

**COOMBE BISSETT & HOMINGTON
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**QUEEN ELIZABETH 11
1926 - 2022**

We were all shocked to hear the news, of the passing, of Queen Elizabeth 11. She gave her life for her Country and never faltered; her legacy will live. An amazing lady. Having watched the funeral and the preceding day's events and even though it had been planned for many years, everything came together with precision. The full state funeral was a spectacular tribute to her and showed just how great the British are at pomp and ceremony. People of all ages and nationalities came together to be part of history and say; Thank You, Ma'am. Now we enter a new era with King Charles 111; God Save the King.

What a lovely summer! What a pleasure to be able to sit outside in the evening without a jumper and enjoy BBQ's and the like, with friends and family, without fear of whether it was going to rain or not. Autumn is now here, there is a chill in the air at night and we look to the annual tasks associated with putting the garden to bed and getting ready for winter.

As a child, I was mesmerised, by a print of a painting that hung on one of the walls. It was, I thought so sad. and thought provoking. It is called, Goodbye Old Man. A striking image of a soldier saying farewell to his injured horse during WW1. My grandfather had bought it many years before and it still hangs in my home. The painting was commissioned by the Blue Cross in 1916, to raise money, to help horses on active service. The artist was Fortunino Matania. The poem reproduced on page 4, I spoke to you in whispers, by Neil Andrew, brings the painting to life, and the words are particularly poignant as we approach Remembrance Day. We remember those who have served, suffered and died for their country, during all conflicts and those who are still suffering in wars and conflicts around the globe.

We welcome, Charlotte Moreton, to Harwood, Pennings Drove, Coombe Bissett. She's moved from Salisbury with her dog Yudi. She's an artist, art teacher and very involved with the AONB in this area. We hope she will be happy living in our community.

The winner of the competition in the last edition was Albert Bacon. He wins the voucher to be used at the Fox & Goose. The photo was of the former Methodist church at Homington. This one proved more difficult for some, so well done Albert.

R.B.L. Poppy Collection 2022. Coombe Bissett and Homington

This year the house to house collection begins on 28th October.

The collectors will start then and all contributions are gratefully received - Gift Aid contributions using the envelopes mean that the RBL charity can claim an extra 25%.
Remembrance Sunday is on 13th November.

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Chalke Valley Benefice



Parish of Coombe Bissett with Homington

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The Revd Canon Jenny Taylor – 503081

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I am writing this on the day after our Queen's funeral – what a time it has been. We have all gone through a tsunami of emotions and it seems as though we have been teetering on an edge. Communities have come together in the most touching of ways – just small gatherings of friends and neighbours, talking and weeping together. Our churches have been places of refuge, of prayer, of love and it felt so right that our condolence books were placed in these very special places

We are now in that surreal state of an ending which has become a beginning; the beginning of a new landscape - for our nation, for the commonwealth, for ourselves. A beginning that cannot simply linger on for we all have a sacred task before us. As she did so must we – serve and love each other so our communities become living tributes to our much loved and dearly departed Queen.

Thank you to everyone who made both our churches such welcoming places – and an especial thanks go to our magnificent bell-ringers and to Ron West who managed the smooth raising and lowering of the flag with exact precision!

At the end of September we welcomed the Revd Dr Ruth Howlett- Shipley as the latest addition to the Chalke Valley Clergy Team. We are absolutely delighted she has joined us and so look forward to working with her and I know she is looking forward to getting to know all of you.

And suddenly our Harvest Festivals have almost come and gone! We had a lovely service in St Mary's, Homington at the end of September and our Coombe Bissett service is on Sunday 9th October – you are, of course, all every welcome to join us!

Revd Canon Jenny Taylor

I spoke to you in whispers by Neil Andrew

As shells made the ground beneath us quake
We both trembled in that crater
A toxic muddy bloody lake
I spoke to you and pulled your ears
To try and quell your fearful eye
As bullets whizzed through the raindrops
And we watched the men around us die
I spoke to you in stable tones
A quiet tranquil voice
At least I volunteered to fight
You didn't get to make the choice
I spoke to you of old times
Perhaps you went before the plough
And pulled the haycart from the meadow
Far from where we're dying now
I spoke to you of grooming
Of when the ploughman made you shine
Not the shrapnel wounds and bleeding flanks
Mane filled with mud and wire and grime
I spoke to you of courage
As gas filled the Flanders air
Watched you struggle in the mud
Harness acting like a snare
I spoke to you of peaceful fields
Grazing beneath a setting sun
Time to rest your torn and tired body
Your working day is done
I spoke to you of promises
If from this maelstrom I survive
By pen and prose and poetry
I'll keep your sacrifice alive
I spoke to you of legacy
For when this hellish time is through
All those who hauled or charged or carried
Will be regarded heroes too
I spoke to you in dulcet tones
Your eye told me you understood
As I squeezed my trigger to bring you peace
The only way I could
And I spoke to you in whispers.....



