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Note from the Editor

I would personally like to thank the Villager team for their unstinting commitment to helping get this magazine to your doorstep each month: Emma who organises the advertising, Liz and Chris Gwynn and their team of distributors and all our contributors - not forgetting Beau and his Mrs!

On behalf of us all we would like to wish our readers a very enjoyable and peaceful Christmas and New Year. The next issue will be in February 2023 so please do send any pieces or photos to me by 12th January 2023.



**Charity Plant Stall in
Monk Sherborne**

2022 has certainly been a challenging gardening year. It started out full of promise and we had hopes of having a bumper season, but the lack of rain meant it wasn't to be. However with your help we still managed to raise £4750 for charity.

Thank you everyone who supported us by buying flowers, plants and vegetables.

We will be back again in the spring with our usual daffodils, pots of bulbs and spring bedding - all at very reasonable prices.

If you haven't visited us before, please come along, we will be in the drive of Lynten House, Monk Sherborne, not far from the post box.

We hope you all have a very happy Christmas and look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

Happy gardening, *Chris & Bebe Moore*



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Once again Christmas is coming upon us with amazing speed! It seems to be the case every year, almost as soon as the school Half Term has passed. Top of the domestic agenda of course is sorting out who is going to be where on the Day, but, given that, the next thing is the presents!

The planners amongst us will have been buying presents and putting them aside over a long period but if you are like me, then the struggle to come up with a present which is appreciated and wanted is just beginning – and time is running out. What pressure!

As I wrack my brains and consult websites for ideas I'm looking for something that will illicit one of two responses, or ideally, both: 'It's just what I've always wanted' and 'You shouldn't have. It's more than I deserve.'

Of course, Christmas is a Christian festival celebrating God's gift to us in the form of His Son Jesus. On that amazing night 2000 years ago, God sent messengers (angels) to announce His birth and to say a little about what that holy gift was all about.

I am always struck by the fact that God sent the angels to announce the birth of Jesus to shepherds who were tending their flocks at night.* After all, this is an announcement about the saviour of the world, God's own son. You would think the announcement would have been made to royalty or government leaders or church/synagogue leaders. But instead, it is to shepherds, who at that time would have been almost outsiders; barely on the social scale at all. This highlights that the message of Christmas is meant to be heard by every one of us.

It is a message of hope that comes in the form of a baby. The angel announced to the shepherds that this is 'good news to all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is the Christ'. *

Jesus came to save us and to reconcile us to God. He came to offer a new life with Him and a peace which only he can offer*. What a wonderful message in amongst the trials and troubles that everyday life can bring.

It is a gift about which we Christians can truly say 'It's what I've always wanted' and 'You shouldn't have. It's more than I deserve.'

Please come and help us to celebrate and to worship our great God in this Christmas season. Please see the special services in all three of our churches during December. Some are particularly aimed at children and families, and it will be wonderful to welcome you to any of our services and gatherings. The Christmas story is meant to be shared and understood by everyone.

So as we look forward to celebrating this season we thank God for Jesus and wish you all a happy Christmas and a prosperous and peaceful New Year.

*Luke 2 v 8, Luke 2 v 10b - 11; Luke 2 v 14

Steve Howe

The Services at St Andrew's are live streamed on our YouTube channel and are available to watch afterwards.

Visit https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBbHQM4CvpnnPsSGuuglR_w or the link on our website under the Resources Menu.

Sunday Club: for children from School year R and upwards will meet during the service. For more information please contact Caroline Elphick on 01256 851384

Creche – there are a few toys available for use in the Bell Tower, but this will be unsupervised

As we are now in a period of vacancy for the position of Rector of the parish, we may have some preachers yet to be confirmed. Please check our website or register for our weekly newsletter for up-to-date information.

04 December

10am	The Lord's Supper	St Andrew's
	Preacher's choice	Rev'd Jonathan Clark

11 December

10am	Morning Worship	St Andrew's
	Hannah – Faith in adversity	Steve Howe
10am	Morning Worship	All Saints'
	Preacher's choice	Andrew Doggart

18 December

10am	All-Age Morning Worship	St Andrew's
	Samson – Faith renewed	Andy Spence

25 December – Christmas Day

9.30am	All-Age Morning Worship	All Saints'
		Steve Howe
10.45am	All-Age Morning Worship	St Andrew's
		Andy Spence

01 January 2023

10am	The Lord's Supper – All-Age	St Andrew's
	Simeon & Anna	Andy Spence

CHRISTMAS SERVICES:

04 Dec 4pm - Mary & Joseph - 10am	Advent Carols Luke 1:26-38 & Matt 1:18-24	Pamber Priory Andy Spence
11 Dec 4pm	Christingle	St Andrew's Pippa Aslet
18 Dec 4.30 & 6.30pm	Carols by Candlelight	St Andrew's Pippa Aslet & Steve Howe
24 Dec 5pm	Crib Service	All Saints' Steve Howe

MIDWEEK

Home Groups meet in the week of Monday 12th December | **Central Prayer Meeting** – Second Saturday at 8.30am – 10th December
Little Acorns – Wednesday's at 10am-11.30am at SSJ village hall on 7th December for the Christmas party
 & St Andrew's church on 14th December for a crib service

Roman Catholic Services (Tel: 819772)

Sunday Mass will be celebrated at the Church of St Bede, Popley at the following times: 9.00am 11.00am 6.30pm

Weekday Mass

Tuesday	Church of St Bede, Popley	9.30am *
Wednesday	HG Church, Basingstoke	9.30am *
Thursday	Church of St Bede, Popley	9.30am *
Friday	HG Church, Basingstoke	9.30am *
Saturday	Church of St Bede, Popley	9.30am *

