Mottershaw

**Tuesday 9th April: Evening Talk 7.30 pm**

So Far So Good – an amusing take on a military life by Malcolm Wells MBE

**Tuesday 16th April: Morning Talk 10.30 am**

The History of Glass by Dr Francis Burroughes BEM

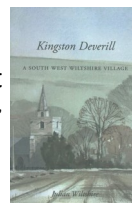
## **Mere Gardening Club**

Meetings held in the Grove Building, Mere 7.00 for 7.30 pm

**Wednesday 14th February** Companion planting by Castle Gardens. An in-depth look at the way plant communities and associations can have positive and negative results, including some tried and tested tips of using combinations of plants to deter or control pests in the vegetable garden.

## **Warminster Museum & History Society**

Please come and join us at 2.30 pm on **Wednesday 7th February** at Warminster Library for a talk by **Julian Wiltshire - Kingston Deverill: A South West Wiltshire Village.**





## Open Door Warminster

This is an unincorporated association regulated by the Charity Commission. We are a volunteer group supporting residents of Warminster and surrounding villages. We were set up in 2020 determined to create opportunities for people who were feeling isolated or excluded from society, for whatever reason, to come together in a safe and encouraging environment and talk about how they feel and how they would like to feel. We run four drop-in groups:

The Thursday **Friendship Chat Café** opens its doors every Thursday morning for anyone who is feeling lonely or isolated. It's a lively welcoming environment where everyone relaxes and enjoys a good chat over a cuppa and some cake! The Chat Café occasionally welcomes Ashley from Victim Support, she is happy to discuss issues privately, so if you require her assistance, please let us know.

And we do it all over again each Monday evening from 7.00 pm with the **Du Soir gathering!** If you have priorities during the day that prevent you from benefiting from our other groups, then this is the one for you!

On the first and third Friday of the month is the **Cancer Support Café** for anyone personally affected by cancer or supporting a loved one through it. Our volunteers all have lived experience of cancer and are happy to help you talk through yours. At the Cancer Support Café on 2nd February, we will welcome Liina, a Nurse Facilitator for Personalised Care for cancer patients. On 15th March Karen, a Macmillan Welfare Advisor, will be available to help guests directly affected by cancer with issues relating to grants or benefits.

On the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month we hold the **Grief Support Café**. Grief is something everyone will experience. Our volunteer chatters will help you work through the feelings grief brings to the surface - while they can't take away the pain, they will try to help you live through it.

The morning Chat Cafés run from 10:00 am – 12:00 noon. The evening group opens at 7.00 pm and is buzzing until 8:30 pm! All are held at The Athenaeum Centre, 18 – 20 High Street, Warminster, BA12 9AE. Each group is a drop-in when you want, there is no charge for refreshments or company!

**Volunteers** – we would appreciate extra helpers willing to chat and sit with our visitors. Please call us for an informal chat or visit a Café to find out for yourself what we do while enjoying a cup of tea or coffee.

For more information visit our website at [opendoorwarminster.org](http://opendoorwarminster.org)



## Crockerton Primary School

Happy New Year to our wonderful parish community! Just a quick message from the school to thank those who attended our Key Stage 2 Carol Concert at St Peter & St Paul's before Christmas. It was such a wonderful evening of singing together. We also wanted to thank Robert Shuler for the beautiful Crib Service on Christmas Eve that several of our school families enjoyed. School term finished with our annual, whole school Winter Walk. Walking through the forest, around the lake together is always an important reminder of how lucky we are to have our school in such a special location.



The New Year at Crockerton School has got off to a flying start, as you can see from the photos, with new topics for each class: Disasters, Town and Country, Egypt and Space. It is wonderful to see our volunteers back in school with us, listening to readers and testing spellings and we really appreciate their time and what they bring to the school. **If you would like to be involved, please do get in touch with our school office on 212168.**

## Tor Theatre Pantomime

On Tuesday 12th December our wonderful community was even further enhanced by the fabulous Tor Theatre who came to perform their pantomime for us. The Upper Deverills Village Hall was pretty well packed with Deverills people of all ages who



shared in the performance with such laughter and enjoyment. This was made possible by the organisation "Celebrating Age Wiltshire" which, under the leadership of Rebecca Seymour, brings all forms of creativity to members of the Wiltshire Community, particularly our older ones, through generous National Lottery funding. As I pointed out to Tor Theatre and CAW afterwards, "You've left many grinning faces *BEHIND YOU!*"

