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**July
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JULY 2007

We're all going on a summer holiday !! Suitcases, buckets, spades and rubber rings litter the doorways of Magazine Mansions as we all prepare to take our traditional month off. Following refreshment of the staff the Peerless Publication will pop through letter-boxes again in the early days of Srptember. Here's Hilary.....

Ponderings

This is being prepared somewhat ahead of the usual deadline, as Household Male and myself are off in the camper to explore the hinterland. As the wretched arm has not yet healed, our activities are somewhat restricted so the folding camper is the only option available to us at the moment. This is not a problem as we do live in a beautiful country, which we do not explore enough. We are therefore heading north (sort of) to Shropshire, a county about which I know very little, except that it was the site of our very first camper expedition. We were much impressed, so we are off to explore a bit more thoroughly. The weather forecast is suitably dire, so we are bound to get wet, but who cares?!



Spring Watch is well under way on the television, and I felt like it was happening in my own home last week. Household Male had been out to buy some more bird food, and I had left the back door open. On his return, he put the food down in the kitchen, and left it there. A daft blackbird decided to venture into the kitchen to help himself. HM came to the rescue, as I do not do birds at close quarters, and the resulting mess took the best part of a morning to clear up. I was not amused. I admire our feathered friends from a respectful distance, but do not want to give them house room. We also had the case of the lonely heron the other day, who came to rest on Rob Tyre's roof. Now I know that herons are not the same as storks, but they look very similar from a distance, and it gave me quite a turn. Not half as much as Rob and Ros, I'll be bound!

Congratulations go to Mandy and Simon Gilbert at 1 Newleaze Park on the birth of a son, Thomas James. I am still tempted to ask, when hearing of a new birth, "is it a boy or a child?" but that is not really fair, as the sexes can be equally frustrating in the child-rearing stakes. This little chap is very good, apparently, and has been reading all the right child-care books. We now move on to the Grandparent Stakes, which has been strengthened, in every sense, by the birth of a grandson, Milo, to our illustrious Editor. He weighed in at a wapping 10 lbs 2 ozs, and daughter-in-law Rebecca deserves every woman's sympathy. Wow. I will say no more!

I know that I can be a bit behind in the welcoming to Broughton Gifford department, but I would like to send belated welcomes to Sarah Jackson, who arrived in Newleaze Park some time ago. Sorry about the delay, Sarah, but I thought I had better get them in before congratulations were due on the changing of the name to Childe. I promise that those congratulations will be a bit more timely! I have also been told of another set of arrivals in Newleaze Park, Dean and Emma with William and Antonia, so we welcome you also.

This is the last Peerless Publication to grace your doorstep until September, as we do not function in August. In times past it used to clash too much with school holidays and packing, and although this is no longer an issue for me, old habits die hard. Peter will therefore be truly

delighted to hear from you all by 19th August, no later! I know from bitter experience that dilatory contributions can really throw a spanner in the magazine works, both from editorial and printing perspectives.

Have a good summer, folks.

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REPORT OF BROUGHTON GIFFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - 6TH JUNE 2007

Mr Hooper sent his apologies as he was busy silage making. Mr Coward and Mr Hall were both away on holiday. District Councillor Ernie Clark and ex-District Councillor Duncan Hames were both present for part of the meeting.

The Clerk had checked on the ENCAMS website and advised the training courses for enforcement of the Dog Control Orders were held in the major cities and cost approx £200 per person. The Clerk had subsequently enquired with the District Council to see if it would be holding any training events for its staff and whether it would consider allowing representatives from parish councils to attend to reduce the costs to both councils. As yet no response had been received. Operations Manager at WWDC, Graeme Lawes had advised that the provision of suitable bins was not an issue but the cost and frequency of emptying them causes the problem. The Parish Council could help by perhaps emptying them itself and WWDC provide a commercial bin to be emptied on a bi-weekly basis or as required to put the sacks into. The Parish Council thought the District Council was manoeuvring out of its responsibility to collect this waste and would insist that it carries out this task as it does in all the local towns.

Wiltshire Highways has been reminded about the repairs promised outside 27A The Street.

Codford Parish Council had sent some documentation regarding its campaign to achieve affordable housing in its village. Unfortunately these were very specific to the actual planning applications involved in Codford and would be of little help to Broughton Gifford. However, Mr Gurney took the details to read and pass on to other members before considering inviting members of Codford Parish Council along to a future meeting. Mr Gurney asked for a letter of thanks to be sent. The Clerk had made contact with West Wilts Housing Society New Initiatives Manager, Paul Walsh asking for a progress report. He confirmed that he was still negotiating with the land owners, who had some specific requests which he was trying to accommodate before signing the transfer documents. Draft plans for about 11/12 units had been prepared and as soon as the land transfer had been given the go ahead he would bring these to the Parish Council for its consideration and suggestions. He reassured the Parish Council that things were going on behind the scenes to progress the matter.

It was confirmed that electrical work had been completed at D Mortimer & Sons allowing the units to be connected to the mains overnight, resulting in a huge reduction in the level of noise. The Parish Council took this opportunity of thanking Mr Hames for his help in this matter.

