

PARISH NEWS

The Deverills & Crockerton



The Three Deverill churches by Dennis Smith

DECEMBER 2025

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Community Coffee



Mornings 10.30 - 12.00

Wednesday 3rd December

Wednesday 7th January

The George Inn, Longbridge

£2 Everyone welcome



**If you need transport
please call Judy 844385**

VALLEY CHAT

Monday 15th December

2.00 – 4.00 pm

Upper Deverills Hall

Tea & Cake,

**Bring hobbies, crafts,
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Everyone is very welcome

To come along

**For information contact:
Judy 844385/Bridget 844884**

BOWOOD
**Bowood Festive Food
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Bowood Hotel, Spa and Golf Resort

Join us for two days of festive
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Preview evening:
Monday December 1, 4pm to 8pm
Tickets £15 including glass of wine and canapes
Tuesday December 2, 9am to 3pm
Tickets £5 on the door or get two for one in advance
from
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**BRITTEN – A CEREMONY OF CAROLS
WITH THE ROYAL HARPIST**

MUSICAL DIRECTOR - DANIEL ROBERT CUSHING

HARPIST - MARED EMYR PUGH-EVANS



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A letter from Bishop Stephen

This December, Carol and I will visit the tiny Channel Island of Alderney. It is a beautiful but a heavily fortified place having been both the first line of defence historically and an occupied and evacuated community. Having marked the 80th Anniversary of Liberation in Guernsey in May, Alderney has its own unique act of remembrance on 15th December known as Home Coming.



Alderney was not liberated because it had been evacuated. The people of Alderney could not return until later in the year when the war ended because the island was in such a state having been brutalised by the German occupation. In particular there were three concentration camps to provide forced labour. This December it is the 80th anniversary of the people of Alderney coming home which must have been both joyous and hugely challenging.

In these days of Advent we prepare ourselves for the coming home of our Saviour. Dark days prevail and I reflect upon what that darkness really means for those currently under oppression or war such as in Sudan and South Sudan. It can be difficult to imagine as we prepare for a happy English Christmas, what it must be like if your home is under threat.

At Christmas, wherever we are, and however full or fragile our lives are, we mark perhaps the greatest moment in human history. The very fact that God chooses to lower himself and to be born among us, and to make His home as one of us, marks out the Christian experience from any other in our world. Our preparations and our celebrations make it all too easy to miss the full meaning of the incarnation. The fact that God is with us is a liberation all of its own and



calls us to make every home in our world as safe and as free as possible. This Christmas as families, and as some remain alone, let us remember before anything else that the God who made his home among us calls us to return to Him and to live lives that proclaim the good news. May the home coming of Jesus be with you this Christmas.

We need a PCC Treasurer – can you help?

The Deverills Parochial Church Council is a registered charity which has very simple accounts looking after collections, church maintenance, Gift Aid. It has been run very efficiently and the records are kept on Excel spreadsheets. The church year runs January to December; we need someone to look after the books in 2026. If you can help or need more information please call Robert Shuler 844291.



Happy Christmas to all our readers and Volunteers

Thank you for your continued support and a very special thank you to everyone who contributes and delivers the Parish News to our community.

Judy Munro - Editor



UPPER DEVERILLS HALL

Saturday 6th December Christmas Fair

From 3.00 - 7.00 pm

Come and celebrate Christmas in Alpine Style.

Do your Christmas shopping as the sun goes down.

Crafts, cakes and produce, all made by local people.

Enjoy Gluhwein, Bratkartoffeln and grilled sausages along with our usual fare. Any donations to the cake stall gratefully received.

Sunday 14th December Festive Wreath Making

This will take place in the Upper Deverills Hall

From 1.00 - 4.00 pm £35 pp

Short foraging walk, mulled wine included.

Tickets from Eventbrite search Festive

Wreath Making

or email Natasha Tjcfolk@gmail.com

MONDAY 22nd December Children's Christmas party

From 3.30 - 5.00 pm

Games, party tea, special person visit!