Services in Chalke Valley Benefice – October 2022

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2 October 16th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am	Harvest Festival	Broad Chalke	Catherine Blundell
	9.30am	Harvest Festival	Britford	Jenny Taylor/Ruth H-S
	11.00am	Harvest Festival	Ebbesbourne Wake	Catherine Blundell
	11.00am	Harvest Festival	Coombe Bissett	Jenny Taylor
	11.00am	Harvest Festival	Odstock	Adrian Taylor/Ruth H-S
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP)	Berwick St John	Lay Led
9 October 17th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Bowerchalke	Catherine Blundell
	9.30am	Family Communion (CW)	Nunton	Ruth H-S
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)	Coombe Bissett	Jenny Taylor
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP)	Charlton All Saints	Rhoderick Voremberg
	11.00am	Harvest Festival	Alvediston	Biddy Trahair
	5.00pm	Harvest Festival	Fifield Bavant	Biddy Trahair
		Harvest Festival	Berwick St John	Catherine Blundell
16 October 18th Sunday after Trinity	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Bowerchalke	Catherine Blundell
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Bishopstone	Jenny Taylor/Ruth H-S
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Odstock	Kate Woolven
	9.45am	REFRESH!	Broad Chalke V Hall	Lay Led
	11.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP)	Ebbesbourne Wake	Biddy Trahair
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)	Homington	Jenny Taylor
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)	Berwick St John	C Blundell / Ruth H-S
23 October Last Sunday after Trinity	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Berwick St John	Kate Rosslyn Smith
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Charlton All Saints	Ruth H-S
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Broad Chalke	Catherine Blundell
	11.00am	Family Service	Nunton	Adrian Taylor
	11.00am	Parish Communion (CW)	Bishopstone	Jenny Taylor
	11.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Alvediston	Catherine Blundell
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)	Bowerchalke	Lay Led
6.00pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)	Homington	Ruth H-S	
30 October ALL SAINTS' DAY	10.00am	Benefice Communion (CW)	Charlton All Saints	Ruth H-S
	10.00am	Benefice Communion (CW)	Broad Chalke	Catherine Blundell
6 November 3rd Sunday before Advent	9.30am	Family Communion (CW)	Broad Chalke	Ruth H-S
	9.30am	Parish Communion (CW)	Britford	Jenny Taylor
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)	Ebbesbourne Wake	Catherine Blundell
	11.00am	Morning Service	Bishopstone	Sally Leaver
	11.00am	Family Communion (CW)	Coombe Bissett	Jenny Taylor/Ruth H-S
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13 November REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 	9.00am 10.00am 10.45am 10.45am 10.50am 10.50am 10.50am 11.20am	Holy Communion (CW) Remembrance Service Remembrance Service Remembrance Service Remembrance Service Remembrance Service Remembrance Service Remembrance Service	Coombe Bissett Berwick St John Bowerchalke Broad Chalke Bishopstone Coombe Bissett Odstock Alvediston	Jenny Taylor Lay Led Catherine Blundell Kate Woolven Jenny Taylor Tony Monds Ruth H-S David Blundell
20 November CHRIST THE KING	8.00am 9.30am 9.30am 9.45am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) REFRESH! Morning Prayer (BCP) Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW)	Bowerchalke Bishopstone Odstock Broad Chalke V Hall Ebbesbourne Wake Homington Berwick St John	Catherine Blundell Jenny Taylor Ruth H-S Lay Led Biddy Trahair Jenny Taylor Catherine Blundell
27 November First Sunday of Advent	9.00am 9.30am 9.30am 10.00am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Holy Communion (BCP) Parish Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Family Service Morning Prayer Family Service Parish Communion (CW) Holy Communion (BCP) Evening Prayer (BCP)	Berwick St John Charlton All Saints Broad Chalke Coombe Bissett Homington Nunton Bishopstone Alvediston Bowerchalke	Kate Rosslyn Smith Ruth H-S Kate Woolven Lay Led Ruth H-S Adrian Taylor Jenny Taylor Catherine Blundell Lay Led
4 December 2nd Sunday of Advent	9.30am 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am 11.00am	Family Communion (CW) Parish Communion (CW) Family Communion (CW) Family Communion (CW) Family Service Morning Prayer (BCP)	Broad Chalke Britford Ebbesbourne Wake Coombe Bissett Odstock Berwick St John	Ruth H-S Jenny Taylor Ruth H-S Jenny Taylor Adrian Taylor Lay Led

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**Thursday,
27th October**

News from the school

After the long, hot summer, we welcomed the children back for the new school year on 2nd September.

The school community has enjoyed getting to know our new entrants and their families. Welcome to *Alyssia, Florence, Ralph, Isabelle, Harriet, Petru, Chloe, Wilfred, Mia, Wyatt, Maisy, Toby, Frankie, Anyah, Harriet, Oliver, Tommy-Lee, Melaniia, Arya, Rufus, Ruby* and *Yehor*. They all look so smart in their new uniforms!

The learning is well underway already.

Oak class are singing and reciting nursery rhymes, exploring their exciting learning areas, paying attention to seasonal changes and have visits to the church and the cathedral to look forward to this term.

Traditional tales are being enjoyed in Elm class – both in their reading and their writing. They are also learning about the human body and what animals need to survive: excellent scientists!

Learning about animals including humans can be seen across KS2 as well. In Fir class, their focus is skeletons and movement whereas Ash have been learning about the circulatory system.

Both classes were involved in our own hustings as a range of excellent candidates stood for election to the key roles of chair, vice chair and secretary to the School Council. Once the ballot papers were counted, Jude, Sophia and Alice were duly elected and are looking forward to organising their first meeting.



An appeal

We are so fortunate that members of the community support our school through fundraising, hearing readers and running our school library. Their contributions are invaluable.

Do you think you could spare an hour a week to hear readers? We can offer training – if needed – and time spent sharing books with delightful company!

A message from Mr Coles:

Many of you will know Mr Berkeley Basinger-Adams who has been the Headteacher of Coombe Bissett Primary School for the last two and a half years. Unfortunately, Mr Basinger-Adams has not been well, and away from school, for a while, and has now resigned from his post to be able to concentrate on his recovery.

