



Cliddesden

Village Newsletter

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THE CLIDDESSEN PLAYERS PRESENT

FAIR IS FOUL

COMEDY DRAMA BY EMILY GOLBORN

FRIDAY 17TH & SATURDAY 18TH
JUNE. 8.00PM

ADULTS £10 U16'S £5

SATURDAY BBQ 6.00PM - 7.15PM
£4 PER SERVING

CLIDDESSEN VILLAGE HALL
LICENSED PREMISES

NOTES FROM THE MAY 2022 PARISH COUNCIL AGM

Present – all Parish Councillors and Clerk, three members of the public. Apologies from Ward and County Councillors and PCSO Andy Jones.

Chairman 2022-23 Alan Tyler was re-elected unanimously.

Neighbourhood Plan Update The Pre-submission (Regulation 14) Consultation is complete. All responses will be carefully considered and the Consultant will be instructed to assist with the preparation of the Submission Plan to BDBC (Regulation 15).

Local Plan Update – housing numbers. Agreed the Parish Council supports proposals to achieve overall reduction in housing numbers.

Pond update HCC contractors have completed silt clearing, a good job, the remaining tonnes of silt have been removed from around the margins. Thanks have been formally given to HCC and Cllr Juliet Henderson.

Pavement on Farleigh Road from Village to footbridge – narrowed by encroaching vegetation and debris. Request for path to be cleared has been logged, with photos, on the HCC website. The Parish Lengthsman can't take on the task as their green waste carrier won't take the roadside debris.

Proposal to replace road name signs in the Village agreed by BDBC providing at Parish Council expense.

Verge Cultivation Licence – application to be submitted to HCC for Station Road verges and around corner bank into Hackwood Lane to the Village Hall entrance road.

Year end accounts and audit forms completed and signed.

Budget agreed for village road signage plus additional funding for consultants to complete submission draft of Neighbourhood Plan if needed.

Councillor Code of Conduct On 24 March 2022 BDBC approved a new Code of Conduct for Councillors – in turn based on the LGA Model Code of Conduct – which will be implemented following the local elections as from 9 May 2022. Legislation does not require Parish Councils to adopt the Code of Conduct of their principal authority but the Committee on Standards in Public Life 'acknowledges there are merits in achieving consistency'. Agreed unanimously to adopt the New Model Code of Conduct.

Newsletter distribution Discussed pros and cons of returning to paper copies for everyone. At present there

is a limited paper copy distribution.

'What we want to achieve is a service to the Parish but also a means of sharing information.' Agreed a question to put to the Parish Assembly.

Community resilience – Generator and community use of the Village Hall. The Village Hall Committee has agreed to the Parish Council undertaking a feasibility study on providing a generator for the Hall. Reasons against might be the considerable outlay and a generator would be used so rarely. To consider the reason for having a generator – to provide a 'community power hub' – warmth, light, company, and access to power to charge phones etc, in the event of a power cut in all parts of the Village.

A generator could power and run the oil heating for a part of the hall. Of course if – as during the February storms Eunice and Franklin – the Village Hall continues with power, the generator wouldn't be needed, but Community use could potentially work around bookings? Again agreed, a subject for the Parish Assembly.

Next Parish Council meeting date, Tuesday 5th July

PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

22/01511/OHL (Validated 26 May 2022) Station Road/Hackwood Road Cliddesden. Existing pole & equipment upgrade and installation of a 3rd wire.

22/00466/FUL (Pending 21 Feb) 11 Woods Lane. Three new detached dwellings with access and landscaping.

22/00220/HSE (Pending 03 Feb) Tamburello, Farleigh Road. Erection of open store with external staircase to study/gym at first floor.

21/02118/FUL (Refused 28th April) Land at Millars Cottages. Detached 1.5 storey dwelling.

21/02056/FUL (Granted 13th May, ref DC 11 May) 7 Woods Lane. Erection of a two bedroom bungalow with associated car parking.

21/01646/HSE (Pending 12 May 2021) Swallick Cottage. Part single, part two story rear extension, new front porch, bay window, garage with accommodation above.

PARISH TREE APPLICATIONS

T/00161/22/TCA (Validated 17 May) Farleigh Dene. T1 Mature ash tree with established signs of ash dieback: Fell.

