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Editorial

Welcome to the December/January edition of the Rowde Village News and I hope you enjoy reading it.

Firstly, I must say how impressed I was with the events organised within the village last month to celebrate 100 years since the end of World War One and to honour all the soldiers from Rowde who gave the ultimate sacrifice for their country. Please see the article on pages 31 & 32 and the colour photographs on the front cover, the back cover and the inside back cover.

Now, most importantly, I must update you on our appeal for donations to help keep the magazine 'afloat'. We have had a good response overall and the total raised is currently £740. We give many many thanks to everyone who contributed as without their help you would not be reading this issue now. We have looked at all the options for the future and as promised in the November issue, I will now let you know how the magazine will be changing for 2019:

1. We will be moving to publishing bimonthly from this issue onwards.

2. You will receive six issues per year instead of 10.

3. We will continue to have colour covers for the time being but will not have colour centre spreads unless finances allow it for special events.

4. The magazine will continue to be FREE!

Please note therefore that the next issue will be a double edition covering both February and March so, if you have events taking place during February or March, please make sure you plan ahead and send us the details by the 15th of January.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, Ed

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Contributors please also note:

The deadline for articles and any changes to advertisements is the 15th of every month.

Inserts: Due to the extra work created by inserting leaflets into the magazine and the fact that the team is already stretched, we very much regret we are unable to accept requests of this nature except in very special circumstances, when there will be a small charge.

Views expressed in this magazine are those of its contributors. They do not necessarily represent those of the editorial team.

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'Poppy' Photographs

The photograph on the front cover this month was taken on the 11th of November by Alan Watters. The other poppy photos on the back cover and inside back cover were taken by Alan and by Jackie Bawden. Thanks Jackie, they are great images!

ROWDE LADIES CLUB

The ladies met on October 30th in the Village Hall and enjoyed folding and making small boxes for Christmas Tree decorations or sweet treats under the careful direction of Carole Morris.

Raffle winners were: Mrs. C. O'Rourke, Mrs. C. Morris, Mrs. J. Frost, and Mrs. H. Jones.

The next meeting will be held on November 28th in the Village Hall which will be our party night with our invited guests from the Bromham Wives Group and Devizes Evening W.I.

The first meeting of the New Year will be held on January 29th in the Village Hall at 7.45pm when we will be doing 'gentle exercises' to get rid of the Christmas overeating!!

The members of the Ladies Club wish you a Happy Christmas and all Good Wishes for 2019.

Di. Buckland, Secretary 01380723049

HIWAY CLUB

(for the hearing impaired)

There was no meeting in October. The annual Christmas Party was held on November 21st in the Village Hall. Report in the next Newsletter. The Club will not be meeting again until April when new members will be welcomed.

Happy Christmas to all,

Di Buckland (Secretary) 723049

ROWDE TUESDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

Due to illness the Club did not meet in November. Our Christmas meal will be held at the Three Crowns, Devizes on December 11th. Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year to all from the members Rowde Tuesday Afternoon Club.

Daphne Ellis, Secretary/Treasurer 722655

ROWDE VILLAGE HALL

Our Christmas Bazaar will be held on December 1st with all the usual stalls, competitions etc.

Report in next Newsletter.

The Christmas Bingo will be held on December 10th at 8pm in the Village Hall.

The Village Hall Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank all our loyal supporters and volunteers for all their support over the past year and to wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and all Good Wishes for the New Year.

Barrie Barrett, Chairman

MONDAY CLUB NEWS

Bromham and Rowde Day Centre for Older People

Carol Singing at Monday Club

If you enjoy singing carols do come and join us on 17th December at 11am at Bromham Social Centre. Come and sing your favourite carols. Everyone is welcome, the more voices the better!

We are delighted that we raised £660 at our Autumn Fair. Thank you.

We are looking forward to the Christmas season. The children from St Nicholas School will be coming to sing for us in mid December. Also in December we will be making traditional Christmas decorations and joining with school children in making decorations for our entry in the St Nicholas Christmas Tree Festival.

Do come and join us for any of these activities, just give me a ring.

If you or any of your friends or neighbours would like to join Monday Club they would be most welcome. Transport is available from your home in Bromham or Rowde to the Social Centre in Bromham every Monday.

Contact Caroline Culley for further information,

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ROWDE BOOK CLUB

It was a Free Read for the month of October and some of books which were read scored as follows:

My Brilliant Friend by Elana Ferrante

7/10

Truly, Madly, Guilty by Dianne Moriarty

9/10

A Discovery of Witches by Deborah Harkness

7/10

Death and the Penguin by Andrew kurkov

8/10

An American Marriage by Tayari Jones

9/10

Separation by Dinah Jefferies

8/10

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FUN COLUMN

Welcome to this month's fun column which features a few classic jokes sent in by 'Chugalug', one of our readers:

Q. Why do golfers wear two pairs of pants?

A. In case they get a hole in one.

Q. Why don't cannibals eat clowns?

A. Because they taste funny.

Q. Why do some cows wear bells?

A. Because their horns don't work.

Q. Why wouldn't the owl go out with his girlfriend on a rainy night?

A. It was too wet to woo!

A man is marooned on a desert island. One day a beautiful woman arrives in a wetsuit. "When did you last have a smoke?" she asks. "Five years ago," he replies. So she pulls out a cigar and he smokes it. She unzips her wetsuit a bit and says "when did you last have a drink?" He says "Five years ago." So she pulls out a bottle of whisky and he has a drink. Then she unzips her wetsuit a little more and says "And when was the last time you played around?" He looks at her in amazement and replies "You're not telling me you've got a set of golf clubs in there as well?"

And here is the news:

A Bostik truck has overturned on the M4. Drivers are asked to stick to the inside lane.

A cement mixer has collided with a prison van on the Kingston by-pass. Motorists are asked to be on the look-out for 16 hardened criminals.

News of the latest device from the Japanese electronics industry - it's a surgical truss that doubles as a calculator, which means you can count on your own support.

The Prime Minister had discussions this morning with her cabinet. She then spoke to her wardrobe, the sideboard and a chest of drawers.

French wine growers fear this year's vintage may be entirely spoiled due to the grape treaders staging a sit in.

And we will be talking later to an out-of-work contortionist who says he can no longer make ends meet.

Do you have a funny story to tell? Send it in!



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A friendly family run pub, the Woodbridge is set in the heart of the Vale of Pewsey, Wiltshire, serving good food, real cask ales and service with a smile. We can easily be reached by car, bus, cycle and even foot for those seasoned rambblers.

We're located near many historical sites including the stone circle at Avebury, Stonehenge, the White Horse and many other places of interest.

The Woodbridge Inn has its own campsite too which is very popular in the summer months due to the picturesque location. Local to it is the famous Roman Ridgeway which offers extensive walks for those who enjoy the great outdoors.

Families are welcome and that includes your pet pooch (there are four resident doggies here – our Dennis is becoming famous for his cuddles with the locals) – so add us to your dog friendly places to stay list!

At the Woodbridge you are always guaranteed great food & drink and a very warm welcome from Kiera and the team so pop in and see us.

For all of our up to date News and Events please follow us on facebook www.facebook.com/woodbridgeinnpewsey/events

REVIEWS:

Great Pub!

We have walked to The Woodbridge a few times and the burgers were great on all occasions. The



children enjoyed the playground, and we sat with the dogs inside in the warm - what more could you want?!

Briony H (November 2018)

Sunday lunch with family

Went with 4 adults and two young grandchildren for Sunday lunch large choice of meats (4 which u could have some of each) on carvery all cooked to perfection lots of vegetables u helped yourself to with Yorkshire puddings and excellant roast potatoes great value for price

Service excellant friendly staff glad we booked as very busy we will go again

Larga (September 2018)

Cracking Carvery

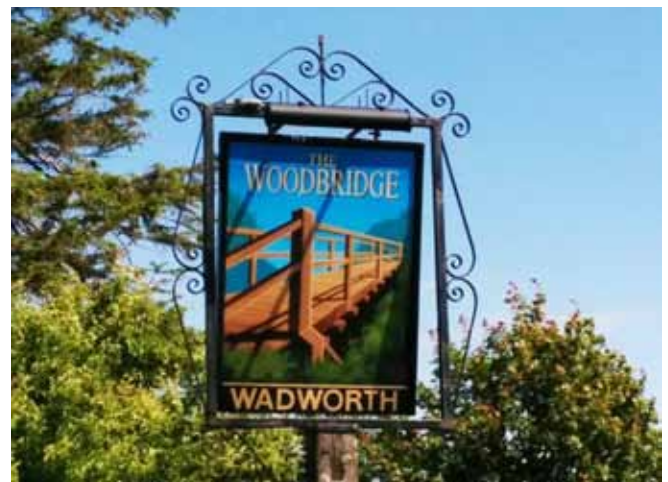
Long weekend camping at woodbridge, nice little campsite with everything you need, wash up room, clean showers etc, small cozy pub with large garden, we had the carvery on the sunday all 3 meats and lots of it and as much veg as you need, will be back next year for another long weekend.