* Time & Venue could vary

Claiming Dates

December 2022

2	SSJ Primary School Christmas Fayre, in the school - ALL WELCOME!	5.00pm – 7.00pm
4	Advent Carols at Pamber Priory	4.00pm
4	St Michael's Hospice, Light up a Life Event	6.00pm
5	Retirement Coffee Morning, Sherborne St John Village Hall	10am-12noon
6	Women's Fellowship, CHRISTMAS LUNCH @ Bishopwood Golf Course	
9	Anvil Christmas Pantomime starts (till 5th January)	
11	Christingle Service at St Andrew's, SSJ	4.00pm
11	Basingstoke Concert Band Annual Christmas Concert, St Michaels Church, B/S, RG21 7QW	3.00pm
14	Sherborne St John Parish Council Meeting, Chute Pavilion(Planning meeting 7.00pm)	7.30pm
18	Carols by Candlelight at St. Andrew's	4.30pm and 6.30pm
19	Retirement Coffee Morning, Sherborne St John Village Hall	10am-12noon
24	Crib Service at All Saints, Monk Sherborne	4.30pm
25	Christmas Day services: All Saints, Monk Sherborne	9.30am
25	Christmas Day services: St Andrew's, SSJ	10.45am

January 2023

29	The Band of His Majesty's Royal Marines, tickets from The Anvil Box Office, tel: 01256 844244	3.00pm
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February 2023

25	Basingstoke Symphony Orchestra, tickets from The Anvil Box Office, tel: 01256 844244	7.30pm
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Notify Claiming Dates to Lindsay Berry on lindsayberry0@gmail.com or message on 07775 800955

SSJ Retirement Coffee Mornings

Dates for future meetings: 5th and 19th December, 2nd, 16th and 30th January

Are you new to the area or maybe recently retired?

Once a fortnight on a Monday morning, ladies and gentlemen meet in the Village Hall to have a coffee - or two - and biscuits with friends old and new. You don't even have to pay for them! We would love to have some more people join us. You will be made very welcome.

We have a raffle each coffee morning with some lovely prizes – often goodies to eat! We also have bring and buy mornings. Sometimes we have a coach trip out to a garden centre. In June we also spent a lovely warm sunny day in Southsea which was much appreciated by all who attended.

We have been starting at 9.30am but as some people like to lie in a little longer, especially in the winter, it has been decided that we will be starting at 10am and going on till midday. You can pop in and out at any time during the morning. You don't have to stay for the whole time.

Hope to see you there.



Monk Sherborne Parish Council

Our last meeting was 2nd November and the next will be 11th January.

Members of the public are welcome to come.

Vacancy

The parish council still has a vacancy for a councillor. If you are interested in representing the parish please contact the clerk at: clerk@monksherborne-pc.gov.uk.

Play area

As many of you will have seen, we have had to cordon off the climbing frame in the play area. This is due to safety issues with the structure that were picked up by the inspector. The council are actively working towards replacing the climbing frame with a similar piece of equipment.

Drainage

A reminder to homeowners in the parish now we are in the wetter seasons. If you have a drainage ditch or storm drain on your property it is your responsibility to ensure that they are clear of debris and water can flow freely. This helps to stop the local roads from flooding and surface water to drain quickly after heavy rains.

Stay alert

With the nights getting longer and darker this time of year sees an increase in the number of thefts and burglaries. Please stay vigilant and ensure any outbuildings/sheds are locked and secure to deter potential break ins. If you spot any suspicious activities, please try to get a description or reg number and report the incident to 101 or the crime stoppers website.

We wish all members of the parish a merry Christmas and a happy new year!

Kind regards,

Aaron Minter

The Vyne



Short days and dark nights can have you huddling up at home, but don't miss out on sparkling winter frosts and swirling morning mists over The Vyne's lake. With your wellies at the ready, three circular routes lead you around the ancient Morgaston Woods.

Pop into the house and discover lavishly decorated ground floor rooms with plenty of sparkle, inspired by the mansion's sumptuous Grand Tour collections. This Christmas, the atmospheric interiors of The Vyne are decked out in Victorian festive finery, with twinkling lights and glittering Christmas trees.

Follow in the footsteps of ostentatious former resident John Chute on his travels through 18th century Europe and see his 'Grand Tour' treasures, which include an incredible casket encrusted with semi-precious stones, you'll also find decorations that celebrate Christmas in Europe. Look out for sumptuous Venetian masks, mini 'Colosseums' and intricate Moravian stars.

Our festive trail, The Christmas passport (£2), invites families to enjoy continental adventures in the house and gardens.

We are closed December 24th and 25th. And after January 3rd the house is only open at weekends until February 5th.

And don't forget if you want to visit The Vyne you still need to book your parking space. Please check our website before you travel.

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PARISH COUNCIL

The year is drawing on now and it is worth looking back at some of the achievements.

The Parish Council commissioned a new older children's play area, which has been well received and used by many local children and families since its opening in July. Leader grant funding was obtained through Hampshire County Council to make this possible, thanks again to all those responsible.

The Chute recreation ground and Pavilion continue to be well maintained and look their best thanks to the efforts of our wonderful centre manager and chief groundsman Terry Buller-well done again this year Terry!

The main changes and challenges facing the village relate to Planning for new housing.