T/00192/22/TCA (Validated 13 May) 3 Southlea. G1– 2 x Cupress (Ellwoodii): fell as extensive dieback and beginning to obstruct route to front of house. T2 – Thuja: fell as shading both gardens.

VILLAGE HALL MEETING WITH HAMPSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER DONNA JONES

Meeting start 6pm. Simon Barker welcomed everyone to the meeting on behalf of the Parish Council. Introductions from County Cllr Juliet Henderson to Hampshire Police & Crime Commissioner Donna Jones, new PCC Deputy Terry Norton, Korine Bishop Strategic Rural Policing Inspector, PC Ross Holdsworth and PCSO Andy Jones. Approx 40 other attendees including public, former police officers, landowners and parish councillors.

Donna Jones was keen to say that she has pledged officer numbers over and above Hampshire's allocated share of new officers. Officer basic training is two years, so the batch of new officers recruited two years ago are now being deployed.

Concern raised from some Parish Councillors that officers now don't attend all Parish Council meetings as PC Reid used to. A counter argument was also put forward that as officers are not on call practically 24/7 – again as Andy Reid used to be – they are generally better employed out working than attending Parish Council meetings. An emailed update is appreciated.

That said, the personal touch is important, it is useful to have opportunities for discussion (such as the Parish Assembly) and for residents to meet their local community officer.

A common theme from the floor was that austerity over years has left rural policing so under-resourced that organised criminals have been given the opportunity, effectively free rein, to move in. This organised crime is now established and requires a lot more police resources. It is not the experience of rural businesses that the police are available to protect them.

Speeding in rural villages was also mentioned. PC Ross Holdsworth suggested local officers may have some availability for speed checks.

Meeting ended c8pm with thanks to Village Hall Committee and the Ballet School as usual users for changing their plans to allow for the meeting.

BDBC LOCAL PLAN UPDATE SITE SELECTION



Policy SS3: Sites Allocated for Residential / Mixed Use Development

THE MAPS BELOW are taken from the published *Agenda Reports Pack* for EPH (Economic Planning & Housing Committee) for discussion at the Thursday 9th June meeting 6.30pm - 9.30pm.) Meetings can be viewed live or on YouTube see [https:// www.basingstoke.gov.uk/webcast](https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/webcast).


SITES NOT RECOMMENDED FOR ALLOCATION

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As expected, but still received as very good news, Upper Swallick continues to be not selected for development.

Thanks are due to STanHD and Cliddesden STanHD for their tireless efforts in raising awareness and evidencing the case against, and to residents for demonstrating their opposition.

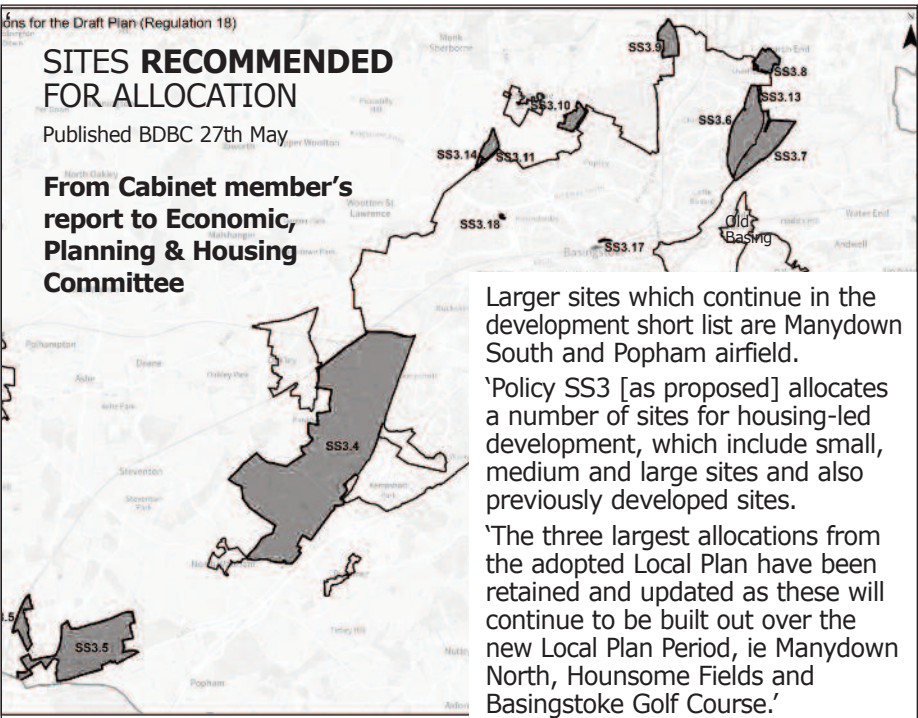
Further public consultation on the allocated sites is scheduled for late summer/ autumn.