Upper Deverills children/grandchildren up to 11 years accompanied by an adult. Please book with Hatty by 7th December email name, age,

any allergies to Hatty@majargroup.com

Sunday 21st December Village Carol Service 6.00 pm

St Marys' Kingston Deverill. Everyone welcome.

Collection for Alabaré.(see page 11)



Chat Cafés Open Door

December support groups

Expert advice is available on **Friday 5th December** when **Andrea**, Macmillan Welfare Advisor from Macmillan-CAB, will be available to discuss concerns. **Friday 19th December** David, Macmillan Support Worker, will be able to advise on the range of services at RUH Bath.

Regular Chat Cafés The 2nd and 4th Monday of the month 7.00-8.30 pm for those affected by prostate cancer. Every Thursday 10.00-12.00 for those feeling lonely or isolated. 1st & 3rd Friday of each month 10.00-12.00 support group for anyone affected by cancer. The 2nd & 4th Friday of each month 10.00-12.00 support group for the bereaved. Families and friends welcome.

All groups are held at accessible Athenaeum Centre 18-20 High Street, Warminster BA12 9AE, free drop-ins. For further information see Chat Café Warminster website.



Maiden Bradley Memorial Hall

See www.maidenbradleyhall.co.uk / 845303 answerphone

Monday 1st December 7.00 pm Christmas Bingo

Sunday 7th December 2.00 - 5.00 pm Christmas Fare

Thursday 18th December 6.00 - 7.00pm Santa's Workshop

Regular events:

Mondays 9.30 - 10.30 am Pilates; 10.45 - 11.30 am Chair Pilates

Monday 5.00 - 6.00 pm Dr's Surgery **Tuesday** 1.00 - 3.00 pm Post Office

Wednesday 10.00 - 11.15 am Silver Sneakers **Thursday** 9.30 - 10.30 Pilates

Friday 10.00 am - 12.00 noon Coffee Morning

Mere Historical Society

Talks held in the Grove building, Mere

Tuesday 9th December 7.30 pm. A fascinating talk by Jennifer Parker who is the Assistant curator of Bath Fashion Museum.

Monday 15th December 10.30 am The talk will be by Christopher Forester, Curator of Wincanton Museum 'Be sober, be vigilant' a history of the mounted branch of the Metropolitan Police.



Mere Gardening Club

Wednesday 10th December 7.00 for 7.30 pm Grove Building, Mere. Members Social Evening, mulled wine, refreshments, Christmas raffle.

News from Crockerton Village Committee

Coffee Morning

Another lovely coffee morning was held at the Bath Arms on 12th November. Our next one will be there at 11.00 am **Wednesday 10th December.**



Christmas Carols

On **Thursday 4th December**, Crockerton Church of England Primary School will be singing Christmas Carols in the garden of the Bath Arms at 6.30 pm. From 7.00 pm we will have a visit from Father Christmas, courtesy of Warminster Lions. There will be mince pies and mulled cider for adults and hot chocolate for children. The Bath arms will be selling bar snacks and, of course, their full menu for those who want to stay on.



Join us for a

Christmas Fair

Seasonal stalls • Refreshments • Gifts
and more festive favourites!

Sat 6 Dec | 9am - 1pm | Dorothy House, Winsley

Dorothy House
HOSPICE CARE

Find out more at
dorothyhouse.org.uk



Mere and District Link Scheme

The Link will continue to take people to medical appointments during Christmas and New Year holidays. However, our phone will not be 'manned' on 24th, 25th, 26th, 31st December 2025 or 1st & 2nd January 2026. If you have a medical appointment between these dates please let us know by Friday 20th December, if possible, to give us the best chance of getting you a driver.