Neighbourhood Plan (NP)-the parish council is reviewing the current

neighbourhood plan with a group of local volunteers, which was approved in 2017. We have appointed ET Planning to support the planning work and are looking to commission specialist heritage and landscape advice to support this programme. The NP is the best opportunity we have to shape development in the village. If you are interested in being involved or joining the group please contact james.rowley@sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk

We want to get local people's views on a range of key issues facing the village including:

- Keeping the separate identity of the village and maintaining the strategic gap with Basingstoke
- Protecting the character and setting of the conservation area and important local open spaces
- Maintaining long views in/out of the village
- Whilst we are not proposing additional housing sites within the village in the review, we would like to improve the design quality of any new housing built on infill or existing sites in the village through providing a design code

An online questionnaire to get your views is now available on the Parish Council website <https://www.sherbornestjohn-pc.gov.uk>. Printed copies will also be available at the village shop for those who prefer to complete by hand. The timetable is to submit the draft plan by the end of March, with the Regulation 14 public consultation in summer and final version autumn 2023.

Lastly, we are facing consultations for 2 large speculative housing applications within the parish at part of Weybrook Golf club (250 homes-By Bewley Homes) and at Kiln Farm, land west of Marnel Park (350 homes by David Wilson Homes). Both sites raise significant issues for the separate nature of the village and local traffic, bringing the built up edge of Basingstoke much closer. The Borough Council is talking to the Government about reducing the rate of housing growth in Basingstoke in line with the more recent census data. However, the current lack of a 5 year housing supply locally means that these developments are more difficult to resist. If you are concerned, have a look at consultation material and make your views known in response and to local councillors.

PC James Rowley

Beau's Blog – December 2022

I am guarding my ice cream cone. I live in hope that one day it may well produce some tasty ice cream with a nice crisp biscuit cone but something tells me it will never happen. This was a present from the Miniatures when I was a baby and was filled with frozen water to soothe my teething. The Mrs has long since stopped filling it with frozen water and just lets me play with it empty. It is one of the few things I treasure and have not chewed to destruction.

I have yet to learn how to share my toys....the Boss is teaching me to fetch vermin he has shot and I don't mind giving that up as he seemed incredibly pleased with me when I recently retrieved and gave him the pigeon he had shot. I am not old enough yet to attend his game shoots as I get very excited when I meet other dogs and people and until I calm down a bit he

says I am not in the right frame of mind to completely obey his commands or the commands of the Mrs. I am still learning the correct etiquette when exposed to social situations but it is very hard when all I want to do is play.

The Mrs refuses to play fetch with me if I will not give up the ball – I must learn to share. The Miniatures recently gave me a large round ball with two handles sticking out either side. This was to instigate a pulling game but I found it a bit annoying as I couldn't get the ball in my mouth so one evening when the Boss was engrossed in his ball playing sports on the TV and the Mrs was rolling her eyes ignoring the sport preferring to read her book, I chewed off the two handles so I could get the ball into my mouth easily. I immediately took it to the Mrs to play. She looked confused, not recognising my toy but

then she spotted bits of red rubber all over the floor. My plan to show I was learning to share backfired badly as she was very cross about what she considered to be a ruined toy despite my obvious joy in now being able to get the whole ball into my mouth.

The Boss was sympathetic as the ball was confiscated, the mess on the floor swept up and I was put to bed. I will stick to ice cream in future.

<http://beauregardsdogblog.blogspot.com>



Sherborne St John Church of England Primary School

Christmas is fast approaching! At school we have been preparing since before half term, when the children designed Christmas cards which will be printed in time to send to friends in December! Over 50 beautifully wrapped shoeboxes packed with gifts were donated to the Rotary Shoebox appeal and are now on their way to disadvantaged children in Albania, Montenegro, Moldova or Romania. And if you visit Festival Place before Christmas, look out for the amazing SSJ Christmas trees that have been painted and decorated by our children.

Of course, one of the highlights of our Christmas celebrations is the Infant Nativity, which this year has the wonderful title of 'Rock around the Flock!' The story of the birth of Jesus is being told through the eyes of the shepherds, accompanied by some 'rocking' sheep and even a kazoo

chorus!! As I write, the Key Stage 1 children are rehearsing the songs with great enthusiasm – we are looking forward to seeing the performance!

As we get closer to the end of term, there are plenty more events to look forward to. We have our Christmas Fayre on 2nd December, and then a week later the whole school will travel to the Anvil to watch the Christmas Pantomime. There will also be African Drumming concerts, Christingles and the school Christmas tree dressed with decorations made by each of the children. Class 3 are visiting The Vyne to see the house decorated for a Victorian Christmas. Carols will be sung, classrooms decorated and the postbox will bulge with Christmas cards! The last week of term will involve enjoying a festive film in Movie Mob, the Infant and Junior Christmas parties, the annual Junior Christmas Quiz, and

the Christmas service in St Andrew's church. By the time we reach the end of term, we will all need a rest!

So it just leaves me to wish you a very Happy (and restful!) Christmas!!

Sherbert
SSJ School Villager Correspondent



News from the Pambers and Little London

Hello again. It seems as though these unseasonably warm days are drawing to a close and colder weather is on its way. Although that is something I feel I should welcome – it seems "right" somehow – there's no escaping the fact we are in for some tough times. Hampshire County Council has provided our local PC with a wealth of helpful information and advice about support services available: ideas on how to keep warm; how to deal with mental health issues; how to tackle financial difficulties – to name but a few. I am including some of the key links you may find helpful and a reminder of the availability of libraries as a source of warmth after school or indeed during the day. All are welcome. And don't forget ... Citizens Advice is an excellent source of help in a surprisingly wide range of areas.