Morris from Manchester (September 2018)

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ROWDEY COW NEWS



We are busy preparing for the Festive Season and have launched a lovely new Winter menu as well as a 3 course Christmas menu – we have several private Christmas evening functions to look forward to as well as Christmas Festive light lunches and afternoon teas with ice cream making sessions booked in throughout the days. We do have more availability if you would like to book in for any of these.



Theatre in Devizes! So, if you are lucky enough to go and see one of their wonderful productions such as the amazing Pantomime then you can enjoy our ice cream during the interval.



We will be shutting Christmas Eve, Christmas Day & Boxing Day and New Years day but otherwise open as normal 7 days a week 9am – 4pm. Food orders are taken until 3pm but you can preorder if you would like an after school tea between 3.30 and 4pm

We have some lovely Gift vouchers which are ideal for Christmas Presents for either a monetary amount of your choice of for an afternoon tea for 2. We are also selling locally made Honey from Wilsford and locally made fudge of all different flavours.

The mild weather has meant that the animals have been able to stay out through November which they are really enjoying.

We were lucky to have a visit from the West Country Mini Club in November who joined us for a Rowdey Cow Breakfast. It was fantastic to see them all lined up in the car park.



We also have some special hot seasonal drinks such as Baileys Hot Chocolate and Pumpkin Spiced Lattes to help you through the Winter Season!

The Halloween Party for the children in half term was so much fun and the children all loved it – Victoria Bolley was amazing with the children's disco and games and she even treated us to some singing as she is also a professional singer. We are so excited that she has agreed to sing live at our Valentines evening next year and treat our customers to some beautiful, romantic songs.

We are working hard developing our Christmas ice cream flavours ready for December. Although Winter is upon us we are still busy making ice cream and have a few new customers including the Wharf



We would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and hope to see you soon!

Sue



Rowdey Cow Christmas Menu



Starters:

- ~ *Homemade Parsnip & Apple Soup served with Herb Croutons*
- ~ *Classic Prawn Cocktail served with Brown Bread & Butter*
- ~ *Homemade Ham Hock Terrine served with Toast*
- ~ *Deep Fried Breaded Brie with Cranberry & Port Sauce*

Mains:

- ~ *Roast Turkey, Pigs in Blankets, Roasted Parsnips & Potatoes, Sage, Onion & Cranberry Stuffing with Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy*
- ~ *Vegetarian Nut Roast served with Sage, Onion & Cranberry Stuffing, Roasted Potatoes & Parsnips, Seasonal Vegetables & Homemade Gravy.*
- ~ *Cod Fillet with Herb & Citrus Panko Breadcrumb Crust, Crushed Potatoes served with a Cavelo Nero & Hollandaise Sauce.*
- ~ *Chicken, Herb & Pine Nut Tagliatelle in a Creamy Mushroom Sauce.*

Dessert:

- ~ *Sticky Toffee Pudding with Toffee Sauce & choice of Ice Cream*
- ~ *Cranberry & White Chocolate Cheesecake with a Fruit Coulis*
- ~ *Traditional Christmas Pudding served with Custard or Brandy Cream*
- ~ *Trio of Ice Cream (Choice of Flavours)*

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NEWS FROM ROWDEFORD SCHOOL

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Lord's Taverners Minibus



It's been an exciting time at Rowdeford as we received our brand new minibus! We have been busy fundraising for a new bus for a while and with a very generous donation from The Lord's Taverners, Jeremy Guscott, former England Rugby player came along to school to present the keys.

Crazy hair day



The buddy group day saw the students come in with wild and crazy hair, which raised £59.40 for Julia's House Hospice in Devizes.

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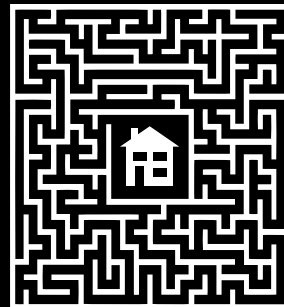
Children came to school in their home clothes for a donation and £175.30 was raised and will be donated to the Children in Need appeal.

Consultation – SEN (Rowdeford, St Nicholas – Chippenham, Larkrise – Trowbridge)

The report going before cabinet will propose that all three special schools will close as their current entities, and will join together to form one school on the Rowdeford site using existing buildings and new build as appropriate. This will mean a school for approximately 350 students aged 3-16. Rowdeford School will continue to meet the needs of all students throughout this process. We will keep you informed as and when we are updated.

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NEWS FROM ROWDE PRIMARY ACADEMY

Our bright start leads to their bright future

It's been a very successful year already so far at Rowde and we're still only in November. This is especially true for our sporting achievements.



So far we have participated in two netball tournaments. Our B team came fourth, beating two other schools and our A team came second after some excellent teamwork, skilful play and most importantly a great attitude. Our netball teams have also got off to a flying start in the league: our B team won 7-2 and our A team won 8-5. Long may it continue. If ever anyone wants to support our school we play at Devizes Leisure Centre once a month.

Another success story this year has to be the new football league. Much like the netball league our teams play against other schools once a month. None of this would have been possibly, however,

without a terrific idea and then pure determination to turn an idea into reality. Our footballers have only played a friendly so far but the games were entertaining and everyone had great fun. Our A team won their game by 2 goals to 1 and played excellently. Our B team (which is worth mentioning that they consist entirely of Year 4's playing in a Year 5/6 league) suffered a narrow 4-3 defeat but there were plenty of positives to take from the game.

We are looking forward to our next round of fixtures which are coming up very soon for both netball and football; let's hope for more fun, enthusiasm, sportsmanship and maybe even a few wins too.

We are also approaching that hectic time of year, dare I say it?... Christmas! Key Stage One are preparing for their nativity production along with everything else they have to do. Key Stage Two cannot wait to see the finished product! Tickets for the show are available from the school office. It'll definitely be worth a watch.

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Farewell Jan



Jan Emm, our distribution manager, will be leaving the magazine team after this issue on retiring from her job at Hft.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank her so very very much for her great help and dedication to the magazine over several years and wish her all the very best for the future!

Parish Councils are the first tier of local government

They exist to deal with parish issues which are probably too minor and too numerous to be dealt with by county councils.

The Parish Council provides a local view to Wiltshire Council on all planning applications which are submitted to the Unitary Authority. They also concern themselves over issues relating to traffic, pedestrians, footpaths, the Rowde flood menace, maintenance, structures (for example the church, war memorials, bus shelters, etc), access, rights of way, notice boards, signposts, nuisance (mud, litter, dog and horse mess, etc.) and a host of other things which, might seem trivial but nonetheless, are of vital importance in maintaining a pleasant and happy environment in which we live.

All Parish Councillors are unpaid volunteers who have either been elected through an election process which is held once every four years in May or co-opted if mid term (between elections).

The Chair of the Parish Council is elected by the Councillors at the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council. The Clerk to the Parish Council has many duties and certain statutory ones and as such the post attracts a salary.

The Parish Council raises money from a precept based on the number of band D dwellings within the parish. This yields around £30,000 per annum. It is the legal responsibility of the Parish Council to spend this money responsibly.

Rowde Parish Council has 2 major projects planned: a new footpath linking the houses on Conscience Lane to Devizes Road and the replacement or renovation of the pavilion on the main sports field.

It is very important for the village to have an active Parish Council with Councillors represented from all areas of the village.

If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor, and you can spare one evening a month and are interested in maintaining and improving your village, please contact our Parish Clerk, Rebekah Jeffries at rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com or contact any of the Councillors whose contact details are listed in the village magazine.

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Your Parish Council

Parish Council meeting - Update

The information below is current at the time of the Parish Council meeting. If events or information have changed since the meeting, they can not be reflected here. Please note, this a representation of the meeting and not the minutes in full. A full set of the minutes can be viewed at: www.rowdevillage.org, on the village notice boards, or by application to the Clerk.

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

The key areas discussed at the Parish Council meeting on 14th November 2018 were:

Welcome... to new Parish Councillor Yazmin Pullen. We wish Yazmin well in her new role.

Rowdeford School – Special School education expansion in Rowde

After three years of consultation, it has been proposed that the special school provision at Rowdeford school will be extended with the creation of additional smaller units. There will be a £20 million pound investment in the new school on the Rowdeford site. This will provide special education education in the north of the county. Exeter House in Salisbury will provide for children with additional needs in the south of the county. It is proposed that St Nicholas in Chippenham and Larkrise School in Trowbridge will close in 2023

The Parish Council agreed that this was a positive proposal for children with special educational needs and for the community of Rowde.

The proposal will be voted on at the Cabinet meeting on 27th November at County Hall. The Parish Council will send a representative to speak in favour of the proposal.

Malthouse Farm Update

The application to build on land at Malthouse Farm was debated at the Eastern Area Planning Committee meeting on 1st November 2018 (17/08775/FUL). The application is a Hybrid Planning Application seeking outline permission for the residential development of three market sector dwellings including siting, access and parking; and full planning permission for the change of use of the retained buildings to form three market sector dwellings including external appearance and parking. The hybrid application has been passed. The owners will need to submit a full planning application for the detail of the houses to be decided.

