

Scene in Baydon

..a bi-monthly digest of what's going on in Baydon: December 09



By Linsey



Hello All

I think Baydon has had a couple of interesting months - first there was the music concert in the church, then the refurbished pub opening - Soooo much better by quite a long chalk! And the food's lovely! Then the amazing fireworks - brilliant once again - thanks Trevor, Jim and Gang and then the buzzing Christmas Fayre. All brilliant and all in our little village. Good for us I say!

And because I'm feeling Christmassy - I may have overdone the festive-ness of Scene - but what the heck!

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

See you in February - merry, merry Christmas to everyone and have the very best 2010 from all of the Scene Team!

All the very best

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6 December Family Service - Christingle

13 December Holy Communion

20 December Carol Service at 4.00 pm

24 December Midnight Mass at 11.30 pm

25 December Christmas Day Communion at 9.30 am

27 December Team Eucharist at Axford at 11 am

3 January Family Communion

10 January Holy Communion

17 January Morning Prayer

24 January Holy Communion

31 January Team Service at Baydon at 9.30 am

All services are at 9.30am unless otherwise stated



Dear All

We are in the midst of Autumn winds and showers which occasionally give way to beautiful sunshine hi-lighting the changing colours of the hedgerows and trees. The different shades of orange, green, red and brown are glorious in their beautiful combinations and soon we will settle on the reds and greens of Christmas. Colours of life and joy.

Life that comes from the knowledge of Jesus' birth and his death and resurrection; joy that comes from the knowledge of God being with us in Jesus Christ.

It is through God's love for each of us that God sent Jesus to live amongst us, to die amongst us and to rise before us to give us the hope of rising too into the presence of our God and King.

It is therefore that we have a time of preparation in Advent – the four weeks before Christmas, as we do for all great and important events, and ready ourselves for the festivities on Christmas Day. We shall prepare by renewing friendships, by keeping in touch with friends old and new through Christmas cards and parties. We shall buy gifts for each other in order to show gratitude for one another for the love given us over the last year. We shall share in the carol and crib services, perhaps the Christingles and midnight services too. All these activities contribute to 'our' Christmas.

This Christmas in the local churches we once again celebrate Christ's birth and his coming amongst us and thank God for sending Jesus to show us how to live and have inner peace. It is not expensive gifts that are the most important part of producing a good Christmas but acknowledgement of the love of God in Jesus Christ's birth. The good Christmas is in that moment when we stop to praise the Lord, listen to the Bible readings that tell us about the events that surround Christ's birth and sing Carols to celebrate His coming – it is then that the awe and magic can be felt in our souls. That peace which passes all understanding is within us as we go out afterwards into the world once more having remembered the significance of the occasion. But more importantly we can know that God is with us. We hope to see you over the Christmas Season at some of our special

We hope to see you over the Christmas Season at some of our special services where we hope you will encounter the peace of Christ with you as you worship.

May you all have a holy, peaceful and blessed Christmas that surpasses all your expectations.

With very best wishes for a holy Christmas and a happy 2010.

Ann, Peter, Joan, Jackie and Tony

Carols by the Tree

Friday 18th December 09 6pm



On the Village Green around the Christmas Tree

Then gather in the Pub for some refreshments!

MONDAY COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNINGS

These are proving popular as non-religious chat times. Everyone welcome at the Church between 10 a.m. until 11.45am

Saturday Coffee Mornings have stopped for the time being



Many thanks to everyone who helped to make Saturday's school fayre possible, and all those who supported the event either by helping with the organising or donating prizes or spending their money on the day.

The fayre was opened by the school choir singing some Christmas songs. All the pupils had a great time, with years 5 and 6 (Eagles) setting up various stalls to entertain the crowds.

The fayre ended with drawing the raffle winners, with many great prizes such as hampers, and tickets for Cotswold Wildlife Park, Nuffield Health Centre, Wookey Hole, Bowood House, Steam Museum, Didcot Steam Railway and many more.

The enjoyable event also raised over £2,000 which is a marvellous amount .

Mark A - Roving Reporter & Baydon Web Guru



The fayre opened with a heavenly choir of pupils



Baydon St. Nicholas CE Primary School Report

We would like to say thank you to everyone who supported our Christmas Fayre. The event was thoroughly enjoyable with fun and events being held for all members of the family. Especially well done to our Eagles class who designed, made and run fun stalls for everyone to participate in.

Our Bags2School event which so many Baydon residents kindly donated to raised a fantastic £360.80. Everyone also gave generously to our Harvest Donations Appeal with food being passed on to the Homeless in Swindon, thank you.