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From Cabinet member's report to Economic, Planning & Housing Committee



Larger sites which continue in the development short list are Manydown South and Popham airfield.

'Policy SS3 [as proposed] allocates a number of sites for housing-led development, which include small, medium and large sites and also previously developed sites.

'The three largest allocations from the adopted Local Plan have been retained and updated as these will continue to be built out over the new Local Plan Period, ie Manydown North, Hounsome Fields and Basingstoke Golf Course.'

'5.1 A key role of the Plan is to outline the strategy for meeting the borough's housing needs over the Plan period and ensuring a five-year supply of deliverable sites. The Council does not support national Government's current approach to setting housing need figures and further work is being completed to consider what a suitable housing requirement for the borough may be, based on local circumstances. This will also include a review of the information from the 2021 Census, which will start to be published from the summer onwards, to assess whether there are local exceptional circumstances in terms of the housing needs figure.'

THE GREENING CAMPAIGN



Report from the May 2022 Parish Assembly

Members of the Assembly were asked to raise their hands if they have children or grandchildren, many do. 'Are they concerned about Climate Change?' All are. The question: 'Is there anything we can do?'

So, yes there is. It is impossible to tackle the whole problem as one: but we can achieve in small 'bite-sized' pieces. Like revising for exams, the whole is daunting and cramming doesn't work long term. If we improve a bit at a time our confidence and effectiveness increases.

The Greening Campaign offers a strategy to achieve many small changes which can add up to a significant whole. It is about everyone coming together, about what each person, friends and family, can do together within the community.

Community-led action adds up. About 180 communities around the country have joined the Greening Campaign, the majority in Hampshire where it was started.

Please have a look at the website <http://www.greening-campaign.org/>

The first Phase is about engagement. Everyone receives a Green Card with eight challenges for changing little things of everyday life. If you're prepared to sign up to five of these challenges, put the card in your window to show your commitment.

These challenges are 'standard' to enable a simple calculation of how much overall the community has reduced carbon emissions.

BDBC will support by paying for the joining fee, HCC support by funding expertise, including from the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust to support further individual and community projects.

The Assembly agreed unanimously in favour of Cliddesden joining the Greening Campaign.

Assembly reports following page

NOTES FROM THE MAY PARISH ASSEMBLY

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Assembly – PCSO Andy Jones, Ward Councillor Kate Tuck, Parish Council 5, Members of the Public 7.

PCSO Andy Jones presented his report, commented that always good to catch up with everyone attending, also noting the national firearms surrender campaign running for the second half of May. Re the Speed Camera Van, only have two vans and have to prioritise. Potential for local officers to allocate some time with hand held speed guns.

REVIEW OF PAST YEAR & APPRECIATION

The Chairman asked to put on record our appreciation for the work Mark Ruffell has done as Ward Councillor over the last 20 years.

Thanks to PCSO Andy Jones for the work he does on our behalf.

Thanks to all Newsletter editors and distributors.

Pond clearing – Thanks to all who contributed to the effort to push for this work to be done – Parish Councillors, residents and County Councillor Juliet Henderson. Thanks have been conveyed to Hampshire County Council's 'Operation Resilience' and their contractors for a good job finally done.

Neighbourhood Plan Thanks to the team for their work, report will follow.

Welcome Pack Thanks to residents for volunteering to put a welcome pack together, these apparently small things can make a big different to people.

Speed in indicator devices (SID) These definitely continue to slow people down but maybe for only a 100 yards or so. Thanks to Andy Fewster for downloading and compiling the speed data.

NEWSLETTER – A question for the Assembly. The majority of *Newsletter* distribution was moved to email during Covid – for all those who submitted their email address and requested a pdf copy. It was felt to be the right way forward at the time. We'd now like to review this. Would you prefer hard copy?
Assembly discussion & comments

- Many people say they don't see the *Newsletter*, they forget it's on there on their phones.
- Would be good to know how many people do read it.
- Receive the email copy and then print it out, prefer to read on paper.
- Receive 90-odd emails in a day, one easily gets lost, or filed and forgotten
- Is a paper copy any different? Easily discarded. If on your phone, always there when you get a minute to read it.
- It is more expensive and more energy use overall if people are printing individually rather than using a professional print run
- A much bigger task for volunteer distributors to deliver to everyone.