VILLAGE INFRASTRUCTURE

Pavilion – demolition proposed

The future of the pavilion was debated at the Parish Council meeting. There has recently been an opportunity to carry out decoration work on the building through the Community Payback scheme. However, the building needs considerable structural work to be carried out to ensure its long term future. After two reports both stating that ideally the building would be demolished, the Parish Council proposed that it should be removed and then replaced when it can be. It is thought that without an existing structure, there is a better chance of achieving grants.

The Clerk will obtain three quotes for demolition with a view to demolishing the building in the spring. It was noted that the ground needs to be left in a good condition

- It was proposed that there needs to be toilet facilities at the allotments. The Parish Council will look into providing this.

Silverlands Play Area

The Parish Council is not satisfied with the way that the Silverlands Play Area is managed by Wiltshire Council. The swings have now been removed, with no reason given. There is a retained base unit which the Parish Council has considered to be a trip hazard for over a year. There are no immediate plans by Wiltshire Council to replace this equipment.

Wiltshire Council is looking for Parish Councils to take over the management of their play areas. The Parish Council will consider this option when details of the protocol for adoption are received.

The original fete committee has agreed to transfer money promised for an item of play equipment.

Youth Groups

There are currently not enough volunteers to run the Youth club. The club will fold in the Spring if no one volunteers to help run it. The remaining money will be divided between local youth groups.

The Youth Council said that they will spend money on benches and bins for the large playing field.

War Memorial – Maintenance work

The Chair & the Clerk has met with Rev Ruth Schofield & M Cornwell to discuss the maintenance of the war memorial. The War Memorial Trust has said that cleaning with water and a soft bristle brush should be sufficient to remove lichen from a memorial. M Cornwell has kindly agreed to undertake this. All further works have been deferred. The monument will be reviewed by St. Matthew's PCC annually and any requirement for work to be done will be passed to the Parish Council.

Planning Matters

- A licence application has been made by Devitera, at the New Bakery, High Street to sell alcohol on site during business hours: Monday to Saturday, 8am – 6pm. The Parish Council did not object to the application. However, they re-iterated their concerns about pedestrian access and safety to the site. There are no pedestrian passing places. It was recommended that there should be a 5mph speed limit approaching the brewery.
- 18/08287/FUL: Lower Farm, Rowdey Cow Cafe, Devizes Road, Rowde, SN10 2LX: application to convert redundant farm building into two retail units; construction of timber frame 'gazebo' to play area. The application has been passed.
- Oakwood Stud Marsh Lane Rowde Devizes Wiltshire SN10 2NW Proposal: Use of land and stables for new equine business; extension to stables; erection of storage barn; stationing of mobile home. This application has been refused.

Highways & Footpaths

- A request has been made to the Devizes Area Community Transport Group (CATG) for improvements to be made to pedestrian safety from West End Farm to Rowdeford School.
- The wooden pillars at the uncontrolled crossing point by the bus shelter on the High Street, opposite the Cross Keys pub have been knocked down. It was asked whether it was necessary to replace them as the pavement is already narrow at this point. The Parish Council confirmed that they form part of the pedestrian safety measures to help people cross the road safely

and that they should be re-instated. The Clerk will confirm this with Wiltshire Council.

- A request was made for the kerb area around the uncontrolled crossing to be cleared. The Clerk will request that the work is carried out by the Parish Steward.
- A further complaint was made about the tractors using A342 to feed the bio-mass plant in Bromham. It was highlighted that the government is in favour of renewable energy and that the work is seasonal. It was suggested that residents should visit the bio-mass site if there is an opportunity to do so.

Springfield Road

- It was agreed that the parish would purchase two 'Cul de Sac' signs for the two closes off Springfield Road to prevent HGVs turning into them and to ensure pedestrian safety. The cost will be £150 per sign.
- The Parish Council agreed to pursue a white H bar for the first Springfield Road close off Marsh Lane to prevent drivers parking on the junction.
- Cars are being parked on the grass verge on Springfield Road. Parking issues should be reported to the police.

Blocked gullies

- It was noted that there is a blocked drain opposite the Tanis Farmhouse, on Conscience Lane. The culvert was damaged during recent utilities work. The Clerk will report this to Wiltshire Council.
- Wiltshire Council has confirmed that it will only empty blocked gullies that are causing house flooding or road safety issues.

Rowde Village Walks leaflet

- The Parish Council discussed updating the Rowde Village Walks booklet, created by Barrie Barrett, to include the new permissive footpath from the Rowdey Cow to Marsh Lane. It was agreed that the Clerk, I Whittaker-Axon and L Wills would meet with Barrie Barrett to discuss this project further.

Visitors to Rowde

- Twenty five members of the West Wilts Ramblers group met in Rowde on Friday 19th October 2018. They walked 6 miles around the village, after parking in the Sands Lane car park.

Maintenance

- A Martin has kindly cut back the scrub and brambles on the north side of the Common. It is hoped that this will enable the grass and wild flowers to re-establish themselves next year.
- The Clerk has made a request to Wiltshire Council to deploy a tractor with a rip brush through the village to remove the kerbside weeds.
- J Dalley has removed the felled tree which was propped up adjacent to the pavement leading to the back of the school.
- The tyres on Marsh Lane, near to Furlong Close, will be reset in the spring. It might be necessary to replace them with new ones.
- J Dalley will contact a supplier for a quote for a new village sign post (sited at Marsh Lane, Broad Corner).
- A complaint has been received about bins being sited at the front of people's properties in Springfield Road. Residents/landlords are asked if they can site bins behind their properties if possible.

Information drop

- An information leaflet on the dangers of not picking up dog waste has been created and circulated to houses around Rowde Primary School in response to multiple

bags of dog waste being collected from the school playing field. This problem is ongoing.

- New policies have been added to the village website: social media & electronic communication policy; document retention and disposal policy; and removable media policy.
- L Wills and family, & W Fudge were thanked for circulating copies of the New Councillor leaflet around the village.

Allotments

- It was proposed that the entrance gate at the allotments is replaced with a spare gate. The allotment gate will then be moved to replace the damaged field gate at the entrance to the small playing field, off Tower View.
- It was agreed that up to £50 could be spent on welding costs if needed.

VILLAGE EVENTS

Village Christmas Tree Lights

The Parish Council discussed in detail the requirements for siting the Christmas tree on the Hill. It was warned that there are utilities running under the Hill, and also there is tarmac not far below the surface as the area has been used for parking in the past. The Clerk will consult with the Village Hall committee as to whether it might be possible to site the tree on their land again.

Update from Wiltshire Council –

It was noted that Sunday and Bank/Public holiday car parking charges will apply from 19th November 2018.

Finance

Monthly invoices for October were as follows, proposed by J Dalley, seconded by L Wills.

Admin costs	£967.02
Grounds Maintenance	£517.50
WW1 commemorations	£148.76
Total:	£1,633.28

An additional invoice for £28.56 for padlocks for the pavilion was approved for payment at the Parish Council meeting.

Budget setting

The draft taxbase figure has been received for the financial year 2019/2020. It has increased slightly on the figure for 2018/2019. This means that if the Parish Council vote for a 0% increase for council tax payers, the money the parish receives will be slightly higher than last year.

Rowde Parish Council will set its precept for 2019/2020 on Wednesday 9th January 2019. Everyone is welcome to attend the meeting.

Neighbourliness

- Please can we remind everyone to park with respect for your neighbours and residents who live in the village. Everyone should be able to easily access their own drives or houses.
- Please be aware of any hedgerow/bushes/trees that may hang over your property and cause obstructions and dangers for pedestrians and drivers.
- There is no such thing as the 'dog poo fairy'. Please keep our streets and grassed areas clean for everyone to enjoy. Please do not use our playing fields, including Rowde Primary playing field, to exercise your dogs and leave their waste behind.

My Wiltshire App

- Please forward requests for highway repairs to the Clerk or report them through the 'My Wiltshire App'. The more reports that are logged through the App, the higher the priority will be given to the issue.

· It is easy to report problems like potholes, dog mess, graffiti, litter and street lighting in your area using the 'My Wiltshire' online form. Reports can be made anonymously or you can register for free. Once you have registered, you can track the reports you have made, and receive notification once the work has been completed. The more residents report issues, the more likely we are to have them fixed.

