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**PARISH OF SIXPENNY HANDLEY
WITH PENTRIDGE**

April 2001

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The next edition of this
Magazine
will be published on the
1st June 2001
Copy Deadline is

Sixpenny Handley Flower Show

Sixpenny Handley Recreation Ground and Village Hall

SATURDAY AUGUST 18TH 2001

Schedules and More details to follow

Watch for June 1st issue - notes on Showing Vegetables and Fruit

August 1st Issue - Flowers

Preliminary Statement about Village Appraisal

Numbers who replied

Number of forms issued	695	
No of forms returned	76	10.93%
Completed by 133 adults - 12.18% of electors		

24 children

Total electors in Group Parish	
Sixpenny Handley	930
Pentridge	162
Total	1092

Properties	
Sixpenny Handley	500

Sixpenny Handley & The Internet

Nick Sherman (Maple Tree Cottage, Sixpenny Handley, SP5 5PD) has offered to maintain a directory of e-mail addresses of people within the Parishes, on the Internet. If you want to join in then send an e-mail to Nick at sixpennyhandley@shermans.co.uk with your details.

Last Issue - Picture was taken at Tresallyn Cross, St.Merryn, Nr. Padstow, Cornwall.

This Issue - One of my own this time - I'm sure someone else out there likes steam trains!! Taken at Swanage.

In future issues I would like to use readers' photos on the front cover. If you have a favorite photo you would like to see on the magazine please contact me with the photo and details of the subject. I can scan your photo and return it immediately.

Pictures with strong contrast reproduce best.

Ian Davies

Unfortunately I have to report that Ian has decided to resign from the Editorial team of the Downsman.

He has been involved with the magazine since its inception (re-launch) in 1994, and has helped me enormously over the last four years that I have been producing the Downsman.

I would therefore like to express my thanks and appreciation, to Ian, for his efforts over the years and trust that he will continue to submit his interesting and "windmill tilting" articles from outside "the fold".



The CCF offer voluntary support to those who need it,
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**For any information concerning Chase Community Friends,
Please contact CCF co-ordinator, on 01725 552097.**

Sixpenny Handley Flower Arranging Club

Program 2001

April 23rd	Practice Evening	August 20th	Barbecue
May 21st	Container Planting	September 17th	Demonstration by Marilyn Nourse
June 18th	Garden Visit	October 15th	A.G.M. and Practice Halloween
July 16th	Demonstration by Elizabeth James	November 19th	Visit to a neighbouring Society
		December 3rd	Rachel Phillips with

Chairman / Secretary - Maggie Staplehurst 01725 552795

Woodcutts in Winter

Firstly, I must apologise if this takes you a long time to read, it is probably because it is taking a lot longer for me to write, as I am using a different computer for the first time. Don't think for a minute, that I have come into money and automatically have invested my newfound wealth in modem technology. No, not at all, it simply means that my daughter-in-law, needed something with " more bite", or something like that. She could of course have had one of the puppies that our Border Terrier bitches are expecting; instead she purchased a new computer giving the old one to us. Anyway we are extremely grateful, despite the fact that I have been trying to get into it for two weeks now, and have at last succeeded in achieving something of my own on the screen, I do of course mean words and not blood. The next question will be, how do I print off what is displayed on the screen onto paper? Perhaps you will all be standing behind me, reading directly off the machine; if this does happen, an appointment system, similar to the one used at the doctors surgery will be implemented. Despite this set-up being of much more recent manufacture than our old word processor, I still have great difficulty in finding the "k", I would have thought that modem technology could have sorted that out for me. While thinking about technology, I can only assume that the mouse that drives this machine has been genetically modified. I appreciate that there are some animals smarter than me, but a normal mouse, no it can't be! Smart I'm apparently not, for those of you who read of the "Woodcutts Census" in the last edition of the Downsman, it will probably astound you that it was apparently statistically incorrect. This was due to my lack of knowledge, (Sorry about the delay I could not find the "k" again.) apparently Woodcutts extends beyond my visual range, in true Christopher Columbus fashion, I assumed that when I reached Chase Crescent, I had in fact reach the "shores" of Sixpenny Handley. Being a relative newcomer. I apologies for the error, and as Columbus's Indians have now been allocated the sobriquet, Amerindian I shall now refer to the residents of Chase Crescent as Woodhandlians, I hope this will offend no-one.

Of course there will be other repercussions as a result of this error, for example we will no longer be interested in U.D.I., even if we find out what it means. It will also mean purchasing a new pair of waterproof carpet slippers, if I am to wander around Woodcutts in its entirety. For obvious reasons, I shall wait until after the foot and mouth epidemic is over, as I certainly won't want to drench my new footwear in disinfectant. Finally in regard to the census debacle, it will probably be necessary to label anything I write in future with a health warning, similar to that found on cigarette packets, "Caution, reading this could corrupt the mind." Now at last, on to more mundane matters, what has been happening in the real world? Probably the most important fact is that my early potatoes are in the ground, planted on March 5th, nearly two weeks later than last year. The other difference from before is the variety, last year Rocket, which did not do well on the chalk for me has been superseded by the old favourite, Home Guard. Main crop, which I hope to plant by the end of this month, will be Desiree, a variety I was more than pleased with last year. It was recommended by Mrs. Win Kirby, (Win will be delighted to see that not only have I found the "k" but a capital "K" at that.) Win has known this soil for almost four score years, I suspect that we can't include her babyhood times, so if it is her recommendation it must be worth listening to. While on the subject of years, our oldest resident, Old Shep. to some, Jock to others, Mr. Jock to Jessica and Hannah, the little girls who live next door and Mr. Robert Meehan to all others, has something to celebrate. On 25th of April this year, he reaches his ninetieth birthday. He came from north of the border all those years ago, to tend the sheep on the Rushmore Estate, where he made quite a name for himself, just one man and his dog and hundreds of sheep. If anyone wants to learn anything about sheep Jock is your man, he will

talk sheep until the cows come home. It does not have to be sheep, he just loves having someone to talk to, as he lives on his own. So if you are in the area call in, he would love to chat. Now I'm chatting too much, so on to what has been happening in the countryside. Firstly, on the 4th of February a Red Admiral could be seen flitting in the sunshine, up and down the lane. It flew with all the verve and dexterity of a mid-summer butterfly, as if to say spring is here, summer is on its way. Oh how wrong it was! As was the hazel whip planted in the new hedge on the south side of the churchyard wall, this was foolish enough to produce tender green leaves on the last Sunday of January, and has been sitting there waiting for spring ever since. This plant was not alone; three days later a lilac bush and an elder tree were found in leaf in the Manor gardens, here at Woodcutts. Early celandines showed great promise right from the start of February, but to no avail, their promise came to nothing, now past mid-March and we still wait for definite signs of spring, from the plant world at least, where early promise has not materialised. In fact some early growth has been hit by frost, even early sown broad beans, (November planted.) have been hit, some not to recover. Obviously, warm, wet spells promoted rapid soft growth, which did not take kindly to the cold, freezing snaps. Fortunately the weather has had little effect on the bird population, anybody about at 5 am. will tell you they are certainly on song, as a few people have noticed they have been, at dusk each reasonably fine evening. I personally have not been so aware of this in the past and would be interested in other peoples' comments.