Please give your views, contact any member of the Parish Council or clerk.cliddesden@parish.hants.gov.uk

EMERGENCY POWER – Question put to the Assembly. Is there value in an emergency plan for the village? For provision in the event of a major power cut for somewhere, like here, always with heat and light? Somewhere the Village can go to other than to hotels or relatives. Such emergencies will increasingly happen. The Parish Council is looking for feedback.

Comments

- The Village Hall was recently on the half grid that retained power, historically it has not suffered from power cuts.
- It's good to have a place people can come in the event of a major power failure. Good particularly for older people to know there is somewhere with power and also company.
- To consider issues: one is feasibility – circuitry, generator
- Another, is to decide what triggers an emergency
- And how does the Hall prioritise bookings versus community?
- If the Hall is without power, the insurance would cover compensation.
- Would take a very big generator to power all the Hall for a function.
- A generator could power and run the oil heating for a part of the hall – to provide a 'community power hub' – hot drinks and food and to power to charge phones etc.

ASSEMBLY AGREED UNANIMOUSLY to a feasibility study for a generator.

THE PARISH COUNCIL meets six times per year, it would be good to see more people. This is your village, your Parish Council really need to see and hear from you and the wider community.

REQUEST Looking for new Cliddesden columnist for the *Basingstoke Gazette*, if interested please contact Rachel Beresford-Davies.

Neighbourhood Plan Report to follow in July Newsletter



ARMED FORCES DAY CONVOY

25 June 2022

Charity fundraising event for the RBL Riders Branch based on the D-Day 75th anniversary convey.

Convey departs Southwick House, Southwick Park, 10am, arriving Milestones at approximately noon. We expect to pass the junction of the Farleigh Road Cliddesden and the A339 at 11.50am

Organised by volunteers on behalf of the Royal British Legion Riders Branch. We hope villagers will be able to turn out to watch this special event.

A 'welcome convey' event will be open at Milestones (event field adjacent – free admission) from 9am to 5pm with various activities.

Route and convey information

The convey will depart Southwick PO17 6EJ at 10am. The Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire will preside at the official start event.

Two motorcycle outriders will travel five minutes ahead of the convey.

A Ford Ranger safety vehicle will lead the sixty-vehicle convey. The lead vehicle will be followed by two Dodge Command Cars, from which Salutes will be given. Salutes will be acknowledged by Dignitaries at Wickham, West Meon, and Alton. A coach carrying veterans and guests will drive behind the Command Cars.

At the rear of the convey a contingent of Falklands Veterans will be riding as members of the Royal British Legion Riders Branch.

From Southwick the convey will travel via the B2177 to Wickham, along the A32 through Droxford, Corhampton, and Warnford, to arrive in West Meon at approximately 10.25am.

The journey continues to Privett, East Tisted and Farringdon to arrive at the A31 Alton at approximately 10.45am. The convey will continue along The Butts in Alton, then to the B3349 to Lasham Airfield where it will stop over until 11.40am. Then departing on the A339 for Milestones for a noon arrival.

This is a free public event, organised by Royal British Legion volunteers to coincide with Falklands 40th and HM the Queens Platinum Jubilee Year.

John Leete, Volunteer

See also

<https://mvt.org.uk/events/armed-forces-day-memorial-convey-2022-southwick-hampshire>

POLICE UPDATE FROM PCSO ANDY JONES

Cooking oil has been stolen from local licensed premises – this particular crime is at the moment is prevalent nationwide. Cooking oil once filtered is used as diesel equivalent. Police have been given some good CCTV footage, we have descriptions of vehicles as well as indexes and know where the vehicles are registered (out of county).

Offenders have visited relevant business addresses early in the morning or during the business day, wearing a high visibility tabard to look official – though with incorrect spelling of the name of the company they claim to represent!

Plant machinery is being targeted and in the last month three machines have been stolen from Weston Patrick and one from Upton Grey. Police have descriptions and part registration numbers of vehicles potentially involved, enquiries are ongoing.