Mr Atkins had read the booklet 'We're Ready..' produced by Wilts County Council in its efforts to become a single unitary authority. Mr Atkins asked how much all this campaign was costing and advised that there was nothing in the document to convince anybody of the rationale of having one unitary authority. He was open to be convinced before reading the document but was thoroughly unconvinced afterwards with little evidence being provided to substantiate the County Council's cause. Mr Hames stated the document seemed to have been prepared specifically for what central government would want to read. Neighbouring authorities such as Somerset had arranged a public referendum to engage local people in the process, a path down which Wiltshire had neglected to go. These comments would be passed onto both the county and District Councils.

Mr Gurney welcomed Mr Clark as our new District Councillor and invited him to speak. Mr Clark confirmed that the District Council is now Conservative controlled with 26 Councillors, 14 Liberal Democrats and 4 Independent, one of which was himself. Avonside is covered by all three groups with Trevor Carbin (LibDem) and Dave Binding (Con) being the other two Councillors. Mr Clark was recently elected Chairman of the Planning Committee at WWDC Annual Meeting. The two major issues at WWDC are the attempt by WCC to get Wiltshire to become a unitary authority and the waste disposal system. The new WWDC will be discussing what changes to make (if any) to the waste bins at its next meeting which is taking place this evening. Mr Atkins confirmed that Mr Clark had prepared a small article for the Village Magazine and as long as it remained non-political he is more than willing for this to be an ongoing contribution. Mr Clark and Mr Carbin would try and get a rota going of who would be turning up at the various parish council meetings in the Avonside ward.

Mr Gurney invited Duncan Hames to speak. Mr Hames attended this meeting to officially 'sign-off' his work with the Parish Council since he did not stand in the last election. He confirmed that the members had been very friendly and he had enjoyed working with the Council during his time as its District Councillor. He did not wish to disrespect his successors, who have their own job to do, but hopes the Parish Council feels it can contact him on any matters that he can assist in, as he will remain active in the local area being a prospective parliamentary candidate for the LibDems. Mr

Gurney thanked Mr Hames for all his work on the Parish Council's behalf and wished him well in the future. Mr Hames then left the meeting.

All Parish Councillors were supplied with a Revised Code of Conduct for Members at the last meeting. Mr Gurney proposed the Parish Council adopt the new Code of Conduct, including paragraph 12(2), which gives members with a prejudicial interest the same rights as members of the public to speak to a meeting on an issue, then leave before the main discussion and vote. This was unanimously agreed by the Parish Council. The Standards Board would be advised accordingly.

A letter had been received from a resident of The Common requesting the Parish Council's support for traffic calming measures to be installed to reduce incidents of speeding along the Common Road following several 'near misses' and for the footways to be extended down to the Baptist Chapel, Scout Hut and Post Office/The Bell. Mr Pitts confirmed that many drivers ignore the 30 mph speed limit. One of the best traffic calming methods was to allow parking of cars on along the highway but it was unlikely to be successful as it would inhibit access for tractors and other large vehicles. It was agreed to bring this matter to the attention of the Police requesting some action and invite PC Martin Rae to attend a meeting. The footpath was purposely ended where it does to enable people to cross over to access Willow Crescent at a point with the best visibility in both directions, but extending it was being considered as a Village Project, although it was felt that any extension may result in cars being parked on it. The resident would be thanked for his letter and advised that the Parish Council was looking into the matter.

A couple of parishioners had given their full support to the vast improvement made to the grass verge outside 25A The Street, with the planting of small shrubs. The Clerk had obtained an extract from the records held at Land Registry in respect of 25A the Street, which includes the grass verge to be within the curtilage of the property. However, further clarification would be obtained from the Land Registry regarding changes in property boundaries.

Community First had sent details of an environmental scheme promoting climate change issues in local communities. Free training courses for 'Community Champion's' were on offer to help community groups take simple everyday actions that will benefit themselves and help create a cleaner, greener, fairer and safer community at the same time.

The Willow Crescent sign had been re-installed and totally renovated. A thank you letter would be sent to Mr Harding.

Planning - The Compliance Officer from WWDC had written regarding the activities of Pickwick Caravans on land adjoining Hayleyan Farm. The letter stated that all current activities fell within the planning permission granted for the site (Class B1 – light industry, offices not within Class A2 and Class B8 – wholesale warehouse, distribution centres, repositories). These include caravan, motor home and trailer servicing, caravan/motor home repairs, supply of parts and accessories and caravan brokerage by selling products on the internet. These caravans are not sold or stored on the site and that activities will be monitored to ensure that the ancillary nature of the shop area does not develop into a retail outlet. The Parish Council is aware of at least one parishioner who has bought a caravan directly from the site indicating it to be a retail outlet already and that the operator appeared to be abusing this 'loop-hole' in the system. The Parish Council would ask that if it could prove a sale directly from the site had taken place, would this be in contravention to the permission that had been granted. The application for improvements to the existing extension at 35 The Common had been refused by the District Council as it would create an incongruous and unsympathetic addition that would be harmful to the balance and symmetrical appearance of the host building. The application for a detached double garage at 91 The Common had gone to the Planning Committee on 31st May 2007. The Clerk had not received notification of the decision but the Planning Officer had reluctantly recommended it for permission. An application for a single storey rear extension at 79 The Common had been received. Mrs Jarvis and Mr Pitts declared an interest. The Parish Council objects to the front of the property being changed at all. The rear extension extends out quite a bit and the Parish Council considers that the application should have due regard for the existing rights of way at the rear for the neighbouring properties. An application for a single storey front extension to provide enlarged bedroom with en-suite and a further bedroom at 25A The Street had been received. The Parish Council supports this application. An application for a new house on land adjacent to the Manor House had been received. This is a renewal of an application previously given permission, but which has now lapsed. The proposed bungalow was very extensive but will not be visible from the road. The Parish Council did not object in principle to the site being used for housing. However, the Parish Council had reservations about the size of the proposed building possibly being an over-development of the site, with no visible car parking allowance for possibly up to 4 cars. The Parish Council would anticipate that as permission has lapsed, this application will be judged on the current planning policy