There has been a short interlude while I finished my coffee and my mind perambulated, I think that is a suitable word to describe how my mind works, it wont go anywhere unless it is pushed; on the major dilemma facing the countryside now, namely the foot and mouth epidemic. How glad I am, that I am no longer responsible for large numbers of livestock and my heart goes out to all who are, may God be with them all, particularly those who have lost animals, their livelihood and in some cases the will to live. In the past I have encouraged people to get out into the countryside, now regardless of what Government sources suggest it would be best to curtail any forays into it until this crippling epidemic is over. Even so, there is gardening to be done, birds to watch in the garden and public places, flowers, trees and shrubs at the roadside so there are still plenty of natural things to observe and thank God for. Let us hope in two months time, with the next edition of the Downsman, summer will be with us and the future much brighter.

Ted Cox, Woodcutts 18/3/01

Marie Sanders apologies for the unexpected delay in the printing of her book 'Cats and Contemplations'. It will be available in Sixpenny Handley Stores by the end of March at a cost of £2 which will go to Church funds and to Yvonne Mitchell's Cat Sanctuary.

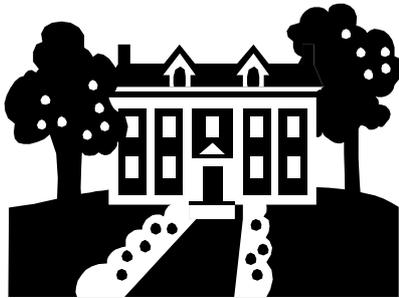
The cat poems should raise a smile and the Contemplations are very suitable for Easter thoughts.

Les and Barbara Day would like to thank everybody for their cards, phone calls and kind enquiries during Les's recent stay in hospital.

Our thanks to you all.

M. G. CORDINA

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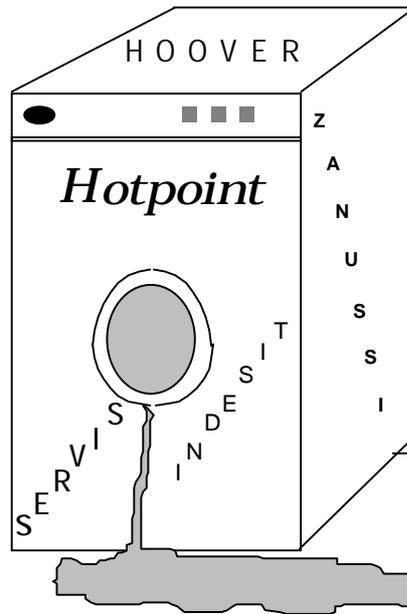
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Dorset at War

When I mentioned that I would not be surprised to learn of the existence of a cell, local to Sixpenny Handley, in respect of the Auxiliary Units, I was more than hopeful that news would be forthcoming. Now, thanks to Mrs Monica Mullins, who suggested that I speak with Mr Jasper Foyle of Shillingstone, I can report that the likelihood of such a unit is now almost 100 percent certain. Apparently, Edward (Ted) Foyle, who farmed at Oakley Farm with his elder brother, George, was recruited into this shadowy organisation and, as Jasper recalls, he was issued with a .303 rifle, fitted with a telescopic sight and silencer. Furthermore, a plentiful supply of ammunition was appropriated, this being held at Oakley Farm and not stored with the munitions allocated to the local Home Guard.

It seems that a special hide was constructed, underground, in the vicinity of Vernditch Chase (that is the wooded area opposite Martin Down) and it was to this hide that Ted and his fellow cell members would report. As a signatory to the Official Secrets Act, Ted never revealed the names of his fellow cell members and neither did he mention the reason behind his quite frequent nocturnal disappearances. The only clue concerning his immediate superior is that he lived on the way to Poole.

Ted maintained his membership of the local Home Guard but, as Bill Adlem remembers, his attendance was not on a regular basis which, bearing in mind his clandestine activities, is not surprising. Bill further recalls that Ted was an excellent shot with both rifle and shotgun. Along with his brother (they were bachelors), he now rests in St. Mary's Churchyard.

Little, if any, official recognition of the service rendered by these men was ever forthcoming, but Jasper was aware that after the war his uncle was sent a small lapel badge. In the shape of a shield (appropriate), the badge was merely coloured blue and red and was much treasured by Ted who wore it proudly.

As mentioned in an earlier article, one of the functions of the Home Guard was to assist the authorities in searches for airmen suspected as having survived the destruction of their aircraft. Primarily, the hunt would be on for any Luftwaffe aircrew but more than a few Allied airmen found themselves being questioned, at the point of a gun, by a member of the Home Guard. One such occurrence took place on a bitterly cold January day in 1943.

Based at Harrowbeer in Devon, No. 276 Squadron, an Air-Sea Rescue unit principally equipped with Walrus amphibians, had, by the winter of 1942/1943, a detachment at Warmwell airfield, southeast of Dorchester. The Warmwell detachment operated a number of Defiant two-seat fighters (long since obsolete as a fighter aircraft) that had been modified for the Air-Sea Rescue role in that beneath their wings they could carry at least one dinghy pack and smoke canisters. The gun turret had been retained to give the crew some protection, should their search missions be intercepted (as was often the case) by the Luftwaffe.

In the early afternoon of the 22nd, one such Defiant had been scrambled with instructions to search for three airmen known to be down in the Channel. The urgency of the hour outweighed the fact that the weather was awful and for close on an hour Flight Sergeant Hall and his air gunner, Flight Sergeant Elder, scanned the sea for any signs of life. An airman down in the water on a summer's day was in a life threatening situation but in the

depths of winter, unless found quickly, death was a certainty.