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On a different topic, Pamber Green resident Yvonne contacted me to ask me to share with you details of a Reading Group which is seeking to enlarge its membership:

The Villager Reading Group meets on the first Monday of each month at 8.00 to discuss a book we have borrowed from the library. The group is based in and around Pamber Green and all are welcome. If you enjoy reading and would like to join us or would like more information please contact Yvonne Grant. 01256 850198

yvonnegrant@btinternet.com

Christmas – if not just round the corner – is on its way. And as we know, Christmas means, amongst other things, Santa Claus. Since as a child our daughter had to be reassured repeatedly that a big fat bloke in a red suit was not going to come into her bedroom in the middle of the night

when she was asleep, I'm not sure how she would have felt about said chap riding through the villages on his tractor, but I suspect that she would have found it a whole lot more acceptable. Bob's Tractor Run was most impressive last year and we are delighted that it is to be repeated this year. The route is expected to be the same and includes Little London, Silchester, Pamber Heath, Tadley, Bramley and Sherfield. The date is Sunday 18th December and the run is expected to take place around 5 pm. Look out for furthers and betters and make sure you are there to cheer on Bob – sorry, Santa.

Still on the Christmas theme, I thought it would be nice to ask one of our community to tell us about Christmas in her native Italy, and Giorgia happily agreed to give us a little taste, not literally, alas.

Italy...land of beauty, sunshine, culture, design, and good food. Italy ... Mediterranean beaches, the gentle sloping hills of the Tuscan countryside, Rome, Venice, the Amalfi coast. The Italy of glorious summer holidays.

But what about Christmas in Italy? You will certainly not find Christmas Crackers, paper crowns, mince pies and Christmas puddings! However, I would like to highlight some Italian Christmas traditions you must not miss.

In almost all Italian households you will find a tastefully decorated Christmas tree; however, another much older tradition, to which a lot of Italians still adhere, is IL PRESEPIO -literally "the manger"- or nativity scene. You will be able to see the presepio in churches all over Italy, as well as in many shops and family homes. In some villages you can even attend "Il Presepio vivente" with real animals and local people playing all the parts, an open theatre concept that has its roots in the Middle Ages and becomes a religious devotional performance for actors and spectators alike.

Although the more secular Santa Claus "Babbo Natale" is vastly popular in most Italian metropolitan areas, a fascinating aspect of an Italian Christmas is the variety of those said to be bringing gifts.

Some children expect their presents to be delivered by Baby Jesus on Christmas Day, or, depending on the region, a different day. For example, in some parts of Northern Italy presents are delivered on the 13th of December, Santa Lucia's day, by the saint herself. Another important figure of Italian Christmas season is "la Befana", an old "good witch" riding on a broom stick. She delivers sweets and other small gifts in stockings on the 6th of January, the religious festival of Epiphany. According to a well-rooted tradition, if children have not behaved well in the past year, she will deliver charcoal instead of gifts!

And what about the culinary tradition? On Christmas Eve -La Vigilia- Italian families gather for dinner, generally a fish-based banquet. Religious families will head afterwards to Midnight Mass. On Christmas Day the menu will vary according to the regions, with choices including various "antipasti" with cured meats, "primi" like lasagne or ravioli, followed by roast meats and side vegetables.

The kings of the Italian Christmas desserts, which originated in Northern Italy, are Panettone and Pandoro, enriched teabreads made using a natural leaven starter.

Another Italian tradition linked to the Christmas season is how we celebrate New Year's Eve. The celebrations are not dissimilar to the ones found in other parts of the world, however there is a typical dish served on this day: "cotechino con le lenticchie", a type of pork sausage with lentils. These pulses symbolize money because they are comparable to small coins, and the more you eat on that night, the more prosperity they will bring.

Hope you enjoyed reading this. Do send me contributions for the next issue – my email address appears at the end – and I hope that despite the constraints you manage to have a happy and warm Christmas! And remember ... be nice to your friends: one of them might be Prime Minister next month.

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Clift Surgery – A Day in the life of...

Hello, I am Charlotte Hutchings and have been a local GP for 20 years but am a new addition to Clift Surgery, having joined Nigel Fisher, Roisin Ward and Alma Kilgarriff as a Partner in March this year.

We want to share what we are doing to try and provide excellent care for our patients at a difficult time for us all particularly since the Covid pandemic. We thought that sharing a typical day for different members of the team would be helpful for all to understand how we work and what we do and this month we are starting with 'a day in the life of a GP'.

So, I arrive at the surgery just before 8am and join the reception team as our telephone lines open to patients for routine and urgent calls. From 8-8:30 I will review test results, consultant letters, emails and tasks from members of the surgery team as well as sign prescriptions and send them electronically to the dispensary and other local chemists. At the same time, I will be checking the list of patients being added to the 'same day' duty list to make sure there is nothing urgent before the rest of the clinical team join at 8:30 to start calling patients or seeing those booked in for 'face to face' appointments. As the GP leading the duty team whilst other GP colleagues are doing prebooked clinics, I will usually call the patients that have more complicated medical problems but also be available to support and advise our fantastic team of nurses, nurse practitioners, physiotherapist, clinical pharmacists and receptionists. We will all be seeing and speaking to patients until 1pm but make sure that we have a break for 15 minutes together, which is a time to touch base with each other.

During the morning I will go through to the dispensary regularly to sign prescriptions and help with any medication queries. At 1pm we have a lunchtime clinical meeting and that will often be online with specialist or GP colleagues sharing updates whilst we eat our lunch, but we also do home visits for those who are unable to get to the surgery.

At 2pm our afternoon session starts and I will have a prebooked clinic which is a mix of telephone calls, econsult queries and 'face to face' appointments for less urgent problems. On some afternoons I will also visit the Grange Nursing Home where I provide medical care for 25 residents. I usually finish seeing patients at 5-5:30 if I am not the duty GP and will then check test results, medication requests and write referral letter, reports and review hospital letters and tasks that have sent to me by the practice team.