In school this term we have been visited by author, Guy Bass who spoke to the children about creative writing and inspiration and the NRG Martial Arts Academy who conducted a workshop in Martial Arts and Personal Safety. We have also played our first area cluster football match, which we won against St Michael's in Aldbourne 4-0.

Further to our planning permission being granted, we are hoping to commence building in the early part of 2010. Watch this space for further details.

The lead up to Christmas is a very busy one in school with our children working hard practicing their Christmas productions. We will also have a professional production company performing Mother Goose in school, a traditional Christmas lunch and party.

May I take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very Peaceful Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

Best wishes

Mr P N Chambers - Headteacher



'Building for the Future'

Baydon St Nicholas School needs to raise around £50,000 to contribute towards the planned improvements.

Works on the school are due to start sometime in the new year - possibly as early as mid February. The architects are out to tender for all of the skills needed and they have been briefed that Health and Safety is paramount!

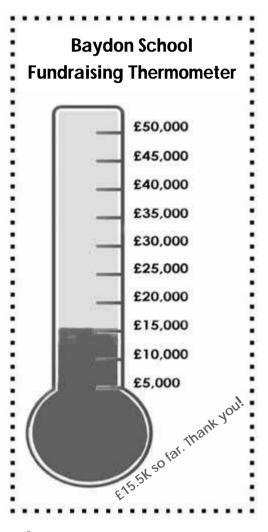
The village has really come together to support this project - a **HUGE** thank you to everyone!

Please don't forget to register at easyfundraising.org.uk and do your Christmas shopping through the site. It won't cost you a penny more and it raises loads of money for the school. We've already made £400 through the site. Thank you!

Upcoming events are listed on next page - look out for another Car wash and a Painting Workshop in the New Year.

Please support the school.

Your School Needs YOU!





Fund Raising Ideas

If you have any fundraising ideas or want to organise an event - please contact Enid Johnson (540408) or Bryan Harber (541267) or use the Ideas Boxes located at the village shop or at the school.

All donations supporting the fund will be most gratefully received and if possible supported by a Gift Aid form which are available from Bryan Harber.

The events planned so far are listed here - keep a close eye on the notice boards, Village Store and website for more news and events.

Easyfundraising.org.uk

And don't forget with Christmas coming up - register at Easyfundraising.org.uk and buy all your Christmas goodies through the site - you'll be raising money for the school at no extra cost to you! It's easy - just go to easyfundraising.org.uk and search for Baydon School. Then go shopping!

Baydon St Nicholas School Fundraising Scheme - Events and Activities

Event	Date	Time	Where
Race Night	Late Jan	Keep an eye on website & noticeboards	School

Watch out for the 'Buy A Brick' Campaign in the new year - buy a personalised brick to be put in the new school - launching around Feb

Keep an eye for posters on the notice boards, at the shop and on the website for other events and activities and for updates



It's really easy to raise funds for the School with easyfundraising.org.uk

Easyfundraising is <u>free</u> and you won't pay a penny more for your shopping.

You could even save money with over 100 exclusive online offers from many of your favourite high street stores like Argos, Marks & Spencer, Play.com, John Lewis, Currys, Next, ToysRus and around 600 more.

All you have to do is shop through easyfundraising.org.uk and the school gets a percentage of everything you spend.

How does it work?



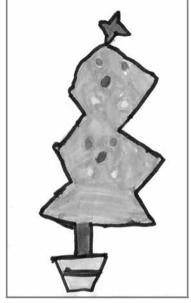
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Go to easyfundraising.org.uk, click on 'Find a Cause' and type 'Baydon School', register and start shopping! You only need to register once





By Abigail. Aged 9

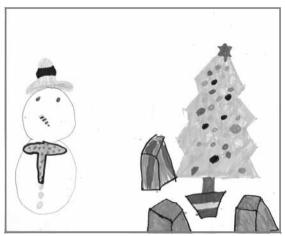


By Nathan Brown. Aged 7

Some lovely Christmas pics by Wagtails



By Anna Colling. Aged 7



By Holly. Aged 7

RED LION RELAUNCHED!

And our most excellent roving reporters were forced to give it a whirl...



Wake up Baydon, A brilliant new social venue has opened in our midst!

It's full of friendly, fun and fascinating people who are there to sample the excellent beers, wines and amazing food.

I'm talking, of course, about the revamped and re-opened Red Lion. It could hardly be more different from some of its past incarnations. Now it's a bright, buzzy, smart and welcoming local where you want to meet old friends, make new ones and meet the interesting people who live here.