Miraculously, through the gloom, the three men were sighted. By sheer good fortune they had managed to stay fairly close together, despite the fact they only had their Mae Wests as support. To ensure their survival, the next few minutes were critical. All would be chilled to the bone and if the dinghy, borne beneath the Defiant's wing, was not dropped with a high degree of accuracy, then their fate would be sealed.

Timing his run to perfection, Flight Sergeant Hall released the dinghy pack and was gratified to hear his air gunner call to say his aim had been good and that all three were making their way towards the dinghy, which had inflated successfully and was now bobbing gently in the swell.

For the Defiant's crew it was time to be concerned with their own predicament. The weather that had been poor when they departed Warmwell had worsened considerably. Heading northwards, the fighter was down to less than 200 feet with cloud and sea seeming to merge into one dark blue mass. Concentrating on his instruments, Hall called to say he was fairly certain they had made landfall, but the fuel situation was critical. Hopes of reaching base, even if he could pinpoint his position, were fading by the second and to attempt a forced-landing in the murk that shrouded the earth below would be courting disaster. Wisely, and before the last dregs of his petrol were exhausted, Hall climbed to around 1,500 feet and ordered his air gunner to bale out.

Flight Sergeant Elder needed no second bidding and promptly made his exit. With a measure of relief, he felt the sharp snap as his parachute deployed, the force of which deprived him of his fleece-lined flying boots! Thus, in stocking feet the young air gunner arrived somewhat chilled onto the white chalk of the Cerne Abbas Giant. To add to his misery, a thick drizzle meant that his socks were quickly sodden with water, adding to the discomfort of trekking over the uneven ground.

It was, therefore, with great relief that the shape of a Home Guard soldier, with rifle, appeared through the mist. Flight Sergeant Elder had met Mr Best of Manor Farm, Godmanstone. Their first stop was the local police station and it was not long before everyone was satisfied that it was a very cold and forlorn Royal Air Force airman in their custody and not his Luftwaffe equivalent.

Thankfully, Flight Sergeant Hall parachuted safely and it was not long before pilot and air gunner were reunited and on their way back to Warmwell.

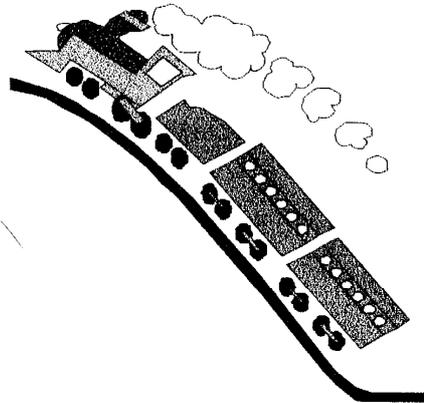
Meanwhile, a second Defiant, crewed by Warrant Officer K Bird and Flight Sergeant G Galloway had been ordered off to assist in the search and this crew had the good fortune to find a fourth man in the water. Radio messages were passed back and forth and before the day was out, high speed launches had located all four men and taken them on board. This was an occasion for great celebration, despite the loss of a valuable Air-Sea Rescue aircraft.

This tale, here reported, has its origins in the excellent book by Norman Franks, which records in gripping detail the work of the UK-based Walrus Air-Sea Rescue squadrons. Titled "Another Kind of Courage", the book was published in 1994 by Patrick Stephens Limited and if not available in bookshops, can certainly be obtained from library sources.

Bill Chorley -To be continued

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SIXPENNY HANDLEY ALLOTMENT HOLDERS ASSOCIATION

Chairman: John Curtis
Secretary/Treasurer: Sandra Repper

The Sixpenny Handley Allotments are now coming to the end of their second year. There are 10 allotments rented from the Parish Council. Two of these are divided into 4 half allotments. This year saw the connection of water taps - one between two allotments and this made life a lot easier. A vast variety of fruit, vegetables and flowers have been produced on these plots and have not only provided the tenants with fresh picked fruit and veg. but also the fresh air and exercise and a camaraderie between the allotment holders which is friendly but not intrusive. Allotment holders range from total novices to those with many years experience, and who are generous with their advice to those who ask for it.

Because of job/house changes there is one allotment that will become vacant this April. So if anyone is interested in working a full plot of approximately 20yds x 10yds for an annual fee of £17 or a half plot for £9.50, plus a years fee as a deposit please contact either **John Curtis on 552397** or **Sandra Repper on 552769** for further details. This fee includes rent, water and membership to the national & local allotment holders associations. We will keep people's names on a waiting list if people would like to register with us for any future vacancies.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**SIXPENNY HANDLEY ALLOTMENT HOLDERS ASSOCIATION**

At

THE SPORTS PAVILION

Monday, 23d April, 2001 at 7:30pm

**To be followed by a short talk by
Graham Davis**

on

SHOWING PRODUCE

Open to all allotment holders and their husbands/wives/partners/helpers

Further details from Sandra Repper on 552769

Worship in April and May

ST MARY'S	ST ANDREW'S	ST RUMBOLD'S
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April 1st Passion Sunday (named for the suffering, or Passion of Jesus)

9:30 Morning Prayer 6:00 Holy Communion
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11:15 Morning Prayer & Holy Communion
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April 8th Palm Sunday

10:30 Family Service	9:30 Holy Communion
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April 12th Maundy Thursday

There will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 7:30pm at
3 The Parsonage. All are welcome.

April 13th Good Friday

7:30pm Hymns and prayers, with the Passion Narrative
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April 15th Easter Sunday

9:30 Holy Communion	8:30 Holy Communion	11:15 Holy Communion
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April 22nd Second Sunday of Easter

9:30 Holy Communion

11:15 Family Service

April 29th Third Sunday of Easter

9:30 Holy Communion 6:00 Sunday Night Live!
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May 6th Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:30 Morning Prayer 6:00 Holy Communion
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11:15 Morning Prayer & Holy Communion
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May 13th Fifth Sunday of Easter

10:30 Family Service	9:30 Holy Communion
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May 20th Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:30 Holy Communion 6:00 Evensong

11:15 Morning Prayer

May 27th Seventh Sunday of

9:30 Holy Communion	11:15 Holy Communion
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On Wednesdays at 10:00am there is Holy Communion at St Mary's.

