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# Scene in Baydon

..a bi-monthly digest of what's going on in Baydon: **Dec 2014**



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Hello All...

Another fantastic bonfire and fireworks this year. Is it me, or does the firework display get better every year?

Christmas is fast approaching. So seasons greetings to all and a very Happy New Year

Jo Cooling

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### Dec/Jan SERVICES

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| 7 Dec  | 9.30am  | <b>Christingle Service</b>                           |
| 14 Dec | 4.00pm  | Carol Service  |
| 21 Dec | 9.30am  | Holy Communion (CW)                                  |
| 24 Dec | 9.00pm  | Communion by Candle Light (CW)                       |
| 25 Dec | 9.30am  | Carol and Crib Service<br>followed by Holy Communion |
|        |         |  |
| 4 Jan  | 9.30am  | Family Communion                                     |
| 11 Jan | 9.30am  | Holy Communion (CW)                                  |
| 18 Jan | 9.30am  | Morning Prayer (Book of Common Prayer)               |
| 25 Jan | 10.00am | Team Holy Communion Service at St Nicholas           |

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### Operation Christmas Child

I have delivered 22 boxes from the village and the School sent off 58 shoeboxes collected.

80 boxes in total.

Thank you and well done Baydon, that will make a huge difference to 80 children in the world.



*Kate Buckingham*

## From the Minister...

Minister's Letter, December 2014



### Keeping the 'Christ' in Christmas.

Christmas, we are often told, is a time for giving. Certainly, the shops are full of ideas for gifts and there are many presents and gifts being bought for people in the days and weeks before Christmas itself. The practice of exchanging gifts at Christmas is, however, quite recent. Until a few hundred years ago the Christmas festivities were marked by community and family celebrations based around seasonal foods and recipes. The growth of a manufacturing sector in the early Victorian period fuelled the availability and the demand for presents to be given as gifts and look how that has developed!

As more and more has been added and, as the traditions of different countries have become increasingly inter-twinned, trying to get to the heart of Christmas gets more difficult decade by decade. A simple handmade present has developed over time into a factory produced gift. A single present has grown into multiple gifts and it is not easy to see where it will end. Lest this all seem a bit anti-Christmas festivities, I should declare a love of this time of year. The carols, the decorations, the tree, trying to choose the right present and the Christmas services are all great fun.

If we are honest though, an outside observer might find it difficult to get to the central figure of Christmas. An alien visitor to Planet Earth could be forgiven for thinking that the essence of Christmas was Santa Claus and not Jesus; Argos not Emmanuel. Without losing the fun and festivity, my Christmas hope is for our communities to ensure that we have 'Christ' at the heart of this year's Christmas.

Happy Christmas and a good New Year.  
Simon Weedon



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## ...Church News...

We are currently re-thinking the planned activities for children, to try and make best use of the limited number of helpers and the resources we have available.

**“Sparklers”** (for babies and pre-schoolers and their carers) will continue on Mondays in term-time, 9.15 – 10.30, at St Michael’s church in Aldbourne: songs, story, activities, playtime and refreshments.

This will be expanded into:

**“Sparklers Plus”** on the first Monday of a holiday or half-term break, starting later (10 – 12.30) and incorporating activities suitable for older siblings and other children; families are asked to bring their own picnic lunches. The next “Sparklers Plus” will be on the 22<sup>nd</sup> December, with a Christmas theme.

**ReFuel** for 12 and 14 years old from 5-6.30 on 2nd Sunday of every month for more information, please contact Nick Whelan (541022)

**“Messy Church”** will no longer be held monthly; dates for 2015 will be advertised on the Team/Village websites, in the magazines and via parentmail.

We are also considering starting a weekday after-school club (probably on a Thursday) if we can get enough helpers.

Please contact the Rev’d Sue Rodd (541571; [revsuerodd@btinternet.com](mailto:revsuerodd@btinternet.com)) if you are interested or would like to offer help.