· The 'My Wiltshire' page can be accessed through the Wiltshire Council website at:

<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/parkingtransportandstreets/roadshighwaysstreetcare/mywiltshireregister.htm>

Mobile Library

Please remember to use the Mobile Library which will be stopping in Maundrell Close on:

20 December, 17 January, 14 February, 14 March, 11 April, 9 May (all Thursdays).

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

Police Matters

If you need to report a crime:

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

It is possible to follow the Police on:

- Twitter <https://twitter.com/wiltshirepolice>

- Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/wiltshirepolice/>

- Or sign up to Community Messaging <https://www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk/>

Dates for the diary –

The next Parish Council meeting will be an ordinary Parish Council meeting to be held on Wednesday 12th December 2018 and Wednesday 9th January 2019, at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

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

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

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

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Pest control:	01380 734721
Planning:	01380 734812
Recycling boxes - Hills Waste:	0845 6032085
Registration – Births, Deaths & Marriages:	01225 713007
Roads & pavements (Clarence) Freephone:	0800 232323
or mobile/outside Wiltshire:	01225 777234
School admissions:	01225 713010
School special educational needs:	01225 718095
School transport:	01225 713004
Social care – adults:	0300 456 0111
Social care – children:	01225 773500
Street care and cleaning:	01380 734849

ROWDE VILLAGE SHOP

Hello everyone,

First I must say a huge thank you to all who supported the shop plant sale and fundraiser. Kelly has been such a help in so many ways in giving her time for the shop. We raised £468.09 on the day with funds still coming in from extras being sold in the shop. We must also thank our wonderful Wendy (our sandwich lady) who stayed up to the early hours making such a large number of cakes for sale. She is always on hand to go that extra mile for the shop. All the group that keep your shop running should be supported and thanked for making it all work.



Opening Hours

Mon to Fri	7:30am – 6:00pm
Saturday	8:00am – 1:00pm
Sunday	9:00am – 11:00am
Bank Holidays	9:00am – 11:00am

Please note our Christmas opening times below, all dates will be enclosed with the regular paper orders. Please give us plenty of notice when cancelling or ordering papers over the festive season.

We are running a Christmas raffle, full of all the Christmas box goodies a real excellent hamper for a £1 ticket.

If you want cream, ham or a vegetable box please let us know. We can take the strain out of running around at the last minute.

The special Christmas knits are back and 'our Geoff's' mum Sheila Pottinger of Urchfont and her friend Jane Kolawski of Little Cheverell have knitted some lovely gifts at reasonable prices, so thank you for all your hard work.

We also have some really special custom painted Christmas cards of Rowde. They are ideal to send abroad and can be ordered if ness. Do come and look.

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Christmas opening times:

Christmas Eve - 0900 to 1100

Christmas Day - closed

Boxing Day - closed

Thursday 27th to Friday 29th - 0730 to 1800

Saturday 30th - 0800 to 1300

New Years Eve - 0800 to 1300

New Years Day - closed.

Kind Regards,

Jan Barber and The Shop Team,

01380 739800

rowde.village.shop@btconnect.com

RECIPE

Easy Christmas pudding

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 cup raisins
- 1 cup sultanas
- 1 cup self-raising flour
- 1 cup finely grated butter (about 115g/4oz)
- 1 cup fresh brown breadcrumbs (from around 4 thick slices of bread)
- 1 cup light muscovado sugar
- 1 cup mixed nuts, chopped plus extra to decorate
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- 1 tsp ground mixed spice
- 1 cup milk
- 1 large egg
- butter, for greasing

For the butterscotch sauce:

- 85g butter
- 100g light muscovado sugar
- 200ml double cream
- 1 tsp vanilla extract



METHOD:

1. For the pudding, empty the first six cups and the nuts, if using, into a mixing bowl with the spices, then stir in the milk and egg. Once well combined, tip into a buttered 1.5 litre pudding bowl.

2. Cover with a double layer of buttered foil, making a pleat in the centre to allow the pudding to rise. Tie the foil securely with string, then place in a steamer or large pan containing enough gently simmering water to come halfway up the sides of the bowl. Steam, covered with a lid, for 2 1/2 hours. Check the water level during cooking, topping up if necessary. If you are preparing this pudding ahead, remove the foil, let it cool slightly, then wrap in cling film and then fresh foil. If you are serving it immediately, unwrap and invert onto a deep plate.

For the sauce, put everything in a pan and bring 3. slowly to the boil, stirring. Allow to bubble away for 2-3 minutes, still stirring, until the sugar has dissolved and the sauce is pale caramel in colour and slightly thickened. Remove from the heat. Pour the sauce over the pudding and decorate with the whole mixed nuts.

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

SHOP NOTICE

Please can you pick up any Christmas parcels delivered to the shop within two days of drop off as we have limited storage space. We are very happy to do this service for you but space is a problem.

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Alan Watters, Editor

December Worship in Rowde, Bromham and Sandy Lane

Services in St Matthew's, Rowde, *unless otherwise stated*

Currently, there is a service at 10am every Sunday; usually in Rowde but sometimes in Bromham.

Everyone is very welcome at all our services



Date/Time	Service
Sunday 2 Dec 8.00 am <i>10.00 am</i> 10.00 am <i>6.00 pm</i>	Advent 1 Holy Communion BCP, Rowde <i>Holy Communion (Common Worship), Bromham</i> All Age Service, Rowde <i>Service of Darkness to Light, Bromham</i>
Tuesday 4 4.00 pm	Christingle, Rowde
Wednesday 5 11.00 am	Holy Communion (CW), Rowde
Sunday 9 <i>8.00 am</i> 10.00 am <i>6.00 pm</i>	St Nicholas <i>Holy Communion (BCP), Sandy Lane</i> Holy Communion (CW), Rowde <i>Evensong for St Nicholas (BCP), Bromham</i>
Monday 10 6.00 pm	Carol Singing around the village, Rowde - starting at the church
Sunday 16 <i>8.00 am</i> 10.00 am <i>10.00 am</i> <i>4.00 pm</i>	Advent 3 <i>Holy Communion (BCP), Bromham</i> Holy Communion (CW), Rowde <i>Family Service, Bromham</i> <i>Carol Service, Sandy Lane</i>
Wednesday 19 <i>11.00 am</i>	<i>Holy Communion. Angell House</i>
Saturday 22 <i>6.00 pm</i>	<i>Nine Lessons and Carols, Bromham</i>
Sunday 23 <i>8.00 am</i> <i>10.00 am</i> 6.00 pm	Advent 4 <i>Holy Communion, Sandy Lane</i> <i>Holy Communion, Bromham</i> Nine Lessons and Carols, Rowde
Monday 24 2.00 pm <i>4.00 pm</i> 11.30 pm <i>11.30 pm</i>	Christmas Eve Crib Service, Rowde <i>Crib Service, Bromham</i> Midnight Mass (CW), Rowde <i>Holy Communion (CW), Bromham</i>
Tuesday 25 <i>8.00 am</i> <i>10.00 am</i> 10.00 am	Christmas Day <i>Holy Communion (BCP), Sandy Lane</i> <i>Holy Communion (CW), Bromham</i> Christmas Day Service, Holy Communion, Rowde
Sunday 30 <i>10.00 am</i>	Christmas 1 <i>Holy Communion (CW), Bromham</i>

January Worship in Rowde, Bromham and Sandy Lane

Date/Time	Service
Wednesday 2 11.00 am	Holy Communion (CW), Rowde
Sunday 6 8.00 am 10.00 am 10.00 am	Epiphany Holy Communion (BCP), Rowde <i>Holy Communion (CW), Bromham</i> All Age Service, Rowde
Sunday 13 8.00 am 10.00 am	Baptism of Christ <i>Holy Communion (BCP), Sandy Lane</i> <i>Benefice Holy Communion (CW), Bromham</i>
Sunday 20 8.00 am 10.00 am 10.00 am	Epiphany 3 <i>Holy Communion (BCP), Bromham</i> Holy Communion (CW), Rowde <i>Family Service, Bromham</i>
Sunday 27 8.00 am 10.00 am 10.30 am	Epiphany 4 <i>Holy Communion (BCP), Sandy Lane</i> Morning Worship, Rowde <i>Joint Service at the Methodist Chapel for the week of prayer for Christian unity, Bromham</i>

Do come and explore our beautiful village Church or come in to sit quietly and pray. Please note that, although we try to avoid this whenever possible, times of midweek or special services may change due to unforeseen circumstances.

Please check the Church notice board for further information or contact the Administrator Sarah Bowler 07876142112.

Open the Book – we have groups who go into both our primary schools to act out Bible stories. We are looking for more volunteers to join both teams. For more information, contact Revd Ruth.

Advent Course

This year we will be following the Cover to Cover course "Making Time for Jesus", by Liz Babbs. Please come and join us on the following dates:
29th Nov 7:30pm The Rectory, Bromham
6th Dec 7:30pm 32, Greystones, Bromham
13th Dec 7:30pm 32, Greystones, Bromham
20th Dec 7:30pm 32, Greystones, Bromham
For more information, please contact Revd Ruth Schofield: 07738 858909 revrschofield@gmail.com

Prayer Groups

Please join Revd Ruth for a moment of calm and prayer in Church. Tuesdays 8.30am in Bromham. Thursdays 8.30am in Rowde. Everyone welcome.

Growing in Faith

Please contact Ruth Bray on 01380 859847 or ruthbray@outlook.com for more details.