The Happy Nappy Club



The Happy Nappy Club
meets at the Village Hall
on Monday mornings
between 10 and 11:30am
(during school term)

We will really welcome you and your children. We'd love you to come and visit us to meet for a friendly chat while your children play. You're welcome to bring along any friends or relations with you! This club is run to give mothers, carers and kids a chance to meet, so come and see for yourself.

We have tons of toys here and plenty of room to play. There are slides, climbing frame, bikes, trikes, sit-n-rides, play tent, tunnels, books, puzzles, painting, playdough, play kitchen, dressing up clothes, and even a parachute! There is also an opportunity to join in with action rhymes at the end of the morning.



Everyone is welcome - from babies and toddlers to children up to school age, with their mums, dads, nannies and minders! £1.40 per morning, refreshments inclusive.

**If you have any queries phone Sam on
01725 552600**

East Dorset District Local Plan – Public Inquiry**The Inspector's Report**
Chapter 6 – Village Envelope Sites – Policy 6.171***Re: Land Off Back Lane and Land Off Dean Lane, Sixpenny Handley***

The Rushmore Estate sought the realignment of the Village Envelope to include two sites, one above the Orchard and the other between Frogmore Lane and Handley Green and their allocation for housing development.

The Inspector's conclusions: -

"I have expressed the view that Sixpenny Handley is ill-suited to further substantial levels of growth. However, there is a strong case for allowing some small-scale growth as a means of sustaining the school and other local services. I am not convinced that there is the capacity within the village boundary to accommodate such modest growth as may be desired.

"Although the village is no longer expressly identified as a key village by the Structure Plan, the local plan strategy does give it some status.... identifying it as a main village whose role will be supported by the plan. It is isolated from nearby urban areas and plays an important role in relation to the wider rural hinterland. If its services were to decline further then the rural areas would become more remote from the day-to-day services.

"It is a question of balancing the support for local services against the fact of the isolation of the village and the distances that would have to be travelled to meet most needs. It cannot be a precise science as to how much development is needed to sustain the village, but I do not consider it appropriate to maintain development levels at those of a decade or so ago. A more modest incremental growth should be encouraged. Of the two sites allocated in the draft plan, one is already under construction; the other has been identified as a potential site for some time. The council estimates that about four dwellings a year are likely to come forward from developments within the existing envelope. On balance, I consider there is a case for a level of growth a little higher than this.

"(Of the two objector sites now under consideration).... the smaller would, in terms of numbers, seem to fit the bill better than the larger. The larger is a large field....development upon it would extend up the valley side and would be visible from the north and eastern approaches to the village. In my opinion it would have an impact upon the setting of the village such as to rule it out.....I believe that a development on this scale is beyond that needed for the village.

"The (off) Back Lane site is more modest in size. Part of it is required for the proposed by-pass. The objector (*the Rushmore Estate*) suggests that the site could provide about 14 dwellings. I note the views of the Inspector, who considered (*and rejected*) an appeal here in 1992, on the impact of development of this site. I believe that the construction of a by-pass around the edge of this site will change the situation quite considerably. At present this is a relatively quiet part of the village that merges gently into the countryside around. When the by-pass is built the ambience will change. The road is likely to form a more natural edge to the village.....the site would become suitable for development. However, I do not support the development of this (*site*) unless or until the by-pass is built.

".....I note the very serious concerns expressed about drainage in this area. I see no reason in-principle why the development should not enable the situation to be satisfactorily resolved.....Accordingly, in conclusion, I propose to recommend that the..... site be allocated in the plan, and that its development be conditional on the prior construction of the by-pass and the resolution of the drainage problems.

(The District Council are proposing to consult the residents of Sixpenny Handley over the residential development of the site off Back Lane, Ed)

Ian Davies

HANDLEY GARAGE



**We have Moved to Our New Workshop At Dean Lane
(Just past the Doctors' Surgery)**

**Our Phone Number Remains The Same As Before:
(01725) 552134**

New Opening Hours	Mon. to Fri.	8:00am to 5:30pm
	Saturday	8:00am to 4:30pm
	Sunday	Closed

**We would like to apologise for any inconvenience caused during our move
and to Thank You All for your continued support.**

R.P. Guppy

The Wednesday Club Dates for your Diary

4th April	EASTER READINGS AND QUIZ
25th April	PUPPETRY -with Mr.and Mrs.Foulkes
9th May	MISSING PERSONS SECTION OF THE SALVATION ARMY Captain Roy Fenemore
23rd May	SUCSESSES FEW DISASTERS MANY Mrs.Hamilton

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Jimmy Collins

Jimmy Collins who regularly attended our Chase Community Friends Day Centre has sadly passed away. Jim always had a smile and a kind word for everyone, he would often talk of his children and the sadness of losing his wife in 1975, when he still had a young family.

He and I talked frequently about our past lives in this neighbourhood. We shall all miss Jim and I am very proud to have known him.

Here is what Jim wrote as part of his diary and gave me for publication.

Alec Hunt

My family links with Rushmore Estate.

My Grandfather worked on the Estate for General Pitt Rivers and also played in the Generals' Band at Larmer Tree. He played a cornet.

My uncle, George Whitlock, was caretaker of The Farnham Museum from about 1920 until he died in 1939. My Aunt and her son carried on until the end of the war.

My father was a Suffolk man and father, mother, my older brother (then 4 years old) and I (then 2 years old) came to live at Dean End in 1920. My father went to work in the wood department of Rushmore Estate.

My Great Uncle and Great Aunt (Brother and sister) lived at the estate yard in one of the bungalows. My Great Uncle worked at Rushmore House - he cut the lawns etc with a horse and mower. The horse wore boots not to mark the lawn. My Great Uncle was bitten by an adder, this wound was healing, but the brass eyelet on his boot rubbed it and it turned poisonous and when my father called in to see him he was very ill so my father went to Handley and the Doctor was out on his rounds on horseback and by the time he got to Rushmore my Uncle was dead.

So at two years old I went to live with my Great Aunt and I stayed there until I was 5 when we had to go home to go to school.

Mr Alexander Pitt Rivers was living in Rushmore House then and every Christmas we went to a party for all his workmen and his staff. That was the last Pitt Rivers to live at Rushmore. In 1930 the house was let to Col. Palmer for 7 years. My older brother (Harold) went to work for him as a stable lad and when Col Palmer left Harold stayed on to look after the house and lawns for the estate.

I started work for the estate on 1st July 1937 until I went into the Army 1st September 1939 as I was in the TA.