## SERVICES DEVERILLS & HORNINGSHAM PARISH

### Sunday

### 2nd before Lent

4th February

Kingston 8.00 am

BCP Holy Communion

Longbridge 10.00 am

Morning Worship

### Sunday

### 1st before Lent

11th February

Kingston 10.00 am

Holy Communion

### Wednesday

### Ash Wednesday

14th February

Longbridge 6.00 pm

Ashing service

### Sunday

### Lent 1

18th February

Brixton 10.00 am

Holy Communion

### Sunday

### Lent 2

25th February

Longbridge 10.00 am

Holy Communion

### Monday

### Lent 3

3rd March

Kingston 8.00 am

BCP Holy Communion

Longbridge 10.00 am

Morning Worship

## REGISTER

*Funerals- Our prayers are with the family*

**Trish Birts Friday 26th January Brixton – Memorial service Kingston**

**Maggie Osborne Monday 29th January at Horningsham**



## CHURCH CLEANERS FOR FEBRUARY

**Kingston** Mandy Harding-Newman & Angie Beloe

**Brixton** Eve McBride & Sophie Lawson

**Longbridge** by arrangement

## CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGERS FOR FEBRUARY

### Kingston

### Brixton

### Longbridge

4th Feb Judy Munro

Claire Watts

See Rota

11th Feb Judy Munro

Lorraine Hardy

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18th Feb Lent

No

Flowers

25th Feb "

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## SERVICES CORSLEY & CHAPMANSLADE PARISH

### **Sunday 2nd before Lent**

4th February      Corsley 10.00 am      Holy Communion

### **Sunday 1st before Lent**

11th February      Chapmanslade 10.00 am      Praise & Worship

### **Wednesday Ash Wednesday**

14th February      Holy Trinity      Ashing Service  
Dilton Marsh 6.00 pm

### **Sunday Lent 1**

18th February      Corsley 11.00 am      Matins

### **Sunday Lent 2**

25th February      Chapmanslade 10.00 am      Holy Communion

### **Sunday Lent 3**

3rd March      Corsley 10.00 am      Holy Communion



#### **BENEFICE OF THE CLEY HILL VILLAGES**

Please look at the website for information, links, contact details, current and previous editions of the Parish News [www.cleyhillchurches.org](http://www.cleyhillchurches.org)

#### **DEVERILLS, CROCKERTON & HORNINGSHAM 50/50 CLUB**

**January - Sue Stone £50 and Tony Erskine £25**

**Join the Club!** The valley's 50/50 club raises funds to help preserve our four beautiful valley churches, for everyone's benefit and those who appreciate the unique community spirit of village life. It does not raise money for the wider church. Members pay £24 annually, proceeds are divided 50/50, half to support the churches, half as prizes, £50 and £25 monthly, plus Christmas prizes, winners' names are published in the Parish News. Last year £1,000 was raised for our churches and the same given as prizes. Details to join are in the churches or can be given to you by **Diana Abbott 840763 / [decabbott@gmail.com](mailto:decabbott@gmail.com)**





## Upper Deverills Parish Council

**Vacancy for a Parish Councillor:** There is a vacancy for a Parish Councillor. If you would be interested in playing a part in the life of our community then please get in touch with the Parish Clerk. [clerk@upperdeverills.co.uk](mailto:clerk@upperdeverills.co.uk) or any of the Parish Councillors. The Parish Council meets on average five times a year and being a Councillor is a great way to contribute to your local community. Further details on page 14.

**Annual Litter Pick:** This will take place on **Saturday 16th March** starting at 10.00 am Upper Deverills Village Hall, all equipment provided.

**Temporary Road Closure** Wessex Water are replacing the Water Main just to the north of Mere so the B3095 will be closed from Monday 26th February to Monday 11th March. A diversion will be in place via the A350 and A303.

