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Scene in Baydon

..a bi-monthly digest of what's going on in Baydon: April 12



*The start of Baydon's Sport Relief Mile on 25 March
117 participants in glorious sunshine!
Fantastic!*

Hello All

Unfortunately, a bit of a rush job on Scene this edition - have been away looking after my baby niece whilst her parents struggle with a particularly pernicious virus. All on the mend now. I'm REALLY sorry.

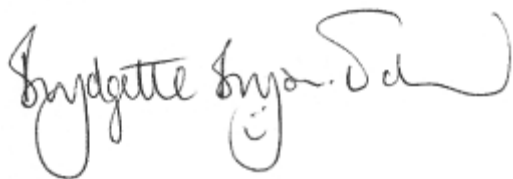
The Baydon Sport Relief Mile was an amazing success with over 100 folk signed up and taking part. Brilliant Baydon Joggers and Cricket Club! And thanks to everyone who took part. Here's to next year.

The Scene Team are always on the look out for local stories, adverts and nuggets - please feel free to send anything you think might be of interest to those in Baydon. Either:

- email me at brydgette@email.com
- pop any items through my door at 5 Manor Lane, or
- drop copy into Debbie at the Shop who will pass it onto me for inclusion. If Debbie's not there - drop it in the Baydon Scene bag

Have a brilliant Spring and Easter - just cut the lawn for the first time, daffs are out, bluebells are thinking about it and garden's lurching into life. Hoorah!

All the very best




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*Unfortunately no time for a brain teaser this month -
here are the results of last month's:*

Wine Quiz!

1. Chardonnay
2. That the wine has been badly filtered
3. 7 days
4. Yeast
5. USA
6. Dry ice
7. *A shallow trough used for foot-treading grapes*
8. *A battle fought on the property*
9. Chenin Blanc
10. *The grape formerly known as Prosecco*
11. Portugal
12. Any colour of grapes
13. *Unlabelled bottles, sold cheaply*
14. In the south of Bordeaux
15. Grappa
16. Port
17. £75,000



St Nicholas' Church - Baydon

CHURCH SERVICES FOR APRIL & MAY



1 April	Palm Sunday All Age Service
6 April	Silent Vigil - <u>10 am</u>
8 April	Easter Family Communion
15 April	Morning Prayer
22 April	Holy Communion
29 April	Team Service at Froxfield - <u>10 am</u>
6 May	All Age Worship
13 May	Holy Communion
20 May	Morning Prayer
27 May	Holy Communion

All services are at 09.30 am unless otherwise stated

Clergy letter...

Simon writes..... Easter Greetings

The old adage is that 'Hope springs eternal in the young man's breast'. For many people, particularly after a long winter, it seems the other way around; it is Spring that brings Hope. Spring, with its promise of new life and longer, lighter days seems a much more hopeful time of year.



In the Christian calendar we see something similar. The sombreness of Lent gives way to the hope of Easter. The bleakness of betrayal and the pain and abandonment of death on the Cross, point to the joy and promise of the Easter morning. The new life theme of Easter is mirrored in the old symbols of Easter eggs and Easter 'bunny'. The new life of Spring is echoed in the Easter promise of death defeated and of life everlasting.

This year I hope that each of us will be able to look beyond the outward symbols to the meaning of Easter. The promise of Easter is not of a new life without cost; a new life in the natural way of things. It is about a new life with God bought at a price; a price that we can never repay. A gift of new life which is priceless and yet freely given to those who place their trust in Jesus Christ.

As the church services take us from Palm Sunday through Good Friday to Easter Day itself, we find that Easter is an event, not a season. This is life in all its fullness; new life that starts at the point we turn to Christ and which continues for ever. It points to an unbroken continuity between physical life and life in the heavenly places. For the Christian this is truly a time of good news. Happy Easter.

Simon Weeden

Team Rector

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Church Roof - fund Raising

The Baydon St. Nicholas church roof is badly leaking and needs urgent repair. We're fundraising to stop the leaks!