During that time only 2 families lived in the park - Sam Hillyard at North Lodge and A J Hiscock at the estate yard.

This is the staff there between 1937 and 1939.

First this part of the estate was run from Hinton St Mary Estate where Captain Pitt Rivers lived. Mr F Cowley was manager and clerk of the works Mr Galpen. Their clerk was Mr Conway. They managed Hinton St Mary, Rushmore Estates and houses and land etc at Burton Bradstock.

Mr Cowley and Mr Galpen brought our wages up every other Friday. The hours we worked were 7 am - 5 pm Monday to Friday and 7 am - 1 pm Saturday. (Summertime) In winter our time was 7.30 am - 5 pm, 7.30 am - 1 pm Saturday. We had one week's holiday, plus Bank holidays (Christmas Day, Boxing Day and half a day Good Friday).

Staff working on the estate and where they lived.

Building and Saw Yard Staff

A J Hiscock, Yard Foreman	Estate yard, Rushmore
Sam Hillier, Carpenter	North Lodge, Rushmore
Bert Stratton, Builder	Tollard Royal
Tom Woods, Builders mate	Woodcutts
George Abbott, Painter	Farnham
Jack Saunders, Engine driver	Tollard Royal
Frank Weeks, Saw bench	Farnham
Fred Hunt, Saw bench	Tollard Royal

Woods Department

Bill Weeks, Foreman	Woodcutts
Walter Ryman, Woodsman	Woodcutts
Harry Messer, Woodsman	Woodcutts
Jim Hiscock, Woodsman	Farnham
Sid Doe, Woodsman	Farnham
Frank Scot, Woodsman	Farnham
Arthur Hall, Woodsman	Handley

Other staff on the estate.

Harold Collins, Caretaker of Rushmore House and Lawns	Handley
Tom Churchill, Rabbit and Pest Control	Tollard Royal
Jim Collins Rabbit trapper in the winter, Woods Summer Time	Handley
Steve Steel Caretaker Larmer Tree, 3 days in woods	Larmer Tree
George Whitlock (My uncle) Caretaker Pitt Rivers Museum	Farnham

Arthur Warren came up from Hinton St Mary with two horses to do any hauling etc. Sometimes he stayed for a month if it was summer time and I worked with him. We did not have anything to do with King Johns House at Tollard. I think it was empty some of the time, then someone took it and had horses and wanted some stables - so H Dibben of Handley came up to Rushmore House and pulled down the old 'Stock Hut' which stood just outside the back door of Rushmore House and took it to King John and built stables with it which after the war was turned into offices etc.

There are only 2 of us left from those days 1937 - 1939; Mr Sid Doe who lives at St Giles and myself *Jim Collins*.

Elections 2001

Local Government Elections for Dorset County Council are scheduled to take place on 3rd May, 2001. Anybody who knows that they will not be able to vote in person at their polling station on 3rd May, 2001, may wish to contact the Elections office to arrange for a postal or proxy vote. The closing date for absent vote applications for the County Council Elections is 5pm on 25th April, 2001.

If you have any enquiries concerning absent voting, or require information on any aspect of the elections please contact Electoral Services on (01202) 886201 extension 2200

NEWS FROM YOUR LOCAL CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU OUTPOST

Over the last 41/2 years, my work has involved meeting many patients from the Sixpenny Handley and Chalke Valley GP practice, and I have been able to assist many of you with various problems. These have been dealing with the Benefit Agencies, creditors, employers, housing authorities and private landlords, utility companies or trades people. Many of you have come for advice on obtaining benefits because of financial hardship, due to an illness causing loss of income, or a retirement pension being insufficient to live on. Others of you have experienced problems with an employer or supplier of goods.

To give some examples: by the end of 1999/2000 financial year your CAB outpost had seen 164 clients and helped with over 400 issues on varying subjects. In addition, clients had been supported in applying for benefits totalling £60,824 per annum plus over £2,000 in lump sums for some of you.

As we all enter 2001, the Citizens Advice Bureau outpost based at Sixpenny Handley looks forward to offering more assistance where required and I am concerned that all inhabitants entitled to this service may not be fully aware of the amount of advice available. So long as you are patients of Drs Pelly, Nodder and Morgan, you are eligible to request an appointment via the receptionist (01725 552500) or ask your doctor/nurse/health visitor for a referral.

There are no issues that a CAB adviser cannot handle and whilst help may not be instantaneous you will be given advice or options to deal with your problem. Also on-going help will be available if so wished. The Citizens Advice Bureau guarantees confidentiality and no judgements are made.

At present our main bureau in Wimborne is extremely busy with clients requiring debt advice, especially after the Christmas bills have been arriving -in this outpost I have been surprised that no one appears to be in this situation; it is possible there are no debt problems in this particular area which is wonderful, but I am concerned some of you may not be aware that debt advice is readily available.

To summarise, your CAB adviser can help with any of the following problems: benefits, consumer debt, employment, family relationships, housing, legal matters (within limits), utilities and more. This outpost also has access to a number of specialists to whom I can refer if necessary.

Please feel able to come and meet me on a Tuesday if you feel you require assistance for any reason. Home visits are available where essential; so do not feel embarrassed to request one.

*Christine
Sixpenny Handley GP Surgery
CAB Adviser
3rd February 2001*

Sixpenny Handley Play Area Recreation Ground

The Parish Council have agreed a contract with Lappset Limited to build a new children's play area in the recreation ground, for the sum of almost £30,000. Funds will be supplied by the East Dorset District Council, the 'For the Kidz' organisation and the Parish Council. Construction is expected to start during April and the official opening of the play areas in Mulberry Court and the Recreation Ground sometime in late May.

Sixpenny Handley Village Hall

Pat and Sheila wish to thank all those who helped with the Jumble Sale on March 7th. Thanks to your efforts a super sum of £547 was raised for Hall Funds.

Thank You All

The Village Hall Management Committee still need a Secretary. Anyone interested in taking this job, which is voluntary and not too stressful please contact the Chairman - Steve Judd, Tel 01725 552563

The Village Hall AGM will be held in the Village Hall on 24th April 2001 at 7.30 pm - followed by a Committee Meeting - Interested persons - all welcome.

Results of New Administration Poll by the East Dorset and County Councils

Those of you who filled in the Poll Forms sent to you by East Dorset - the votes were massively in favour of Option 4 which is as near to the Status Quo as possible.