criteria and that if given permission would have to have consideration for affordable housing provision. An application for an extension to conservatory at 84 The Common had been received. Mr Gurney declared an interest and Mr Atkins took the Chair. The Parish Council had no objections and Mr Gurney re-took the Chair. An application for works to be carried out on 2 willow trees at the rear of 120 The Street had been received. One tree was to be felled and one pollarded. The Parish Council had no objections. The Planning Officer in charge of the application for a two storey extension to the south elevation of 149 The Street together with off road parking area, had specifically requested if the Parish Council could review its comments regarding the application in light of the new information provided by the applicant. This was to avoid the application being referred to the Planning Committee. The Clerk had found no reference included in the Parish Council's Standing Orders or relevant reference books stating that a matter could not be re-discussed until 6 months after a resolution had been passed. Clarification had been sought from the WALC but had not yet been received. The Parish Council would still object to the application on the grounds of the off road parking provision but reviewed its comments regarding the obscuring of light from a neighbour since the window was actually the applicant's. No response had been received on the activities including apparent car storage on land near Reeds Yard at Challymead and the Compliance Officer would be chased on this matter as the 40 days had now passed.

Mr Atkins raised the matter that the Clerk and her neighbours had been without a phone line for over two weeks and requested a letter of complaint to be sent to British Telecom as this was unacceptable as a working phone line was vital to rural communities, especially to its vulnerable residents.

At 10.25 pm Mr Gurney adjourned the meeting until Wednesday 13th June 2007.

REPORT OF RE-CONVENED MEETING – 13TH JUNE 2007

Mr Pitts sent his apologies.

Village Projects - Newleaze Park Footpath – initial quote for scalplings and shuttering was in the region of £1400. Mr Atkins was proposing a self-help project of laying 3' wide paving slabs on mortar for about £800. Two manhole covers on the line of the path posed a slight problem but these could be covered with removable slabs. More research would be done before any decision was taken.

Footpath across top of the Common (outside 76 to 98) – patches of usable path and some areas of broken up concrete – overall condition of this path is poor.

Continue footpath along edge of Common to Chapel Track or down to The Bell – the path was not initially continued down because it was meant to link up with the pavement on the opposite side of the road leading to Willow Crescent. Cars already park on the edge of the 'triangle' of Common where path would be installed so it was likely to either be obstructed or damaged by vehicles.

Pond on the Common outside number 87 – Mr Gurney stated this was likely to be completed at no expense to the Parish Council and was not a Village Project.

Parking area opposite The Bell – Mr Cadwallader from Wilts County Council had been asked about scalplings here some time ago but problems of supply had resulted in no progress. It was agreed to ask Mr Cadwallader for another meeting to discuss various matters in the Village again and he would be asked to provide some suitably convenient dates.

Extending the parking area outside The Methodist Church – this was to increase the parking facilities for the users of the Church and provide more off-street parking. Mr Cadwallader would be asked about this area also.

Co-option to fill two vacancies - The Clerk advised that 4 people had expressed an interest in these posts. The Clerk had invited all candidates to apply in writing to the Parish Council giving some information about themselves and how they think they can contribute as a member. The Parish Council was already aware of the interest of Ms Samantha Read of Curtis Orchard as she had stated an interest several times before the election and had also been to several meetings both to participate and to observe. The Parish Council agreed to co-opt Ms Read straight away and the other three candidates would apply for the one remaining post.

Mr Young had advised Mr Gurney that he finished digging out the ditches leading to Leechpool Farm. Large bits of rubble had been dumped in the area of Footpath 18. Barbara Burke and Richard Broadhurst of WCC would be advised and asked whether this is legally permitted on agricultural land/green fields, especially near a public right of way, as current building regulations stipulate that this type of waste should be crushed and suitably disposed of, preferably recycled, not dumped in a field. A copy of this letter would be sent to Steve Leonard.

The official launch of the Community Bus would be on Saturday 30th June 2007 outside Melksham Town Hall.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 4th July 2007 at 7.30 pm in the Committee Room of the Village Hall.

THANK YOU

The Parish Council would like to take this opportunity of saying a very big thank you to Mrs Kathy Wright and Mr Tony Taylor who have both stepped down from the Parish Council. Between them they donated 40 years of dedicated service to our community for which we give them our sincere gratitude on behalf of the whole Village. We wish them both very best wishes for the future.

PARISH COUNCIL NOTICE

The Parish Council requests that all residents of the Village ensure that vegetation from their properties, including trees, shrubs and grass, which overhangs or encroaches on the footpaths and pavements are trimmed back regularly to avoid causing nuisance and risk to passing pedestrians/cyclists. These include hedges which should be regularly clipped back so that they do not impede access to adjoining pavements. Any plants coming from your property should be maintained and kept under control so that the pavements are kept clear at all times.

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Andrew writes

I like quotes. Do any of these appeal to you?