October was the busiest month so far this year with 143 trips completed, 21 cancelled and only 1 with no driver available. Our drivers did 5,803 miles and 343 hours and the co-ordinators made/received an estimated 800+ phone calls. A staggering effort from everyone. We need more drivers to help us meet the demand so if you are interested in volunteering as a driver please call our co-ordinator on 01747 860096. This could be one of your New Year's resolutions! Our volunteer drivers choose when they want to drive and where they want to go and receive 45p/mile to cover the additional costs of using their own car.

If you want to use the Link, once you have an appointment please call 01747 860096 to book a driver. But please remember we are not a taxi service! **Our co-ordinators work from home, we do not have an office, so please call between 9.00 am - 5.00 pm Monday to Friday using 01747 860096.** If possible we require a minimum of 48 hours notice (not including Saturdays and Sundays). We cannot guarantee a co-ordinator will be home for last minute requests.

With best wishes for Christmas and 2026 to users and generous volunteers.

John FitzGerald - Link Chair



Upper Deverills Parish Council

The Parish Council would like to thank Belinda Stewart Cox for her significant contribution as a Parish Councillor. Due to other commitments Belinda has sadly had to step down as the representative Cllr for Brixton Deverill, so we now have a vacancy for a Brixton Deverill Resident to join the Parish Council. If you would like any further information please contact the Clerk at clerk@upperdeverills.co.uk or come along to our next meeting in January 2026.

Date for your diary - Litter Pick Saturday 14th March 2026

Next Parish Council meeting: Wednesday 14th January 6.00 pm in the Upper Deverills Hall. Please see page 14 for details of Councillors, Clerk and website, where full minutes and agendas of all meetings are available.

Longbridge Deverill Parish Council

Precept and Budget Discussions The Council is currently working on the 2026/2027 budget, we would like to hear residents' suggestions on services they would like the Council to focus on providing that will be of benefit to the community. The 2026/2027 budget and precept request will be discussed and decided at the meeting on the 12th January so come along or email suggestions to the clerk parishclerk@longbridgedeverill-pc.gov.uk



Co-option Do you want to make a positive difference in our village? Would you like to influence decisions affecting your community? Are you willing to give up some of your time? How much depends on you and your commitment to help your community. Parish Council meets bi-monthly on the 1st Monday of the month. Meetings last around 1-2 hours. We especially need someone interested in roads and willing to take on the role of liaison with Highways. You must be 18 or over, an elector and a resident or worked within 3 miles of the Parish for the last year. If you would like to be considered, please contact the Parish Clerk.

ENTHUSIASM AND COMMITMENT ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN EXPERIENCE

Website & Emails Parish Council new website! www.longbridgedeverill-pc.gov.uk
Parish Clerk new email parishclerk@longbridgedeverill-pc.gov.uk

Priority Services Register A free UK wide service providing advice & support, eg. an interruption to electricity, gas or water supply. To see if you are eligible to register visit www.thepsr.co.uk. Emergency contacts other than 999: Wiltshire Council in and out of hours 0300 456 0100; Environment Agency **Incident hotline** 0800 80 70 60 (24-hour service) Floodline 0345 988 1188; Utility Companies: Gas (National Grid) 0800 111 999; Power Cut call 105; Wessex Water: 0345 600 4600; Thames Water 0800 3169800; British Telecoms 0800 1217667

The next Council meeting Monday 12th January at 7.00 pm, all welcome at the Parish Hall. Minutes & agendas are on the Parish Council website details page 14

The Parish Council wishes everyone a Happy Christmas and Healthy New Year



SERVICES DEVERILLS & HORNINGSHAM PARISH

Sunday

7th December

Advent 1

Kingston 8.00 am
Longbridge 10.00 am

BCP Holy Communion
Morning Worship

Sunday

14th December

Advent 2

Kingston 10.00 am

Holy Communion

Sunday

21st December

Advent 3

Brixton 10.00 am
Kingston 6.00 pm

Holy Communion
Village Carol Service

Wednesday

24th December

Christmas Eve

Longbridge 4.00 pm

Crib Service

Thursday

25th December

Christmas Day

Kingston 9.30 am

Holy Communion

Sunday

28th December

Christmas 1

Brixton 10.00 am

Benefice Holy Communion

Sunday

4th January

Christmas 2

Longbridge 10.00 am

Morning Worship

Compline Services Brixton 7.00 pm Tuesdays 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd December