### **Saturday Home Group**

On the first Saturday of each month from 9.00-10.30am, for good coffee, bacon butties and discussion. Newcomers welcome. For catering purposes, please let us know via the Team Office if you will be joining us. Please contact the Team Office or a member of the Ministers’ Team for more information.

**Food Bank** Swindon food bank provides help for Swindon people in crisis. Please put any items you wish to donate in the large wicker basket on the left hand side as you enter the church. The church is open between 9.30 am – 5 pm.

### Church Clean - ready for Christmas

Saturday morning 6 December from 9:30 onwards for as little or as long a time as you can spare.

## Heads Up!

As we move through the last term of 2014 our children have enjoyed celebrating Harvest, with our contributions being donated to the Swindon Food Bank and the Women's refuge. We are now commencing activities leading up to Christmas.

Our Years 5 and 6 hockey teams and Year 3 and 4 football teams all did extremely well playing in the St John's mini festivals. All children played extremely well with a good sportsman's attitude.

We are very fortunate in school, enjoying the following after school clubs and activities: football with Swindon Town, dance with Fitness for Fun and tennis with PK Tennis.

The staff, children and parents raised £153 for Children in Need when designed our own Superhero badges and held a sale of homemade Christmas cards, gifts and biscuits. Earlier in November we also collected 58 shoe boxes for the Samaritans Purse, Operation Christmas Child.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a peaceful Christmas and happy and healthy 2015.

P N Chambers  
Headteacher



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## Baydon Bonfire and Fireworks

On behalf of the Firework team we would like to thank all of you who came, supported and donated towards making this annual event another successful evening, thankfully the weather was kind to us.

We would like to say a big thank you to all the stewards, the PC for their continued support, Jonathan Smith for allowing us to use the Cricket Field, Ro Connolly for his carpentry skills, Debbie at the shop and Mark and Julie at the Red Lion.

There were 662 people who came through the gate to enjoy the evening. (*That's fantastic! Ed.*)

We are now planning for 2015 already.

Please make a note in your diaries that we have made arrangements for Father Christmas to visit the village on Sunday 21st December times and venues to be confirmed so please look out for posters nearer the time.



Thanks again and look forward to seeing you on the 21st.

Baydon Firework Team

**Following on from last months list of Baydon men who fell in WWI here are details of two Baydon men known to have fallen in WWII**

Sgt Richard Stephen **SPRACKMAN** - 1315858, 619 Sqdn., Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve who died on 18 October 1943. Age unknown. Remembered with Honour: Runnymede Memorial, Surrey. Panel 165 Son of A. Sprackman, Farmer, Aldbourne Road, Baydon

Gnr Thomas Douglas **TROTMAN** - 1083132, 135 (The Hertfordshire Yeomanry) Field Regt., Royal Artillery who died on 26 January 1942. Age 22. Remembered with Honour: Singapore Memorial, Singapore. Column 36 Born 1920 in Marlborough to Nelson John TROTMAN (1891-) and Sarah Ann MUNDAY (1888-)

**If you have details of any other Baydon men who Fell in WWII do let us know : baydonscene@email.com**



**Remembrance Sunday:**

12 Brownies from the Baydon 1<sup>st</sup> Brownie Pack presented their flag at the beginning of the Remembrance Service in St Nicholas Church.

Mrs Tina Evans presented the Royal British Legion wreath at the Alter.

Lt Cdr Ben Hughes gave the bible reading and Mr Philip Coyle read the names from the Roll of Honour of those from Baydon who lost their lives in both World Wars.

The service was led by Mr Michael Ball, and the address was given by Lay-reader Mrs Jackie Hollander to a church packed with villagers young and old. Mrs Hollander pointed out that 95 years ago the Church Bell and brass plaque were consecrated in memory of those who died in the Great War 1914 / 1918.

Mr Bryn Furber played the Last Post and Reveille and Mrs Helen Chambers accompanied the congregational hymns on the organ.