Parish Councils are now going to be consulted by the EDDC on how the new system will work.

The County Council votes were in favour of Option 1 - a Leader and a Cabinet - 78% of 1800

Handley Sports Club - Football Fixtures

Saturday League Div 3

April 7 th	Sat Cranborne	Away
April 11 th	Wed	Gillingham
	Town FC	Away
April 14 th	Sat Bere Regis FC	Home
April 18 th	Wed	Stourpaine FC
	Away	
April 21 st	Sat	Lytchett R.T.

(2pm) Away
To be arranged Linthorpe
Sunday League Div 3

April 1 st	Sun Pimperne	Home
April 5 th	Thur Sandford Res.	Home
April 8 th	Sun Sandford Res.	Away
April 15 th	Sun Merv. Hannam Sports	Home
April 22 nd	Sun Broadstone Hotel	Home

June 30th Sat End of Season Skittles, Food and Drink Event Martin Club

The **Police Mobile Community Support Unit** will visit Sixpenny Handley on Saturday 28th April and Saturday 26th May. 9:00am to 11:30am in the High Street.



Sixpenny Hand

WANTED 10 Couples to Join the Club in 2001

What you get for your Membership

- ✓ Opportunity to play Bowls on a Bowling Green passed for World Class Bowls.
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- ✓ League and Friendly matches catered for.
- ✓ Internal Competitions to compete for Trophies & Awards.
- ✓ Special 'Seniors' Competition.
- ✓ Gets you out in the fresh air.
- ✓ Equipment supplied to start you off.
- ✓ End of Season Dinner.
- ✓ Opportunity to take part in County Competitions against other Clubs and also play for Dorset in representative games.
- ✓ After joining you can use the Green at any time FREE except Club Afternoons or Nights (Sunday p.m. and Wednesday) when a small charge is collected.
- ✓ Social Events arranged.
- ✓ Play Short Mat Bowls in the Village Hall (Sept to April) for an additional £10 p.a.
- ✓ Coaching for young and old.
- ✓ You can play Outdoors FREE in the Winter - subject to the weather - many do.

How much does all this cost ?

£50 per year -April to March

Terms can be made available. Children are Free but an Adult member must be present when they use the Green

So Why not join us!

The 10th Annual General Meeting was held on February 20th.

The following Officers were appointed.

President -	Tony Groves	Deputy President -	Vanessa Rowe
Captain -	Gordon Martin	Vice-Captain -	Colin Chambers
Ladies Captain -	Mary Cumming	Club Secretary -	Gill Martin
Social Secretary -	Valerie Martin	Treasurer -	Brian Hansford
Match & Deputy Secretary -	Sarah Churchill		
Village Hall Representative -	Pat Oxford		
Management Committee -	Pat Oxford, David Adams & Bob Keech		

ley Bowls Club



From the Secretary :-

Social Activities

As I write this article there are so many things happening to keep our members busy. The Village Hall Jumble Sale saw eleven of our members helping on the various stalls (we like to support the village) Next is our Quiz on 31st March which will have gone by when you read this article. After this comes the opening day of the 2001 Outdoor Season which will happen on Sunday April 22nd. The afternoon will be an Open one when anyone can come along **free of charge** and try the game of Bowls. We will also give you Tea and Biscuits. So come along and have ago. So many people have said to me "we keep meaning to have ago" now is your chance. Put this date in your diary and come along. We are a friendly bunch and you need not worry if you are on your own -we will soon make you feel part of us. You only need some flat shoes. We will provide everything else.

Two of our Competitions did not get finished last season owing to the weather. So we are starting the season off with these. Club Members involved please note these dates. The Fours on the 21st April and the Pairs on the 22nd. Start at 2.30 p.m.

Short Mat Bowling.

Two Short Mat Competitions were played during January and February. The Singles and Pairs. The Singles Champion was Gordon Martin and the Runner up was Ivor Hunt.

The Blackmore Vale Short Mat season is coming to an end. Both our teams have now completed their Fixtures. The Division 3 Team have 77 points and they cannot be beaten for first place in this Division. They will be promoted to Division 2 next season, which starts again in September. The 'Tanners' who have played there first season in Division 5 finished with 60 points but Camelot 'C' are chasing them and have matches in hand and have already scored 54 points. So it looks as if the "Tanners" will be promoted to Division 4 as Runners-up but who knows Camelot 'C' could slip up. The match results appear in the Sport Section in the Blackmore Vale Magazine on Fridays. The 'Tanners' played well in their last two matches and obtained full points. A good result for their first season in the league. Both teams will take part in the Blackmore Vale Cup which is an all day event at Sherborne on April 7th. We shall also collect out League Trophies on that day.

Outdoor Season 2001

We have attracted a good number of Touring sides this summer, which really helps our income. Let us hope that the weather is kind to us after such a wet winter. Our artificial green is a blessing in disguise. A lot of the grass greens are under water at the moment

Gill Martin

**OPENING OF THE OUTDOOR SEASON
FOR 2001**

SUNDAY APRIL 22nd at 2.30 p.m.

EVERYONE INTERESTED

ANY AGE -12yrs to 90 yrs

**Welcome to come and have a go- FREE
Tea and Biscuits**

Parish Council Meeting - Thursday February 15th

Minutes of the Meeting

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on January 18th 2001 having been circulated were signed as a correct record.

Committee Reports.

The Chairman of the Plans Committee reported on the Committee activities since the last Council Meeting held on 18th March. He also reported on the proposals presented to the plans Committee by Rushmore Estate for the redundant Champs Farm Site at Woodcutts. The Council Chairman reported on the business of the Finance & G. P. Committee including the new proposals for the new play area on the Recreation Ground. The Clerk said he had asked Andy Harper, area manager of Lappset to meet with the Council at an early date in order to get a final agreement on the contents of the new play area.

County Councillor's Report.

The County Councillor talked about the 20mph speed limit and also the installation of the traffic calming scheme in Sixpenny Handley. The new government guide lines on local council administration reorganisation was outlined and he stated that opportunity for electors to vote for their selected system would appear in the County Council Newspaper which should be through letterboxes shortly.

Cllr Palmer was asked about road repairs after the recent floods and also the state of Pentridge Main Street. All these were being put in hand as soon as possible by the County Council.

The Provision of a pavement in the High street in front of the old Star Inn and leading to the old garage site which was being developed was discussed. Cllr. Palmer said that he understood that all parties were in agreement with what to do but apparently nothing had happened and he said he would enquire further into the matter.