Everyone at Coombe Bissett Primary School recognises what Mr Basinger-Adams achieved in his time with us, and thanks him for his hard work whilst in post. We would like to thank the whole staff team who together worked with dedication and care to ensure that, in Mr Basinger-Adams' absence, the children continued to receive the high level of provision we are used to seeing. It had already been agreed that the Acting Headteacher, Mr Coles, will continue to support the school as decisions about the future are made.

Tennis Club Report

Janet Finniss 718346

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What a glorious summer with lots of tennis played. We had a very successful ladies tournament played on one of the hottest days. We started early, drank plenty of water and the eventual winner was Ruth Morgan. Two weeks ago we played the George Finniss mixed doubles tournament, the weather forecast was for rain but we managed to finish by mid-afternoon and still no rain! The winners were Carola Thomas and Adrian Plowman. At the time of writing, there is one game to be played in the Red Leader Competition. Watch this space for the winners.

The AGM will be held on Thursday 17 November, 2022 – 7.30pm in the Homington Room, Coombe Bissett & Homington Village Hall.

Club Sessions:

Wednesday	5.30pm	Mixed
Friday	10am	Ladies
Sunday	10am	Mixed

CB DIG 22



As some of you may know, this August there was an archaeological dig near Coombe Bissett to investigate an Iron Age/Roman site (approx. 300BC to 400+AD). The directors were Dr David Roberts of Cardiff University and Alyson Tanner, a local archaeologist, supported by Cardiff University, Salisbury Museum and the National Lottery Heritage Fund amongst others. One aim was involve the local community. We had a talk at the Village Hall and an Open Day, and this article hopes to inform those who weren't able to come to either of what was going on.

How the dig came to be

About 9 years ago, I met some metal detectorists working on a neighbouring field and invited them to cover our land. Over the next couple of years, they discovered a large number of low value Roman coins in quite a concentrated area on one field. We also had aerial photos showing a large square crop mark at the top of this field and the adjoining ones. David visited with the local Finds Liaison Officer, Richard Henry, with the idea of the location forming the basis of a MSc project. After an abortive start with another student, Alyson then undertook geophysics of the area which formed part of her MSc. My neighbour Hugh Cookson and I were keen to find out more, and after a delay due to COVID, Alyson finally organised a test dig last October with the help of the Wiltshire Archaeological Field Group. This involved picking six areas of interest from the geophysics results and digging small test trenches. The results were encouraging as we confirmed part of the ditch forming the large square and also a grain pit and grain drier along with pottery and animal bones. David visited the test dig and asked if we would mind the Cardiff University students coming in 2022 to do some more work on the site. I think at that stage he thought that there might be a shrine, which was very exciting!

Summer 2022

After a huge amount of work by David and Alyson to organise the project and raise the finances, the end of July saw us opening up the new trenches with a large digger, handled very skilfully by our friend Ted Barnes. As the soil was peeled back, it was amazing to see the dark patches appear on the white chalk as predicted by the geophys, only about 18 inches under the surface.

On the 1st August, the dig started in earnest with the arrival of the students and supervisors. Throughout the project, the students were taught a large range of skills relating to a dig, both in the classroom (a stable!) and in the field. I learnt a lot too, which I very much enjoyed. In the second and third week, numbers swelled as we were joined by volunteers ranging from the Field Group through to sixth formers and other first timers. The final week concentrated on post excavation tasks of preparing finds for storage and recording everything meticulously.

There were two smaller trenches downslope from the large main trench which covered about a quarter of the square enclosure. One was sited in an area where a lot of the coin finds seemed to come from, but only contained a small oven base. The other was next to the site of the grain drier we found in October and contained two or three more. These were later relabelled as malt ovens rather than grain driers, so beer was probably being brewed on the site.

The main trench contained a lot of pits! There were small pits, large grain storage pits backfilled with waste and washed in chalk and two water storage pits lined with clay. There was also evidence of two possible wooden buildings. The larger had a semi circular rain gully where the rain will have been shed from the sloped thatch roof. It was probably open fronted away from the prevailing weather and there were the remains of two ovens in the entrance. There were also malt ovens just outside of the square ditch. This enclosing ditch was about 1.4 m deep – the chalk which was dug out will have been piled inside forming a bank of similar size. There was also evidence of post holes suggesting a palisade on the eastern aspect so it would have been an impressive sight. Halfway along this side there was an entrance gap in the main ditch. The post holes in the gateway were large - there may have been a walkway above the palisade either side of the gate. The ditch appeared to have been short lived, soon refilling as the chalk bank was washed back in. What was interesting was that another oven was found which cut into the ditch fill, suggesting that life carried on as before after the ditch was abandoned.

There was also evidence of the wheel tracks and ruts of the Old Blandford Road which ran over the hill from medieval times through to the early 19th century in the main trench. Sadly, the ruts ran through the only grave found on site, removing the knees and feet and damaging the skull. The skeleton was found with arms crossed in a very shallow grave.

In the last few minutes of the final day of planned excavation, one of the students found an antler in a pit they were digging. This was deemed important enough to carry on in this one hole for the next week whilst the rest of the site was being recorded. The pit was very deep (1.6m) with antlers and animal bones in the bottom including a horse or deer skull with a pentangular stone inserted in its eye socket.

Going forward

There were very few metal finds – a few small coins, a simple Iron Age brooch and a late Roman belt buckle – but a quantity of pottery and bones. It seems likely that the original coins were not from a shrine but lost during the process of trade, and that the earlier work of the metal detectorists had found most of what there was to find.

The current theory is that the hilltop was a site for grain processing, storage, trade and celebration of harvest, probably only occupied for part of the year but was in use for many centuries. In the late 4th century, someone very powerful made his mark with the impressive square enclosure at a time when the area had become a very important source of grain for the Empire. However, the formal enclosure was short lived, and the locals soon went back to their old ways.