We have obtained all the necessary permission from the Diocese and local authorities that have been involved in the planning of the repairs to the church roof. The work would only take about three weeks to complete so it seems very disappointing that we have to spend so much time putting out the buckets and bowls to catch the rainwater every wet day. The condition of the roof is deteriorating so the repairs are urgent. We just need to press on even harder with our fund-raising.

The fund currently stands at £13,700. though the architects fees will come out of that. We need £20,000 before we can call the contractors.

Is there anyone who can help us to reach this target? Can we all make a special effort to do what we can to save our church for future generations, it would be so sad to have to close the church altogether, we all need it for our christenings, weddings and funerals and as a place of worship in the village.

Thank you!

If you feel you can help with fundraising or want to know more details please contact Baydon PCC - church@baydon.org

Flower Festival - Jubilee Weekend

We would like to arrange a flower festival in the church on the Jubilee weekend.



We are hoping that the clubs and organisations in the village would like to participate as well as individual folk. I would like it to be an event that uses the talents of the whole village whether they are experienced at flower arranging or not. Everyone will be welcome to contribute.

Contact Shirley on: phone number is 540465 or email smith.shirley@hotmail.co.uk

Heads Up!

Baydon St. Nicholas CE Primary School Report

School has been a hive of activity since the start of term. All the children have enjoyed a range of sporting activities ranging from sports team building skills and multi skills clubs through to coaching from Swindon Town Football club. Our Eagle's children took part in the St John's cluster Hockey Festival, whilst Year's 2, 3 and 4 participated in an orienteering festival with St Michael's.

During February we hosted a "Healthy Lunch Box" evening in conjunction with the Bistro Devizes, where we gained some great ideas for healthy options for lunchboxes.

Many of the children participated in the Education Sunday and Mothering Sunday Services showing class work and reading prayers and poems they had written themselves. We are delighted to be part of the Marlborough Area Educations Partnership with St John's. 10 of our children participated in the launch evening as part of a multi school, school council looking at ICT in the future or as part of the multi school mini production which was performed in the St John's theatre.

Our Science Fair was a huge success with all children demonstrating to parents and friends many science activities and experiments that they had been studying during the term. We also had invited guests showing us various areas of science including photography and veterinary.

On Friday 23rd March we had every sort of animal in school that you can imagine (from elephants to snakes and cats to cockerels), when children dressed up in an animal theme to raise money for Sports Relief. During the day staff and children also walked the Sports Relief mile

We have Tesco Schools and Clubs Equipment and Sainsbury Active Kids voucher boxes in reception so please look out for them when you shop and bring them into school.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy Easter.

Yours with best wishes

R N Chambers – Headteacher



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Baydon Super School Science Sets Sail For A New Level

The "newspaper" article below was written by Oliver in Year Six about our Science fair.

"filled with bubbling brilliance" said a governor from Baydon St Nicholas School.



Fantastic science skills were on show during the day demonstrating all kinds of weird and wonderful activities. Parents took part, enthusiastically trying out all of the experiments that were available. It was a first time experience for the school, it was messy, it was stressful but the children still pulled it off! This shows that learning can be fun for all ages. If you happened to walk in you would have been greeted by the buzz of excited children experimenting with a wide range of balls finding out about energy transfer, parachutes, volcanoes, signing cost hangers and eff bubbles! Plans are already underway for a bigger and better event later on in the season. And that is what Baydon St Nicholas is all about.

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The February meeting of the Group was in Sue Lashmar's studio in Manor Lane. Sue gave an entertaining talk about her career, the tools and glass she uses and showed us the process by which she creates her beautiful glassware. A fascinating evening. Thanks Sue. In March we had John Bailey come to talk to us about butterflies. This was an excellent talk accompanied by film of the butterfly's life cycle all painstakingly filmed by John. This was an educational and enjoyable evening.

In April we are going to learn about Bats. (No we are not going to rename ourselves the Nature Study Group!) Jan Freeborn will be coming to talk and walk with us on April 12th, 6.30pm at St Nicholas Church. The earlier than usual start is so that we can have the talk and slides prior to dusk when we will be using bat detectors to locate some bats. Tea and coffee is included in the evening.