Opening night was a triumph when people turned up for a look and decided that they really had to stay. So the floor wasn't finished, the workmen had dumped their tools in the kitchen and there were bits of paint still a bit tacky but no-one cared, they thought the atmosphere of this now excellent hostelry made up for all that. Subsequent visits have shown the splendid start wasn't a one off with real ales including guest beers and a cracking daily menu. Home made pork pies are rumoured to be on the way.

From the moment you walk in, you know this is a pub run by people who understand how to make it welcoming and successful and you'd be right. They are Amanda and Gary and they also own the Town Local in Wootton Bassett and the Crown in Aldbourne. Both pubs also had a rather sad history and have now been transformed by the couple's deft touch.

Head chef is Marcello and people are already raving about his food. His experience includes a couple of award winning Michelin restaurants and although the fare is less fanciful here, there's no mistaking the quality and professionalism. Add welcoming bar staff and Baydon has a winner! So if you haven't been yet, get yourself in gear and go and visit our great new local!

R ob & Alison

Bonfire & Fireworks Night



Just a note to say that we hope you all enjoyed the bonfire and fireworks on Saturday 7th November. A big thank you for all of your donations and because of your generosity we have the sum of £211.36 towards next years fireworks.

We would like to thank the following people for their help in making this such a safe and successful evening - all the Safety Stewards, Little Crickets Pre School, Baydon Brownies, Roger Forster, Tony Topp, Debbie at the Shop, the continued support of the Parish Council and a special thanks to Mark Houghton and John Woodwards (Pains Fireworks Operator).

On a more serious note, although we have £211.36 going towards next years event, unfortunately because of some chinless village idiots who after we left the cricket field decided to go and vandalise some of our safety equipment and throw it on the bonfire, it will have to be replaced !!!!! SO YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE AND WE HAVE AN IDEA WHO YOU ARE. It just amazes us that we put on an event for the village and a small minority have to spoil it !!!!

Trevor, J im, Martin and S teve

Mobile Library

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

3 10 December

10:50 - 11:40

BAYDON YOUTH CLUB URGENTLY NEEDS YOU!

At the moment we are running without a full quota of staff we need two or more dedicated and enthusiastic people to join our team and support these great kids!

We meet on Fridays during term time between 6pm and 7.30pm at the BYPA Hall.

We are looking for someone (not necessarily a parent of school age children) who can commit to coming each week (although we aim to work on a rota basis) and fulfil some of the duties required. These include opening up, participating and organising activities and chatting in an informal way with the children.

We really hope you will be able to support this great community facility and look forward to hearing from you. Please call Gordon on 01672 540129

Youth Club relies on voluntary helpers so please do consider coming forward. **Thank you for your support**.

Aldbourne & 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 (Aldbourne) on 540206

Marlborough Rural East Neighbourhood Police Bulletin

Silent Nuisance Telephone Calls

There are numerous companies using something called "POWERDIALLERS". If you keep getting silent calls before being hung up on, then you could be suffering from these POWERDIALLER nuisance calls.

These companies dial hundreds of numbers and when you answer, if you're lucky, you get a salesperson trying to sell you something. If you're unlucky you get cut off - or should that be the other way round!

If you dial 1471 and get the reply "WE DO NOT HAVE THE CALLERS NUMBER", then that last call was made from <u>outside the UK</u> and was probably a sales company. It is NOT the same as '<u>number withheld'</u> which is for UK based calls only.

Get them stopped by registering every year with Silent Call Guard on 0844 372 2325. It is endorsed by BT and it's <u>FREE</u>.

It takes 48 hours to sort itself out, but will stop a large percentage of sales calls that originate in the UK getting through to you - Don't ask me how it works, it just does!

PC BATCHELOR 1661

Marlborough Parade Room, ext. 739-818.

- Phone: WILTS POL on 0845 408 7000 Internal ext 739-818
- ➤ E-mail jeremy.batchelor@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

In an EMERGENCY dial 999, all NON-EMERGENCY calls 0845 408 7000 (Your call will be recorded)

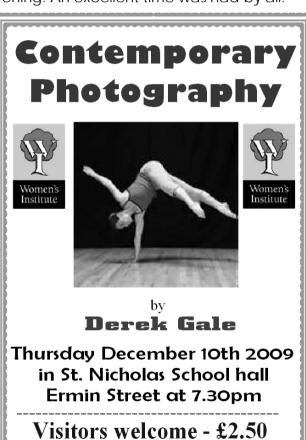
www.wiltshire.police.uk

Baydon WI News

The October meeting of the W.I. took the form of a Quiz Night. Split into teams of four, the members enjoyed General Knowledge quizzes devised by Penny Stephens and Juliet Keel, plus brain teasing Dingbats.