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**Poppy Collection in Baydon**

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BBC 2 forthcoming programme called **Posh People** to feature our late Shirley Smith

Baydon's Shirley Smith who sadly is no longer with us, will be featuring in a new BBC 2 programme being shown on Monday 1st December at 8.30pm. Shortly before Shirley died she wrote her book 'She's not my granny, she's my nanny' which is on sale in the Baydon Stores at just £3 with all funds going to the Baydon church



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Also please know that you do not have to be a regular at church.

Please contact the PCC secretary: Rowan at [Church@baydon.org](mailto:Church@baydon.org), the church wardens: Margaret Hill and Mike Ball or any other church member you may know.

## Rubbish and recycling collections

Note changes following Christmas period—some collections are not on a Tuesday

Dec 2	Plastic and Card + black bin recycling
Dec 9	<i>Household waste and garden waste</i>
Dec 11	Plastic and Card + black bin recycling
Dec 23	<i>Household waste <b>but no garden waste collection (Christmas)</b></i>
Fri Jan 2	Plastic and Card + black bin recycling
Thu Jan 8	<i>Household waste and garden waste</i>
Wed Jan 14	Plastic and Card + black bin recycling
Jan 20	<i>Household waste and garden waste</i>
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It has been brought to the Council's attention that a dog walker or walkers are allowing their dogs to foul the pavement in a trail on a regular basis on Aldbourne Road between the bus stop and Newtons Walk. A resident posted a notice on his/her fence but it was removed within 24 hours.

The path alongside the alpaca fields is also regularly subject to fouling.

The Council would like to remind the offending dog owner(s) that dog fouling is taken so seriously on a national basis that laws are in place which can be used to prosecute them. Therefore, yet again, a plea goes out to all dog owners who do not collect their dog mess to desist from this unacceptable and inexcusable practice. Residents are incensed by this subject and are always looking out to observe such events. If these are reported to the Council action will be taken.

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## Wiltshire Air Ambulance



JANUARY 2015 heralds a new milestone for Wiltshire Air Ambulance (WAA) as the charity starts operating its own helicopter.

The partnership with Wiltshire Police for the shared helicopter/air ambulance comes to an end in December 2014 after 24 years due to the police joining the National Police Air Service.

The new air ambulance is a state of the art helicopter and is the first Bell 429 to operate as an air ambulance in the UK. It is more powerful, faster and is bigger inside than the joint helicopter.

In the last financial year (April 2013 to March 2014) WAA attended 672 incidents and conveyed 282 patients to hospital. Since it started operating in 1990 it has attended almost 15,000 missions.

As a consequence of operating its own helicopter, the charity will have to raise £2.5 million a year (£6,850 a day). The charity receives no Government funding and relies entirely on public donations.



Mandy Clarke, chairman of Wiltshire Air Ambulance Charitable Trust, said: "The people of Wiltshire are very generous in their support for Wiltshire Air Ambulance and we still need their support and to raise vital funds for us. Even a little bit makes a difference. It's down to the people of Wiltshire that we are still here and flying for them."

The colours of the new helicopter are yellow and the distinctive Wiltshire green and the charity has a new logo. The new air ambulance will be based at Police headquarters in Devizes until the charity has found a new home.

The air ambulance will operate up to 19 hours a day. Initially it will operate in the day time with night flying commencing in Spring 2015. If you would like to support the work of WAA by making a donation or volunteering your time visit [www.wiltshireairambulance.co.uk](http://www.wiltshireairambulance.co.uk) or call 01380 739453.



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Members of the Baydon Social Group enjoyed a successful November meeting when 25 people attended a talk on Antiques kindly given by a representative from Kidson Trigg (Auctioneers).

He also did valuations on some of the items that had been brought by members and other villagers that were present.

The December meeting is for members only.

All are welcome to attend the 2015 Planning Meeting on Thursday January 8th which will be held in 11 Downsmead at 7.30pm.

Come with your ideas for the 2015 programme!!