In May we are moving away from wildlife and are going to be trying some French food. Marie-Noelle Whitty MBE will be presenting a talk entitled "Vive la Difference - How the French Eat". Following the talk we will be trying out some French food and naturally enough accompanying it with a glass of wine. This is tasters only so do not come expecting a full meal! 10th May, 7.30pm in the Skylarks Classroom at Baydon School. We will need to know numbers for this evening so please let me know before May 3rd if you are coming. Either email, patricia-rhodes@sky.com or phone 01672 540481.

Both April and May evenings are free to members, non-members welcome £3 each.

Hope to see new people and current members at these meetings.

Pat

Please phone for more details.

Pat Rhodes 540481.

To keep up to date with planned events please visit Baydon's website or look out for information on posters.



THE QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE 2012 CELEBRATIONS

To Be Held

At The Cricket Field, Baydon

On Sunday 3rd June 2012

The cricket field will be open from 09:00 to 1200 hours for villagers to set up their tables and chairs etc. All vehicles to be removed from the field by 12:00

The official opening of the Village Party will be at 1400 hours starting on the Village Green.

MORE INFORMATION ON PAGES 19 & 20

Please make a note in your diary now and we will keep you updated on the website - www.baydon.org and in the shop

You should have received your souvenir mug form. If you haven't completed and returned it to Pat or Renee, we would be grateful if you could please complete and return forms by 5 April to avoid disappointment.

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Talk to Your Community Area Manager

Andrew Jack, our Community Area Manager will be at Marlborough Library from 12-5 on:

Wednesday 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th of April.

He will probably book Wednesdays throughout May as well.

Andrew says, "It would be great to meet with people, have a chat, discuss grant applications – you name it! I'll be there"

Andrew Jack

Community Area Manager, Marlborough Communities, Libraries, Heritage & Arts Wiltshire Council

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Parish Council Corner

Messages from Chair - Andy Knowles

Happy Easter

Jubilee Grant – Baydon Parish Council in conjunction with the Jubilee Group have applied to Marlborough Area Board for a grant of £500 towards the village Jubilee celebrations, we should know the outcome by the end of March.



The Baydon Parish Council have also agreed to provide £1000 of Parish money towards the village event, including donating Jubilee mugs to all village children under 16. We look forward to seeing you there and enjoying the day.

Dog Fouling – This is still a problem, particularly around the school pavements. If you own a dog please be considerate of others, bag it and take it home or put it in one of the bins provided around the village. Fines can be imposed if you get caught.

Rights of Way Map - Wiltshire Council have advised us that there is now a Rights of Way map now available on the following website:
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Dr. Jo Owen-Jones, Dr Rodney's wife, retires simultaneously - although not in our surgery - I am sure she would appreciate arrangement of flowers to wish her well.

If you would like to contribute, please send your cards and cheques (made payable to "Dr Rodney Owen-Jones Retirement Fund") to Tom McGowran, Stronvar, Manor Lane, Baydon. Alternatively there will be a collection tin in the shop.

Closing date 31st May 2012 please.

Many thanks in anticipation.

Marlborough Area Board

Next meeting is: Tuesday 29 May 2012

Marlborough Town Hall, Council Offices, 5 High St, Marlborough SN8 1AA
6.30pm for 7pm start.

More news: The publication 'Just a Minute' is a summary of the official minutes for the Marlborough Area Board and is available in full on Baydon's Website. Parish News from the Council also available on the website.

Next Parish Council Meetings are:

26 March 2012 at the BYPA Hall - 8 pm

AGM- 30 April at the BYPA Hall - 8 pm

Parish Assembly Meeting - 18 May - 19:45 School Hall

Visit www.baydon.org for up-to-date village news & events, weather and features, Parish Council minutes & agendas

Parish Assembly Meeting

is on Friday the 18th May 2012

at 7.45 pm

in Baydon St. Nicholas School Hall



All very welcome to come and see what's happening in the village and hear from the people that look after the management of Baydon and its clubs, facilities and groups

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PCSO Jonathan Mills
Marlborough
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Residents in BAYDON, MARLBOROUGH reported to police that on Monday 16th Jan 2012 at around 16:00hrs a company was touting for business and distributing leaflets.