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

Church Cleaning

We need a few more people to join our cleaning group (even if you can only do one or two sessions a year) so if you would like to come and help please contact:

Jane Moss 01380 729160 jmosscadet@gmail.com (Brass cleaning Rota)

Maureen Hiscocks 01380 725406

Choir

Choir Leader: Gavin Moss 01380 719160

Choir Practise for Adults is on Thursday Evenings 7.20 – 8.00pm

Junior Choir Practice is on Thursday 6.45pm-7.20pm. New members are always welcome.

Bell Ringing

We meet from 7.30pm-9pm on Friday evenings at St Matthews Church, please join us the more the merrier. Contact: Richard Heath rich.p.heath@gmail.com/ 01380 722379

St Matthews Cafe

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

Flower Arranging

December

2 & 9 Dec - Yvonne Larkin

16 Dec - Jane Sartin

Friday 21 Dec- Arranging for Christmas

30 Dec - Christmas flowers

January

6 & 13 Jan - Liz Ibbetson

20 & 27 Jan - Carole Nutland

3 & 10 Feb - Jayne Andrews-Wheeler

For further information please contact: Jane Sartin
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Message from the Rectory

Dear Friends,

Last month the chairman of Leicester city football club died in a tragic helicopter crash. Unusually for football club chairmen, Vichai Srivaddhanaprabha, was not just loved by the fans, but respected and even liked by them. One reason is that he put a lot of money into the club and also into the city - giving generously to the hospital and the university. But perhaps most tellingly, he made himself available to the fans, by being there.

Vichai was present at every game, humble, with a warm smile and often gave a "thumbs up" salute to the crowd. He showed fans that he cared about the club and about them, often spending time in the club shop before matches, so they could take selfies with him, and visiting pubs around the ground. He even flew up to Leicester to be there for training sessions - he was a chairman who made himself available to the players too, and encouraged them in turn to visit local schools.

You might have spotted where I'm going with this. The God we worship makes himself available to us. He came in person, as Jesus, to live with us in Palestine. He made himself vulnerable and met and ate with everyone, in fact he made a point of eating with the outsiders and those who the authorities had rejected. In Jesus, God doesn't just come to support us, he is on the pitch with us, playing the game. And of course on the first Good Friday, Jesus took the penalties for us by dying on the cross (with apologies for mixing my metaphors!).

One of the names for Jesus is Emmanuel. When an angel visited Joseph to tell him that Mary would be Jesus' mother, the angel reminds him of the prophecy "The virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel", which means, 'God is with us.' (Matt 1.23). While we prepare this Advent to celebrate again God who came to be with us, do come and join us in Church services or in our Advent course "Making Room for Jesus".

In His Love

Revd Ruth

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Magazine Submission Deadlines for 2019 (bi-monthly)

15th January

15th March

15th May

15th July

15th September

15th November

See editorial on page 3 for more info

WE NEED YOU!

Do you have some news to share or just have something to say about the village? If you can contribute to the content of your Rowde Village News in any way or would like to give us feedback (good or bad) or discuss any magazine issues then please contact: **Alan Watters** on 01380 724788 or by email at watters.alan@gmail.com or **Suzan Jackett** on 01380 729791 or by email at suzijj@rocketmail.com

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NEWS FROM Hft

Another year rapidly drawing to a close and I am wondering where the time went, although looking back we have done the usual amount of events to raise money and our profile within Rowde, it just seems every year gets shorter and shorter and this results in us being busier and busier.

Some of the events we have had recently include a HUGE bonfire on the Friday before actual bonfire night, it was a really lovely event with some drinks and nibbles to munch on round the fire, so the people who attended had a very enjoyable evening without a firework in sight - and we managed not to set fire to the hedge.



I am sure many of you will have seen the beautiful Poppy display outside Hft, what a lovely idea and fitting tribute to those who gave so much for us today. I hope lots of you did the whole trail around the village, we certainly saw many people stopping and reading the tribute.



In October we had our annual Curry and Quiz night in Marsh Hall, attendance was a little down on previous years but we still managed to raise nearly £300 and finally, after many years of

trying, 'Roger's Rogues' were the winning team, many many thanks to all who took part and helped, it was a fun evening all round.



The winning team - Roger's Rogues

Last week for Children In Need we paid to come to work in our pyjamas (I would happily do that every week) and we also held a fancy dress football match which was enjoyed by staff and people we support alike. We raised £45.51 for Children in Need.

We have had visits this week from Wiltshire Wildlife who brought some young people from Devizes School to do some work in the Orchard, I understand they all enjoyed themselves. Our Tortoises are now in hibernation and the Guinea Pigs, Rabbits and Chickens are all well.

On Friday we have our Annual Christmas Bazaar but by the time you read this it will have happened, sadly we don't have the Fairground organ this year but I am sure any of you that attended will have had an enjoyable evening.

Finally - I had a very nice and relaxing holiday in Turkey last month and my colleague Jan Lindsay wrote the piece for last month's Magazine, fortunately or unfortunately for her she did such a good job she will be taking over from me after this month. After 16 ½ years I have decided to do something a bit less stressful and something which takes up a little less time as I have my first Grandchild on the way and I want to make the most of that. By the time you read this I will have left Hft, with sadness but lots of amazing memories and experiences, some of which I hope you have enjoyed reading about over the years.

Bye for now
Jan Emm

THOUGHTS FOR THE MONTH

December Quotes

“December’s wintery breath is already clouding the pond, frosting the pane, obscuring summer’s memory...”

John Geddes, A Familiar Rain

“I heard a bird sing in the dark of December. A magical thing. And sweet to remember. We are nearer to Spring than we were in September. I heard a bird sing in the dark of December.”

Oliver Herford

“December, being the last month of the year, cannot help but make us think of what is to come.”

Fennel Hudson, A Meaningful Life

“4 December. To die would mean nothing else than to surrender a nothing to the nothing, but that would be impossible to conceive, for how could a person, even only as a nothing, consciously surrender himself to the nothing, and not merely to an empty nothing but rather to a roaring nothing whose nothingness consists only in its incomprehensibility.”

Franz Kafka

“There must be something ghostly in the air of Christmas — something about the close, muggy atmosphere that draws up the ghosts, like the dampness of the summer rains brings out the frogs and snails.”

Jerome K. Jerome, Told After Supper

“It was snowing. It was always snowing at Christmas. December, in my memory, is white as Lapland, though there were no reindeers. But there were cats.”

Dylan Thomas, A Child’s Christmas in Wales

“The crisp path through the field in this December snow, in the deep dark, where we trod the buried grass like ghosts on dry toast.”

Dylan Thomas, Quite Early One Morning

“There was warmth in his large piercing brown eyes. The kind of warmth that tucks a child into bed. The same kind of warmth that dries your wet hair on a rainy December afternoon.”

Malak El Halabi

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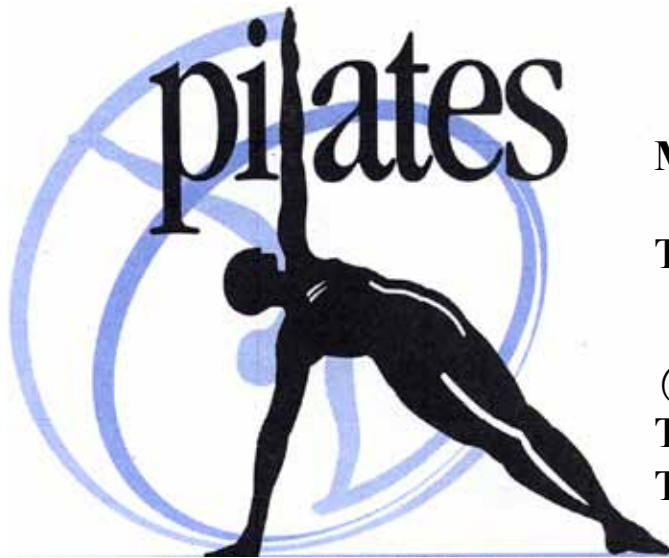
This issue we have more amusing photos.



Do you have any interesting or amusing photos of people or pets? Send them in!

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SHORT STORIES

I Keep Walking

by Charlotte Eriksson

"I get so lonely and sad and filled with regrets some days. It overwhelms me as I'm sitting on the bus; watching the golden leaves from a window; a sudden burst of realisation in the middle of the night. I can't help it and I can't stop it. I'm alone as I've always been and sometimes it hurts... but I'm learning to breathe deep through it and keep walking. I'm learning to make things nice for myself. To comfort my own heart when I wake up sad. To find small bits of friendship in a crowd full of strangers. To find a small moment of joy in a blue sky, in a trip somewhere not so far away, a long walk an early morning in December, or a handwritten letter to an old friend simply saying "I thought of you. I hope you're well."

No one will come and save you. No one will come riding on a white horse and take all your worries away. You have to save yourself, little by little, day by day. Build yourself a home. Take care of your body. Find something to work on. Something that makes you excited, something you want to learn. Get yourself some books and learn them by heart. Get to know the author, where he grew up, what books he read himself. Take yourself out for dinner. Dress up for no one but you and simply feel nice. It's a lovely feeling, to feel pretty. You don't need anyone to confirm it.