The story might change as the long process of sample analysis begins and we get a better idea of dates. I will let you know any significant updates. There are also plans for a CB Dig 22 community exhibition at Salisbury Museum in the spring. If you would like to get involved, please contact Alyson Tanner at alyson.tannertanner@btinternet.com.

In the meantime, I would like to thank everyone who worked on the project and who came to see what was going on.

Heather Royle

Know your Neighbours

If anyone would like to nominate a neighbour or is interested in being interviewed, please email me:

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Who Am I?

In this edition, our neighbour, (we think), is the eldest longest resident who was born in Coombe Bissett. He was born at Hill View Farm, Blandford Road in 1933. As well as a dairy farmer, his father sold coal and paraffin, so naturally, our resident was milking cows at 15yrs after he left Coombe Bissett College. He was taught how at Jack Tozers dairy in Homington, 1947.

His father's dairy had 20 cows, they all had to be milked by hand and were fetched down from the hill by his mum, in a specific manner called out by his dad, one at a time.

There were lots of little dairies and farms in the village then. Our resident was riding his bike along the road with his friend, John Musselwhite, and there was an open ditch filled with cow dung and smelly green slime running alongside the road. He pushed his friend into the ditch who got covered!! Our resident had to walk a different way to school for 3 weeks to avoid John's mum who laid waiting in the road, ready to clout him one!!

Our resident's dad would get into trouble for not sending him to school as he had to help on the farm a lot, attending to the cattle and helping with sheep fairs etc. Every time the attendance officer would visit, though, they would leave quite happy.....with a box of 6 eggs. Similar with the police officers funnily enough!!!!

Our neighbour liked to play cricket. The pitch at the time was in 'the bowl' on Blandford Road. They played on Saturday afternoons (Sundays were day of rest, though cows still had to be milked). Cakes were provided for cricket teas from the bakery in Homington and delivered to our neighbour, but he always took 2 before cricket started.



**Hill View Farm
Blandford Road**

Give Up?

Albert Bacon started driving lorries officially when he was 17 years old, but his dad had him driving a lorry when he was 14 from Rockbourne to Toyd Corner ("there wasn't much traffic in the war" Albert says) He was transporting livestock across the south of England. The business had two lorries; his elder brother Harold was also a driver.

In 1952 Albert met his one and only Brenda ("Bren") They were married in 1953 in Salisbury registry office (then in Blue Boar Row) and were together for 70 years.

They sold eggs to raise £500 over a 3-year period to build a bungalow in a field next door to Hill View Farm. Over Easter (4 days) they dug a trench with a pick and shovel and that was the beginning of Lyndale.



When Lyndale was built and Albert and Brenda were settled in, Albert's mum would come along and bang on the window to wake him up and get him to milk the cows in the mornings.

When Albert's dad died in 1971, Albert got rid of the dairy cows. They kept the beef cattle and still had the pigs, so he still had a busy day of getting up at 4am to feed them and then going off in his lorry at 5am and returning about 7pm.

Albert retired in 1997. He and Bren travelled all over Europe on coach trips, covering 40 trips over 20 years, then travelling to Tenerife numerous times once discovering flying!

You'll often see Albert sitting in front of his bungalow on the Blandford Road – if you do, give him a toot and a wave – all the lorry drivers do!

Nr Looe, Cornwall

Quick Fire Q&A

1. What was/is your nick name? *Rasher - my surname is Bacon!!!!*
2. If you could time travel, when would you go? *1952ish, when I found my Bren*
3. What is your pet hate? *People who drive up too close behind you*
4. What is your favourite TV programme? *I always watch the News, Loose Women*
5. What do you like most about living in CB & H? *Lived here all my life*
6. What is the silliest way you have been injured? *I was starting my Fordson tractor with the starting handle and it kicked back. The handle smacked me in my mouth and smashed my 2 front teeth out. I tried having 2 false ones but I didn't get on with them so now I don't bother.*
7. Where is your favourite place in the world? *Los Gigantes, Tenerife*
8. What is your favourite food/dish? *Roast Beef – with all the trimmings. Brenda was a great cook.*

9. What is the best piece of advice you have received? *Do your bills every month*
10. Would you rather.... Be born 100 years in the past or a 100years in the future? *100 years in the future. I was the first person to have a TV in the road, in 1953. It cost £80, it was black and white. People would come from Salisbury to watch SIX-FIVE Special on a Saturday evening. I was also the first person to buy a spin drier. I surprised Bren with it. She loved it!*



Thanks to Albert Bacon

Interviewed by Rachel Coombs

The information that has been gained from this interview has been validated and published with this person's permission

CHALKE VALLEY LINK SCHEME



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Goodbye Queen Elizabeth II and God save King Charles III

Having just watched Queen Elizabeth's funeral service with the fantastic arrangements of the procession and immaculate organisation of the armed forces, there is no doubt that nobody does the pomp and ceremony like the British. This was the best farewell a nation could give the Queen who will be sorely missed.

We wish King Charles all the best in his new role and I am sure he will lead the country with the same standards of the late Queen.

After coming out of the pandemic and a slow recovery from the last couple of years, we have had a glorious hot summer and this has helped the pub to reach two milestones during this period. In August we achieved our best day and best week sales since myself and Sue took over. We would like to thank all our customers who supported us then and now, for helping us to achieve these goals.

We would also like to thank our staff who, as you are probably aware, we have had staff shortages in the last few months, and the ones that have worked through the summer have had to work longer hours and days to keep the pub open.