The company is called 'Beat a Quote' and leaflets show the company address as PRAMA HOUSE, 267 BANBURY ROAD, OXFORD OX27HT telephone numbers 01865 339544 or mob 07748872864

The people who run this company are from Swindon and have both recently been **convicted of Rogue Trading Fraud** offences and imprisoned following a case led by Oxfordshire Trading Standards. The company targeted elderly and vulnerable residents charging extortionate prices work with initial low quotes.

Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators for the area are aware and local and Oxfordshire Trading Standards have been alerted.

Jonathan Mills PCSO 6093



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Sign Up Now For Free Garden Waste Collections

A new free garden waste collection service is now available to residents in east, north and south Wiltshire who request it. Residents in west Wiltshire already receive this service.



This is an optional service and residents have to sign up to receive a garden waste bin, if they don't already have one. Those people who signed up to receive this service last year have already received their garden waste bins, but it is not too late to sign up to receive a bin this summer. You can sign up online at www.wiltshire.gov.uk/waste or by contacting the council on 0300 456 0102

Residents in west Wiltshire who currently receive this service and residents in east, north and south Wiltshire who already have a garden waste bin do not need to sign up again.

Mobile Library

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"The Other Hand" by Chris Cleave

"The Other Hand" is a brave story. Despite the grimness of the situations it recounts, courage, hope, determination and loyalty are displayed both large and bold, and quietly. These stand out over fear and betrayal in other areas, sometimes from the same characters.

The writing and the story are, to my mind, hugely creative – I cannot imagine coming up with such a thorough and wide-ranging plot in my own head. The notes at the back show the research into real-life situations that underpins the book, however. This may be fiction, but it could just happen out there in the big wide world. All the more affecting, then.

The cover of the book itself refuses to divulge any of the plot or the characters, just saying that the story is special and "extremely funny, but the African beach scene is horrific". Well, yes, steel yourself for that. The cover also says, "Once you have read it, you'll want to tell everyone about it. When you do, please don't tell them what happens either." Well, they're not wrong; so I won't give the plot away. I'll just say that it crosses continents and cultures; clashes Nigerian village life, international big business, bandits and London suburbia; it challenges loyalties, values and priorities; it could tug at your heart and yet still, amidst it all, make you laugh. The characters are solid, credible and three-dimensional, with admirable traits and frail weaknesses. And anyone with a young child obsessed with a particular story will recognise Batman.

Tamsin Lafford



Tamsin grew up in Baydon, attending St. Nicholas School before moving on to St. John's. She comes back a few times a year to visit family, when she can sometimes be spotted at church. She has always enjoyed reading for fun, and now and then exercises the creative part of her brain by writing reviews like this one, and her blog. <https://tamzinsblog.wordpress.com>

Baydon Church and School Fete

Saturday 16 June 2012

Your chance to be part of an enjoyable family and community day

Can you help?

We need loads of things and lots of help!

Gazebos – do you have one we could use? We would you be happy to put it up, and take it down?

Working party to set up - we need help to bring out tables, chairs, cakes, items donated for stalls etc. from school and set up the stalls.

Working party to clear up – we need help to put it all away!

Ideas for stalls, games and fund raising – do you have any great ideas you would share with us?

Would you like to run a stall or game?

Activities - Do you take part in an activity that would be fun to include in the fete entertainment?

Groups - Are you part of a group/organisation in the village that could have a stall to promote your group?

Publicity organiser – we would love to find someone who would take responsibility for this.

Match funding – do you know anyone who would match fund you in your efforts at the fete?

If you are happy to help with any of the above or you can think of anything else that you feel would be useful please contact

Kate Buckingham on 541120 or 07860 388197

Rowan Cockcroft by email at church@baydon.org



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THE QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE 2012 CELEBRATIONS

To Be Held

At The Cricket Field, Baydon

On Sunday 3rd June 2012

The cricket field will be open from 09:00 to 1200 hours for
 villagers to set up their tables and chairs etc. All vehicles to
 be removed from the field by 12:00

The official opening of the Village Party will be at 1400 hours
 starting on the Village Green.