- Many people will walk in and out of your life, but only true friends will leave footprints in your heart.
- Beautiful young people are accidents of nature, but beautiful old people are works of art.
- If you ever think you are too small to be effective, you've never been in bed with a mosquito.
- What you are is God's gift to you. What you become is your gift to God.
- Silence is evidence of a superb command of the English language.
- Every Christian occupies some kind of pulpit and preaches some kind of sermon every day.

Each of these quotes are worthy of a second look, and deeper contemplation. But a second look may also reveal to us our own shortcomings. With some of these quotes, whilst we can discern the wisdom in the words, realistically we lack the power to be the type of person they encourage us to aspire to be.

The followers of Jesus came to the same realisation. It was one thing aspiring to be like Jesus, whilst he was living along side them, but when he died; they knew they could not carry on this path without him.

If you are anything like me, you have probably come to the same realisation yourself. Like me, you may have made new starts in life. You have resolved with yourself to be different and whether the energy for such a change has come from the impetus of the start of a new year, or a change in life circumstances that enabled you to see things in a different light, you have set out on a new course. The difficulty is to keep up the momentum.

Jesus said to his disciples before his death that he would not leave them as orphans, but that he would send his Holy Spirit to be a comforter to them in life. To his disciples, he was talking in riddles. Those riddles were only solved when they experienced the Holy Spirit and realised that through the Spirit's power they had the power to hold their course, and through the Spirit's presence in their lives, they had the presence of Jesus still with them as they travelled through life.

A few weeks back, in churches throughout the world, Christians celebrated the coming of the Holy Spirit at the festival of Pentecost. Christians are still experiencing the power to be different and the comforting presence of the Holy Spirit. Are you interested?

Come on an Alpha Course in September. Contact me to find out more 782289.

And I also want to mention to you that we have a Children's Holiday Club going on in the mornings from 13th to 17th August in St Mary's school building. You need to register your children in advance as places are limited. All the children at the school will receive a registration form through their school bags. If your children go to another school, contact me for a registration form.

With Every Blessing

Andrew

July

- 3rd 9.30 am - 3 pm Quiet Garden at Great Chalfield. Bring your own packed lunch. Led meditation at 1 pm by Creddie Hart.
7.30 pm. Alpha Supper at Holt Village Hall. Please telephone Andrew 782289 if you are coming.
- 14th 6.30 pm - midnight Bombay Duck Races at Phillis Cottage, Holt. Tickets Adult £10, Child £5. Family (4) £25 in aid of the Benefice Churches.

August

- 12th 10.00 St Mary's Patronal Parish Communion followed by lunch in the Village Hall, and Evensong at 4.30 pm. All welcome.
- 13th - 17th Waste Watchers Children's Holiday Club, St. Mary's, Broughton Gifford Primary School. For details contact Elizabeth Bennett 783119 or Ann Fielden 782509.
- 19th 10 am Holiday Club Service at the Village Hall, Broughton Gifford. All welcome.

SUNDAY SERVICES

	ST KATHARINE'S HOLT	ST MARY'S BROUGHTON GIFFORD	ALL SAINTS GREAT CHALFIELD
July 1 st	9.00 am HC 10.30 am AAW	10.00 am MS	6.00 pm E
8 th	10.30 am PC	10.00 am MS	11.00 am HC
15 th	10.30 am AAW	8.45 am HC 10.00 am MS Open Air on The Common Methodist Chapel if wet. 6.00 pm Immanuel Service	11.00 am M
22 nd	10.30 am AAW 6.00 pm ChE	10.00 am PC	9.00 am HC
29 th	10.30 am Ecumenical Service at URC Holt	St Katharine's, St Mary's and All Saints' please join the Ecumenical Service at the URC, Holt.	
August 5 th	9.00 am HC 10.30 am AAW	10.00 am MS	6.00 pm E
12 th	10.30 am PC	10.00 am PC Patronal 4.30 pm E Patronal	11.00 am HC
19 th	10.30 am AAW	10.00 am Holiday Club Service in Broughton Gifford Village Hall	11.00 am M
26 th	10.30 am AAW 6.00 pm ChE	10.00 am PC	9.00 am HC
September 2 nd	9.00 am HC 10.30 am AAW	10.00 am MS	6.00 pm E

KEY TO TYPES OF SERVICE

HC	Holy Communion	PC	Parish Communion, Common Worship	FC	Family Communion
AAW	All Age Worship	E	Evening Prayer	M	Matins
ChE	Choral Evensong	SP	Special Praise Service	MS	Morning Service

BROUGHTON GIFFORD GARDENING SOCIETY

26th VILLAGE FLOWER AND PRODUCE SHOW
TO BE HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL
ON SATURDAY 1st SEPTEMBER 2007
SHOW OPENS 2.45 pm. AUCTION OF EXHIBITS 3.45 pm.
ADMISSION: Adults: 30p Children: free

SCHEDULE OF SHOW

SECTION 'A' - FLOWERS AND POT PLANTS

1. Flowers raised from seed during the preceding 12 months, grown in the open - not more than 10 stems, 3 or more kinds.
2. Mixed perennial garden flowers - not more than 10 stems, 3 or more kinds.
3. 3 Roses of the same variety in progressive stages of development.
4. 1 Stem cluster-flowered floribunda rose.
5. 3 Dahlias - one cultivar.
6. 5 Asters - one cultivar.
7. 6 Fuchsia flowers - 2 or more varieties - displayed on card with stems in water.
8. A vase of one spray or stem of a flowering shrub (in flower).
9. A flowering plant, in pot not exceeding 9" in diameter.
10. Patio container - not exceeding 12" in diameter - one or more plants.
11. Pot plant grown for its foliage in a pot not exceeding 9" in diameter.