We are still experiencing some disruption due to some staff shortages as we have been unable to offer food on Sunday evenings for a few weeks, with last food orders finishing at 5pm. We are hoping to resolve this as soon as possible. The pub will remain open for drinks on a Sunday until 9.30pm

After a gap due to holidays and sickness we are starting the Open Music nights again on the third Thursday of each month, the next one being on Thursday 20th October.

We will also be looking at some events in November such as some live entertainment and Quiz or Bingo evenings. Keep a look out on our Facebook page and adverts around the pub and village.

We will soon be starting to plan for Christmas and will be holding some Christmas music events during December. Details will be advertised soon and in the next edition of the Express.

Unfortunately, Mark Wyeth the local Salisbury knife sharpener will no longer be at the Fox and Goose due to health issues. We would like to thank Mark for his help in the past and wish him well.

Very best regards
Keith and Sue

CRESS FUNDED CLINIC IN NORTHERN UGANDA

Northern Uganda is one of the remaining pockets of global systemic poverty. Most of the community in which we work live under the \$2 a day mark and lacks basic infrastructure and resources. That is why it is nearly impossible for the Ugandan government to address the basic needs of the 1.4 million South Sudanese refugees who have fled to the area and why CRESS has stepped in opening and operating a Primary Health Care Clinic, Jehovah Rapa, which in 2021 saw over 12,000 patients and over 200 births.

It provides treatment for malaria, pneumonia, diarrhoea, diabetes, mellitus, hypertension, typhoid, brucellosis and other skin conditions. In addition, the clinic also provides vital pre and post-natal care. The CRESS clinic provides the most advanced services in a 3 hour radius and is the only urgent care option. The clinic works alongside the nearest government health centre to provide more advanced care.

WHAT IS HAPPENING AT THE CLINIC

Field Midwife

The clinic has appointed a new field midwife Nsimenta Asaba who joined the clinic team in May.

Asaba is dividing her time between the Mijale Clinic maternity work helping the midwife Bethy, who delivered 218 babies single-handedly in 2021, and also work in the refugee camps where there is no maternal health support.

In the camps she has already begun teaching about hygiene, family spacing, correct use of a

Eye Surgery

In June eye screening was carried out by eye doctors from Arua hospital, they travelled out to Mijale, some 100 kilometres away. They screened 234 patients. 43 patients were recommended to have glasses and others were seen with trachoma, degenerative diseases, allergies and glaucoma. Surgery was undertaken in July on 63 cataracts and 4 eye lids. The glasses were also given to their owners over the summer.

Roba's Story

"My first eye problems started in March 2021, My eyes were both affected, it hurts so much. The two eyes were not seeing completely. They have to move me with a guiding hand. It was so challenging. I struggled a lot.

When I received the news about the eye project for the Diocese of Liwolo, I was so excited and asked my people to take me to Mijale for the screening, which was done. And now, after the first operation of the the right eye, I can see again, am so grateful...

...After the operation of the second eye, I could not wait for the next day for the cotton to be removed, the following morning, about 9am, when the cotton was removed, I was so glad when both of my eyes could see."

WHERE YOU CAN HELP?

£10 A MONTH Goes toward Bethy, our midwife's salary... and match funding is available!

Donate: cressuk.org/donate

Or be an Ambassador for CRESS, talk to friends or share on social media - contact@cressuk.org

Coombe Bissett & Homington Drama Club

Present a Pantomime by Norman Robbins



Puss in Boots



Produced by Lynn Mills

At: COOMBE BISSETT VILLAGE HALL

Wednesday 7th December, 2022 at 7.30 p.m.

Thursday 8th December, 2022 at 7.30 p.m.

Friday 9th December, 2022 at 7.30 p.m.

Saturday 10th December, 2022 at 7.30 p.m.

(please be seated by 7.25 p.m. for all performances)

Adults £10.00 – Children £5.00

Box Office Open from Monday 7th November, 2022

Please telephone 01722 741354.

Tickets may then be collected from Coombe Bissett Stores

(by kind permission of Charles May)



Coombe Bissett & Homington Village Hall

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This will take place at the Village Hall on Monday 3rd October commencing at 7.30pm. Residents of the two villages are welcome to attend. If you wish to see the agenda or raise any items of business please contact the chair of the Management Committee by e mail at staddlebarn@gmail.com.

Regular Activities

PILATES – Each Tuesday at 9.30am, 3pm and 6pm

Low impact exercises which safely strengthen the body and improve flexibility.

Contact Claudine on 07788 587937

UPHOLSTERY – Tuesdays

Contact Melanie Robson on 07757 330251

BADMINTON CLUB – Each Wednesday at 8.00pm

Contact Jane White on 01722 718485 or Mary Ford on 01722 718670

ART CLASSES

For all abilities and media. Alternate Thursday mornings term time.

Contact: heatheroliver@btinternet.com.

FILM NIGHT – Third Thursday of each month

See separate flyer and notice board for details

PARKINSON'S SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB – Each Friday at 10.am

Especially for sufferers of Parkinson's disease

Contact Irene Clayton on 01722 239088

DRAMA CLUB

The Drama Club are starting panto rehearsals on Tuesday and Friday evenings at 7.30pm. Cheerful adults to join the chorus would be welcome as would help backstage with scenery, costumes, scene shifting, refreshments, lighting, and parking.

Contact Lynn Mills 01722718438;

Many private meetings, parties and activities are also held in the Village Hall. If you are interested in booking your own event our Booking Secretary can be contacted by e mail on cbvhbookings@gmail.com Further information is available via our web site at coombebissettandhomingtonvillagehall.weebly.com.