Country Watch officers are issuing warnings that dogs should be kept on leads in rural areas. This follows a number of incidents of dogs chasing and in some cases attacking sheep; sheep can die of stress as well as injury. The owner or person in control of the dog can be prosecuted, and the dog can be shot by the farmer to end an attack.

Reporting to the Police

999 For when a Crime is Happening now. For example: 'Offenders are on the scene... / just left in a vehicle heading in direction... / make and colour of car is...'. Units will be deployed on 'blues & twos'.

101 For non-emergency, where nothing is lost by not having an immediate response. Example: 'Overnight my garage was broken into. Offenders are not on site.'

Online This way you can report in your own time without waiting on the phone; also photographs and other documents can be uploaded. To report – any crime, ASB, suspicious incident – searching Hampshire Constabulary reporting, will take you to the link <https://www.hampshire.police.uk/ro/report/> Or use the QR code below.



Dummer House rose garden tour and afternoon tea



A unique opportunity – book your tickets today!

CPRE Hampshire's North Hants District Group are delighted to invite you for a rose garden tour at Dummer House on **Wednesday 15th June 3pm.**

Taking place by the kind permission of Sir Crispin Davis, this is a great opportunity to view the seven-year-old transformation of the Old Kitchen Garden at Dummer House – now a beautiful walled rose garden with 831 David Austin roses planted in colour sequence.

The remainder of the garden is home to large herbaceous borders with mixed planting and lawns with wonderful views over the Hampshire countryside.

We ask that you arrive at 3pm for a 3.15pm start. Parking is on the roadside in Dummer, close to Dummer House and the nearby Church. The tour will be followed by afternoon tea and cakes organised by CPRE Hampshire's North Hampshire District Group.

Tickets are £20 per person inclusive of the tea. For tickets, please email Hannah at hannahhoustonlacey@yahoo.co.uk

All proceeds will go to CPRE Hampshire in helping to protect the beautiful Hampshire countryside.

<https://www.cprehampshire.org.uk/news/rosegardentourandtea/>



The countryside charity
Hampshire

OAKDOWN FARM, DUMMER WAREHOUSING APPLICATION

22/00667/FUL Refused 20th May, ref decision of Development Control Committee of 18th May. (Officer recommendation for approval.)

Land At Oakdown Farm, Winchester Road, Dummer RG23 7LR.

Demolition of three dwellings, outbuildings and related structures and proposed construction of commercial and industrial units (use class B8) with ancillary offices (use class E(g)(i)), associated infrastructure works (including parking and landscaping), and full details of site levels, access, drainage, tree retention and diversion of underground pipeline.

From your new Ward Councillor..

THANK YOU TO all who voted in the election, and however you cast your vote it is an honour to represent you. Please do contact me, no issue is too small..

You have all told me that you value access to nature and green space – in the town centre and our countryside. All are under threat like never before and I need your support as we work through the Local Plan Update over the next few months. A huge 'Thank you'.

People and places matter – not politics!

Kate Tuck, newly elected councillor for Basing & Upton Grey Ward

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BOB KEW (1928-2021)

A LIFE IN CLIDDESSEN

When Bob's family asked me to write a few words about his role in the life of Cliddesden, I thought that should be easy enough. I had after all known Bob for many years and worked with him on many village events. However, when I started to do some research I realised I didn't know the half of it. His involvement in village life was truly remarkable.

I'll start with the parish of St Leonard, because he was involved in the care and running of this church for so many years and influential in all aspects of church life. He was churchwarden from the late 1980s, ending with his retirement in 2002. For the later part of this period Margaret acted with him and one of their finest achievements was to devise and lead what became very popular family services. That was a real innovation.

He was always practical and hands on, doing maintenance and other work personally, beyond the call of duty. For example, he made the two noticeboards in the porch. He also made the high stool Ross Palmer uses when he plays guitar at services.

He pretty well singlehandedly organised the attendance of priests to take our services during the interregnum in 1994 and before the appointment of John Hamilton the following year. This is a really onerous job, finding a priest for every service!

It was Bob who was responsible for turning the greater part of the churchyard into a nature reserve, and for negotiating its designation as an official Site of Importance for Nature Conservation, or SINC. This was a great achievement and an enduring legacy for Bob. A noticeboard explaining the SINC is going to be put up in the churchyard, hopefully in the near future.