SECTION 'B' - FRUIT

12. 5 Apples, dessert - one cultivar.
13. 5 Apples, cooking - one cultivar.
14. 6 Plums - one cultivar
15. Any other fruit - one cultivar
16. Collection of fruit - 4 different kinds.

SECTION 'C' - VEGETABLES

17. 6 Beans, runner.
18. 6 Beans, French, dwarf or climbing.
19. 5 Onions, Spring sown.
20. 5 Onions, grown from sets.
21. 3 Potatoes, white, of any shape.
22. 3 Potatoes, coloured, of any shape.
23. 3 Beetroot.
24. 3 Carrots, any cultivar.
25. 10 Shallots, exhibition.
26. 10 Shallots, pickling, not exceeding 1" diameter.
27. 2 Marrows for table.
28. 6 Tomatoes, ordinary cultivar.
29. 6 Tomatoes, of any other variety, eg cherry, plum, beef etc.
30. 1 Cucumber.
31. Bunch of mixed herbs, at least 4 cultivars.
32. Longest runner bean.
33. Any other kind of vegetable **NOT** listed.
34. Collection of 4 different kinds of vegetables - space 2'0 by 1'6".

SECTION 'D' - CAKES AND PRESERVES

35. A Sticky Date Cake (using recipe below).
36. Men Only. 6 Jam tarts, (using own pastry).
37. A plate of 6 biscuits, (using own recipe).
38. A jar of lemon or orange curd, (using own recipe).
39. 1 pot of chutney, named (using own recipe).
40. 1 pot of jam or jelly, named (using own recipe).

SECTION 'E' - FLORAL ART

41. **"Summer Splendour"**. An arrangement not to exceed 24" in any direction. No accessories.
42. **"Make a Wish"** A table decoration incorporating at least one candle, not to exceed 18" in any direction. Accessories may be used.
43. **"Cheers"** An arrangement in a wine glass not to exceed 12" in any direction. Accessories permitted.
44. **Novices**. An arrangement of 7 flowers with any foliage.

SECTION 'F' - HANDICRAFTS

45. An easy-to-knit child's jumper in support of Feed The Children's Africa Appeal. Pattern available from committee members or ring 782817.
46. A tie-on gift tag for a birthday present. Any medium.
47. A painting, in any medium, not to exceed 24" overall.
48. A piece of needlework.
49. Men Only - Handcrafted item in any medium and of any size.
50. A photograph "On the Wild Side" not to exceed 10" x 8".
51. A photograph "What a Laugh!" not to exceed 10" x 8".

SECTION 'G' - CHILDREN'S CLASSES

52. An edible necklace.
53. "Cress Head," Use an empty egg shell in an egg cup as a "head" and grow cress in it to imitate "hair".

Children's classes will cover all ages but will be judged in two groups, 7 & under and 11 & under.

There will be a display of paintings with a multi-cultural theme by pupils of St Mary's School. Pre-school please bring along your geraniums.

In addition, children may enter any adult classes, free entry. Please state age.

RECIPE FOR AN 8" STICKY DATE CAKE

110g/4oz raisins	275g/10oz margarine	150g/5oz wholemeal flour
225g/8oz chopped dates	275ml/ ½ pint water	¾ tsp bicarbonate of soda
175g/6oz sultanas	1 large tin condensed milk	pinch of salt
110g/4oz currants	150g/5oz plain flour	1 tblsp chunky marmalade

1. Preheat the oven to 170C/325F/gas mark 3. Line 8" (20 cm) cake tin, base & sides.
2. Place fruits, margarine, water & condensed milk in a saucepan & bring to boil stirring frequently.
3. Simmer for 3 minutes exactly still stirring, then transfer to a bowl to cool for 30 minutes.
4. Sift flours, salt & bicarbonate of soda and stir into the cooled fruit mixture with the marmalade.
5. Put mixture into tin and bake on the centre shelf for 2½ to 3 hours. If necessary, half way through baking, cover with double greaseproof paper to prevent it from burning.
6. Cool in the tin for 5 minutes before turning out on a wire tray to cool. Keeps well in airtight tin.

SHOW RULES

1. Entries open to Broughton Gifford and district residents and members of the Gardening Society.
2. All exhibits must be bona-fide exhibitor's own growing or making. All entries in Sections A - C must have been in the possession of the exhibitor for at least eight weeks immediately prior to the Show and the Committee shall have the right to inspect any exhibit or garden after entries have been received.
3. To ensure acceptance, all entries must be made on the prescribed form accompanied by the appropriate entrance fee, to reach the Show Secretary not later than Thursday 30th August 2007 **NO entries can be accepted on the day of the Show**. The Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry and, in the event of such refusal, it is not required to give any reason or explanation.
4. The Hall will be open at 9.30am on Saturday 1st September 2007. All exhibits must be staged and exhibitors have left the Hall by 11am at which time the judging will commence.
5. The Show Committee will appoint the Judges, whose decision shall be final. Any prize may be withheld or modified if the exhibits are considered, by the Judges, to be unworthy of the prize offered.