CRIB SERVICE

St Peter & St Paul Longbridge

Wednesday 24th December 4.00 pm

A special service on Christmas Eve for all the family



CHURCH CLEANERS FOR DECEMBER

Kingston Sue Stone & Bridget Beattie
Brixton Clare Watts & Sally Buchan Jones
Longbridge by arrangement



CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGERS FOR DECEMBER

	Kingston	Brixton	Longbridge
7th December	Advent	No	Flowers
14th December	"	"	"
21st December	"	"	"
25th December	All	helpers	please
28th December	Alice Stratton	Sheelagh Brown	See rota



SERVICES CORSLEY & CHAPMANSLADE PARISH

Sunday

7th December

Avent 1

Corsley 10.00 am

Holy Communion

Sunday

14th December

Advent 2

Chapmanslade 10.00 am

Holy Communion Bishop Andrew

Sunday

21st December

Advent 3

Corsley 6.00 pm

Carol Service

Wednesday

24th December

Christmas Eve

Chapmanslade 3.00 pm

Crib service

Thursday

25th December

Christmas Day

Chapmanslade 10.00 am

Holy Communion

Sunday

28th December

Christmas 1

Brixton 10.00 am

Benefice Holy Communion

Sunday

4th January

Christmas 2

Corsley 10.00 am

Holy Communion

REGISTER

Funerals - Our prayers are with the family

Janet Budgen Monday 3rd November Longbridge Deverill

Irene Marshall Thursday 13th November Longbridge Deverill



Janet Budgen

Rebecca, and the whole family, would like to thank everyone for their kind words and support following the death of Janet and to those attended her funeral.

DEVERILLS, CROCKERTON, HORNINGSHAM 50/50 CLUB

November winners: £50 Peter Smith and £25 Tim Steer

On behalf of the PCC I would like to thank those people who have joined the 50/50 Club, to help with funding the maintenance of our beautiful churches. Your contributions have raised thousands of pounds. You can join any time by using online payment, annual subscription £24 (£2 per month). Please contact Diana Abbott 840763/decabbott@gmail.com or PCC Treasurer 840196/pcctreasurer.dandhchurches@gmail.com



BURNS NIGHT




LONGBRIDGE
DEVERILL
VILLAGE HALL

SATURDAY
24 JANUARY 2026
6.30 FOR 7PM
3 COURSE MEAL
FOLLOWED BY
SCOTTISH DANCING

TICKETS £24 FROM IAN BELL
07590 265679

Woolstore Theatre CODFORD
presents



Robin Hood


THE PANTOMIME

January 2026

Fri 9th 19:30 | Sat 10th 14:30 & 19:30 | Sun 11th 14:30
Thurs 15th 19:30 | Fri 16th 19:30 | Sat 17th 14:30 & 19:30

Written by Stephen Duckham

www.thewoolstoretheatre.co.uk



Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2025

On behalf of The Royal British Legion, I would like to thank the ten Poppy Appeal collectors for so gallantly sallying forth amongst our friends and neighbours in order to give all those in the parish the opportunity to donate towards the Appeal and wear their poppy. Furthermore, I would like to thank all of you who gave so generously this year.

This year the parish raised **£2,317.16**. This includes £470.00 donated at our Remembrance Service in Kingston Deverill church and £200.00 donated by the Parish Council towards the wreath. It also includes a very generous cheque of £50.00 on which we will be able to claim Gift Aid. It does not include any donations made via the Poppy Appeal QR Code or those donations made via the Toucan Collect App. I will advise you of donations made electronically in due course.