An interest nearly as great as the church was gardening. He was a real expert, grew masses of produce in his large garden, and took a great interest in the Three Villages Horticultural Society, initially as a triumphant exhibitor at the annual flower and vegetable shows and later in various roles on the Society's committee.

He also wrote articles about gardening in the village Newsletter which are still interesting to read, showing his deep knowledge. He wrote these articles under the pen name TREBOR, which probably didn't fool many people!

Speaking of the Newsletter, Bob was its second Editor when the founding Editor Wally Hatcher died in 1978. I think he was stepping into the breach to keep it going. His interesting editorials suggest he enjoyed the job, but he gave it up after only a couple of years to be succeeded by my wife, Shirley. Those were pioneering days for the Newsletter and Bob



played an important part in getting it established as the village institution we enjoy today. Another legacy.

I must also mention the football club, which he revived in the 1970s with the help of his friend Ralph Gates and which he kept going for some years through sheer persistence. I have been told he was manager, coach and referee! He wrote regular match reports in the Newsletter recording triumphs and disasters on the field. One year they missed promotion by a whisker and in another they were sadly relegated. My friend Brian Ballard, also closely involved, tells me that a real problem was that latterly they lost their pitch in Cliddesden and had to play on the public pitches in the Memorial Park and so lost village support and the club closed again in the 1980s.

Something I had forgotten about was that he got elected to the Cliddesden Parish Council in 1976, coming top of the poll in a rare election. Usually there are the same number of candidates as there are vacancies.

At about the same time Bob joined the Board of Managers at Cliddesden Primary school. He resigned from both after four years. Did even he feel he was taking on too much? I'm afraid I can't offer more information about these two activities, but there he is again, getting involved in yet more important village duties.

Naturally he was less active in his later years, although deep into old age and until not that many years ago, he could be seen in all weathers helping Ken with the maintenance of the grounds at the village hall, to be rewarded by tea and cake and a chat at Pat and Ken's. I think that is a good image on which to close.

Ben Maunder

Edited version of a tribute given at Bob's Memorial Service



Horticultural Society News for June 2022

Hello from Claire!

I had an amazing experience the other day – stepping outside at around 630 in the morning, a young stag was on the bank in the garden. We stared at each other for a few seconds, then he bounded away.

My first thought was ‘WOW, what a great way to start the day!’ My second thought was ‘I hope he wasn’t munching on my roses!’ I love all the wild creatures around us, however sometimes.....

Just because Mother Nature is taking care of the wildlife, flora and fauna, it doesn’t mean she can do everything by herself. Here are the top tips from the RHS about activities to enjoy in our gardens this month.

- 1: Position summer hanging baskets and containers outside
- 2: Be water-wise, especially in drought affected areas
- 3: Pinch out side shoots on tomatoes

4: Harvest lettuce, radish, other salads and early potatoes

5: Hoe borders regularly to keep down weeds

6: Mow lawns at least

once a week – however consider leaving some areas uncut for wildlife

7: Plant our summer bedding

8: Stake tall or floppy plants

9: Prune many spring-flowering shrubs

10: Shade greenhouses to keep them cool and prevent scorch



What's been happening?

**Sunday May 8th Plant Sale – Cliddesden
Millenium Hall 1pm**

‘Here we see some examples of that hard-working and undervalued breed – the committee’
Waiting for the off after setting up all the tables and sorting out all the plants.

Huge thank-yous to everyone who contributed plants, bought plants, came and asked questions, and generally made our sale a great success.

It’s always such a great occasion to meet up with old friends, find new ones, get a beautiful addition to the garden or pick up ‘something new to try’!

We thought there was going to be too many plants – and of course we were wrong!

With your help and support we raised £292 which goes towards the cost of speakers at our upcoming meetings, giving us even more to look forward to!



What's coming up

Thursday 26th May – Cliddesden Millenium Hall 745pm

Vegetable Gardening – Geoff Hawkins

Now you've bought your vegetable plants – how are you going to make the most of them??

Geoff hails from Alton, just down the road, and has 35 years' experience as Head Gardener at Mill Court.

His wealth of information about vegetable gardening will be welcomed by all, and I'm sure he will be able to answer those knotty problems – like 'Why do my parsnips end up looking like gargoyles?' and 'How do I get my potatoes to produce more than 3 or 4 spuds per plant?'

Guests are welcome to attend our meetings – entry is £2 for guests, £1 for members

Tea/coffee and biscuits available at the end, and there's a raffle.