Twelve members and ten visitors met at the White Hart, Wroughton on Thursday 13th November for the Baydon W.I's Annual Skittles and Supper evening. An excellent time was had by all.

The Annual
Membury Fort
Group Carol
Service will again
be held at Baydon
St. Nicholas Church
on Monday 7th
December 2009.



There will be a sales table



Recycling

The plastic and cardboard recycling skip will be in Downsmead from 8 am to 10.30 am on 26 January 2010

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!

Aldbourne & 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: 01672 541345

Parish Council Corner

Parish Council Meeting of October 19th

Cllr Tony Prior chaired the meeting and began by making a plea for people to fill the 3 vacancies on the Parish Council. The meeting highlights were:

- Mrs Rowan Cockcroft was to begin as Parish Clerk at the next meeting
- * The road saltbox in Manor Lane had been removed and the Parish Council agreed to look into the matter as well as the street light in Manor Lane that needs attention.
- The application for an extension to 8 Ermin Close had been refused.
- The fence around the new driveway entrance into Finches Farm will need retrospective planning
- Debbie Moxon, Baydon Post Office Stores, has been asked to provide a shorter Christmas tree than last year, and Mr Jim Grove has agreed to dig the hole for the tree
- * A number of traffic calming issues and resolutions were made see the website for more details
- * Allotments were once again discussed
- The application for Playbuilder grant scheme was unsuccessful but the PC aren't giving up. More consultation is imminent with the village
- The street lighting at the new development on Aldbourne Road now to be known as Newton's Walk, was discussed
- * A number of financial issues were chewed over

With thanks to Barbara Furber

All of the Council Minutes and agendas are on Baydon's website and Editor recommends you have a read of Barbara Furber's meeting notes - they make plain English of the meetings!

Next Parish Council Meetings are:

11 January at the BYPA Hall - 8pm 15 February at the BYPA hall - 8pm

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

Leonard James Richardson (Len)

Thank you to everyone for their support, cards and letters of sympathy.

Thank you also to Joan, Enid and Dorothy. Len had lived in Baydon all of his life - 89 years - and only once did he venture over the boundary.

Len loved his life in Baydon, a passion for country living, farming, game-keeping, walking the woods and fields and for this Len will always be remembered.

Love Ann and F amily



Prospect Hospice

The Autumn collection for the house to house collection in Baydon amounted to £251,03. Thank you to all the box collectors who gave so generously again this year.



Penny S tephens



Baydon Village Plan

If you're new to the village, pop into the shop for your personal copy of the Baydon Village Plan which outlines our plans for Baydon over the next 5 yrs.

And welcome to Baydon!





Poppy Appeal

The Baydon Poppy Appeal collectors met in the Red Lion Pub to receive their long service awards.



Mrs Sue May received a 5 year award, Mesdames Janet Crozier, Chris Hanley and Christine Ralph received 10 year awards, Mrs Betty Pound received an award for 15 years and finally Mr Tony Stephens and his wife Mrs Penny Stephens were given an award for 25 years.

Organiser Mr Kevin Barnes thanked the other collectors Mr Alistair Wright and Mrs Jo Wright, Mrs Pat Mapstone and Mrs Dorothy Newman for their continuing support too. Last year Mrs Newman received an outstanding 50 year long service award.

The amount raised in the village this year was £599.60.

As Mr Barnes will be leaving the village very soon, Mr Bryan Harber has agreed to co-ordinate the Poppy Appeal next year.

By B arbara F urber

Wishing All of Our Friends and Neighbours in Baydon A Very Merry Christmas and A Happy and Healthy 2010



From Lynda, Guy and Rory Watson

[http://mariannasm.deviantart.com/art/vector-xmas-trees-104759227]

B us to N ewbury

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

The bus is actually subsidised by West Berkshire County Council and will visit the "Sheffords" on route if requested. It also travels into Hungerford. It is unclear as to why it also comes to Baydon, but a simple phone call to **01635 582929** (new contact number) will ensure you a seat.

It leaves Baydon (end of Downsmead) at 10.20am <u>(new time)</u> and leaves Newbury at 1.40pm 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).



B arbara F.

Breast Cancer Month

A big thank you to everyone who took time to come to my Pink Party on 30th October to support Breast Awareness Month.

So far £315.00 has been raised and if you weren't able to make it, Debbie has ribbons in the shop at £1 or you can make a donation through Debbie or Meadow View, Manor Lane.

As you may or may not know, I was diagnosed with breast cancer in early September. I'm receiving treatment and hope to be back at work in January.