The next Parish Council meeting is at 6.00 pm on **Monday 11th March**, Upper Deverills Hall. For details see [www.upperdeverills.co.uk](http://www.upperdeverills.co.uk) or page 14.

## HGV vehicles on village roads

The Upper Deverills Parish Council has been working with other local Parishes, Local Wiltshire Councillors and Andrew Murrison MP to address the problem of HGV vehicles on village roads. This links to the Upper Deverills Parish Plan 2022. In the Parish Plan, HGV traffic reduction and improved road safety on the B3095 were considered by the respondents to the 2022 questionnaire to be the highest priority in each of our three villages. A Traffic Regulation Order was passed in 2009 that would have imposed a 7.5 ton weight limit on the B3095 but for various reasons the Order has never been implemented.



On 15th December 2023 Upper Deverills Parish Council attended a meeting with Cllr Caroline Thomas, cabinet member for Highways at Wiltshire Council, Dr Andrew Murrison MP, and Cllr Bill Parks from Wiltshire Council as well as representatives from Maiden Bradley, Corsley and Corsham. Cllr Thomas provided an update on work done so far by Wiltshire Council to implement the weight limit. She also set out the procedure the Council will take in 2024 in order to seek to implement the weight limit. This will include data gathering, data modelling, wide public consultation and a vote by Wiltshire Council Cabinet. The meeting was mentioned in the Warminster Journal and on Warminster Community Radio. Those at the meeting felt there appeared to be a political will to find a solution.

It should be noted that during the consultation period there will be an opportunity for residents to express their views. It should also be noted that if the Order is implemented, then any restriction will still allow access for vehicles over the weight limit.

**Cllr Jamie Fagan** Chair, Upper Deverills Parish Council

## Longbridge Deverill Parish Council



**Grant applications:** Local groups and organisations, please submit grant applications to the clerk by the 15th February. You can visit the website [www.longbridgedeverillparishcouncil.com](http://www.longbridgedeverillparishcouncil.com), **documents, grants & application.**

**There's no such thing as the Dog Poo Fairy:** There has been alarming increase in dog owners not clearing up after their dogs around the villages, please ensure you are not one of them.

**Annual Parish Meeting of the Electorate Monday 18th March 7.00 pm.** Local organisations are invited to give presentations, please advise the clerk if your organisation wishes to take part.

**Spring Litter Pick:** Longbridge Deverill only - **Sunday 24th March** meet at the George at 11.00 am volunteers welcome to help - love your community.

**International Dark-Sky Reserve: Wednesday 17th April** at 7.00 pm Cranborne Chase National Landscape (formerly AONB) Presentation and Question and Answer session in the Parish Hall.

The next Parish Council meeting is 7.00 pm **Monday 4th March**, at the Parish Hall. Full minutes and agendas can be found on the Parish Council website or contact the Clerk [details on page 14](#)

### Glass making - New Year, New Hobby ...?

Glass Fusing is the process of joining glass together in a specialist kiln. Anyone can create unique and stunning works of glass art with just a small amount of instruction. Champagne Glass Studio offers workshops to total beginners.



Until July 2023, Caroline Robinson was running the music department in a school. However, her hobby has become full time and she is passionate about sharing the love of this lesser-known craft form with others. As well as creating beautiful pieces herself, Caroline runs a very popular range of workshops from her home in Warminster. In a half day workshop, you will learn how the creative process works and make two fused-glass pieces of your own. To start, you will create a hanging sun-catcher using a huge range of coloured glasses. Then after a break for cake and hot drinks, you will create a small draped dish. There are many pieces to copy if you don't feel confident to design something yourself. After about a week your work will be fired and ready to collect.

For more information follow Champagne Glass Studio on Facebook and Instagram @champagneglasstudio, on Twitter/X @glass\_champagne or look up the website [www.champagneglasstudio.co.uk](http://www.champagneglasstudio.co.uk). Half day workshops are £55 on weekdays or £60 at weekends per person; a maximum of 6 participants. Private bookings available, email Caroline [champagneglasstudio@gmail.com](mailto:champagneglasstudio@gmail.com)

## Rainfall Report for 2023



It is no surprise to anyone when I say the year 2023 has been an extremely wet and, in fact, a record breaking rainy year for this Parish. The details provided by a number of dedicated Rainfall Observers reveal the alarming figure of 51.46 inches of rain recorded. Therefore, more than 15 inches in 2023 above the average for this Parish of the Deverills, and Crockerton.