Don Morgan – Chair of the Village Hall Management Committee



Cricket Club

Don Hewlett don@coombebissett.com

The curtain has come down on another Summer of cricket at Shutts Lane. Yet another good season, with sixteen matches played, eleven won and five lost. With the long hot weather during most of the season, it is difficult to remember that no less than five games were lost during May & June due to rain. Our nerdy statistician, points out that since we reformed in 1980 there has been 852 matches played, 476 won, 274 lost & 102 drawn, with no less than 279 players during that time.

James Taylor broke the individual club record, with 222 v. Wookey Hole, Will Hewlett notched two tons, 101 v. Newport Gents & 102 v. Bournemouth Wanderers. Ganny Sankaran also weighed in with 124 v Redlynch. Our two fifteen years olds, Sid Coombs & Thomas Barrett both showed that the club has a bright future, with Thomas notching 75* v. Chairmans X1 & 81 v. Wimborne. Sid with 84 v. Bournemouth Schools Assn & 67 v. Singh X1. Dave Shaw played just the one match, to record his 100th appearance for the club, and told anyone who would listen, that he has now officially retired.

Our thanks go to our ever-generous patrons, without their continued generosity our club would find it difficult to survive, & to our Tea Ladies who provided banquets for the whole season, and to Sam Mould who organised them.

Special mention goes to our club stalwart & groundsman, Ian Newman who has produced belting pitches to bat on, and continues to keep the ground looking magnificent. It is rumoured that he was at the ground at 5am on one match day.

We now wait for one of our sponsors, Lawntech Ltd to arrive with their machinery to put the square to bed for the Winter.

Keep an eye out for fund raising events during the close season.

If there are any cricketers out there who wish to join us for next season, please get in touch, as you will be warmly welcomed.

Local Weather Diary 2022

Richard Allen 07768 942473

Week Ending		TEMPERATURES			RAINFALL
		Average Daily Maximum	Average Nightly Minimum	Average Mean	Total
		Deg C	Deg C	Deg C	Inches
July	3	21.2	14.9	18.1	2.13
	10	23.8	12.6	18.2	-
	17	26.5	13.7	20.1	-
	24	26.3	16.0	21.2	0.17
	31	23.8	14.1	19.0	-
August	7	23.6	14.6	19.1	-
	14	29.1	13.2	21.2	-
	21	23.2	16.1	19.7	1.26
	28	22.4	14.5	18.5	0.20
Sept	4	22.5	14.6	18.6	0.10

Monthly Figures

January	7.5	2.7	5.1	1.28
February	10.1	4.9	7.5	3.30
March	11.9	4.3	8.1	3.12
April	14.3	4.9	9.6	0.93
May	18.4	9.7	14.0	2.23
June	21.0	10.8	15.9	1.22
July	24.6	13.8	19.2	0.18
August	24.4	14.5	19.4	1.46

Year to date rainfall 13.72 inches

July

July was a dry, warm and sunny month which became hot mid-month.

Temperatures in the first few days were on the cool side and it took until 5th for the 21C 70F mark to be reached. Sunshine was on the low side. A heatwave lasting 12 days from 8th to 19th saw 10 days of practically continuous sunshine. Maximum temperatures averaged 28C 82F and reached 33.5C 92F on 18th and this turned out to be the hottest day of the year. On the 19th the temperature also broke the 90F mark with a maximum of 32.9C 91F. This was the day when the UK temperature record was broken in Lincolnshire where the temperature broke the 40C barrier (40.3C, 104.5F)

There was absolute drought between 2nd and 20th. The month's total rainfall was just 0.18 inches.

Following the heatwave, the rest of the month was warm and dry with varying amounts of sunshine. If you like a continental feel to the weather, July obliged.

August

The first week of August was warm with sunny periods and there were notably high minimum temperatures on 1st/ 2nd and 2nd/3rd each dropping only to 18.6C 65F. A second heatwave of the summer began on 7th and lasted for 9 days. During this time maxima averaged 28C 82F and exceeded 30C 86F on 4 consecutive days between 11th and 14th. There was a continental feel to the weather with a dry heat and warm evenings until it became humid on the last day of the heatwave. There was just about unbroken sunshine from dawn to dusk for all 9 days. On 16th the fine weather broke with cloud, high humidity and a thunderstorm in the afternoon which produced torrential rain totalling nearly an inch. There was a further heavy shower on 17th before the weather

improved for the second half of the month with temperatures in the mid 20's C and good amounts of sunshine on most days.

What a glorious Summer and what a shame we weren't allowed to enjoy it!

	2022	36year average	Ranking	Highest	Lowest
Maximum daily temp Deg C	23.3	21.5	3rd warmest	23.9 (1989)	20.1 (1993)
Minimum night temp Deg C	13.1	12.3	10th warmest	14.0 (2016)	10.8 (1988)
Mean 24hour temp Deg C	18.2	16.9	2nd warmest	18.6 (2018)	15.7 (1993/ 1998)
Rainfall (inches)	2.9	7.0	2nd driest	15.2 (2012)	1.9 (1995)
Sunshine Estimated hours	643	570	10 th sunniest	804 (2006)	400 (2012)

If we are to have a “good summer” we need a regular supply of areas of high pressure from the Azores which serve to block Atlantic weather fronts with their cool, cloudy and rainy conditions.

Every summer produces some areas of high pressure which last for varying amounts of time.

This summer produced a predominance of them and this led to a memorable summer of the type we know we can have but most years wait in vain to materialise.

It was the second warmest summer since my records started in 1987 and the second driest. It contained two heatwaves, one in July and one in August when warm, sometimes hot air was sucked up from north Africa.

Our fine summer had nothing to do with Global Warming, it was simply the result of weather patterns we have seen before and yet it seemed that every news bulletin and newspaper headline attributed the heatwaves and drought conditions to Global Warming. They frightened us into believing we were going to die from the heat and that even if we survived this year's attack we could look forward to more of the same in the future thanks to Global Warming.