So - ladies! Don't ignore any lumps etc or your call for a mammogram - it saved my life!

Coralie Warner - Meadow View, Manor Lane

And now for something really scrumptious - for the kids to make!..

This was a recipe I used to make when I was very small. It's really simple and kids love it because it involves sweets, chocolate and sprinkly bits! We used to call it:

Sprinkly Pillows (how sweet!)

You'll need:

- Some big marshmallows
- ⋆ Chocolate for melting (any flavour works well!)
- Any sprinkly decorations the more colourful and Christmassy the better - like hundreds and thousands and those little silver balls

Method

- Put all the sprinkly bits in a plate ready for dipping
- Melt the chocolate in a bowl over a pan of hot water or if you're daring - in the microwave
- Dip the end of each marshmallow into the melted chocolate
- Dip the chocolate end of the marshmallow into the sprinkly stuff
- Let it set for a while if you can wait that long!



And don't forget to clean your teeth!

Netball



WANTED !!!



Baydon Womens Netball Team. All abilities & ages welcome.

DATE: Thursdays @ 7.30 pm for 1 hr

WHERE: St Nicholas school when warm Lambourn centre when cold!

STUFF: Fun is the key, Skills optional, subs £2 a session. Call Kat on 540336 for more details.

Bike Rides from Baydon

A new addition to Scene with oodles of thanks to Niall Cooling

Ride 02

Uffingham Castle Loop

Distance: 26Km Time: 1:30-2:00

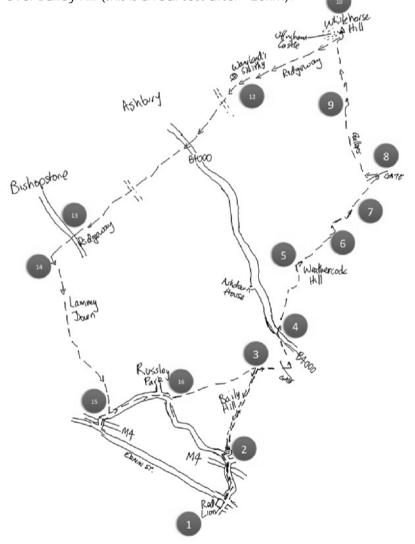
This is probably my favourite Sunday morning/Summer evening ride. It has a number of really good climbs and downhills, with wonderful scenery.

- Start from the green in Baydon heading out towards Russley Park.
- Once over the motorway bridge take the 2nd right, down past Bailey Hill Farm and climb up over Bailey Hill.
- At the bottom of Bailey Hill turn right and head along the bridleway until you pass through some gates (typically left open).
- Here take the bridleway immediately left; this will bring you down to the B4000. Cross the road and head up the hill with Weathercock Hill on your left (you should be able to spot the weathercock on the hill-top).
- Follow the track around until you reach a flagpole (often the Union flag is flying here). Head down the track, but be careful as it's fast but very rutted at the bottom.
- Continue straight on crossing another bridleway and follow the track around skirting a small copse of trees on your left.
- Climb the hill up to the gallops (this is a long, slow climb that is harder than it looks).
- At the top you will come to a gate on you left. Go through the gate and skirt the left hand side of the field as the gallops run up the centre of this field.
- At the top of the field pass through another gate and follow this track all the way up to the Ridgeway.
- Once you hit the Ridgeway it is worth a quick detour to Uffingham Castle as on a clear day the views are magnificent.
- Head down the Ridgeway away from Uffingham Castle towards Wayland's Smithy (take another quick detour if you've not visited it before).
- At this part of the Ridgeway there is a small wood running on your left. It's worth diving off the Ridgeway as there is a really nice track running through the two woods.
- There is now a nice long section on the Ridgeway, crossing the B4000 again. Continue on the Ridgeway until you've crossed the road (more of a track) that would take you down to Bishopstone.

- Once you've crossed the Bishopstone road after about another 3km you'll be looking for a bridleway off to the left that'll take you over Lammy Down. (Don't worry if you miss it as you'll end up at Fox Hill and
- Follow the bridleway over Lammy Down and you'll eventually pick up the road to Russley Park.
- Take a left and follow the road past Russley until the sharp bend.

is another good bridleway back)

Here you've got two choices, the easy option – the road back to Baydon, or the harder option, head straight on along the Bridleway until you reach the bottom of Bailey Hill and return to Baydon back over Bailey Hill (this is a real test after +20km).





Our Annual Autumn Auction was held on Oct 1st when our regular Auctioneers persuaded members to part with £54 towards Club funds - a very worth while effort!