PRIZES	1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize
Class 10, 16 & 34	£1.20	£0.90	£0.60
Class 12, 17-22, 24, 25, 28, & 30	£0.60	£0.45	£0.30
All other classes	£0.40	£0.30	£0.20

6. No exhibitor may exhibit more than one entry in any one class. Two or more persons may not compete separately in the same class (Sections A-C) with produce from the same garden. Children may exhibit in any Class free.
7. All objections must be made in writing and delivered to the Show Secretary by 3.30pm on 1st September 2007 and be accompanied by £1, which will be forfeited if the objection is not upheld.
8. The Royal Horticultural Society's Banksian Medal will be awarded to the exhibitor with the highest total amount of money in prizes, in the horticultural classes of the Show - Sections A, B and C. **Those exhibitors who won the Banksian Medal in 2005 and 2006 are not eligible to win this medal at the 2007 Show.**
9. The Derrick Challenge Cup will be awarded to and held for one year by the exhibitor with the highest overall number of points in the Show. The Society Challenge Cup, the Skuse Challenge Cup, the Warry Challenge Cup, the Cookery Challenge Cup, the Floral Art Challenge Trophy, the Neville Cup for Handicrafts and the Children's Trophy will be awarded to and held for one year by the exhibitor with the highest number of points in Sections, A, B, C, D, E, F and G respectively. The Rose Trophy will be awarded to the winner of Section A, Classes 3 and 4. The Jubilee Cup will be awarded to the exhibitor with the highest overall number of points in sections D, E, & F. Points will be awarded on the following basis:-

1st Prize - 4 points 2nd Prize - 3 points 3rd Prize - 2 points

10. The Muriel Ovens Memorial Trophy will be awarded for the exhibit judged as the 'Best in Show' in Sections A, B and C. The Trophy will be held by the winning exhibitor for one year.
11. It is hoped that exhibitors will be willing to donate their exhibits to be sold by auction at 3.45 pm for the benefit of Gardening Society Show funds. **All exhibits from Class 45 will be donated to 'Feed the Children Africa Appeal'**. Exhibits from Classes not donated for auction must be clearly marked 'NOT FOR SALE'. Exhibits must not be removed before 3.45pm except with the Show Secretary's permission.
12. The Committee cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage from whatever cause which may occur to exhibits, personal property etc, but all reasonable care will be taken. Movement of, or interference with, another person's exhibit is forbidden.

EXHIBITOR'S SHOW NUMBER

BROUGHTON GIFFORD 26th VILLAGE FLOWER AND PRODUCE SHOW

TO BE HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL

ON SATURDAY 1st September 2007 AT 2.45 pm

[See Show Rule 4 for times when exhibits have to be staged]

ENTRY FORM

CLASSES 1 - 51 20p per entry	CLASSES 52 & 53 FREE ENTRY
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All Exhibitors must mark the classes in which they intend to exhibit with a circle round the following numbers and **return this form to the Show Secretary, Miss E Flatt at 152 The Street, Broughton Gifford not later than Thursday 30th August 2007**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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51	52*	53*							

AMOUNT OF ENTRANCE FEE ENCLOSED (20p per class) £.....p

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* Children's Class (**FREE ENTRY**) but please enter age

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Sunday 8 th July	6 pm		Flowers: Eileen Gaisford Cleaning: Liz and Margaret
Sunday 15 th July	6 pm		Flowers: Vera Ovens Cleaning: Liz and Margaret
Sunday 22 nd July	6 pm		Flowers: Jenny Taylor Cleaning: Eileen Gaisford
Sunday 29 th July	10.30 am	Joint Service at Whitley Chapel	Cleaning: Eileen Gaisford
Sunday 5 th August	6 pm		Flowers: Ethel Flatt Cleaning: Lesley Marshman

Thank you Eileen and Jim for looking after the Chapel so well.

Congratulations to Mrs Dora Mortimer who reached her 100 years this month. Mrs Mortimer was our organist for a number of years.

We are sorry to hear Dwynwyn is in hospital and hope she is improving. We send her our love and best wishes.

We are very sorry to hear of the death of Mrs Ethel Saunders; she worshipped regularly with us until she had to go into care. We send our condolences to her grandchildren.

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CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2007

The collection in Broughton this year realised the sum of £635.67.

Thank you to all those who gave so generously, and to those who kindly gave of their time to deliver and collect the envelopes. Christian Aid works with around 600 partner organisations in more than 50 countries, helping some of the world's poorest communities grow their way out of poverty. Thank you again for helping to further this most worthy cause.

Joyce Gardner

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE REPORT

June 2007 "Flowers for Pleasure" drew a large audience - we English do so love our gardens and the flowers we grow. Mrs Hinton lost no time in making several attractive arrangements which included shrub and herb cuttings. She also shredded a beautiful carnation and remade it as a button-hole using individual petals. I liked the arrangement of gerberas and fatsia leaves and a tortured willow branch. She gave many hints and tips for encouraging longevity in the cut flower. Sometimes you have to be cruel to be kind! A rather novel and astonishing idea Mrs Hinton had was using a disposable nappy as the base in a hanging basket - perfect shape and good water retention! One can visualise nappy sales going through the roof and maybe one or two well-known TV figures advocating this use for the common disposable nappy! Chelsea next year perhaps!