District Councillor's Report.

Cllr. Humphries told us about the new administration ideas for the District Council; latest planning decisions affecting the Parish. and the Star Inn site. Mr Downton the owner of the Star Inn wished it to be known that it was not his fault that nothing had been done as he had come to an agreement with the authorities over the progress of the site some time ago and was awaiting the go ahead.

Proposals for New District and County Administration

Proposed by Cllr. Miss Waller and seconded by Cllr. P.J. Kellock that this Council should vote for option 4 for the District Council. Voting - All in favour.

Proposed by Cllr. P.J. Kellock and seconded by Cllr. Riddle that this Council should vote for Option 1 for the County Council. Voting - for 7 with 1 abstension.

Litter.

Litter was rife in the village and surrounding area. Proposed that in view of the forthcoming Best Kept Village Competition a team should be got together for a litter pick at a later date.

DAPTC Matters.

Cllr. Roy Warner volunteered to replace Cllr. Gibb who had resigned as the Council's representative on the DAPTC. Voting -All in favour.

Proposed by Cllr. Riddle and seconded by Cllr. J. Porte that the Deputy Clerk -Tony Henderson be booked to attend the next Parish Clerks' seminar run by the DAPTC at a cost of £6.00. Voting -All in favour.

Millennium Tree Planting.

Nothing further to report - plan not submitted to the District Council Planners. Will miss this spring's planting season. Use expensive container grown trees to get over the problem if spring planting is required.

Parish and Town Councils Annual Meeting with the EDDC.

The Chairman asked for volunteers to attend this meeting on March 13th at EDDC. Cllrs. Curtis, Porte & Riddle were suggested.

Finance -Audit Matters

Proposed by Cllr. J. Porte and seconded by Cllr R. Riddle that the Audited Accounts for the years 1997-98 and 1998-9 be signed by the Chairman and Clerk, and also the document sent by the Auditor that we had received the Interim report to enable the Accounts to be signed off.

Bills to pay.

Proposed by Cllr. R. Riddle and seconded by Cllr. Roy Warner that the following bills be paid.

- Morrish - £77.63
- Parish Church - £15.00
- Voting - all in favour.

Best Kept Village 2001.

It was resolved that Sixpenny Handley and also Pentridge should enter the Best Kept Village Competition only this year. In view of this a Litter Pick should be organised and also grass cutting. Voting -All in favour.

As there was no further business the Chairman declared the Meeting closed.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

ADVANCE WARNING!

**GARDENS OPEN
WEEKEND**

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
7th AND 8th JULY, 2001

If you would like to show your garden, then please contact

Letter to the 'Editor'

5 Richards Way
Salisbury

Dear Editor,

I've long been meaning to write to express my appreciation of Bill Chorley's article in 'The Downsman' which gave details of the men whose names appear on the Handley War Memorial, along with anything known of the circumstances of their deaths.

I am so familiar with those names, having had the privilege of reading them out year after year on sixteen successive Remembrance Sundays, and indeed having known one or two of the surviving relatives of those whose deaths are recorded there. But I often wondered quite how each of them came to die; and it has meant a great deal to me to discover more about them. There can be few left who knew even those who gave their lives in the Second World War - but yes, we shall remember them.

Whilst putting pen to paper I'll take the opportunity to pass on one or two comments I've had stored up to add to Mrs E Hayward's informative articles in past 'Downsmans' on 'The Parish of Sixpenny Handley. (I was very glad that previously Mr Frank Adam's notes on the local history and customs had been published, ensuring that their contents would have a much wider circulation than the few remaining copies of his booklet could have).

- (a) Writing about Gussage St Andrew Mrs Hayward suggests that 'Myncheon', from which word the name 'Minchington' is derived, was the name of a nun. I think she must have misunderstood this. The word is in fact Anglo-Saxon for 'a nun' since Minchington was in fact an outpost of Shaftesbury Abbey. King Alfred had given the Manor of Minchington as part of his endowment of the Abbey, appointing his eldest daughter Gelfrida its first Abbess (It has been suggested that the novices were housed and trained at Minchington, though I've never heard tell of novices being separated off from the rest of the community.)
- (b) Discovery of the thirteenth century wall paintings at Gussage St Andrew is also mentioned by Mrs Hayward. Perhaps she was writing before the Passion Cycle, which indeed is what it turned out to be, was mostly uncovered, with a grant from the Pilgrim Trust. This was done by a Mrs Eve Baker, who had supervised similar work - it wasn't a question of 'restoring' in any sense, but of just bringing the scenes to light by painstakingly flaking off the superimposed plaster - on the Guardian Angels Chapel in Winchester Cathedral amongst other places.
- (c) In Mrs Hayward's notes there is a passing reference to Nicholas Longspee, fourth son of William Longspee and Ella Countess of Salisbury, who was one of the earliest chaplains of Handley. He would have belonged to the community of priests who were resident at Iwerne Minster and which was responsible to serving the parish of Handley. It is worthy of note that he eventually became Bishop of Salisbury, his tomb being found to this day in the Northeast corner of Salisbury Cathedral.
- (d) Mrs Hayward goes on to mention the 1655 royalist rising against Lord Protector Cromwell, headed by Colonel 'Penruddick' of Compton Chamberlayne. (The usual

spelling of that name is at the pub at Compton Chamberlayne, which is 'The Penruddock Arms') If the plot was indeed hatched at Henry Butler's Manor Farm Butler was very careful to distance himself from subsequent events. I don't know what evidence there is that when the rising failed he 'was fined for being in arms against Parliament'. The lengthy papers given on this subject to the Wiltshire Archaeological and Natural History Society (to be seen in Salisbury Library) just record the evidence of a Mr St Loe, who had defected from the royalists, that 'some called at Hanley after Blandford, for Mr Butler, but he wasn't at home' - a rather unworthy decision perhaps, but a wise one as it turned out! General Disbrowe's list of prisoners held at Exeter includes a 'Thomas Fitz-James of Henly in Dorsetshire, gent.' A Captain Kirles of Woodcuts in Dorsetshire is also named as being implicated. Thirty-nine of the conspirators were sentenced to death but in the end less than twenty were in fact executed. However many of the reprieved prisoners, and indeed some who were not actually brought to trial, were subsequently transported to Barbados to serve sentences as indentured servants.