Finally, I would like to make an appeal for help with collectors for 2026. They are a bit thin on the ground in Crockerton and Longbridge Deverill. Those that helped this year in those two villages would greatly appreciate some support. Please contact me if you would like to volunteer or know that your shy neighbour would by email Piers1957@gmail.com or by phone 01985 841261/07771 794835. With my thanks for your generosity.

Piers Lawson



NSPCC Christmas Fair



Thank you to everyone who made our NSPCC Christmas Fair at Codford Village Hall such a success. Your cakes, preserves, bric a brac etc made all the difference and your being at the Fair buying or having a cup of coffee made our day. We raised a fantastic **£3,012!** This will help the NSPCC support Childline and many other projects for children. We also have money from items to be auctioned and a Carol singing collection still to come.

Sheelagh Brown, Lorraine Hardy & Committee



With the nights drawing in and ALABARÉ preparing for what we expect to be another busy winter season, we remain determined to support those facing the crisis of homelessness towards a brighter and independent future.

Can you and your community help? We have launched our Winter Appeal for 2025, focussing on the issue of veterans' homelessness. Sue served her country before working in bars and restaurants. When the COVID pandemic struck and she was furloughed, Sue found it hard to make ends meet, lost her home and possessions, and was separated from her children. She was sleeping in her car, feeling hopeless, forgotten, and ashamed, when she came to ALABARÉ. We provided her with safe, secure accommodation, vital mental health support and the means to start turning her life around. Through coaching, wellbeing programmes, employability training, Sue began to believe in herself again. Today she is bidding for a place of her own, to call home *"I feel like I can breathe again. ALABARÉ gave me my life back, and I've never felt better."*

ALABARÉ has been supporting vulnerable and marginalised people for more than three decades, last year we helped more than 3,200 people like Sue across Wiltshire, the South West and Wales to rebuild their lives. **Demand is rising, and so any support you can give us, individually or by raising funds in the community, would make a huge difference to our staff and clients.** You can find out more by searching 'ALABARÉ Winter Appeal'. Your donation could make a real difference to someone facing homelessness. Thank you for your support. For more information contact Faye Tryhorn f.tryhorn@alabare.co.uk

Hope and Homes for Children

The 2026 Wylve Valley Calendar by Chris Lock is on sale, all proceeds are donated to this international charity based in Wilton. They cost £11.50 including an envelope and are available from Coates & Parker, Wylve Valley Vineyard, Budgens in Codford; Heytesbury Stores www.chrislockphotography.co.uk, www.hopeandhomes.org. Images include Cold Kitchen Hill, Scratchbury Hill, and Brixton church. Last year, combined sales Wylve & Nadder Valley Calendars raised **£6,340** for the charity.





CROCKERTON SCHOOL

Rugby Legend Maggie Alphonsi Inspires Pupils

On Friday 3rd October, Crockerton School had the honour of welcoming Maggie Alphonsi MBE - former England rugby star and BBC broadcaster for the Women's Rugby World Cup 2025. The visit was attended by enthusiastic pupils and staff from Crockerton, along with guests from Wylve Valley, Horningsham, and Sambourne Schools. Fresh off the excitement of England's recent Women's Rugby World Cup triumph in September, Maggie's visit couldn't have come at a better time. She shared her personal journey to becoming a World Cup winner, including the heartbreak of losing to New Zealand in both 2006 and 2010, before finally lifting the trophy in 2014 after defeating Canada - a team England once again overcame in the 2025 final.

Mrs Ilic, head teacher at Crockerton, reflected on the moment: *"I spent all summer watching the Roses play. I was incredibly proud to see England's women dominate in their sport, especially following on from the Lionesses' success earlier in the year."*

In the afternoon, Maggie led engaging rugby activities with each class, bringing energy and excitement to the playground. She also took time to sign copies of her books for the children, leaving them with lasting memories and inspiration.