*Baydon Joggers  
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<p><b>Minor adaptations</b> Including grab rails, hand rails and portable or fixed ramping installation.</p>	<p><b>Electrical</b> All types of minor electrical works.</p>
<p>To be eligible for this service, you must be aged 60 or more, or at least 18 and with a disability.</p>	<p><b>Security</b> Including door or window locks, lighting, CCTV and smoke alarm installation.</p>

**Ridgeway Care & Repair Wiltshire**  
Handihelp

Supported by Wiltshire Council and NHS Wiltshire.

**01380 735555**  
[handihelp@ridgewaycommunity.org](mailto:handihelp@ridgewaycommunity.org)

### 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  
Jacelyn Evans (Aldbourn) on 540206

Since the last Scene *Muttley* has....

Become a dog blood donor! You may have seen Muttley sporting the red Pet Blood Bank bandana he got for donating.

Any dog under 8 years old and weighing at least 25kg can donate. Every unit of blood collected can help save four dogs' lives

See <http://www.petbloodbankuk.org/> for more details



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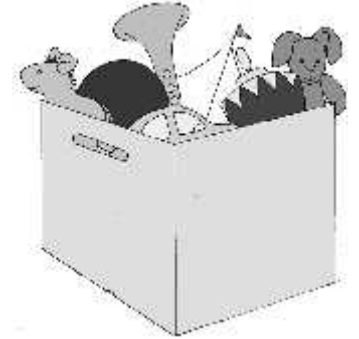


**David Clarke  
01488 71724  
07974118807**

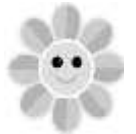


## Baby and Toddler Group

Baydon baby and toddler group is a lovely, friendly group held in the BYPA hall on Mondays during term time from 9am to 11am, and welcome any adult who accompanies a child or children aged from 0 years to school age. There are lots of lovely toys to play with and a garden to use when the weather is nice enough. We also have a craft activity every week. There is a hot drink for the adults when you arrive and snack time for the little ones is around 10am. We end the session with a song time where all the children can choose their favourite nursery rhyme to sing. Everyone is very welcome to join us and it would be great to see any new families who would like to come along. For further details please contact Ali Jones on 01672 540608 or e-mail [toddlers@baydon.org](mailto:toddlers@baydon.org)



## 1st Baydon Brownies



At Baydon Brownies we only have 2 fundraising events during the year - our Soup and Sandwich lunch and the refreshments for Bonfire night. We also try to have one charity fundraising event, which is normally a children's charity.

We would like to thank everyone who came along to the Soup and Sandwich lunch. We had an amazing 51 customers and 16 wonderful (Brownie) waitresses.

We also helped run the refreshments tent at the annual Bonfire and Fireworks evening with the Little Crickets Pre-school.

Altogether from both events we raised an amazing **£300.00** for Brownie funds. This goes towards outings, craft equipment, ingredients for cooking and badges.

We would like to thank everybody who came along to either event and supported us. We very much appreciate your support.

*From all the Brownies, and the Leaders - Charlie, Jess, Wendy and Jayne*

If you would like information about Brownies we take girls from the age of 7 - 10. We do currently have a waiting list, so please call Jayne aka Brown Owl (540450) or Wendy aka Tawny Owl (541469).

## Little Crickets Pre-School

We would like to thank everyone who came to the Baydon Bonfire and Fireworks and brought refreshments from the stall we ran jointly with the Brownies.

### Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for

## Paid Helper

The position is for a Tuesday morning only, but there is a possibility of future further hours. Training will be given.

Please contact us on 07896780007 to find out more

### FROM THE ALEC STAGE

Welcome back to ALEC's regular feature in the Baydon Scene. In each edition we'll keep you updated with our news and important dates for your diaries.

In October, Debbie Page returned to the director's chair with a wonderful production of "Blithe Spirit". The cast did a great job bringing to life, albeit spiritual in the case of the ghostly Elvira, Noel Coward's brilliant words on a stunning set.

Matt Lawler is now busy directing a large cast in ALEC's next production; the traditional Pantomime; "Robin Hood" with of course an inevitable Aldbourne twist!