My colleagues will cover the duty/urgent problems for the afternoon until 18:30 and will do any home visits after that if required.

Often the 'paperwork' is not finished by 18:30 so the GPs and management team have laptops so we can log on from home to complete administrative tasks and do essential training and audits/management as well as clinical work.

One of my other roles, along with Roisin Ward, is training new GPs which is so important for the future of our General Practice. We currently have 2 GP Trainees and Laura Champion has been working with us this year and shares her experience below.....

Hello. I am Laura Champion.

I am a Trainee GP, placed at Clift Surgery for 1-year as part of a 3-year GP training programme. I will complete 1.5 years in hospital and 1.5 years in GP surgeries in order to gain a wide range of clinical experience.

Day to Day Role:

I see routine and duty patients, home visits and do a range of other checks within the surgery. I also still carry on my training with guidance from senior GP's and by attending lectures.

Why I wanted to be a GP:

I worked in the Army before choosing to re-train, as a mature student, to be a doctor and then specifically a GP. I chose to be a GP as I enjoy helping a wide range of people and dealing with a number of different medical conditions and illnesses. Being a GP gives me the time to get to know patients and the opportunity to follow up on investigations and treatments, over further appointments, if required. I also enjoy being part of a large team and working with physiotherapists, wellness coaches etc to share knowledge. As a busy mum of 3, general practice also gives me the flexibility to work part time and so ensuring a correct work-life balance.

I love being a GP however, my days are often non-stop and although I have a finish time, this can often overrun, and I am normally racing to collect my children! Some people's attitudes and dissatisfaction with GPs can also be frustrating, especially when I know how hard I and my colleagues work to provide quality healthcare.

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News from the Hospital

Among patients there is real concern about the forth coming strikes by nurses. However the Royal College of Nursing split its ballot into regions, and in our region the local ballot did not reach the required level to initiate strike action, so our hospital will not be affected. However there may yet be strikes by other sections of the workforce for which ballots are currently in progress, but management plans are developing for such an eventuality.

On a more encouraging note, the new 'Cath labs' for dealing with many heart conditions, such as the insertion of stents and pace maker fitting, are now fully functioning offering care to thousands of people locally. In the past the hospital had only one increasingly

outdated lab, which now has been replaced with a high tech state of the art double facility, enabling many more patients to be treated, with the potential for more advanced work in the future. In addition to these benefits there was always concern about the reliability of the old lab, and the risk of failure at some critical point, the new facilities greatly reduce that risk.

Research has always played a big part of clinicians' life in the NHS, with their passion to try and offer better care for their patients. Our hospital is involved with a level of research well above that of other comparable hospitals in the country. Currently it is involved in an international investigation looking at the potential for protecting babies from RSV (Respiratory Syncytial Virus)

using a recently developed vaccine. This virus typically affects 90% of all babies under the age of two, with serious cases developing complications such as bronchiolitis or pneumonia, our Trust typically treats about 400 babies annually for these complications. Those parents with young babies keen to gain more information should email Harmoniastudy@hhfy.nhs.uk through which they can, if they wish, join in the 'HARMONIE' study.

Finally at the time of writing Covid levels in the hospital continue to fall, and are well below the levels earlier this autumn, which is encouraging as it clearly shows the benefits of the roll out of the latest booster programme.

Keith Bunker
Former Hospital Governor

The North Hampshire Prostate Cancer Support Group

Cyber Security

Many of us now use the internet on a regular basis, so keeping safe from scammers seeking to defraud or steal one's identity is now of key importance. The North Hampshire Prostate Cancer Support Group, aiming to alternate its monthly meetings between medical and non-medical topics, were this month privileged to have as our speaker Trevor Brookes, a Cyber Bobby for the Blue Lamp Trust. Although not a member of the police, Trevor explained that cyber bobby volunteers are fully police checked. He added that the Trust offers a home security service where vulnerable people can request a visit to assess the security of their home and online use, with appointment requests for both services for home visits either online at www.bluelamptrust.org.uk or by phoning 0300 777 0157.

Trevor then went on to outline criminals' objectives, particularly covering the theft of email passwords which they can then reset, enabling them to glean considerable information and access to linked accounts

such as bank accounts. Often they will aim to gather a lot of personal data for use in ID fraud and subsequent phishing, and even to victimise one's friends and contacts. He highlighted that most of this activity centres around lost or weak email password protection. In creating a secure password Trevor suggested using three unrelated words as the basis with both upper and lower case characters, and that now with secure password managers one does not need to memorise each one. He highlighted never to use a memorable date, family name or, for example, a pet's name.

So what does a typical scam look like? Trevor explained that it may start with a phone call, text or email, with some being targeted and some not, with their tactic being to try and instil a sense of urgency in their victim. Their aim is to get information, particularly such as credit card details, and they rely on the human trait of our willingness to share information about ourselves. In response to this tactic, Trevor's advice was HOLD

ON, step back and consider very carefully: IS THIS REAL? and DON'T RUSH!

So what advice does a cyber bobby normally provide when making a home visit? First of all, they will check that passwords are secure and kept safe, and that the all-important EMail account is secure. They then check security on all attached devices with automatic updates activated and 'two factor authentication' applied to important and personal accounts. Finally advice is given on backing up all devices, how to recognise scam emails and texts, and how to stay safe when browsing and shopping online.

Finally Trevor outlined the action to take on receiving a suspicious email, in order to help protect others, using report@phishing.gov.uk and in the case of texts by sending them to 7726. Fraud or its attempt can also be reported by phoning 0300 123 2040.