Entertainment during the afternoon will consist of:-

- ♣ *Judging of the best dressed table* ♣ *Skittles*
- ♣ *Bar and B.B.Q. in the evening* ♣ *Coconut Shy*
- ♣ *Mini Olympics* ♣ *Bouncy Castle*
- ♣ *Lighting of the Beacon* ♣ *Quiz*

Portable toilets along with a disabled toilet will be on site

*This event is open only to the villagers of Baydon and we ask all villagers to be
 responsible for providing their own/tables/chairs/catering/children etc during
 the event. We are unable to accommodate any dogs during this village party .*

*The Cricket Field is not owned by the Parish. Baydon Parish Council and the
 Jubilee Committee cannot take responsibility for your health and safety but ask
 you to behave responsibly and bare others in mind on the day.*



Be a KING / QUEEN for a day!

*We are looking for a
KING, QUEEN, PRINCE and PRINCESS
to take part in the opening ceremony at the
Diamond Jubilee Celebration on June 3rd 2012*

If you are keen to apply:

*Just write a short letter explaining why
you would like to be a KING or QUEEN -
PRINCE or PRINCESS and what you
would hope to do on your Royal day.*

*Write your NAME, AGE and 'PHONE No. on the back
of your letter and hand it in to the Baydon Post
Office by **13th May 2012.***

*Open to all children between the ages 5 to 14 and who are
resident in Baydon or Russley Park.*

The winners will be chosen from the following categories:

PRINCE & PRINCESS ages 5 to 8

KINGS & QUEENS ages 9 to 14

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If you've run out of something - try us first - or call to see if we have it in stock - 540266.

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Car Treasure Hunt



Saturday 19 May 2012

Start at Baydon Cricket Field - 4pm
Finish at Red Lion, Baydon

Cost: £7.50 per person to include a bowl of chilli

Entries and details to Jim or Sue Grove on
01672 540896

Why not complete the Jubilee Celebrations
by taking part in the annual

BEATING of the Parish BOUNDS

On Monday 4th June 2012 at 10.30 am



The morning walk (5.6 miles) takes approximately 2 hours.

It will finish at the M4 bridge north of Baydon around 1pm, for
rest and refreshments (Bring your own).

You may leave us (or join us) at this point if you wish.

The afternoon walk (6.6 miles) will start at 1.30 pm and hope-
fully finish around 4 pm.

Short stops en route are frequent!!

Meet outside the Red Lion pub, everyone welcome

(Joggers will be supplied with a map and left to make their
own way!)

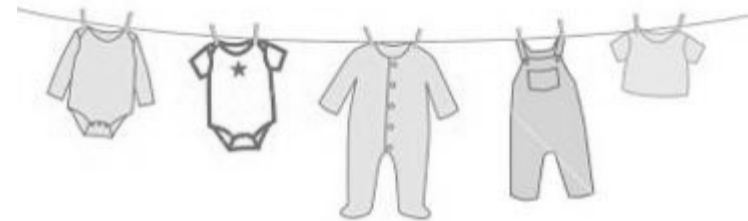
Marlborough & District NCT Nearly New Sale



Marlborough & District NCT is running its Spring Nearly New
Sale on:

Sunday 22 April
from 11.15am – 1.00pm
at St John's School, Marlborough.

Just turn up on the day and entry is £2.00.



Whether you're on the look out for maternity clothes,
children's clothes (0-8 years), nursery equipment or toys and
books, you'll find plenty of top quality goods on offer.

If you have items you wish to sell or you'd like to help out at
the event contact us on 0844 2436203 or by email at sell-
ers.nearlynewsale@yahoo.co.uk by Saturday 14 April.

Further information is available on the Marlborough branch of the
NCT website: www.nct.org.uk/branches/marlborough

*The National Childbirth Trust (NCT) is the UK's leading charity on
pregnancy, birth and early parenthood.*



The Merchant's House Marlborough
The House of Thomas Bayly 1653



To celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of
HM The Queen
the Merchant's House in association
with Marlborough History Society
present

'The 20th Century Coronations'

an illustrated lecture by

Sir Roy Strong

the eminent historian & patron
of The Merchant's House

Wednesday 23 May 2012

**7.30 pm - The Memorial Hall
Marlborough College**
(by kind permission of The Master)



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Free Open Day at The Merchant's House



The annual Open Day at The
Merchant's House Marlborough will
take place on **Saturday 12 May,**
10am-4pm.