In the next Dabchick we'll be announcing our other productions for 2015 and audition dates – yes we are aiming to get ahead! On that subject we're always looking for new talent, be that strutting your stuff on stage, directing or getting involved behind the scenes. Please get in touch with Matt Lawler - 01672 540 132 or - [nessex1985@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:nessex1985@yahoo.co.uk)

### Coming soon in 2015

19th, 20th & 21st of February  
14<sup>th</sup> March

Traditional pantomime – Robin Hood  
The popular annual ALEC **Supper Quiz** will return

### ALEC is Social.....



Keep in touch and see what we're up to by liking us on Facebook  
ALEC - Aldbourne Light Entertainment Club



Wiltshire Good Neighbours can put you in touch with the people & services who can really help you to improve living your independent life.

By visiting you and talking with you we can identify the services that will make the most difference to your day to day living. We can then refer you to these services, and follow up to ensure they are delivered accordingly.

We can provide information on a variety of topics & these may include:

- Befriending services and social activities
- Advice on benefits . Healthcare needs
- Transport . and many more.....

**If you think we can help you to find the services you need then give us a call on 07557 922030**  
**[www.wiltsgn.org.uk](http://www.wiltsgn.org.uk)**

**The service is free and confidential**

*Funded by Wiltshire Council and provided by Community First in partnership with Age UK Wiltshire and Age UK Salisbury*



## Do You Know Someone With Sight Problems?

You can hear all of the latest local news and gossip, a weekly selection of magazine articles, and get to know what's going on in your area from our local Talking Newspaper.

Produced each Friday by volunteers, a cassette is sent out free of charge to blind or partially sighted folk in the area.

Call Michael Brown on 01672 562979 and he'll do the rest!



*The* white goods recycling charity

Replacing your washing machine, tumble dryer, fridge or electric cooker?



Please donate your old machines to us so we can refurbish them for families in need.  
Wiltshire-wide and Swindon collection service.

Call us on (01380) 720200

[www.refurbiz.org](http://www.refurbiz.org)  
Registered Charity Number 1107150

Want to sell, loan, buy or rent something? Lost something (or someone!) Or found something you think might be precious to someone? Advertise here for free! But please keep it short! And no commercial please...

## Meet your CAM!

Andrew Jack, Marlborough's Community Area Manager, will be working in Marlborough Library from approximately 12.00pm until 5.00pm on most Wednesdays. Andrew is available to chat concerning Area Board matters, such as Community Area Grant funding and consultations as well as signposting other Wiltshire Council services. Andrew can be reached on 01225 713109 or email: [andrew.jack@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:andrew.jack@wiltshire.gov.uk)

## Marlborough Area Board

**Next meeting is:** Tuesday 27 January 2015

Marlborough Town Hall, High Street, Marlborough, SN8 1AA  
6.30 pm for a 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.

## Marlborough CAN Newsletter

Marlborough CAN helps you keep in touch with things that are happening locally. With regular news from the Council, Police, NHS and many other local community groups and organisations, you can be the first to know what is happening. With opportunities to have a say on important issues and to take part in local events and activities, Marlborough CAN will put you in the picture.

See the latest CAN at [Baydon.org](http://Baydon.org) or go to  
<http://marlborough.ourcommunitymatters.org.uk/>



Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service's 'Partnership Matters' newsletter is at [Baydon.org](http://Baydon.org) - it's a wealth of info on the work of the service and important information for everyone.



## Ramsbury "Flyer" Community Bus

Special outing to Bath Christmas Market on Monday 8 December : picking up from Baydon at 9.40 am. Fare is £10.

Returning during the mid/late afternoon. Please call Marilyn to book your place on 07584 253117.

The Flyer is also available for hire : 14 seats plus the driver. Call Carena to discuss this on 01672 520566.

We also provide surgery transport, to and from the Ramsbury Surgery, on every Tuesday : please book this with the receptionist when you make your doctor/nurse's appointment.

In addition, we run regular trips to Hungerford, Marlborough and Newbury : please register your interest. Bus passes can often be used.