Miss Sides, another member of staff, shared her thoughts: *"This was truly inspiring. What an incredible person Maggie is, we feel that passions and minds have grown as a result of this visit."*

Open Morning on Wednesday 3rd December 11.00 - 12.00 noon to make Christmas Decorations for pupils who are looking to start school in September 2026. Please contact the office on 01985 212168 to reserve a space or to have a look around the school.

The deadline for applying to enter Reception class is 15th January 2026

NATURE NOTES

Storm Claudia has arrived and is currently delivering torrential rain. So far, the wind isn't too bad but there's plenty of time for it to whip up. It should be helping to fill the reservoirs. It is still quite mild but things are due to change next week with a cold snap forecast. Being so mild we have plants flowering that wouldn't normally do so until the spring. There is a *Lonicera fragrantissima* blooming which has beautiful lily of the valley scent and the winter jasmine is covered in yellow flowers brightening up even the duller days. The ceanothus, Californian lilac, still has a few bluey mauve flowers on it which would normally have gone over by the end of summer. A Welsh poppy was out recently, lovely custard yellow, again not the norm. I saw a red admiral butterfly last Saturday, 8th November, and a dragonfly on the pond on the 1st December.



I normally hear redwings in the middle of October as they arrive for the winter, but this year I did not hear any until the 6th November and then just two of their high-pitched seeping calls after dark but nothing since. In my experience fieldfares arrive several weeks after redwings so consequently I have yet to see or hear any of them. It appears the whole season is about a month adrift. I have noticed more blackbirds in the last few days, they come from the continent to overwinter here; and about fifty starlings, hopefully their numbers will increase and we will be able to see some murmurations.



There are still berries on the pyracanthas and cotoneasters, but with the odd blackbird taking an interest and their numbers increasing the berries could soon disappear. With so many fruits in hedgerows the garden ones have been spared for longer this year.

I have still not seen any signs of hedgehogs, I asked several people in the village and they are finding the same. Perhaps they have moved on due to there being too many here or an overload of parasites in the area. The two hedgehogs I had which died were covered in ticks and fleas, I had often found a tick in one of the feeding stations. Ticks and fleas are debilitating in high numbers, leading to severe anaemia and death in extreme cases.

The moorhens are still on the pond, the two youngsters have been joined by their sibling, I am pretty sure it is as they seem to know one another and get on well. They are juveniles lacking the red frontal plate and yellow tip on the beak of an adult. I hope the youngster which returned will show the other two the way to the river where they will find more food when the weather turns colder.

A roe deer came into the garden this month, a doe with two well grown youngsters, one buck and the other a doe. One morning though we had a gorgeous mature buck with a splendid set of antlers.

Jane Trollope (written 14th November)

LOCAL COUNCILS, SOCIETIES, GROUPS

NB: All phone numbers have a dialling code of 01985 unless shown otherwise

Longbridge Deverill Parish Council www.longbridgedeverill-pc.gov.uk

Mark Duddridge (Chairman) 213476

Martin McDermott 216939

Tony Erskine 07903 3308438 (Vice Chair)

David Searle 213767

Guy Hagg 07706 506695

Rebecca Hathaway-White Clerk 07802 679457/parishclerk@longbridgedeverill-pc.gov.uk

Upper Deverills Parish Council www.upperdeverills.co.uk

Jamie Fagan 844123 (Chair)

Angie Beloe 844326

Andrew Hardwick 844852

Louise Stratton 844893

Laura Napper (Clerk) 07971 368742 or 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 (Booking) Ian 07590265679 Dympna 07976986825

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

Sir James Thynne Almshouse Sue Jackson 840322 (Trustee)

Crockerton Village Committee Andrew Scott (Chair) 07585 963837

Deverills Cricket Club Ed Read 07702 273338 (Captain)

Community Police - Local Officer (Rural) PCSO 70901 Lukasz Kolasinski

Lukasz.kolasinski@wiltshire.police.uk / 07471 029004 or call 101

Neighbourhood Watch Deverills & Crockerton co-ordinator

Crispian Beattie email: nw@upperdeverills.co.uk or call 844884

Warminster Link Scheme (Longbridge, Hill Deverill, Crockerton) 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: Go to defibfinder.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 Hall BA12 7HG; Maiden Bradley Hall BA12 7JG; Horningsham Hall BA12 7LL