Marlborough's Mayor, and her party, will progress from the
Town Hall and open the House to the public at 10am.

Entry is FREE.

Three members of the re-enactment 17th Society will be
spinning, weaving and demonstrating children's games.
Susan Pearson, dressed as Mrs. Bayly, the wife of 17th century
silk merchant Thomas Bayly, who lived here, will mingle with
visitors, modelling the beautiful costume researched and
made by historic clothing expert, Angela Munn.

Visitors can watch volunteers working on the Turkey Work
chairs project, and see displays by some of the crafts people
refurbishing the House.

Knowledgeable guides will be in every room and also in the
17th Century style garden to answer any questions. Music of
the time will be played during the day. The Merchant's
House Shop will also be open.

This is an exciting opportunity to visit the historic Merchant's
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openstudios 2012

It's open (studio) season again, and in the whole of May approx 100 artists in the Newbury area will throw open their doors to show the public what they do!

Feedback from artists over the last few years show that despite the recession, there is still a healthy interest in arts and crafts, as people want something individual on their walls and shelves.

There will be the **Insight 2012** exhibition at Greenham Arts Centre that displays a piece of work by every participating artist and also many other satellite exhibitions.

It is also possible to attend adult and child workshops in a variety of media. If this has piqued your interest, brochures with all the information will be available at Baydon Shop or from myself at Dacre, Manor Lane.

As for my studio in which I produce kiln formed glass, it will be open every Saturday and Sunday in May - 11:00-17:00. I shall be previewing my new collection of jewellery called 'Summer Garden' and I would be delighted to see you!

Sue Lashmar



Wiltshire Golf

The clocks change near the end of March, the US Masters starts on 5th April and suddenly the golf season is well & truly under way. . . . and to make it as easy as possible for those interested in either returning to the game or simply giving it a try, Golf Clubs across the county are organising starter sessions and other events to help you do precisely this. This activity will start during the week of 9th to 15th April (branded South West Golf Week) and will run into May and beyond for those who return to/take up the game. Families, young boys and girls are particularly welcome. If you are interested, the first starting point is your local Golf Club. Otherwise, available Wilts-wide information will be published at www.wiltshiregolfpartnership.com for whom Joe Goulding at wilt-scdo@live.co.uk or 07789 813268 will help you if requested.



Champions of England !!

After two days of full-blooded battle against Warwickshire and Lancashire over the glorious links of Ganton in North Yorkshire, our boys contemplated their very own High Noon on Sunday 25th September. Nursing a deficit in the morning session, a mountain called Surrey

would have to be overwhelmed in the afternoon if they were to claim Wiltshire's first ever national golf title. Five hours later, the scoreboards read Surrey 1 Wiltshire 5, the boys had become men, our tractors (in the car park that is) suddenly looked more functional than their Bentleys, the last giant had been slayed, and Wiltshire were astride the pinnacle of England's golfing peak ! The "Pride of Wiltshire" above are: (back row) Jordan Smith (Bowood), Josh & Ben Loughrey (Wrag Barn), separated by Ali James (Cumberwell Park); (front row) Ben Stow (Rushmore), Kevin Phillips & Tom Burley (Broome Manor).

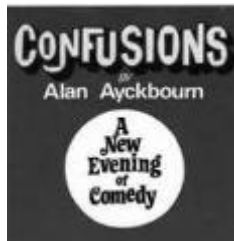
Olympics - Wiltshire's Moment to Shine!

The Olympic Torch will be coming to Wiltshire next year in the lead up to the London Olympic Games.

The torch will be travelling through Marlborough on the morning of Wednesday 23 May



OPEN AUDITIONS for 'Confusions'



After the success of Blithe Spirit in November, the Marlborough Players are delighted to announce **OPEN AUDITIONS** for Alan Ayckbourn's 'CONFUSIONS' to be performed at Marlborough Town Hall on 4th, 5th and 6th July 2012. With roles for males and females of all ages anyone interested in acting or helping backstage is welcome to come along. Directed by Sally Wolfenden 'Confusions' is a series of short interlinked plays in styles ranging from comic naturalism to high farce which keep the audience in a state of almost continuous laughter.