On Oct 18th, we managed to choose the only dreary day of a beautifully sunny week for our Mystery Tour. Fortunately, a delicious cream tea at Cleeve House, near Devizes proved some compensation for the weather.

On Nov 5th our guest speaker was Adrian Jeffreys, who came to speak on antique and costume jewellery. After a short history lesson on the various types of jewellery through the years, we were shown examples and also given tips on how to spot "fakes" - very useful!

On Nov 19th, Phil Cumley from Aldbourne, came to talk and to show slides about the first World War - concentrating mainly on men from the Aldbourne area who volunteered in large numbers - many of whom never returned - one mother having lost no fewer than three sons. At Phil's request, a cheque was forwarded to the "Help for Heroes" fund. We are now looking forward to our traditional Christmas Lunch at the Village Inn and , meanwhile, we send Christmas Greetings and best wishes for the year ahead to all Baydon residents.

Peggy S later

Run for it!

A Jogging Group has started in Baydon for anyone interested.

It's for all levels from complete beginners to Marathon distance. Meet at 8.30 am on Saturdays outside the Red Lion (now we've lost the evenings!)

Contact either myself, Heather Burch on 07796 300645 or Harriet Knowles 07767 895986. Or email: hburch1@yahoo.co.uk





They have arrived! Now is the time to contact the surgery for your seasonal flu vaccine.

If you fall into any of the below groups you are entitled to a **seasonal** flu vaccine:

Aged 65 or Over

And if you suffer from any of the following conditions:

Diabetes

- Asthma
- Chronic Heart Disease
 - Stroke

COPD

Heart/Liver/Kidney Disease

Swine Flu Vaccines

The Government has confirmed that the swine flu vaccine will be made available to Practices early November.

The clinical at risk groups are different to the seasonal flu groups above and are:

- Individuals aged between six months and up to 65 years in the current seasonal flu vaccine clinical At Risk groups as above
- All pregnant women, subject to licensing conditions on which is the appropriate trimester to administer the vaccine
- Household contacts of immuno-compromised individuals
- People aged 65 and over in the current seasonal flu vaccine clinical at-risk groups

If you are unsure, please contact Reception for clarification.

Ramsbury Tel: 01672 521234 Wanborough Tel: 01793 790527

Dr Owen-Jones & Partners Ramsbury & Wanborough Surgery

Baydon Village Stores

Ermin St, Baydon. SN8 2JP . 01672 540266



Christmas Opening Hours

Day	Date	Shop	Post Office
Thursday	24 December	06:30 -17:00	09:00-13:00
Friday	25 December	Closed	Closed
Saturday	26 December	09:00-12:30	Closed
Sunday	27 December	09:00-12:30	Closed
Monday	28 December	08:00-18:00	09:00-13:00
Tuesday	29 December	08:00-18:00	09:00-13:00
Wednesday	30 December	08:00-18:00	09:00-13:00
Thursday	31 December	08:00-18:00	09:00-13:00
Friday	1 January	08:00-18:00	09:00-13:00
Saturday	2 January	08:00-18:00	09:00-13:00
Sunday	3 January	09:00-12:30	Closed
Monday	4 January	06:30-18:00	09:00-13:00

Baydon Village Stores

Christmas Notes

Turkeys

As in previous years, we will be supplying locally reared free range Turkeys. These must be pre ordered and can be collected on a date to suit you.



Christmas Trees.

Nordmann Fir Christmas trees will be in stock from December 1st. Various sizes available. These are one of the most popular trees having a good shape, soft dark green foliage, and excellent needle retention properties.



Groceries.

We stock a range of greengrocery, grocery, bread and dairy products. However, being a village shop we can not stock large quantities so why not pre order whatever you need to avoid disappointment



Flowers.

We will have fresh flowers as normal. Wreaths and bouquets can be ordered in advance.



Newspapers.

Newspapers are published every day with the exception of Christmas Day. If you normally have papers reserved then please let us know if you do not require them over this period.



Santa.

Santa will be here on Christmas Eve (09:30-11:30) to enjoy a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie or two. Why not come along and join him? And finally:



DEBBIE & ALAN WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL OF YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.



Baydon Bonfire Night

On a cold, crisp and starlit Saturday evening over 525 people gathered in Baydon's Cricket Field to watch the spectacular firework display.

The firework committee consisting of Chief Steward Mark Houghton; Trevor Dominy; Jim Grove; Steve Dawson; Martin Norman and controller John Woodward, worked hard to ensure that village families and friends enjoyed a great evening in safety.