However, we did enjoy a long spell of rain-free days through May and June with lovely sunny days and high temperatures, there were 40 consecutive days with temperatures over 20C peaking at 28C in the middle of June.

January 2023 was the wettest month with 175 MM/6.88 inches recorded. February, the driest Month 15.3 MM/0.602 inches recorded. The coldest period stretched from January 17th to 25th with a frost every night. The rain really started during the Autumn. I measured during the 4 months from September to December 530 MM or 21 inches of rain soaked down.

I conclude this report with the rainfall totals for the past two decades:

|             |             |              |             |             |
|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2000 42.83" | 2005 27.83" | 2010, 27.23" | 2015 33.50" | 2020 48.21" |
| 2001 30.44" | 2006 34.10" | 2011 26.80"  | 2016 30.94" | 2021 37.26" |
| 2002 41.73" | 2007 39.31" | 2012 40.61"  | 2017 26.68" | 2022 35.73" |
| 2003 29.96" | 2008 42.58" | 2013 30.76"  | 2018 34.20  | 2023 51.46" |
| 2004 34.10" | 2009 38.42" | 2014 42.87"  | 2019 40.81" |             |

The average annual rainfall during the 20+ years above taken from various sites is 36.23 Inches.

The recent storm Henk brought heavy rain, gales and misery and flooding during the first few days of January 2024; on Thursday 4th very sadly various domestic premises were flooded. As I write this we have started the New Year with nearly 3 inches of rain recorded before the end of the first week.

***John Robins***

Manor Farm, Longbridge Deverill

## Nature Notes

The hedgehogs have finally hibernated. They were taking food every night until 5th January but the food hasn't been touched overnight since then. I am still putting a little food out for them because I am told they can wake up during hibernation and want something to eat and I would hate to think they went to their regular café to find it was closed! Apparently, there are now reports of hedgehogs not hibernating at all in the warmer southern counties. This colder spell of weather has obviously triggered the ones here to go to sleep; now the question comes when will they wake up. That will be influenced by the weather and also when they run low on body reserves. It's so cold now, I look at the houses where I think they are snuggled up asleep and wonder how they cope with such low temperatures; if we tried it we would definitely get hypothermia. I wonder if the hedgehogs that don't hibernate and have their normal sleep will be affected in their breeding capability and possibly their lifespan.



The pond is frozen so we don't get the kingfishers now. Before the freeze we had a heron visit and a pair of moorhens. I saw the great egret again quite close on the river bank near the wooden footbridge on the main road. It made me realise just how big it was, being so white it emphasises its size.



The cold has brought a lot more birds to the feeders and with more birds there is more guano so keeping the feeders clean is quite a job. Lots of tits come, blue, great and long-tailed with occasionally a coal. I counted 6 blue tits earlier today and the fat slab was covered in long-tailed making it difficult to count them, not so many great tits, but perhaps they are just elsewhere. Finding enough food and keeping warm is vital in these conditions. Birds will flock together so there are more eyes to spot food and also watch out for predators. They also roost together for warmth. I have watched wrens going into house martin boxes to roost; I read somewhere over 50 had been counted roosting together in a box. Pied wagtails will go into towns and cities where it's warmer and I can recall a photograph in a magazine with loads of them roosting in amongst the Christmas lights on some silver birch trees in a shopping mall.

The great spotted woodpecker has been drumming again on the transformer pole next to us; it's in the same place as last year where it gets the maximum resonance. The male and female have been coming over to the fat slab. Lately I heard tawny owls at dusk when sorting out the feeders. Owls don't like wet weather so it was good to hear them since its been dry. Our weather does swing from one extreme to the other these days.

There are signs of spring with bulbs coming up, snowdrops and daffodils; the birds are beginning to sing more in the morning and the days are getting longer.