## *Bus to Newbury*



**Did you know that there is a bus that runs from Baydon to Newbury at 10.18 am every Saturday?**

It is now a regular service so **no need to book**

The bus will leave Baydon (bus stop on Aldbourne Road) at around 10.18 am and take a slightly different route to Newbury.

It leaves Newbury at 1.30 pm for the return journey.

It may not be as quick, or follow such a direct route, as in the car but it certainly beats finding a place to park – and of course it is free for those over sixty (providing you have your bus pass).

*Barbara J.*

# Baydon Village Stores

Ermin St, Baydon. SN8 2JP . 01672 540266

Don't forget to order your:-

Free Range Local Turkey, Stuffing, Gammon, Sausage meat etc.,

Xmas Tree Xmas Wreath Coal and Logs

Greengrocery Cream Fresh Bread

Ramsbury Brewery Minipin, Polypin, Firkin or Bottles

## Shop Opening Hours

**Mon-Fri - 07:00 - 17:45**

**Saturday - 08:00 - 16:30**

**Sunday & Public Holidays - 09:00 - 12:00**

**Christmas Day CLOSED**

## Post Office Opening Hours

**Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 0730 - 1630**

**Wednesday 0730 - 1300**

**Saturday 0800 - 1300**

**Sunday 0900 - 1200**

## Off Licence Hours

**Monday – Saturday : from 08.00am**

**Sunday : from 10.00am**





# Baydon Village Stores

Ermin Street Baydon SN8 2JP  
Tel: 01672 540266



## Christmas Opening Hours

Day	Date	Shop	Post Office
Wednesday	24 <sup>th</sup> December	0700 - 1630	0730 - 1300
Thursday	25 <sup>th</sup> December	Closed	Closed
Friday	26 <sup>th</sup> December	1000 - 1200	Closed
Saturday	27 <sup>th</sup> December	0800 - 1630	0800 - 1300
Sunday	28 <sup>th</sup> December	0900 - 1200	0900 - 1200
Monday	29 <sup>th</sup> December	0800 - 1745	0800 - 1630
Tuesday	30 <sup>th</sup> December	0800 - 1745	0800 - 1630
Wednesday	31 <sup>st</sup> December	0800 - 1630	0800 - 1300
Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup> January	1000 -12:00 HAPPY NEW YEAR	Closed HAPPY NEW YEAR
Friday	2 <sup>nd</sup> January	0800 -1745	0800 - 1630
Saturday	3 <sup>rd</sup> January	0800 - 1630	0900 - 1300
Sunday	4 <sup>th</sup> January	0900 - 1200	0900 - 1200
Monday	5 <sup>th</sup> January	0700 - 1745	0730 - 1630

Wishing You a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

## Meet the Community Team



PC Jeremy Batchelor

We are both based at Marlborough Police Station

We are further supported by a team of Special Constables, who all perform regular duties from Marlborough.

We can be contacted at Marlborough by phoning:

Call Wiltshire Police on 101  
Mobile: 07969 501963

E-mail : [jeremy.batchelor@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:jeremy.batchelor@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk)

**WILTSHIRE POLICE**

# 101

101 is the number to call when you want to contact the police - when it's less urgent than 999.

In a NON EMERGENCY dial 101 if:

- you want to report a crime/issue that does not require an immediate emergency response
- you or someone else are not in immediate danger
- you would like to speak to your local police officer
- you want to provide information about a crime

If you are deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired you can textphone 18001 101 in a NON EMERGENCY

# 999

999 is the number to call when you want to contact the police in an EMERGENCY.

Dial 999 if:

- you need an immediate response because a crime is in progress or you think it is
- you or someone else is injured or there is a threat to life
- a serious road traffic collision has taken place
- violence is being used or threatened

This is a guide not a definitive list

If you are deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired you can text 80999 in an EMERGENCY

www.wiltshire.police.uk


**WILTSHIRE POLICE**  
Non emergency number:


101

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*I hold regular surgeries around the Constituency  
- please call or email to book an appointment*

Visit [www.baydon.org](http://www.baydon.org) for up-to-date village news & events, weather and features, Parish Council minutes & agendas

## Mobile Library

The Mobile Library will be outside the school on the following dates:

- |   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
|  <b>4 December</b> | <b>18 December</b> |
|  <b>15 January</b> | <b>29 January</b>  |

Note : Thursday 01 January 2015 is a bank holiday and no visit will take place.