Trevor kindly supplied members with a considerable amount of useful written information at the end of his talk.

The Royal British Legion



Bramley & District Branch

At our AGM in October, John Delafield stood down as Chairman after a sterling effort keeping the branch functioning through the Covid pandemic and getting meetings going again earlier this year.

John Morley was elected as Branch Chairman in his place. Jill Mann was elected as Secretary in place of Michael Luck who retains his role as our Poppy Appeal organiser. Other officers and Committee remain the same with the addition of Linda Dove to the committee.

At its first meeting the new committee decided that future meetings (until April) will be held in daylight hours.

Our DECEMBER meeting therefore will be on Tuesday 13 December in Cross House Bramley from 1.30pm till 4pm. This will provide a 'warm hub' where we will sing some carols and songs and enjoy tea or coffee and mince pies. You are warmly invited to join us even if you are not a member and family and

friends too. Admission is £6 at the door (CASH ONLY PLEASE) and there is a grand raffle with the first prize being a hamper of Christmas food and goodies!

Our first meeting in 2023 is on TUESDAY 10 JANUARY at 1pm for 1.30pm at Cross House. Again we can offer a warm room, homemade soup and a crispy roll followed by an illustrated talk on 'The Real Dambusters' Story by Rhyddian Vaughan, our branch Vice Chairman. There is a small charge for this of £3 for members, £5 for non-members, again "Cash Only" as we don't have a branch card reader.

Coffee and biscuits will also be served so come along, enjoy some warmth and good company and a most interesting talk.

Membership of The Royal British Legion is open to everyone and costs just £20 for the year. You will be supporting our Armed Forces Community. You will receive your membership badge, the colourful bi-monthly magazine and special offers. The easiest and quickest

way to do this on-line or you can contact me and I get an application form to you. Our branch number in BL1848.

Thanks to everyone who supported the Poppy Appeal either with donations or giving an hour or two to look after the stall at the hospital or at Sherfield Coffee Shop. Massive thanks to our Poppy Appeal Organisers, Michael Luck in Bramley and Natalie Larner in Sherfield. We will give you the total of money raised next time.

On behalf of our Branch, I wish you a happy and peaceful Christmas and all good fortune and health for the New Year.

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County Deal update

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Devolution proposals are now ready for formal negotiations with central Government, to secure the best possible deal for residents, businesses and communities across the whole Pan-Hampshire area, (covering Hampshire County Council, Southampton and Portsmouth City Councils, the 11 district and borough councils within the County Council administrative area, Isle of Wight Council and Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council).

The combined prospectus can be viewed at <https://democracy.hants.gov.uk/documents/s100275/Pan-Hampshire%20Deal%20Prospectus%202022.pdf>

Support for warm winter hubs

Communities across Hampshire are being invited to apply to Hampshire County Council for support from the Leader's Community Grants Scheme in order to create a network of warm hubs this winter.

Voluntary and community organisations, including parish and town councils, can apply for a grant of up to £5,000 to develop and host warm hubs where people can gather together. This might be in the form of a regular coffee morning or the provision of a shared activity; creative ideas and concepts that will deliver support especially to our most vulnerable residents are particularly welcome. Information can be found at

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/community/grants/grants-list/leaders-community-grants>.

Additional funding is also available to community groups from the Adult

Services' Local Solutions Grant fund to support local people maintain their independence. This includes assistance to organisations offering finance and money management support to those unable to easily access existing services, as well as for groups undertaking projects to help vulnerable people by reducing social isolation and loneliness. Details can be found at

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/community/grants/grants-list/local-solutions-grants/local-solutions-grant>

National Census

Data about the population in your local area can now be viewed readily on census maps published by the Office for National Statistics, search for details at <https://www.ons.gov.uk/census/maps>.

Roads

Hampshire Highways' commitment to reduce carbon emissions and mitigate against the impact of climate change achieved national industry recognition last month. Its Carbon Strategy, which aligns with the County Council's ambition to be carbon neutral by 2050, won the Environmental Sustainability Award as well as the Special Merit Award in this year's Highways Industry Awards. The Special Merit Award is a particular achievement in that it is selected by its peers in the industry.

Last month 7,456 square metres of carriageway were resurfaced across the county, with 20,737 gullies and other drainage cleared, 6,535 potholes and other defects repaired and 5,489 square metres of footway repaired or resurfaced.

It is now prepared for the wetter and colder months ahead, with crews on standby 24/7, ready to salt the roads in snow and icy conditions, as well as deal with the impacts of high winds, heavy rain and flooding, such as those recently seen.

Police & Crime Commissioner

Donna Jones, Hampshire's Police and Crime Commissioner has launched her

annual precept consultation on council tax contributions to policing. The survey is online and will run from 31 Oct to 4 Dec. This survey is to gather views on whether she should increase the level of council tax in support of policing, continuing investment in Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary. The survey can be found at

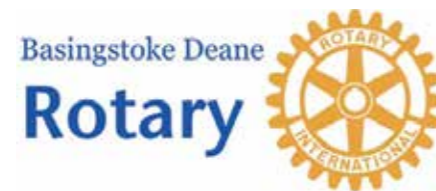
<https://www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk/get-involved/consultations/precept-consultation>

The Commissioner has also published her annual report for 2021/22, providing an overview of the Commissioner's activities and key successes from when she took post in May 2021. It covers the recruitment of nearly 600 new police officers, extra funding for the region to tackle anti-social behaviour (ASB), domestic abuse and bespoke support for victims of sexual violence. It can be seen at <https://www.hampshire-pcc.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/Annual-Report-2022.pdf>

Cllr Rhydian Vaughan MBE

On behalf of all patients of Clift Surgery, Bramley we would like to thank Cllr Rhydian Vaughan for accessing £700 from the HCC Community Funds to pay for a women's health/obstetric couch that is being bought by the surgery.