**Jane Trollope** (written 15th January)

## **LOCAL COUNCILS, SOCIETIES, GROUPS**

**Longbridge Deverill Parish Council** [www.longbridgedeverillparishcouncil.com](http://www.longbridgedeverillparishcouncil.com)

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| Mark Duddridge (Chairman) 213476 | Kate Plastow 840975 (Vice Chair) |
| Martin McDermott 216939          | David Searle 213767              |
| Tony Erskine 07903 3308438       | Nigel Spreadbury-Clews 216660    |
| James Kettler 841129             | Vicky Swan 215752                |

Nikki Spreadbury-Clews (Clerk) 07986 880164 or [longbridgedeverillpc@gmail.com](mailto:longbridgedeverillpc@gmail.com)

**Upper Deverills Parish Council** [www.upperdeverills.co.uk](http://www.upperdeverills.co.uk)

|                            |                            |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Jamie Fagan 844123 (Chair) | Belinda Stewart-Cox 840150 |
| Louise Stratton 844105     | Johnnie Burridge 841098    |

Laura Napper (Clerk) 07971 368742 or [clerk@upperdeverills.co.uk](mailto:clerk@upperdeverills.co.uk)

**Wiltshire Councillor** Christopher Newbury 01373 822508

**Wiltshire Council** 0300 456 0100

**Member of Parliament** Dr Andrew Murrison 01225 358584

**Longbridge Deverill Parish Hall** Ian Bell 840514 (Bookings)

**Upper Deverills Village Hall** Ted Flint 844507 (Chair) John Lea 844325 (bookings)

**Sir James Thynne Almshouse** Sue Jackson 840322 (Trustee)

**Crockerton Village Committee** Stuart Atherton (Chair) 07968 198521

**Deverills Cricket Club** Ed Read 07702 273338 (Captain)

**Community Police - Local Officer (Rural)**

PCSO Leigh Holcombe 9548 – [leigh.holcombe@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:leigh.holcombe@wiltshire.police.uk) or call 101

**Neighbourhood Watch Deverills & Crockerton co-ordinator**

Crispian Beattie email: [ceib@btinternet.com](mailto:ceib@btinternet.com) or call 844884

**Warminster Link Scheme** (Longbridge, Hill Deverill etc) 07447 572789

**Mere Link Scheme** (Upper Deverills etc) 01747 860096

**Bath, Wilts & North Dorset Gliding Club, Kingston Deverill** 844095

**Post Office: Lakeside Garden Centre, Crockerton:** Mon & Fri 9.00 - 12.00

**Defibrillators:** Google [defifinder.uk](http://defifinder.uk) to locate nearest defibrillator to you  
The George Inn, Longbridge BA12 7DG; Lakeside BA12 8AP - opening hours  
Shearwater Tearooms BA12 8AE; Crockerton School BA12 8AB

Deverill Valley Trading Estate BA12 7BZ - opening hours

Upper Deverills Village Hall BA12 7HG; Maiden Bradley Memorial Hall BA12 7JG

Weighbridge Office, Keysley Farm, BA12 7EY - opening hours

Horningsham Village Hall BA12 7LL



## FUTURE EVENTS

- **Open Door Support Cafés** See p6
- **Maiden Bradley Hall Fish & Chips van** Saturday 3rd February See p5
- **Community Coffee Morning** Wednesday 7th February See p2
- **Warminster Museum & History Society** Wednesday 7th February See p5
- **Upper Deverills Village Hall** Antiques & Collectibles Thursday 8th February See p2
- **Quiz Night in aid of Riding for the Disabled** Thursday 8th February See p4
- **Unique Concert for Wiltshire** Thursday 8th February See p4
- **Maiden Bradley Hall Talk** Friday 9th February See p5
- **Valley Chat** Monday 12th February See p2
- **Mere Gardening Club** Wednesday 14th February See p5
- **Maiden Bradley Panto** Thursday 15th, Friday 16th & Saturday 17th February p5
- **Maiden Bradley Hall Fish & Chips van** Saturday 17th February See p5
- **Maiden Bradley Hall Swap Shop** Sunday 18th February See p5
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## PARISH OF DEVERILLS AND HORNINGSHAM

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St Mary the Virgin, Kingston Deverill BA12 7HE  
St John the Baptist, Horningsham BA12 7LW

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