I get so lonely and sad and filled with regrets some days, but I'm learning to breathe deep through it and keep walking. I'm learning to make things nice for myself. Slowly building myself a home with things I like. Colours that calm me down, a plan to follow when things get dark, a few people I try to treat right. I don't sometimes, but it's my intent to do so. I'm learning. I'm learning to make things nice for myself. I'm learning to save myself.

I'm trying, as I always will."

Excerpt from:

Empty roads and broken bottles

by Charlotte Eriksson

I packed light and spent 18 months on the road, homeless and at home. Lost but unable to be lost because I had no destination. I arrived in new cities every morning, scraped coins to afford coffee and then tried to find the busiest venue in town where I begged to get to play a set or two. If I was lucky I sold albums enough to afford the train the next day. If I was luckier I could afford whiskey and if I was a star I got some tip from the sound-guy. You read and write and sing and experience, thinking that one day these things will build the character you admire to live as. You love and lose and bleed best you can to the extreme, hoping that one day the world will read you as the poem you want to be. One day, things will change and you will not have to

struggle every day to convince people that you and your art is good enough. One day, you will simply be able to be you, and be okay with that.

...But somewhere on the road I started to feel drained. There I was with no belongings but my guitar and a few pairs of clothes, ripping my heart out in every single way, but no one seemed to understand what I was saying, what I was singing about, what I tried to do. I screamed my heart out every night, and no one seemed to care. I pushed and cried and fought and struggled my way through the days, with nothing in return but the so called blessing of getting to do it the next day again. A constant fever from sleeping on floors, cheap instant coffee and if I'm lucky a little tip under the table from the bar-staff. I loved living like a wanderer, not owning keys, new beginnings every day, but I started to get scared. You're never really relaxed, you're always watching your back, always worrying. Will things ever change?"

I learned more than I ever thought I would this year, and I learned it by the ruthless life itself. I'm ready to use my struggles, the strength I've grown and the lessons I've learned to tell the world about the artist, the person I've come to be. I'm not doing this to get the world's approval anymore. I know what I want now. For so long I let my life slip through my fingers, like water.

I'm holding on to it now, and I'm not letting go. "

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Local News



BROMHAM AND ROWDE TWINNING ASSOCIATION

On the evening of Thursday, the 25th October we welcomed 15 adults including the mayor and 3 children from Ingrandes le Fresne sur Loire to Bromham. In true French style the group arrived a little late but this did not prevent us from providing a warm welcome and good food to set the scene for their visit. Also present to welcome the visitors were Rowde Parish Council chairman and the Acting Headmistress for Rowde Academy who discussed future links for our children.

A full programme of events had been planned in advance the first of which on Friday was a trip for the adults to the Wadsworth Brewery in Devizes whilst the children visited the museum. This was a great starting point and it was even suggested that Wadsworth should consider their first brewery across the Channel! Suffice to say the beers on offer went down well. In the afternoon the group visited the National Trust house at Avebury, a great place to take children as they are encouraged to touch the exhibits on show and they can also wander freely around the stones outside. After dinner with their hosts the group met again for an evening of skittles and conviviality. This was a truly rowdy communal affair and the French loved it. A huge thank you to Sue and her team at the Owl and also to the numerous people who came and supported the event to make our guests feel really welcome.

A bright but cold Saturday morning dawned and we regathered at the social centre for a very enjoyable and informative village walk led by Peter Smith followed by a film, in French, about the village presented by John Drew. Our thanks to Peter and John for giving their time and to the villagers who also supported the event. On Saturday evening we all gathered at Janet Giles' house for an evening meal, supplied and prepared by members of the association. The room was decorated in red, white and blue with the Union and French flags flying. The Mayor brought along his very own Crémant wine, a good substitute for champagne and some of our French

guests treat us to some beautiful singing. Another successful day and a very late night for all.

On Sunday morning Reverend Ruth welcomed the group to church in her best French. Our thanks go to everyone involved for making the service so inclusive for our guests. Janet again hosted the group in her home for lunch prior to an afternoon visit to Corsham Court and gardens. In the evening the weekend was rounded off by a delicious farewell carvery dinner at North Wilts Golf Club and we thank them for opening their restaurant in the evening especially for us.

Monday morning, we gathered at Janet's house early for tea and coffee prior to the arrival of the coach and departure of the group for Stansted airport. Eighteen guests arrived on the 25th and eighteen friends departed on the 29th. It was a memorable weekend.

Patricia Boyd

RINGING REMEMBERS

During the past year there has been much activity nationwide to recruit bell ringers in readiness for the 11th Nov 2018. The initial thrust of the campaign was to try to get 1400 people 'up to speed' being the, estimated, number of bell ringers killed in action in 1914-1918. The Central Council of Church Bellringers (CCCBR) headed up this campaign and Alan Regin, one of the world's leading Ringers and Steward of the Rolls of Honour, CCCBR began work. (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VAgYdn4_4Hw&t=20s). To a large extent this was prompted by not all the bell ringing victims of WW1 being recorded other than on separate tablets, ie in church ringing chambers or separate listings. Alan soon discovered that dozens were missing off records readily available. All now found and recorded, on vellum, in two Great War Memorial books. Edington Priory ringers, like many villages, were at the heart of the working community with 6 ringers going to war. Only one other Bell Tower in Britain - in Bamburgh Northumberland - lost as many ringers as Edington. Devizes, St. John



lost one ringer Russell Lawrence Poole on 8th May 1918 and a Salisbury Diocesan Guild of Ringers (www.SDGR.org.uk) band rang on 8th May 2018 to mark this. I was subsequently notified that some descendants of his brother live, and some ring at Gloucestershire, Dorset, Hampshire and Oxfordshire.

The recruitment campaign has gone well with many learners nationwide and overseas – Australia, NZ, America, etc. starting training. However, ringing in Rowde is restricted by numbers!

The Armistice remembrance service ring is listed below and shows the extent of the situation as two of the band of ringers were occupied with the service - only one able to participate.

The two tunes (methods), Grandsire and Plain Bob were rung and the details sent to a record centre - <https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/> :

Sunday, 11 November 2018 in 46 mins

Bell	Ringer/Home tower
1	Victoria Sadler / Broad Hinton (First quarter peal)
2	Clive Hancock / Westbury
3	Richard P Heath / Rowde
4	Peter Baker / Westbury
5	Christopher Bush / Melksham (Conductor)
6	Mark Sadler / Broad Hinton

Rung half muffled for a remembrance service in the SDGR quarter peal week

This performance is linked to the events Salisbury Diocesan Guild — Quarter Peal Week and Ringing for the Centenary of the WWI Armistice.

Rowde tower is an active member of SDGR with ringers circulating round many towers in the locality.

People wishing to learn to ring are encouraged to get in touch with any tower or by the Association of Ringing Teachers via <http://ringingteachers.org/> where a certificated teacher may be found near you.

Also of interest: Ringing on Blue Peter

Broadcast of the episode of Blue Peter featuring ringing and young ringers at the 2018 Ringing World National Youth Contest is Thursday, 22nd November at 5.30 pm on the CBBC channel.

BUS PASS IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Older person's standard Wiltshire concessionary bus pass - information about renewal.

From 01 January 2019, not all bus passes will be renewed automatically. This is because there are approximately 20,000 passes in circulation that have not been scanned on a bus prior to renewal, indicating that the pass has not been used. In these cases, the passes will not be automatically renewed.

If your pass is not automatically renewed but you would still like to receive one to use in the future, please contact Wiltshire Council on 0300 456 0100 and we can arrange for your new pass to be issued.

Wiltshire Council regrets that any charges which may occur on bus journeys are non-refundable.

NEWS ON BREWS

Hi Everyone

This month has once again been extremely busy as the microbrewery prepares for Christmas by getting everything in order. Preparing stock, fulfilling orders and shipping. So lots of plate spinning!

Touring Wiltshire

Yesterday I did my busiest delivery day covering over 100 miles around Wiltshire. Stops included Avebury, Calne, Corsham, Salisbury, Stourhead, and Warminster on the way home (to visit the maltster for some more grain). It also included two new customers that I've been working on for a while. The National Trust at Avebury, and separately Stourhead.



Both of these are a massive win for Devitera as it isn't often that the little guy gets to work with large brands. The National Trust is also a fabulous fit for Devitera as it shares some of the same philosophies. So as you can imagine I'm really excited to be supplying them.

It hasn't been easy mind. It has taken a lot of perseverance and work behind the scenes to get them to take an interest in Devitera. I think also some of the ground work through the year, including things like my blog, have paid off. In a crowded market you have to find ways of standing out, and the hand-made nature of my beers helps!

The Pound At Corsham

I also did a delivery for commissioned beer for The Pound. For those who haven't visited, The Pound is an old converted school in Corsham that has been turned into this fabulous art centre. It has a gallery, lots of events and workshops. It also shows films.

The café is also fabulous, not just because it sells Devitera, and the quality of food is exceptional. There is just something about the place that I just love!