The Patient Participation Group, Clift Surgery



ROTARY CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX THANK YOU

A huge thanks to all who contributed shoeboxes for our annual appeal, 670 shoeboxes full of toys and warm gloves & hats etc. are on the way to under privileged children in Moldova, Montenegro, Romania and Albania. We couldn't do this without the generosity of our local community who help spread a little happiness to children who have little. We were donated a huge amount of beautiful hand knitted clothes and toys, too many to go in in the shoeboxes but we were able to fill 9 packing cases with these knitted items, they will be delivered into the hands of Rotarians in those countries to distribute those in need. Through our Rotary channels a number of shoeboxes and some warm knitted items are also on their way to children in Ukraine. Our Wessex District Rotary sent 18,000 Christmas shoeboxes in 2021 from Hampshire

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN DECEMBER 2022

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See the Hospice website for parking information

ST MICHAELS HOSPICE

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Sunday 18th December 2022

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Basingstoke Deane Rotary wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year 2023

The Rotary wish is 'Peace the world over'

The RT. HON. Ranil Jayawardena, M.P. North East Hampshire

What a year it has been. The Sherbornes and Pambors, like the rest of North East Hampshire, will have experienced some great highs and lows this year. For me, this was epitomised by our joyful celebrations of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee in June, juxtaposed with the sadness that we collectively felt as a nation, following Her Late Majesty's sad death in September. It is on occasions like these where our communities across North East Hampshire mean more to us than ever.

These are challenging times. I know that. I am under no illusion about how difficult the last year has been for some local families and businesses, following the difficulties of the pandemic. Indeed, I've continued to receive an unprecedented level of correspondence from constituents this year. Whilst I have had to prioritise cases of the utmost urgency throughout, I deal with every piece of correspondence from constituents as soon as that is possible. You may be interested to learn that my team and I have worked on 11,000

individual cases in the last year alone – excluding all the other emails that come in about policy from lobbyists and others – so the hard work continues.

I have seen – from the inside – Ministers and civil servants across HM Government working to do all they can to support the public too and, whilst I am no longer part of HM Government, I will continue to put pressure on Ministers to deliver. By way of an example, you can read the Parliamentary Questions I posed to HM Government prior to my appointment as a Minister, and since, at: bit.ly/ranilasks

From May 2020 to this September, it was a privilege to serve as Minister for International Trade, where I worked to back British businesses around the world, bulldozed 400 trade barriers, and secured trade deals. Between us, the then Trade Secretary – Liz Truss – and I reached free trade agreements with 71 countries around the world.

I am very grateful to her for appointing me as Secretary of State

for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on being made Prime Minister and, though we've had international economic challenges to deal with, I am pleased to have laid the groundwork to 'free our farmers' and to continue protecting our environment. From food security and supporting our farmers, to improving water infrastructure and water quality, I was pleased to work with people nationwide to work towards a thriving rural economy and a cleaner environment. After much work in my tenure, my successor will now be able to take forward the plans set in motion.

Heading into 2023, we have much to be thankful for, and much to look forward to. I will continue to work hard for the people of the Sherbornes, Pambors and beyond, where it continues to be an enormous honour to serve as your local Member of Parliament.

Should you need assistance, I am here for you, so do get in touch: email@ranil.uk. As it has been since 2015, I remain on your side. I wish you all a very happy Christmas and a peaceful 2023.

SSJ Charity Plant Stalls

Thank you to everyone who has so very generously sponsored, supported and donated to such good causes this year xx

Between our two stalls Rosie and I have managed to raise £3000 selling plants, homegrown veg, flowers, chutney and knitted Bees 🐝 in support of Cancer Research UK and our wonderful local St Michael's Hospice ❤️

We are also extremely grateful to the Council for providing us with 2 large bags of compost And to our husbands for shovelling that and poking up with the demands of this project !!! 🙄

So many friends and neighbours have supported our stalls in so many different ways Providing pots, growing plants and produce to sell, watering, mending our equipment and stopping by for a chat so see you next year and "Keep Gardening!!! 🐝



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- Cooking sauce
- Dried stuffing
- Tinned fruit
- Custard
- Jam
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Please bring your hamper or food items to Festival Place (Upper Floor near Next) between 9am and 6pm on Monday to Saturday from 1st to 21st December. We also need helpers to assemble hampers!
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Probus Hears about Three VCs awarded to the Hampshire Regiment in WW1



The Victoria Cross is the highest and most prestigious gallantry medal awarded to any member of UK armed forces following action "in the presence of the enemy." It is inscribed with the words "For Valour."

As the name indicates the award was created by Queen Victoria to recognise the actions of any service personnel, of any age, length of service or rank. The original recipients in 1857 were veterans of the Crimean War and the story goes that the metal used for all VCs is from Russian cannons seized at Sebastopol. In recent years an alternative opinion has emerged that Chinese cannons were used that were captured during the dubious Opium Wars.

What is known is that only 10kgs of the original metal exists which is held under guard at the Royal Logistics Corps base at MOD Donnington near Telford. This is reckoned to be sufficient for another 80 or so Victoria Crosses.

This was all outlined by Nick Saunders, the latest speaker at the Probus Club of Basingstoke. He is a part time archivist in the Royal Hampshire Regiment in Winchester as well as WW1 battlefields guide while continuing his studies working towards a master's degree in local history from the Open University.