Happy gardening!

Claire



100 Club

Hello members

big thank you to all who have continued with their membership and welcome to new members. The draw was called at the Coffee Morning at the Village Hall on 9th May 2022. Here are the lucky winners

April			May		
1st	174	Emma Carmichael	1st	19	Rosemary Beevers
2nd	294	Monica Tilley	2nd	438	Claire Jones
3rd	2	Don Vernon	3rd	408	Pauline Mendez

NEW MEMBERS are always welcome – contact me using the details below. Thanks again for everyone's support.

Rose Beevers Tel: 475944 (100club@cliddesdenhall.org.uk).

CLIDDESSEN WI

We held our AGM in May and our WI advisor Alison Woolford came along to oversee the proceedings, I gave my financial report which was proposed and seconded – always a relief!

Pauline, our secretary gave a comprehensive report on our activities over the last year. It was lovely to look back on what we had enjoyed over the months. Pat Doel then read her President's report and thanked members for their work over the last year. The 3 Officers had already expressed their desire to stand down but as yet nobody has stepped forward to take over the roles. Alison had to explain what would happen if these positions could not be filled and so it may be that the group could be suspended after March next year if this position remains the same.

We all enjoyed some nibbles before the ordinary meeting took place and we had a chance to have a natter with our friends. The new programme was distributed and I hope we have found speakers and activities that we will all enjoy. The highlight of the coming year will be our 100th birthday celebration in September which I think is a real achievement for our village.

Next meeting

Monday 20th June at 10.30am
'Elizabeth Garrett Anderson'
Speaker Ian Porter

Elizabeth Garrett Anderson was the first woman to qualify as a doctor and Mr Porter will be telling us all about the trials and tribulations she had to go through to achieve her ambitions.

Diane Rampton
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ST LEONARD'S CLIDDESSEN:



IN CELEBRATION OF ALL THINGS EUROPEAN

WITH WELCOMING HOSTS ACROSS THE
 VILLAGE

FROM 7.30 PM UNTIL LATE (12ish)

Tickets £12 each available from:



Miche Donaldson	475721
Nicki Barnes	07889 236175
Ben Maunder	327859

In aid of church funds

Beggarwood Surgery

News from the PPG (Patients Participation Group)

email: beggarwood.surgeryppg@btinternet.com

Update May 2022 As you are all aware our surgery is now being operated by the Operose Group of companies. This is the same group that operate the Camrose, Gillies and Hackwood (CGH) surgeries around our area. The transition from our former operator (NHUC) seems to have gone reasonably well with a couple of exceptions due not to Operose but NHS England. Obviously, the plan from Operose is to maximise their operation and we will eventually become fully absorbed into CGH partnership. This will have some benefits to the Beggarwood patients in that we can gain access to a broader range of services and holiday cover will be less traumatic etc. We, the Beggarwood PPG, are now aware of plans that Operose would like our PPG to join the larger CGH PPG and we are seeking your views on this proposal. This might mean that our 'voice' within Operose could become diminished but on a more positive note the CGH PPG could add extra weight to any problems that arise.

What are your views on this? Please give this some thought and use the Beggarwood email address given above and below to let us know your thoughts.

Good news in that staffing levels at Beggarwood, both in the number of doctors, nurses and support staff, are fully up to plan with any necessary temporary shortfalls either occupied by locums or from the wider Operose group.

Scams It has come to our attention that a particular scam involving Covid and the need to take a PCR test is being propagated via a NHS type text either sent supposedly from the surgery or NHS England. This fake text asks you to pay for the PCR test and requests your bank details. Be aware that NHS will NEVER ask you for payment in a text or an email.

Any Complaints? If you feel that you have not been dealt with correctly by the surgery or perhaps not had a good experience in dealing with either the surgery or a member of staff you can make a formal complaint. In Beggarwood's case the correct email address is :

NHCCG.BEGGARWOODSURGERY@NHS.NET or by phoning or visiting the surgery and asking for a formal complaint form. The surgery then has a set number of days to investigate the situation and respond to your complaint/comment. If you feel after receiving the reply that it did not meet your expectations or did not correctly respond to you then you can then escalate the problem to the NHS Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) again via email: NHCCG.COMPLAINTS@NHS.NET or NHCCG.ENQUIRIES@NHS.NET. The CCG will carry out its own investigation and report back to you.