Check it out at www.poundarts.org.uk

Taphouse Update

The Taphouse premises license has been submitted and as I write this the consultation period is running. I've been visited by the licensing officer and I await the consultation period to end before starting to count my chickens!

Feedback from people has been extremely supportive, and this makes a massive difference to a start-up business (thank you).

I have a vision for the Taphouse, with a very rustic atmosphere, lots of wooden reclaimed stuff, and being surrounded by the very heart of the brewhouse.

There is truly nothing like it in Wiltshire, and I hope I can slowly make it happen.

Prototype Beer

Recently I've been working on a prototype beer and developing a completely new approach to making it. The beer is a jet black porter that is super smooth, and yesterday I collect the grain to prepare for next weeks brew.



I've prototyped it on the small equipment, have done a lot of number crunching, and process engineering, to scale it up by 30 times to work on the big plant. This is part of the fun and artisan nature of my beer. I'm having to design things to get around some challenges, both engineering, chemical, and flavour, and will see my beer heading towards how Guinness would have been originally produced back in 1759.

The beer is a limited edition and I plan to sell it in both casks and 18 pint (10 litre) "bag in a box" for Christmas.

Thank You

I've been trading now for just over a year and during that time there has been a huge amount of growth. I have been brewing more regularly, had the odd open day, visits from the press, our MP, and am selling in over 50 outlets.

Things haven't been easy and I've faced many challenges to overcome, including another recent legal issue, and somehow I'm still here at the end of 2018.

I truly LOVE Rowde as a home for Devitera, and the community is special. We have fabulous amenities with two great pubs, a village shop, and an exceptional café. We have not only my beer but local honey too! The recent poppy trail just brought more colour to the village and shows what a lovely place Rowde is.

For all the support that everyone has given me I just wanted to say thank you. From bits of furniture, pallets, helping out, words of encouragement, to buying the beer. Thank you!

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Glen Upward

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HEADTEACHER THANKS COMMUNITY FOR SUPPORT



*Pictured with head teacher Mike Loveridge are pupils I-r Sam, Isaac, Laura, Aliyah and Nathan.
Photo: Siobhan Boyle*

Rowdeford headteacher Mike Loveridge has praised parents and the community for helping to save the school from being sold off as part of huge changes to special education in the county. This week Wiltshire Council announced that a new much larger school is to be built at a cost of £20 million on the Rowdeford site but St Nicholas in Chippenham and Larkrise in Trowbridge are to close.

In May Mr Loveridge urged the community to petition for the school to be saved. He said at the time: "If a decision is made to close the school and I have not done everything I possibly can to save it I will feel I have let people down."

This week he said: "Rowdeford School would like to thank the many parents, carers and other stakeholders who have been so active in so many ways, galvanising support and showing how much they care about the future of Rowdeford School. Rowdeford School and its governors are pleased that directors, commissioners and councillors have recognised the need to maintain a school on the Rowdeford site for future generations of young people with special educational needs and disabilities."

Rowdeford will become a base for 350 children aged from three to 16. But when the school opens in five years time it will be given a new name and will be run by an academy trust.

Laura Mayes the cabinet member for children's services said: "The unique atmosphere of Rowdeford and its grounds was one of the reasons for us deciding to make it the base for the new school."

Rowdeford Charity Trust founder Mike Bowden said: "The survival of Rowdeford is an absolute delight and Rowdeford Charity Trust will be able to

continue with its support. There are, of course, still many matters for further discussion."

The news was also welcomed by Tony Kemp from the trust but he was concerned that the extra building could spoil the site. He said: "To clutter it with too many buildings would erode and compromise the special value that is the site."

Wiltshire Council has also pledged that the new school at Rowdeford will provide more outreach services for other schools needing support for children with special needs.

This pleased Jackie Bawden chairman of the governors of nearby Rowde Primary which works closely with Rowdeford. She said: "That would be very welcome."

Devizes MP Claire Perry said: "Ensuring that children and young people in Wiltshire with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities are able to access the most up-to-date teaching, care and support is vital, and I am pleased that so many people across the county contributed to the Wiltshire Council consultation on future provision.

"I am particularly pleased to see in the proposal that these Centres of Excellence will work more closely with neighbouring mainstream schools."

REMEMBERING ROWDE'S FALLEN



School children, parish councillors and other supporters at the pebble poppy

History has been brought alive for children at Rowde Academy as they learnt about the lives of 29 servicemen who lost their lives in the First World War.

A trail of poppies around Rowde commemorated the men from the village who gave their lives during the conflict and whose names appear on the village war memorial.

Parish councillor and chairman of the governors of Rowde Academy Jackie Bawden said:

“Four years ago we filled Rowde with poppies and provided a trail around the village to commemorate the start of World War 1.

“This year we again produced a poppy trail but the focus this time was on the 29 soldiers who had been born in Rowde and who died fighting in WW1.

“At each of the 29 special poppies, there was information about the soldier where he lived in Rowde, who his parents were, what occupation he had and most poignantly how old he was when he died – the youngest being just 17 years old.

“All this information about the soldiers was put together by the parish council. The route also passed four lifesize wooden soldiers, the first being at the start of the trail beside a poppy made from pebbles painted by the children at the school.”

Children from the village school also conducted their own research and were fascinated by the information they found out and were shocked at how young some of the soldiers were when they died.

Acting head teacher Sue Hulford said: “The children have really embraced learning about the fallen from the village and we have used the topic in many different lessons.”

The parish council encouraged villagers to put up poppies outside their homes and the schoolchildren painted stones which were then turned into the pebble poppy, which were on show opposite the village hall.

The trail was open until November 12th. Maps were available in last month’s issue of the Rowde Village News and also from the village shop, church and the reception area at the school. The leaflet also included boxes numbered one to 29 so that people could put in the names of the different soldiers they discovered on their route.

(You can see lots of ‘Poppy’ photos on the front cover and on the back and inside back cover, Ed).

SCHOOL LEARNS ABOUT ALL THINGS JAPANESE

Children may take their parents by surprise when instead of asking for an apple or a strawberry they instead request a ringo or an ichigo.

Youngsters at Rowde Academy took things to a different level when life in Japan was the term’s topic. Children in Year 5 learnt how to write the words for fruits and vegetables in Japanese and also learnt to count to ten.

Words they learnt were incorporated into the school’s Harvest Festival service held in the village church.



Year 5 pupils take part in Japanese Day

The school also held a Japanese Day and children came dressed in Japanese costumes.

Chairman of the governors Jackie Bawden said: “They spent the day making popular Japanese fish out of tissue paper and card and lanterns. They also watched animation films made in Japan.”

During the term they also carried out research into education, sport and leisure activities in Japan.

STAFF BARE ALL FOR CHARITY



Caenhill Countryside Centre Calendar. The back to nature calendar with Helie Franklin. Photo by Trevor Porter.

Staff from Sainsbury’s in Devizes and Caenhill Countryside Centre near Rowde completed a 50-mile cycle ride on static bikes to help raise funds for the development of two separate farm kitchens and a crop area at the centre, just off Caen Hill.

Each member of staff cycled five miles and the virtual route covered 10 fictitious destinations all named from crops grown at

the farm, starting from Carrot Corner, through Potato Patch, past the Greens and finishing at That's Shallot.

The centre, run by volunteers, supports young people with education and wellbeing six days a week, where students look after the animals and help grow crops. The two new separate farm kitchen and crop areas will help the centre teach the young people of how to prepare the food for the animals and of course for themselves.

To raise extra funds, staff at the countryside centre bared all for a semi-naked calendar, Back to Nature 2019, which was promoted at the static cycle fundraiser.

Helie Franklin, project manager, said: "We find many of our new students are unaware of where their food comes from. Creating a new, dedicated area where they can grow and prepare food will be a great benefit."

Tiggi Fitzgerald from Sainsbury's Devizes said: "We are very pleased to be able to support the Caenhill Countryside Centre who do so much to help young people in the Devizes area."

Other than buying a calendar, people can help by making a donation to the food cycle team, donate time by volunteering to develop the new areas, donate building materials, seeds, kitchen equipment or polytunnels.

The centre is very keen to get hold of a root cutter, portable milking machine or any other old farm equipment to help with preparing animal feed.

The total amount raised is still being calculated.

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OBITUARY

Brian George Chambers - Peacefully passed away on 24th October 2018, aged 68 years. A loving Husband to Jacqui, a devoted Father to Sarah and Katie and fun loving Grampy to George, Harry, Grace and Millie. He will always be in our hearts. Funeral Service was held at St Matthews Church, Rowde on Tuesday 13th November. Donations if desired to St Matthews Church. John Stuart, 01380 729459.

Brian's family would like to thank everyone for their kind words, cards and donations received for St Matthews Church, Rowde in the recent sad loss of Brian. Thank you all so much Jacqui, Sarah and Katie. John Stuart, 01380 729459.