I am not denying that Global Warming exists, my stats prove it is happening, nor am I denying the harmful effects it is having on our planet but there are too many influential but ignorant messengers mis- informing the public that every unusual weather occurrence is caused by climate change.

If you liked this Summer and I certainly did then you might get another one next year or you may have to wait for two more Prime Ministers before you can spend long summer evenings sat outside in the garden in shorts and tee shirts!

Century Hope 26.4.87 - 24.12.87

On clearing the Panama Canal, I decided to stay south of the Hawaiian Islands to miss the late November weather. The Pacific Ocean weather wise is very much like the Atlantic Ocean that it produces families of depressions one after the other.

Twenty-Four hours after leaving Panama we were 'weather routed'. This is an organisation that at considerable cost to the Company supply daily forecasts to ships whose owners have paid the fee. I had no option but to accept their advice. So instead of taking a westerly course I had to go North North Westerly. Through the Bering Straits into the Bering Sea, along the Aleutian Islands and down the Kamchatka Peninsula to Japan and Kashima.

The Bering Straits separates Russia from Alaska. The Bering Sea is separated from the North Pacific by the Aleutian Islands making it generally a fair-weather sea. It is also a shorter route being almost great circle more than Mercator, which is a straight line. (The shortest distant between two points is not a straight line.)

The weather was foul one depression after the other. We were due to arrive in Kashima on December 22nd but arrived on Christmas Day. Another Christmas missed! Each day we sent out progress and they gave us instructions. Day after day we made very little progress during about ten days, then we were finally released and told to take a Mercator Course to Kashima.

From Europe I got to know the British Offices pretty well, however the Chief Engineer had become a bit of a mystery. He had joined the Century Hope, immediately from the Century Progress, without taking any leave. He was a Geordie, married with three young children. It was my habit to have a gin and tonic with the Chief, my cabin then his. I found it useful to discuss the daily running of the ship and any problems that may occur. No matter how I tried he would always bring the subject up of 'his poor little children.' He certainly was misogynistic?? Apparently, his wife had gone to court. Told her tale, which prevented him from seeing his wife and children, and not allowed to come within a specified distance of them. It would appear that he had possibly assaulted her or all of them.

Every lunchtime he got worse and worse. One day he started on about my wife Eileen, who was onboard when he joined in Marseille. I threw a wobbler and grabbed the gin bottle, (empty), and found myself standing over him with the gin bottle in my hand. Fortunately, I came to my senses and on leaving his cabin never socialised with him again.

I left the Hope on Christmas Day arriving at Gatwick on the 27th. The Officers had decided to cancel Christmas and hold it on Boxing Day. When I left the Chief Officer had the turkey out of the galley oven and was vigorously basting it. The Chinese Company, 'Seashore Navigation,' sent a telegram to Eileen to say that I would be arriving at, 'London airport', at 12.30 on the 27th December. When she arrived at Heathrow, she found that my flight had just touched down at Gatwick. She managed to be at the gate at Gatwick a couple of minutes before I cleared customs.

Although that was the last time, I was to command a ship I did return to sea a couple of years later as Mate.

Seven months after leaving the Century Hope there was a short note in the Daily Telegraph, that on leaving Long Beach, the ships Chief Engineer walked into the wheel house picked up the VHF

phone and called the Coastguard, and told them the Master had been drinking. The Coast Guard immediately asked to speak to the Master. They told him to recall the Pilot and return to the anchorage. They took him ashore after breathalysing. The Pilot protesting saying the Master was not intoxicated and was fully in control of his ship. No matter, it is illegal to drink alcohol 12 hours before sailing. The ship was delayed for two days whilst they found another Master. The paper gave his name and town of residence. I obtained the telephone number from the library reference room and spoke to him to see if I could help. As soon as I give him my name, he recognised it from the correspondence file on the ship. It was as I suspected, the same Chief Engineer who had worked for me on the Century Hope. There was a very good chance that having committed a feeling he would not be allowed back into the United States again. Very difficult for a seafarer to continue at sea. I wrote to him explaining about the Chief Engineer but I have no knowledge of the outcome.

THE END

My story of my life at sea is complete, I hope you have enjoyed reading it.

Original work submitted from Chris Chelu

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Coombe Bissett and Homington Show

The Coombe Bissett and Homington Show

This year we had 43 entrants to the show (plus children from the school) and over 250 exhibits. Despite our scorching summer we still had a good display of fruit, vegetables and flowers at the show.

The flower arranging section was the star of the show this year, with 35 entries, which is more than ever before. Our special NAFAS National judge Michael Bowyer was impressed with the standard of entries.

It is nice to see some new names on the certificates and trophies including a 12 year old winning the best Victoria Sponge!

Thanks to the bakers who donated delicious cakes, which were enjoyed by everyone and for our raffle prize donors. We had a great raffle this year and hope the winners enjoy their prizes!

We look forward to building on the successes of this year and would love to expand and see more people take part next year!