His particular interest is the award of the Victoria Cross to three members of the Hampshire Regiment during WW1. (The regiment only received its Royal honorific in 1948). They were all Second Lieutenants and were very young.

In 1915 2nd Lt George R D Moor was only eighteen years old during the Gallipoli campaign in the Dardanelles, which today is in modern Turkey.

Things were going badly for 2nd Lt Moor's 2nd battalion of the Hampshire regiment. Of one thousand men they had been reduced to only three hundred and lost five commanding officers in six weeks. A detachment of a battalion on his left, which had lost most of its officers was rapidly retiring before a heavy Turkish attack. Recognising the danger to the rest of the line he dashed some 200 yards and stemmed the retirement, led back the men and recaptured the lost trench. What emerged from the talk was that this young officer shot dead four men which no doubt encouraged a rethink on behalf of the retreating troops. He died of the Spanish flu on November 3rd, 1918, aged just twenty-one. As well as the VC he had also been awarded the MC and Bar.

On 31st July 1917 2nd Lt Denis GW Hewitt was in command of a company at Ypres and after capturing his first objective he advanced but was hit by shrapnel that set alight signal flares in his haversack. He put out the fire by rolling in the deep mud of the battlefield and despite his severe burns he led the company forward under heavy machine gun fire, capturing and consolidated his objective. He was killed by a sniper while inspecting the consolidation and encouraging his men. His body was lost on the battlefield and his name is

engraved on the Menin Gate. He had been educated at Winchester College and Sandhurst and was aged just nineteen.

Not being a success at grammar school, 2nd Lt Montague SS Moore had been privately tutored before attending Sandhurst. While at Ypres on 20th September 1917 his actions earned him the Victoria Cross and subsequently the Croix de Guerre. He was in command and dashed ahead of some seventy men who were met with heavy machine gun fire which caused severe casualties with the result that he arrived at his objective some five hundred yards on with only a sergeant and four men. Undaunted he bombed a large dug out and took 28 prisoners, 2 machine guns and a light field gun. Gradually more officers and men arrived, to number about sixty. They defended the position under constant fire for 36 hours using enemy rifles and bombs and beat off several counterattacks. By this time his force was reduced to just ten men. 2nd Lt Moore eventually got away his wounded and withdrew under cover of a thick mist. He was only eighteen years old.

Such courage was soundly appreciated by the members of the Probus Club of Basingstoke who enjoy a variety of talks at their monthly business meetings.

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Women's Fellowship

Woman's Fellowship had invited volunteer speaker Nina Begg on behalf of Medical Detection Dogs, who gave us a wonderful insight into the history, research and puppy routines of this Charity.

The initial motivation of the MDD was to 'save and enhance lives' using dogs, research beginning to show that a dog's sense of smell could detect cancer in patients unaware of their disease. This in turn led scientific researchers to look into other cancers, as well as neurological diseases such as Parkinsons, and bacterial infections such as urinary tract infections, common specifically in care homes.

A dog's nose has three hundred million sense receptors, against a mere five million in humans. Although certain breeds may be a first option, (labradors, spaniels) it is the temperament of the individual dog that is paramount. Work is done only with dogs showing a natural ability.

Training can take between eighteen months and two years, the actual

training being only twenty minutes each day, being very intensive for the puppy. Rewards are given at every stage of the training. The dogs live with families living locally to the MDD Centre in Milton Keynes.

The Covid-19 pandemic initiated the MDD's own breeding programme, leading to four puppies being sent for MDD training and two puppies to other Assistance Dog charities. There are now many diseases detected by these special dogs, with studies being published in serious medical journals. The first study was published in the British Medical Journal in 2004. Trials, mainly double-blind, are all based on sound scientific evidence, with Universities, Medical Research Institutes and the NHS all working collaboratively. Current research is being carried out on the e-nose (electronic nose) which will one day be used for detection.

Children from 5 years are included in the partnerships. The dogs wear a special 'badge' and red coat when working and although no-one at the

meeting had spotted one, they are likely to become as common as the working Guide Dogs we see.

If you would like to help this amazing charity, or just learn more about it, their website is www.medicaldetectiondogs.org.uk which is definitely worth a look. If you would like to help by donating you can go to www.easysfunding.com and you will be able to donate via your chosen shopping retailers.

Next month's meeting is the Christmas Lunch. January 2023's meeting will be in the Village Hall on the 2nd when we hope to be transported to the sunnier climes of Asia.



Living on the Veg from the Elm Road Allotments, SSJ

Christmas is almost upon us and it's the end of another busy growing year with lovely hot weather for our allotments, although we've gone from drought in mid-summer to almost too much rain this autumn, but it was badly needed.

The long winter nights are a good time for us allotment holders and all gardeners to sit in a warm, cosy room surrounded by seed catalogues and gardening books, thinking about what grew well and tasted good for us this year, what could have been better and more importantly, what new vegetables and plants would we like to grow next year?

Christmas is a time of giving and luckily for us the allotment has provided lots of apples from which we made over 20

bottles of cider and crab apples to make jelly which we will wrap up and give to friends and family as presents.

Our potatoes and late planted Swiss chard did really well this year too, so we're planning to eat those on Christmas Day.

We hope that the weather next year is kind to all the gardeners and allotment holders in SSJ so that we can get some more bumper crops of fruits, flowers and vegetables as well as being able to enjoy the fresh air and chats with our neighbouring allotmenters.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our readers from the SSJ allotment holders.



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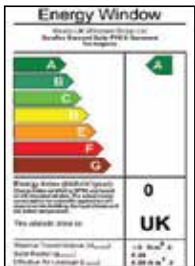


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