The evening was funded by donations collected before and during the evening. Enough was collected for a deposit on next year's display, said Mr Grove, adding that a special thank you went to Mr Tony Topp who regularly kept the huge bonfire in shape during the preceding weeks, and to Mr Jonathan Smith for the use of his field.

Adults from the Baydon Brownies and Little Crickets pre-school manned the tent from which they served hot refreshments.

Another very successful village event.

By B arbara F urber - really roving reporter









Season Five (2009/10)

www.valleyfilmsociety.org

Tues 1st December Local Hero (PG)

UK (1983) 111mins Stars: Burt Lancaster, Peter Calpaldi, Denis Lawson, Jenny Seagrove Dir: Bill Forsyth An American oil company sends a man to Scotland to buy up an entire village where they want to build a refinery. But things don't go as expected in this classic comedy!

Tues 5th January Cabaret (15)

US (1972) 124 mins Stars: Liza Minelli, Michael York, Joel Gray. Dir: Bill Fosse
Brilliant musical portrayal of life in 1930's Berlin set in the night club atmosphere with the ominous all
pervading threat of Nazism.

Tues 2nd February The Road Home (U)

China (1999) 89 mins Stars: Matti Pellonpaa Dir: Yimou Zhang
Returning home to the funeral of his father and prompted by the grief of his mother, a city man recalls
the magical story of how his parents met."An unforgettable journey into the realm of the heart"

Tues 2nd March Murderball (15)

USA (2005) 85 mins Dir: Henry Alex Rubin & Dana Adam Shapiro
An inspiring film about paraplegics who play full-contact rugby in Mad Max-style wheelchairs overcoming unimaginable obstacles to compete in the Athens Paralympics. "Not to be missed!"

Sat 27th March Saturday Film Day

3pm BOLT...followed by....5pm SLUMDOG MILLIONAIRE...followed by charity fundraiser buffet

Tues 6th April Gomorrah (15)

Italy (2006) 137 mins Dir: Matteo Garrone

An inside look at Italy's modern-day crime families, this is a contemporary Neapolitan mob drama that exposes Italy's criminal underbelly. "the best gangster movie since City of God"

Tues 4th May On Her Majesty's Secret Service (PG)
UK (1966) 142 mins Dir: Peter Hunt Stars: George Lazenby & Diana Rigg

Tues 1st June Went the Day Well? (PG)

UK (1942) 92 mins Dir: Alberto Calvalcanti Suspenseful & inspiring wartime thriller - rises way above its propaganda roots.

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Focus On...

Where we focus on something of interest, someone or a group of folk in the village

The Davis Girls are our new Pen Pals here at Scene. They moved from Baydon to France a year ago and here's a letter each from Briony and Megan about their first year away. Merci Jeune Filles!

MY FIRST YEAR IN FRANCE BY BRIONY DAVIS

We sold our house in Manor Lane (Paddock Cottage) last summer and left ST NICHOLAS school Baydon and moved to France.

We travelled by ferry from Plymouth to Roscoff and travelled south. Our first long stay was in Lorgues, Provence where we rented a house and went to the local school, it was very hard to start with and the teacher wasn't very pleasant. It was good we were only about 45 minutes away from lots of beaches like ST.TROPEZ ...ETC.

After viewing about 40 houses, we decided that Provence was not for us, so we moved to the Dordogne.

We are currently in a school in Monpazier and the teacher is great! And the food is excellent. We were there only a couple of months and had a weeks school trip to Paris!!



Belves - rather lovely I think you'll agree?

My grandparents and my mum have bought a fantastic house in the lovely medieval village of Belves, which is near Monpazier. Work is being done on our house and we hope to move in February.

Belves has a college which we will be going to next September. We have met lots of different school friends and my French is progressing very well.

Best regards and wishes to everyone at St. Nicholas School and in Baydon village

B riony Davis

My first year in France by Megan Davis

As my sister said we arrived in Roscoff and drove south to the Var Region and then to the DORDOGNE

Where my story begins, at the moment we live in Monpazier, a medieval village 15k (10miles) from Belves.

I go to Monpazier school and the name of my teacher is Madame Bourgiexe. She is very funny, and shouts her head off! But I like her. My school friends are Adeline, Charlotte, Emillie, Emma, Silia and Manon. None of them speak a word of English.

In the summer I went canoeing on the Dordogne river with my mum and sister, I don't know if I would recommend it or not?

When we move to Belves, which my sister mentioned, every Wednesday evening in the summer we have soiree's. This is when the whole village gets together and has lovely food, wine and French music - everyone enjoys chatting!

This year the grape harvest had a very good year, in fact is was the best harvest in 62 years, so my nanna and grandad are going to enjoy their wine.