A big thank you to all of our raffle prize donors this year

Coombe Bissett Blooms
Central Fruits
Chalk Valley Soaps
Dingham's Cook Shop, Salisbury
Majestic Wine, Salisbury
Paloma Lily, Wilton
Sainsbury's Store, Salisbury
Salisbury Golf Centre

Tesco Community, Salisbury
The Radnor Arms, Nunton
Volkswagen Heritage Garage, Salisbury
Waitrose Store, Salisbury
Wilton Garden Centre
Wilton House
Wilton Wholefoods

The Coombe Bissett and Homington Show - Saturday 17th September 2022 Winners

Section A - Flower arranging

1st	Nicky Green	12 points
2nd	Caroline Welfare	8 points
3rd	Sally Butterworth	6 points

Section B - Vegetables (Landale Cup)

1st	Mary Ford	50 points
2nd	James Butterworth	28 points
3rd	Heather Scutt	16 points

Mary Ford cup - Hugh Bond

Section C - Fruit (Fruit Cup)

1st	Hugh Bond	8 points
2nd	Heather Scutt	6 points
Joint 3rd	Josephine Allenby and Margaret Waters	5 points

Section D - Flowers and Pot Plants

1st	Mary Ford	17 points
2nd	Julian Hemmine	15 points
3rd	Ann Hewlett	13 points

The Parry Cup for roses - Joint winners Heather Scutt and Margaret Waters

Section E - Preserves and Sauces (Preserves Cup)

1st	Sarah Imms	13 points
2nd	Sally Butterworth	10 points
Joint 3rd	Kate Pendlenton and Kate Shinn	6 points

Section F - Cookery and Eggs (Cookery Cup Classes)

1st	Kate Pendlenton	21 points
2nd	James Baird	11 points
3rd	Janet Finniss	8 points

Westley Cole cup

1st	Nick Bird
2nd	Emily Welfare

Chris Baughan trophy (eggs)

1st Hugh Bond
2nd Abigail Bird
3rd Esme Evans

Section G - Drinks (Trophy)

1st Caroline Welfare
Joint 2nd Josephine Allenby and Kate Pendlenton

Section H - Children

0 - 4 years olds

1st Ralph Pendlenton
2nd Harriet Rendell
3rd Mia Voce
Highly Commended Florence Withey

5 - 7 years olds

Joint 1st Charlie Norton and Jemima Patterson
Joint 2nd Miles Coggins and Molly Butterworth
3rd Gracie-Mae Tonkin-Brown
Highly Commended Esme Evans, Leo Pugh and Freya Macauley

8 - 11 years olds

1st Isobel Scutt
2nd Jonty Simpson
3rd Eadric Webster
Highly Commended Ted Pendlenton

12 - 18 years olds

1st James Gabriel
2nd Emily Welfare

Macaulay Cup

Jemima Paterson

Section I- Photography (Photography Cup)

1st Kate Pendlenton
2nd James Gabriel





BISHOPSTONE VILLAGE HALL

October 2022 EVENTS

LATEST COVID ADVICE:

While there are no longer any official restrictions we would ask everyone to respect others and not to come to the hall if they have any symptoms or recent close contact with an infected person.

BISHOPSTONE COMMUNITY CAFE

Coffee Mornings are normally held on alternate Thursdays. Dates for the coming period are the **13th & 27th October and the 10th & 24th November, 10.30am until 12.00noon**. Everyone is welcome to look in for a coffee and chat. There is presently no charge for refreshments.

MOVIOLA at Bishopstone

October 28th "Operation Mincemeat"

The film, directed by John Madden and written by Michelle Ashford, is based on Ben Macintyre's 2010 book "Operation Mincemeat: The True Spy Story That Changed the Course of World War II." The film stars Colin Firth, Kelly Macdonald, Matthew Macfadyen, Penelope Wilton, Johnny Flynn and Jason Isaacs.

Doors open at 7pm with the film commencing at 7.30pm Entry for the film is **£6.00**. If possible, please book in advance with Caroline Ash on (01722) 781044. A cash bar with snacks and ices will be available.

Further films will be:

November 25th "Phantom of the Open"

BISHOPSTONE COMMUNITY LUNCHES

A home-cooked lunch is served monthly from October until April.

12.00 noon for 12.30 pm.

Advance booking is essential. Please telephone Caroline Ash on (01722) 781044 and advise her of any dietary requirements. The cost is £7.50 for a two-course lunch and a drink. Time as usual:

The next lunch is on **Wednesday October 5th** with a talk by Sheila Crone on "UK's Only International Garden Festival". In **November**, the lunch will be on **Wednesday 2nd** and Ashley Jones will be talking about "Fraud Safety in Everyday Life".

SUNSET CAFÉ STOMPERS

Saturday 12th November 2022

We are delighted to have booked a return show of the popular Sunset Cafe Stompers. Early booking is strongly advised as numbers are limited. Tickets are £15 each plus optional supper £5.

Doors and bar open 7pm for 7.30pm start

To make a booking, please contact Caroline Ash on (01722) 781044 or Sue Taylor on (01722) 780316.

Christmas Fayre

The Christmas Fayre this year will be held on **Friday 2nd December 2022** with all the usual stalls and refreshments. Local craft stallholders welcome. Contact Margaret Barter on (01722) 780471 to book a table

HALL BOOKINGS FOR SOCIAL EVENTS AND WORKSHOPS

Both halls are available for hire. To enquire or make a booking, please contact the bookings secretary Margaret Barter (01722) 780471

BABY AND TODDLER PLAYGROUP

The playgroup meets on Friday mornings during term time from 9.30 – 11.00 am. Find further information on our Facebook page *Bishopstone Playgroup*.

"EXTEND" EXERCISE CLASSES

For further information about these exercise classes contact Jenny on 01722 780863, email:

jennyberwynjones@yahoo.co.uk

PILATES AT BISHOPSTONE

For further information contact Claudine on 07788 587937 or email: claudineblake@aol.com

YOGA WITH HANNAH

For more details please contact Hannah Stocker on 0773 856 1888 or by email:

yoga_with_hannah@outlook.com.

SARUM SPINNERS AND WEAVERS

For more detail about the group please contact Les Smith on 01722 780761.