There will be a play reading at The Bear Hotel, 1, High Street, Marlborough on Thursday 5th April from 7.30pm for anyone who is interested (with no obligation to audition). Auditions will take place in the upstairs room of The Bear Hotel, on Sunday 15th April from 2.30 to 4.30pm and on Tuesday 17th April from 7.30 to 9.30pm.

If you would like more information or would like to audition but are unable to attend on any of the days listed above, please contact Ian Philpott on 01672 512302 to make an alternative arrangement.

Everyone welcome!

For more information please go to www.marlboroughplayers.co.uk

Bus to Newbury - No Need to Book!

Did you know that there is a bus that runs from Baydon to Newbury at 10.30 am every Thursday for Market Day?

It is now a regular service so no need to book

The bus will leave Baydon (bus stop on Aldbourne Road) at around 10.30 am and take a slightly different route to Newbury.



It leaves Newbury at 1.30 pm for the return journey.

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on Thursday 19th April 2012

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Valley Film Society

www.valleyfilmsociety.org

Tuesday 8th May
 NB a week later than usual as hall is being used by Watermill Touring Production the previous week
Benda Bilili! Dem Rep of the Congo/France (2010) 85mins
 A documentary about the group Staff Benda Bilili (Look Beyond Appearances) who are five homeless paraplegics and a young able-bodied teenager from Kinshasa, Congo - and how their dream of musical success finally becomes a reality.

Tuesday 12th June
 NB a week later than usual because of the Queen's Jubilee celebrations
Captain Corelli's Mandolin (15)UK/France/USA (2001) 131 mins
 Starring John Hurt, Penelope Cruz & Nicholas Cage.
 On the Greek Island of Kefalonia, in 1904, Dr Iannis and his daughter Pelagia find themselves playing unwilling hosts to Captain Antonio Corelli from the Italian army.

East Garston Village Hall • Doors & bar open at 7pm •
 Screenings start at 7.30pm • Guests welcome • Food ordered on the door • For membership information contact Penny Brewer on 01488 72305 or pennyandbob.brewer@tiscali.co.uk



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 Social club bar open and the option to order a Hippy Chippy supper (last orders 7.20 pm latest) to be delivered in the interval.
 New members are very welcome and can join for Season Seven on the evening
 full membership: £27; concessions (unwaged): £20. Guest entrance: £5
 for more details please ring Penny Brewer 01488 72305, email penny.jocke@freeuk.com or log in to
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Aldbourn & Baydon Aid in Sickness Fund

The Fund benefits the sick or those in financial difficulty because of sickness. Small grants are offered to residents of the two parishes plus loans of medical equipment (to parishioners and visitors)

All bona fide enquiries welcome and those from friends and neighbours

Contact
 Debbie Moxon (Baydon) on 540266
 Jocelyn Evans (Aldbourn) on 540206



Red Lion - Tel 01672 540112



RedLion@baydon.org

Well the sun has started to shine, so what do we have in store for you, the main event for The Red Lion is our 2 year anniversary, yes on the 4th May we have been you landlord and landlady for 2 years where does the time go! So across that weekend we have live music from 'Fuzed' who played our first ever gig here, a beer festival, a bbq if the weather is nice, a music quiz and a whole lot more watch out for further details!

The Quiz is still popular and on a couple of occasions we have been full if you haven't been to one yet be sure to try they are fun and do test your brain but if you win you take the winners pot and if you lose it's a drink on us!

Check out the website for further dates for your diary but your next live music event is on 7th April when 'Junior' returns and your next quiz is 4th April.

If you have yet to pop in and try our famous steak night on a Thursday then let me remind you it is a 10oz rump steak with all the trimmings and a drink for just £10.00!

Well after the success of Mother's Day and us being fully booked for both lunch time and evening be sure to start booking early for Fathers Day on 17th June where to keep the favouritism equal Dad's also eat mains for free!

Sam & Clair

Contact Sam or Clair on 01672 540112.