**10:50 - 11:40**

## Aldbourn Library Opening Hours

- **Monday** from 2:00pm till 5:00pm & from 6:00pm till 8:00pm
- **Tuesday** from 10:00am till 12:00pm\*
- **Thursday** from 2:00pm till 5:00pm & from 6:00pm till 8:00pm

\* staffed by volunteers

## **Aldbourn & Baydon Link Scheme**

(Reg Charity 1112698)

### **Help is available for:**

#### **Transport for:**

Medical, dental or other similar appointments  
Visiting a friend or relation in hospital  
Collecting shopping, library books etc

#### **Help at home**

Small tasks, visiting for a chat or a game of cards  
Occasionally caring for pets  
Helping with post or paperwork  
Small gardening jobs

There's no charge but the Link Scheme welcomes donations from those who use the service

**Phone: 07767 116 895**



# Valley Film Society

Season Nine Films (2013/14)



Tuesday 2nd December 2014

## Death at a Funeral (2007) UK Certificate 15. 90 mi

AGM will be held during the interval

Director: Frank Oz.

Starring: Matthew Macfaden, Keeley Hawes, Peter Dinklage, Daisy Donovan, Ewen Bremner

Despite the title, this a comedy! Chaos ensues when a man tries to expose a dark secret regarding a recently deceased patriarch of a dysfunctional British family

Tuesday 6th January 2015

## 12 Years a Slave (2013) USA/UK Cert 15 134 mins

NB No interval due to length of film

Director: Steve McQueen.

Starring: Chiwetel Ejiofor, Michael K Williams, Michael Fassbender

In the antebellum United States, Solomon Northup, a free black man from upstate New York, is abducted and sold into slavery.

Films are screened at East Garston Village Hall •

Doors & bar open at 7pm

Films normally start at 7.30pm • Food ordered on the door for the interval

Wide screen. Raised seating.

Cost for whole season: £30 (unwaged £29) • Guests per film: £5

New members, welcome to join in advance next month for Season Ten.

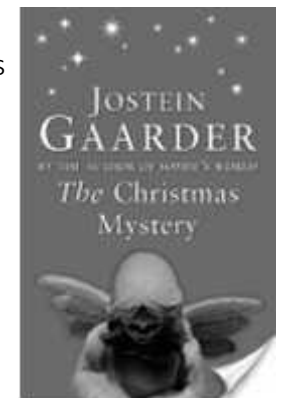
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Contact: Penny Locke on penny.locke@freeuk.com or Penny Brewer on 01488 72305

# Scene View

Where anyone can review books, pubs, restaurants, events, special places or pretty much anything including your own view (keep it clean!). Send your (review to Editor at baydonscene@email.com

*The Christmas Mystery* by Jostein Gaarder  
No-one has had an advent calendar quite like this one! Day by day, chapter by chapter, the story unfolds as the pieces of paper behind each door intertwine the story of Christmas, a time-travelling, distance-crossing investigation in what it might really have been like, what might it mean, and the disappearance of a young girl many years previously. Angels, wise men and shepherds all help to explain. Historical events are also recounted, including the 6<sup>th</sup> century Bishop Nicholas of Myra, who secretly gave gifts to the poor and started the tradition of giving one another presents at Christmas (or St. Nicholas's Day, 6<sup>th</sup> December; or 19<sup>th</sup> December in most Orthodox countries). What might it have been like to be there? What happened? What are the ramifications? Can angels be impatient? Stuff on which to ponder and reflect as well as enjoy.