PPG email address To gather a wider patient view of Beggarwood Surgery we have decided to publish a NON-MEDICAL email address that will be viewed by the PPG team so that we can correlate your views into our regular meetings with the practice. Suggestions for input might be:

- The ease of booking an appointment or call back
- The surgery waiting area environment
- Helpful suggestions for improvements within practice
- Feedback on the reception and medical staff.

We look forward to receiving your comments.

Once again, we stress this is for Non-Medical feedback as we are not medically trained and the email address will only be monitored on an irregular basis.

If you have an urgent medical problem please contact the surgery directly or ring 111. The email address is : beggarwood.surgeryppg@btinternet.com

Finally, we are always looking for new members to join our PPG and so if you would like to join please use the aforementioned email address to register your interest.

SOCIAL & ENTERTAINMENT CLUB

CLIDDESSEN MILLENNIUM VILLAGE HALL

Thursday 2 June 'Fisherman's Friends'
2019, 112 mins, Certificate 12



Fisherman's Friends is a 2019 British romantic comedy directed by Chris Foggin from a screenplay by Nick Moorcroft, Meg Leonard and Piers Ashworth. The film is based on a true story about a group of Cornish fishermen from Port Isaac who were signed by Universal Records and achieved a top 10 hit with their debut album of traditional sea shanties.

Stars Daniel Mays, James Purefoy, Tuppence Middleton, Noel Clarke, amongst others. Filmed in Port Isaac, Made into a musical which premiered in Truro in 2021.



Thursday 7 July, 'Murder on the Orient Express'
2017, 114 mins, Certificate PG.

Murder on the Orient Express is a 2017 mystery film directed by and starring Kenneth Branagh portraying Hercule Poirot with a screenplay by Michael Green, based on the 1934 novel of the same name by Agatha Christie.

The film stars a host of A-List actors including, Penélope Cruz, Willem Dafoe, Judi Dench, Johnny Depp, Derek Jacobi, Michelle Pfeiffer. The film is the fourth film and TV adaptation of Christie's novel.

The film grossed over \$351 million worldwide and received mixed reviews from critics, with praise for the performances of the cast and production values, but some criticism for the screenplay and for not adding anything new to previous adaptations. It gained many nominations for awards though not the major ones of the Academy awards, Golden Globes or BAFTAs. Rotten Tomatoes averaged the critics' ratings to 6/10.

All our films are suggested by members, so please suggest your own favourites and do come along, you'll have a good evening at the cinema amongst friends.

Films start at 8pm, bar opens at 7:30.

My thanks to those faithful people who help with each evening; running the bar and refreshments and taking the money. We ask for only £2pp for the evening to cover the cost of the DVD. All surpluses are donated to the Village Hall.

Hope to see you, Ted Dowson



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BDDF free postal newsletter service

Our mission as your local adult disability charity is to make sure we are reaching those who need us. Please can you help us to reach members in our community who don't have or want access to the internet?

We are hoping to reach more Disabled adults of all ages and those supporting the Disabled community in a caring capacity. Do you have a neighbour, friend or relative who would benefit from receiving a regular printed newsletter, posted direct to their address, full of information about services available to them in Basingstoke please contact me.

Leave your name & address on our secure voicemail by calling 01256 423869; or email Amanda@BDDF.org.uk, or drop a note into us at The Orchard, White Hart Lane. Amanda will arrange for a copy of our most recent newsletter to be posted. The newsletter as with all BDDF services are free to receive.

Please also advise if you require a certain format and we will do our best to accommodate.



Let's Move... at Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall

Free Seated Mobility Exercise Sessions to music from bygone eras for the elderly & disabled
 Free Tea & Talk after Let's Move - or just come along for the free social Tea & Talk

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 JUST BRING YOUR OWN WATER BOTTLE AND A SMILE

Farleigh Parish Playgroup

Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall

0 - 4 years old and their grown-ups



Friday Mornings 11-12 Term Time

10th, (not 17th), 24th June

1st, 8th, 15th (end of term party) July

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Cost: £2 donation per family

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Cliddesden Village Hall

- general caretaking duties
- letting hires in/out
- occasional late-night lock-up
- weekend work
- cleaning
- moving furniture



This is a paid position

If you would like to discuss further details please contact: 01256 475848 or vacancy@cliddesdenhall.org.uk

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