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

FUTURE EVENTS



- **Maiden Bradley Hall Christmas Bingo** Monday 1st December See p5
- **Bobby Van Bowood Festive Food & Gift Fair** 1st & 2nd December See p2
- **Wednesday 3rd December** Community Coffee Morning See p2
- **Wednesday 3rd December** Crockerton School Open Morning See p12
- **Crockerton School Carol Singing** Thursday 4th December See p5
- **Chat Café Macmillan Advisor visit** Friday 5th December See p4
- **Bull Mill Winter Open Studios** 5th, 6th, 7th December See p2
- **Dorothy House Christmas Fair** Saturday 6th December See p5
- **Upper Deverills Village Hall Christmas Craft Fair** Saturday 6th December See p4
- **Dolce Singers Carols** Saturday 6th December See p2
- **Maiden Bradley Hall Christmas Fair** Sunday 7th December See p5
- **Mere Historical Society** Tuesday 9th December See p5
- **Crockerton Coffee Morning** Wednesday 10th December See 5
- **Mere Gardening Club** Wednesday 10th December See p5
- **Upper Deverill Village Hall Wreath Making** Sunday 14th December See p4
- **Mere Historical Society** Monday 15th December See p5
- **Valley Chat** Monday 15th December See p2
- **Maiden Bradley Hall Santa's Workshop** Thursday 18th December See p5
- **Chat Café Macmillan Advisor visit** Friday 19th December See p4
- **Christmas Carols Julia's House** Friday 19th December See p6
- **Upper Deverills Children's Christmas Party** Saturday 20th December See p4
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- **Community Coffee Morning** Wednesday 7th January See p2
- **Woolstore Theatre Pantomime Robin Hood** 9, 10,11, 15, 16, 17 January See p10
- **Longbridge Deverill Parish Council meeting** Monday 12th January p7
- **Upper Deverills Parish Council Meeting** Wednesday 14th January See p7
- **Longbridge & Crockerton Hall Burns Night** Saturday 24th January See p10
- **Upper Deverills Parish Council Meeting** Wednesday 11th March 2026
- **Upper Deverills Litter Pick** Saturday 14th March See p7



PARISH OF DEVERILLS AND HORNINGSHAM

Please note during the Interregnum to make arrangements for baptisms, weddings, funerals or pastoral visits please make contact by emailing **deverillslm@btinternet.com** or calling the Parish number **07301 298096** or contact the church wardens listed below.

Churches SS Peter & Paul the Apostles, Longbridge Deverill BA12 7DL
St Michael the Archangel, Brixton Deverill BA12 7EJ
St Mary the Virgin, Kingston Deverill BA12 7HE
St John the Baptist, Horningsham BA12 7LW

Licensed Lay Minister Robert Shuler 844291

Church Wardens & Deputies

Mari & Nigel Poole (Longbridge Deverill) and Team 840902

Peter Everall (Brixton Deverill) 840186

Robert Shuler (Kingston Deverill) 844291

Tim Moore (Horningsham) 844336

PCC Chair Robert Shuler 844291

PCC Treasurer Karen Seymour 840196

PCC Secretary Hilary McFarland 212206

Benefice Safeguarding Officer Sarah Podmore

Benefice Admin Assistant Sarah Podmore
cleyhillbeneficeoffice@gmail.com

Tower Captain Jack Pease 07765 060399



Contact the Editor and see Website

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Whitepits Lodge, Kingston Deverill, Warminster, BA12 7HD
or by email: **judymunro@btinternet.com**

Please remember the deadline is 15th of the month - Thank you

Website: Benefice of Cley Hill Villages www.cleyhillchurches.org
Website contents: Parish News, church services, Parish register, events