Plans are well-advanced for our Birthday Outing to Tetbury next month, and ideas have been mooted for our 70th Anniversary celebration too.

Our personal and very efficient banker is very happy - we won second prize £75 in the WI 200 club.

Mrs Jill Mortimer gave an excellent report on the AGM at the Albert Hall.

The Resolution in favour of the non-closure of Community Hospitals was passed by a huge majority and the unfortunate civil servant delegated to defend the closures gained very little support. Mr Graham Stuart, MP, spoke strongly in favour of the hospitals, and in favour of keeping rural Post Offices open. Surely service to the public is more important than the peanuts saved by closures, when viewed in comparison with general government spending. Who's money is it anyway?

I suppose we are all wondering what chance there is of the Government listening to the voice of the people. It's all very well saying you are listening but actions would speak louder than that.

There were two excellent speakers. The first, Mr Stuart Rose, is a household name for the way he has turned round the fortunes of M & S. He spoke on green issues and the way that M & S is working with the WI to promote awareness of global warming and to limit the effects of the carbon footprint. It must be good for the WI to have such a powerful ally in trying to limit the damage world civilizations are doing to the planet.

Baroness Hayman was the second guest speaker. As the first lady speaker of the House of Lords, she spoke eloquently of the workings in the House of Lords, and the hard and solid dedication of legislation the members have in scrutinising every piece of legislation which is passed to them from the Commons. Their efforts are largely unsung and unappreciated as they work quietly in the background. Baroness Hayman spoke without giving an inkling of her own political persuasion, a splendid example of the prerequisite of one who has to be totally impartial in the auspicious surroundings of The House of Lords.

A light-hearted tone was then introduced by Mr Michael Christie who had all the members foot-tapping, waving and joining in the chorus of Amarillo!

The Welsh National Anthem was then sung, in Welsh, but with phonetic spelling for the benefit of the English, and the meeting closed with the National Anthem. At the beginning of the meeting the singing of Jerusalem by 5,000 members to the resounding Albert Hall organ was inspiring and emotional. At the closing of the meeting those 5,000 voices were again raised to round off a memorable AGM.