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Jostein Gaarder also wrote the popular philosophy book *Sophie's World*, which has been a best-seller in 42 languages. He often writes from the perspective of children (which helps to make his work accessible) reflecting their wonder at the world – which is also something which makes me think.

### Tamzin Lafford

Tamzin 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>



# The Red Lion FREEHOUSE

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### FOOD TIMES:

Monday to Saturday 12 noon to 9.30pm  
Sunday: 12pm to 6pm – Home cooked Sunday Roast £9.50  
Senior Citizens £6.50 and Children £5.00

### Ales from £2.50

**Coffee & tea available all day, everyday** : Cappuccino, latte, espresso, Americano, mocha, earl grey and a selection of fruit teas.

**Cask Mask Certificate of Excellence and the Guinness Quality award.**

**We are in CAMRA's Good Beer Guide 2015, UK's Best Selling Beer & Pub Guide.**

**Baydon Bikers (motorbike club)** - First Monday of the Month - Meet in the Red Lion car park at 7.30pm. Anyone wishing to join them, just turn up!

**Baydon Bicycle Club** - Every Thursday - Departure is from the Red Lion car park at 6.15pm and again anyone wishing to join them just turn up.

**Cribb Club** – Every Wednesday Night. Anyone wishing to join the cribb team can contact Tanya Brown on 07986730470.

**Quiz Nights** – Christmas Quiz - Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm in aid of Wiltshire Air Ambulance / January 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in aid of the Dogs Trust. Teams of 4 at £1.00 per person.

**Wiltshire Good Neighbour Community Lunch** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 12pm. A social afternoon for anyone in Baydon or the surrounding villages to join us for a relaxed lunch, light conversation and good company. A two course pre booked meal for only £7.50 Look out for posters or on The Red Lion or Village website.

**Monday Open Music Nights** – December 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> and January 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Starts at 8pm

**Tuesday and Wednesday Special - Pie and Pint\* Night**

\*Pint of Ale/Pint of Carlsberg/Soft beverage. Enjoy a pint with a pie of your choice served with mashed potato or chips and garden peas.

**Thursdays** – Steak Night – Two Sirloin steaks with all the trimmings and a bottle of house red or white wine £39.00 Full menu also available.

**Christmas menu** available. A 3 course menu followed by coffee and a mince pie only £19.50. The Christmas menu is a pre-booked, pre-paid menu. Pop in to pick up a copy or check on our website.

### Events:

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December** - Clarins & Clinique Night. £2.50 a ticket with ALL proceeds going to The Great Western Hospital, Special Care Baby Unit. 10% of goods purchased on the night, goodie bag with every 2 purchases and Raffle prizes. Places are limited so call us to book your place to avoid disappointment.

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December** – Wiltshire Good Neighbour Community **Christmas Lunch.**

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – Ladies Christmas Night. A pre Christmas gathering with a two course meal and good company. Ticket event.

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December** – Father Christmas at the Red Lion. Look out for poster with full details.#

**Christmas Day – Open 11.30 til 2.30pm – Bar Only.** All other days normal opening times for bar and food.

**New Years Eve Party 10pm til late-** Live music by John Cully covering the 50's, 60's, 70's and 80's. Tickets £5.00 includes buffet available at the Red Lion.

Remember you can book the pub or dining area for a Corporate event, private function, party or workshop. We can cater for a sit down meal or a buffet. Please do not hesitate to contact us and we will do our best to make your event as pleasant and stress free as we possibly.

Your local is not just for Christmas so please do support us.

We would like to wish each and everyone of you a very happy Christmas and 2015.

*Mark & Julie, December 2014*



**Wiltshire**  
**GOOD NEIGHBOURS**  
At the heart of your community

# 'Christmas Lunch for all at the Red Lion'

Baydon

**12pm THURSDAY 11th December**

**Join us for a relaxed lunch and light conversation**

**Set meal:  
Christmas Roast  
Or  
Pie and Mash**

**followed by a  
pudding  
£7.50 per person**

**To book your place** or to discuss any dietary requirements  
or for a vegetarian option please call Julie on 01672  
541224 prior to the event