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- trimming encroaching hedges and vegetation from around road signs and railings
- cleaning and straightening small road signs
- hand cutting small visibility areas
- removal of ragwort (hand pulling or strimming of defined areas)
- treatment/removal of weeds
- sanding and painting barriers
- graffiti and fly posting removal
- siding out of footways and carriageways

What needs to be reported on MyWiltshire, and not through the Parish Steward Scheme

- Blocked gullies that are likely to cause house flooding and road safety issues
- Any work off of the highway, including: rights of way; council amenity land etc.
- Any works that are greater than one operative can manage, including: road sweeping; main ditch clearing; large highway defects etc.
- Any specialised works, including: working at heights; in water course; where traffic management is required etc.
- Any highway defects that are likely to cause a safety issue.
- Litter collection



New parking arrangements commence the 19th November

The new parking arrangements come into force on the 19th November 2018.

Below I detail the changes:

Wiltshire Local Transport Plan 2011 - 2026

Strategy



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- Sunday and Bank / Public Holiday parking will become chargeable, unless there are agreements in place with the local town councils for a free parking scheme, these are funded locally.
- The council's current public (provided by the council's Parking Services Section) free of use car parks will become chargeable. However, the management of the majority of these free car parks are being transferred to local providers (town/ community groups etc.). Hence, unless these providers decide to pass the management back to the council at a future date, there will be little change on the ground and they will remain free to use.
- Season Ticket charges will rise. However, following feedback from the Traffic Regulation Order consultation this will be phased over two years, so mitigate a 'one off' increase. New charges will not be made until the expiry date on season tickets after November. Hence customers purchasing annual season tickets in October 2018 will not see an increase until October 2019. With that increase being the lower phased charge for a first year season ticket.
- Residential Permits are changing, but not at the 2017 consulted charges. I have decided to reduce the proposed charge to the below:
 - £50 for the first permit and £70 for the second permit (at the same address) in limited waiting zones; and
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Alan Watters, Editor

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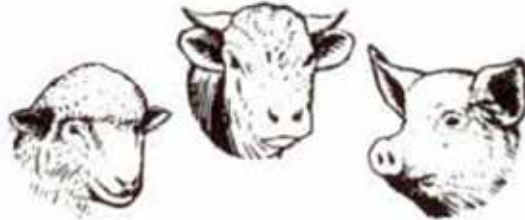
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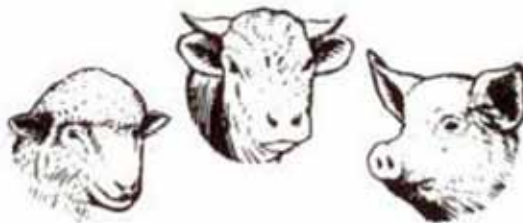
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The Magazine Team

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However, increased printing costs coupled with a decrease in advertisers means that the future of the magazine as it stands is now in doubt without an increase in revenue.

Presently, the only income we have is from our advertisers plus an annual donation from the Parish Council and one or two small individual donations.

What we really need, to keep us viable, is just a few additional voluntary donations. Therefore, if you would like your magazine to continue, would you please consider contributing a few pounds (on an annual or one off basis) towards the cost of its production?

If you would like to pay by Cheque please make cheques payable to Rowde Village Magazine and send or deliver to:

Julie Baker
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Rowde
Wiltshire
SN10 2NB

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Sudoku (difficult this month)

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

Last Month's Solution

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

Mini Sudoku (medium this month)

Insert the numbers 1 to 6 in the blank boxes so that each of the six separate areas of the puzzle and each line vertically and horizontally contains each number only once.

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

Last Month's Mini Sudoku Solution

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

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Listed below in alphabetical order are the various village organisations with contact names and telephone numbers

Allotments

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Bell Ringing

Friday evenings, Bell Tower, St Matthew's Church at 7.30pm
Contact Richard Heath
on 01380722379

Bingo

Mondays 8 pm in Village Hall

Charities

Rowdeford Charity Trust
trustees@rowdefordcharity.org.uk
www.rowdefordcharity.org.uk

Children's Art & Craft Classes

Hayley Mitchell 01225458679
hayleymitchell@thecreationstation.co.uk

Church Coordinator

Benefice Administrator:
Sarah Bowler 07876142112

Church Choir

Junior Choir Practice Thursdays
at 6.45 pm, Portia Broomfield
07514047878
Senior Choir Practice Thursdays
at 7.15 pm, Gavin Moss
01380 729160 / 07771780016

Church Wardens

Michael Comwell Tel: 01380 722855
Gavin Moss Tel: 01380 729160

Doctor

For list of doctors contact the
Health Commission, Pans Lane,
Devizes, Tel: 0300 111 5717

Football

John Dalley, Tel: 727094

Footpaths

Ivan Whittaker-Axon 01380 728669

Garage

Slades of Devizes Tel: 727755

Hospitals

Devizes Community Hospital
Tel: 723511
Chippenham Community Hospital
Tel: 01249 447100
Trowbridge Community Hospital
Tel: 01225 711300

Ladies Club

Held in Village Hall on last Tuesday
in the month at 8 pm.
Mrs Di Buckland, Tel: 723049

Local Councils

Wiltshire Council
Tel: 0300 4560100
Devizes Town Council 722160

Neighbourhood Police Team

Jo Newbury Rural Beat Manager
PCSO Georgina Dodd
Ring 101
Google devizes npt to contact the
team on
www.wiltsmessaging.co.uk>devizes

Parish Council

Chair - Mr John Hawkins
Tel: 07929 424781
Clerk - Mrs Rebekah Jeffries
Tel: 01380 720988
PC Repairs - 07833696328
ian@pcdoctor-devizes.co.uk

Playing Fields

For playing field bookings
please contact the Parish
Council Clerk on 01380 720988
rowdeparishcouncil@gmail.com

Police

Devizes Police Tel: 101

Pubs/Restaurants

Cross Keys, Tel: 739567
George & Dragon, Tel: 723053
Rowdey Cow Cafe, Tel: 829666

Rifle Club

Practice Wednesdays, Matches
Thursdays in Village Hall.
Laurence Plumb, Tel: 728174

Roads/Pavements

'My Wiltshire App or 03004560100

Rowde Court Studios

Ann Swan, Tel: 01380 724788

Rowde Rainbows

Meet: Tuesdays 6.15 to 7.15pm
Contact: Pam Ridley 01380 730442
Email: RowdeRainbows@gmail.com

Rowde Village News

Alan Watters, Tel: 01380 724788

Rowde Village Hall

Enquiries - Tel: 07926952631
Bookings - 722497 (after 6 pm)

Rowde C of E Primary Academy

High Street, Rowde SN10 2ND
Head teacher - Lorraine Colquhoun
723991

Rowdeford Special School

Head Teacher
Mr M Loveridge Tel: 850309

Hft (ex Self Unlimited)

Rosa Lancaster, Tel: 725455

Sewing Circle

Ring Yvonne on 01380 728745

St Matthew's Flower Guild

Liz Ibbetson, Tel: 720630
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Anniversaries

TAXI

R H Reeves 725072
J Dalley 07592 063789

Toddler Group

Village Hall Thursdays 9.30-11.30

Tuesday Afternoon Club (60s+)

Held in Village Hall first Tuesday in
the month at 2.30 pm.
Mrs D Ellis, Tel: 722655

Veterinary Surgeries

Estcourt - Tel: 723687
McQueens - Tel: 728505
The Paddock - Tel: 813202

Village Fete - Lisa Wills

Enquiries - Tel: 01380 730078

Village Shop

Enquiries - Tel: 01380 739800

Website

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

Youth Club

Iain Marr 07540017184

Village Diary



- 1 December **Christmas Bazaar** (see page 13)
2 December **Christmas Shopping Day** (see page 2)
12 December **Parish Council meeting 7.30pm Village Hall**
15 December **Christmas Draw and live music from Falling Fish** (see page 38)
23 December **Collect your turkey from Rowdefield Farm** (see page 49)
23 December **Collect your turkey from village shop** (see page 18)
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All January **25% Discount at The George and Dragon 4 day's a week** (see page 44)
16 January **Free Lasting Power of Attorney Presentation** (see page 34)
All Tuesdays **St Matthew's Cafe** (see page 22)

Updating the Diary or Village Guide

If you would like to add an event to the Village Diary (this page) or amend an entry in the contacts page (previous page), please email details to watters.alan@gmail.com or phone 01380 724788

The magazine team, on behalf of all the readers of the Rowde Village News, would like to give a huge thank-you to all the 20+ volunteers in the village who go out in all weathers to personally deliver your magazine to your door.

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Chippenham Bus Stn 0839 0959 - * - 1059 - * - 1359 1449 1626 1813 - * -

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1510 Devizes School via Caen Hill and Marsh Lane to Rowde

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

Saturday (all journeys are on service 33)

Rowde, Cross Keys 0807 0922 1022 1222 1352 1622 1752

Devizes, Market Place 0813 0928 1028 1228 1358 1628 1758

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Chippenham Bus Stn 0851 1006 1136 1306 1506 1706

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