Next year the WI AGM will be held in Liverpool and may be a two-day meeting

Paula Bailhache

ANSWERS TO LESLEY HOLDWAY'S QUIZ

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|-----|-----------------------|--|------|---------------------------|---|
| 1. | 1 W on a U | Wheel on a Unicycle | 55. | 55 D a P | 55 Days at Peking |
| 2. | a T of 2 C – C D | a Tale of Two Cities – Charles Dickens | 56. | 5 V in the A | 5 Vowels in the Alphabet |
| 3. | G and the 3 B | Goldilocks and the 3 Bears | 57. | 5280 F in a M | 5280 Feet in a Mile |
| 4. | 4 S in a D of C | 4 Suits in a D of Cards | 58. | 1564 W S was B | 1564 William Shakespeare was Born |
| 5. | 5 B in the T | 5 Books in the Torah | 59. | 5000 F of D T | 5000 Fingers of Doctor T |
| 6. | 6 S on a H | 6 Sides on a Hexagon | 60. | 60 M in a N M | 60 Minutes in a Nautical Mile |
| 7. | S W and the 7 D | Snow White & the 7 Dwarfs | 61. | 6 D 7 N | 6 Days 7 Nights |
| 8. | 8 L on a S | 8 Legs on a Spider | 62. | 60 G Y | 60 Glorious Years |
| 9. | 9 L of a C | 9 Lives of a Cat | 63. | 1642 S of E C W | 1642 Start of English Civil War |
| 10. | 10 E in the D | 10 Events in the Decathlon | 64. | W I am 64 – the B | When I am 64 – The Beatles |
| 11. | 11 P in a C T | 11 Players in a Cricket Team | 65. | 6 Z in a M | 6 Zeroes in a Million |
| 12. | 12 M of a J | 12 Members of a Jury | 66. | 66 B in the K J B | 66 Books in the King James Bible |
| 13. | 13 O C of A | 13 Original Colonies of America | 67. | I the V of D R the 600 | Into the Valley of Death Rode the 600 |
| 14. | 14 L in a S | 14 Lines in a Sonnet | 68. | 666 N of the B – B of R | 666 Number of the Beast – Book of Revelations |
| 15. | 15 M on a D M C – RLS | 15 Men on a Dead Mans Chest – Robert Louis Stevenson | 69. | 6 A N of C | 6 Atomic Number of Carbon |
| 16. | O 16 – C D | Only 16 – Craig Douglas | 70. | 70 M S on a M | 70 Maximum Speed on a Motorway |
| 17. | 17 S in a H | 17 Syllables in a Haiku | 71. | 7 V of S | 7 Voyages of Sinbad |
| 18. | 18 I in a C | 18 Inches in a Cubit | 72. | 7 Y of B L for B a M | 7 Years of Bad Luck for Breaking a Mirror |
| 19. | 1953 E H C E | 1953 Edmund Hilary Conquered Everest | 73. | 7 Y in T | 7 Years in Tibet |
| 20. | 20 F O in a P | 20 Fluid Ounces in a Pint | 74. | 7 L G S in the B S | 7 Little Girls Sitting in the Back Seat |
| 21. | 21 K of the D | 21 Key of the Door | 75. | 7 P of W | 7 Pillars of Wisdom |
| 22. | 22 B on a S T | 22 Balls on a Snooker Table | 76. | 1776 A D of I | 1776 American Declaration of Independence |
| 23. | 2 is C – 3 is a C | 2 is Company – 3 is a Crowd | 77. | 77 S S | 77 Sunset Strip |
| 24. | 2 4 6 8 W D W A | 2468 Who Do We Appreciate | 78. | 78 R P M on an O R | 78 Revolutions Per Minute on an Old Record |
| 25. | 212 D F- B P of W | 212 Degrees Fahrenheit – Boiling Point of Water | 79. | 7 P in a W P T | 7 Players in a Water Polo Team |
| 26. | 2 M for S S | 2 Mules for Sister Sarah | 80. | 80 C in a M | 80 Chains in a Mile |
| 27. | 2 P in a B | 2 Pieces in a Bikini | 81. | 1865 P A L A by J W B | 1865 President Abraham Lincoln Assassinate by John Wilkes Booth |
| 28. | 2 S of a L T | 2 Shakes of a Lambs Tale | 82. | A the W in 80 D | Around the World in 80 Days |
| 29. | 2001 a S O | 2001 a Space Odyssey | 83. | 8 T on an O | 8 Tentacles on an Octopus |
| 30. | 30 D H S | 30 Days Hath September | 84. | 8 M O | 8 Men Out |
| 31. | 3 L M – the M | 3 Little Maids – The Mikado | 85. | 18 W a B – P W | 18 With a Bullett – Pete Wingfield |
| 32. | 32 D F – W F | 32 Degrees Fahrenheit – Water Freezes | 86. | 8 M-a-M in 12 D of C | 8 Maids a Milking in 12 Days of Christmas |
| 33. | R a D D 3 M in a T | Rub a Dub Dub 3 Men in a Tub | 87. | 8 S on an O | 8 Sides on an Octagon |
| 34. | 3 W on M W | 3 Wheels on My Wagon | 88. | 88 K on a P | 88 Keys on a Piano |
| 35. | 3 M – A D | 3 Musketeers – Alexander Dumas | 89. | 88 C in the S | 88 Constellations in the Sky |
| 36. | 30 S O T | 30 Seconds Over Tokyo | 90. | 90 D in a R A | 90 Degrees in a Right Angle |
| 37. | 3 B in the H E | 3 Bones in the Human Ear | 91. | 1969 – F M on the M | 1969 First Man on the Moon |
| 38. | 3 S – L, M and C | 3 Stooges – Larry, Moe & Curly | 92. | 92 A N of U | 92 Atomic Number of Uranium |
| 39. | 3 L K W L T M | 3 Little Kittens who Lost Their Mittens | 93. | 9 H on H | 9 Heads on Hydra |
| 40. | 40 R in a F | 40 Rods in a Furlong | 94. | 9 S by L V B | 9 Symphonies by Ludwig Van Beethoven |
| 41. | 43560 S F in an A | 43560 Square Feet in an Acre | 95. | 969 A of M | 969 Age of Methuselah |
| 42. | 4 and 20 B B in a P | 4 and 20 Blackbirds Baked in a Pie | 96. | 9 S in N and C | 9 Squares in Noughts and Crosses |
| 43. | 40 G to A P | 40 Guns to Apache Pass | 97. | 9 T O of 10 – C R & the S | 9 Times Out of 10 – Cliff Richard and the Shadows |
| 44. | 4 C in a H H | 4 Chambers in a Human Heart | 98. | 9 I in a B G | 9 Innings in a Baseball Game |
| 45. | 45 D in an O | 45 Degrees in an Octant | 99. | 92 in the S | 92 in the Shade |
| 46. | 46 C in a H C | 46 Chromosomes in a Human Cell | 100. | 100 D C – B P of W | 100 Degrees Celsius – Boiling Point of Water |
| 47. | 4 Y in an O | 4 Years in an Olympiad | | | |
| 48. | 1452 B of LDV | 1452 Birth of Leonardo Da Vinci | | | |
| 49. | 1440 M in a D | 1440 Minutes in a Day | | | |
| 50. | 50 Y in a G J | 50 Years in a Golden Jubilee | | | |
| 51. | 5 S on a P | 5 Sides on a Pentagon | | | |
| 52. | 52 W in a Y | 52 Weeks in a Year | | | |
| 53. | 53 A N of I | 53 Atomic Number of Iodine | | | |
| 54. | 54 S on a R C | 54 Squares on a Rubiks Cube | | | |

L E T T E R S

Dear Editor,

Renovating my birthplace "Hither Kings" is a mammoth task. We have, at last, finished indoors, but outdoors becomes more and more disheartening. Last year a cow broke through from the back and trampled the garden, knocking down the new retaining wall of the driveway. Tractors drove straight over the front bank, destroying the lovely old marker stone which my father placed there many years ago, and they also cracked the concrete path. Recently moles have been burrowing in that same bank, causing subsidence, which we are trying to combat by pouring Jeyes fluid down their runs.

Now, round about Friday/Saturday 15th or 16th June a horse ascended the steep bank, which was highly dangerous, and ruined the new turf upon which we have worked so hard trying to restore the original grass verge.

Why should such a thing happen? Was the horse "spooked"? If so, then surely the horserider could have come along to apologise.

We now have to work on the bank again, filling in the deep holes made by the horse's hooves, and wondering if it is all worthwhile.

I wish people would show a little more consideration!

Yours sincerely,
Pam Gooding

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