Château de Bannes - As Megan says - fairytale

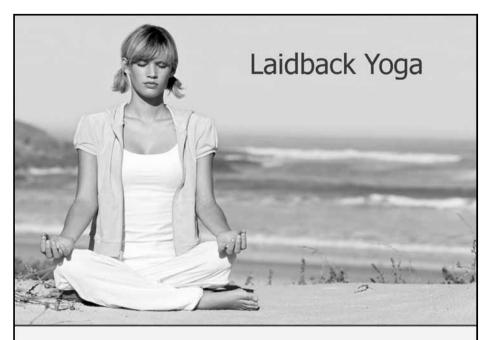
This region is also one of the best for castles (château's), my favourite one is Château Bannes, because it really looks like a fairy tale castle, you might find it on the internet!!

To all my school friends plus teachers in St. NICHOLAS, Baydon (c'est la vie! et bon soir à tous) this is the life! Good evening to all.

Megan D avis

If you have an interesting story to tell about yourself or someone else that lives in Baydon (please get their permission first!) or that might be interesting for those living in Baydon- alert the Editor - Brydgette - 01672 540100 or brydgette@email.com and one of the Editorial Team will go and talk to them





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October 2000.

This contains part one of a serial history of the village, and if I could borrow it in order to copy this item I will be very grateful. Many thanks. Mo - telephone 540384.

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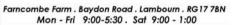
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6 Dec	Church	Family Service - Christingle - 09:30
10 Dec	School	WI - Contemporary Photography - 19:30
10 Dec	Outside School	Mobile Library visit - 10:50-11:40
13 Dec	Church	Holy Communion - 09:30
18 Dec	On the Green	Carols 'round the Tree - 18:00
20 Dec	Church	Carol Service - 16:00
24 Dec	Church	Midnight Mass - 23:30
25 Dec	Church	Christmas Day Communion - 09:30
27 Dec	Church	Team Eucharist at Axford - 11:00
3 January	Church	Family Communion - 09:30
10 January	Church	Holy Communion - 09:30
11 January	BYPA Hall	Baydon Parish Council Meeting - 20:00
17 January	Church	Morning Prayer - 09:30
24 January	Church	Holy Communion - 09:30
26 January	Downsmead	Plastic & Cardboard Recycling - 08:00-10:30
15 February	BYPA Hall	Baydon Parish Council Meeting - 20:00





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CHRISTMAS CONUNDRUMS

- 1. Which country do poinsettias come from?
- 2. What bought Frosty the Snowman to life?
- 3. Who composed the Nutcracker?
- 4. How do you say 'Merry Christmas' in Brazil?
- 5. Which native language would Jesus have spoken?
- 6. How many ghosts visited Scrooge?
- 7. What would you do with Frumenty in the Middle Ages?
- 8. Which year did Band Aid 20 have their number 1?
- 9 The Nordic countries tend to celebrate Christmas on which date?
- 10 The Christmas period of 1813-14 saw the last what in London?
- 11 Christmas Island is a territory of which country?
- 12 What animal is Snowball in George Orwell's Animal Farm?
- 13 Presepe in Italy refers to what Christmas tradition?
- 14 The USA's official national Christmas tree is in which National park?
- 15 Which Michael Jackson song was a Christmas number 1 in 1995?
- 16 The movie 'White Christmas' was the 1st to be made using which new Paramount film format?
- 17 Which US state was the last to declare Christmas a legal holiday?

shake 4. Waspish 5. Ratify 6. Dogged 7. Catastrophe 8. Gullible 9. Bearable 10. Encroach 11. Answers to last edition's quiz - Creature Conundrums

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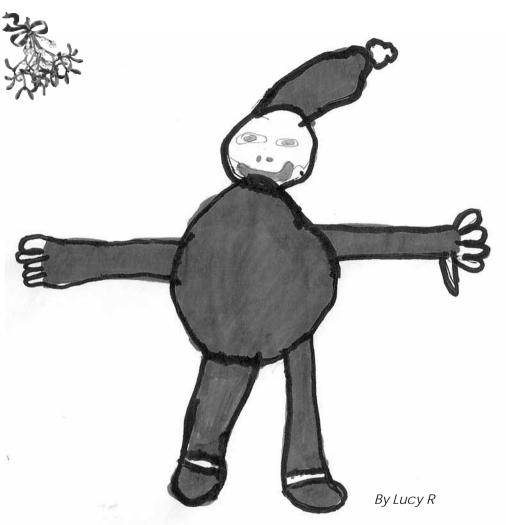
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