- (e) Mrs Hayward passed on the attractive tale that Dean Swift lived at Lilliput at the time the notorious smuggler Isaac Gulliver was flourishing with his activities based on the Inn at Thorney Down, the writer taking the name for his book 'Gullivers Travels'. That the Inn was Gulliver's headquarters is very likely since he had indeed as Mrs Hayward records been married in Handley Church to the inn-keepers daughter (Gulliver's mark, in lieu of the signature he was presumably incapable of writing, can be seen in the Marriage Register held at County Record Office.) 'Gulliver's Travels was written in 1726, however, and Isaac Gulliver wasn't born until 1745, the very year in fact Dean Swift died! It's a pity to spoil a good story - but there you go.

Gulliver's is a fascinating story anyway, without that little extra detail, for true enough, as Mrs Hayward concludes, he became accepted as a respectable member of the community, and was buried in the nave of Wimborne Minster. Desmond Hawkins in his book 'Cranborne Chase' adds the intriguing little nugget of information that he had in fact been churchwarden of the Minster. He also refers to the speculation that Gulliver might have been granted the King's pardon because he had used his continental connections in smuggling to come by intelligence that was useful to the government of the day - a theory that has always struck me as very plausible.

I enjoy reading the Downsman and am very appreciative of the time and trouble you give to producing it. With all good wishes.

Yours sincerely, Anthony J Lane, Vicar of Handley 1964-80

**Handley Sports Club-100 Club 2001
Draw Number 1**

First Prize	£30	198	R.F. Taylor, The Beeches. Oakley Down, Sixpenny Handley
2 nd Prize	£10	008	Ruth Collins, Dean Lane, Sixpenny Handley
3 rd Prize	£10	088	Mr T. R. Day, Spetisbury . Nr Blandford
4 th Prize	£10	093	Mr I Burroughs, St. Mary's Close, Sixpenny Handley.
5 th Prize	£5	087	Mrs Winifred Judd, High Street, Sixpenny Handley.

Cranborne Chase Sporting Chance Association
(CCSCA)

SPORT AND FUN FOR PEOPLE WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES

Sporting Chance 2001

Sporting Chance is a small charity, giving the opportunity for people with learning disabilities, from all over the South of England, to take part, one day a year, In competitive sport, as well as fun activities and other events.

Preparations for **SPORTING CHANCE 2001** are well in hand. While the final programme has yet to be detailed, already included are such events as:

**ARCHERY - TABLE TENNIS - JUDO - GYMNASTICS - 5 A SIDE FOOTBALL
TRACK AND FIELD SPORTS**

AND

THE NICK DOYLE TROPHY FOR TUG O'WAR

Additionally there will be many other activities and sideshows, including:

**AEROBICS - SKITTLES - TRAMPOLINE - 4 WHEEL BUGGY RIDES
MAYPOLE DANCING - HEALING TENT**

Refreshments, including a barbecue and music - provided by Sherborne and Sturminster Newton Youth Clubs.

Boccia and shot putt are the two events being specially organised to allow those achieving the necessary standards to go forward to Disability Sport England national finals.

Already we have received some 150 competitor applications and with the interest from our mailing and network of contacts we expect that final numbers will exceed 200. So with family, friends, volunteers, helpers and staff there will be quite a crowd

**at Cranborne Middle School
on Saturday 19th May
from 10:00am to 4:30pm**

for what we hope will prove yet another enjoyable day.

For more information please phone (01725 517458), fax(01725 517918),
e-mail (info@ccctlc.co.uk) or visit our web site at www.ccctle.co.uk

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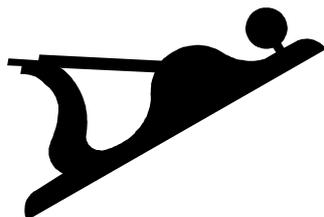
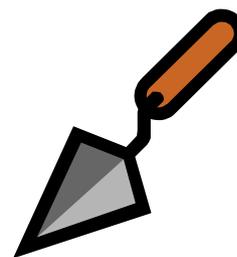
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NOTES FROM RSPB GARSTON WOOD

The major Open Day, planned with Dorset Wildlife Trust, for April 1st will have been cancelled by the time you read this. We had prepared visual displays, guided walks, examples of woodland crafts together with various experts on hand to explain just what is involved in the biodiversity that applies to the wood. We hope it will be possible to re-schedule the event for much later in the year. No decision has been taken regarding the May Open Day but a notice will be placed on the reserve as soon as we hear from MAFF.

I can do little but add to the gloom everyone must feel about the present situation caused by the Foot & Mouth outbreak. The RSPB, in consultation with MAFF, have agreed to close all their reserves until further notice but discussions continue regarding the carrying out of essential maintenance and other contracts. The presence of deer in Garston Wood means that it will certainly be a considerable time before it is safe to allow public access but limited work, depositing stone and servicing boxes, will be carried out on the three sides away from any farm stock. Disinfectant precautions, to MAFF requirements, will be applied to the few workers involved. All survey work on birds, butterflies and dormice has been suspended and this ban also extends to the breeding bird surveys due to be carried out on farms in the region. Sadly, it seems we will have no meaningful records for 2001.



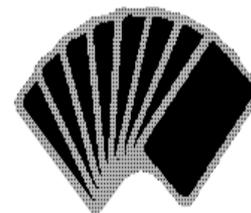
Prior to the disease appearing, the working parties had managed to finish a considerable amount of the coppicing due to be completed this year, and the deer fences are largely in place. A new wood-handling area has been created half way up the wood to ease the extraction of the larger trees. The wood has become particularly dark and unproductive in places, necessitating the widening of rides and opening up the canopy. The appalling rainfall has made parts of the wood very muddy indeed and it will take substantial tons of stone to make the paths and tracks suitable for all-weather use. I am sorry that so many dog-walkers have had to find an alternative place to exercise their animals and been so inconvenienced, firstly by the mud and now by F&MD.

The weather has held back many of the flowers by comparison with last year, but without having access to the main rides, this opinion is based on what can be seen from the road. Very few bluebells are in bloom yet whereas last year many were out by this time. Celandine is also much later than 2000. The hazel has yet to leaf.

By contrast, the dawn chorus is in full swing and rooks are busy nesting. The first Chiffchaff arrived in my garden on the 23rd, one day later than the first one in 2000, so I presume migrants are about! However, a Hen Harrier flew over my car while I was driving on the dual carriageway, only a few days ago, so winter is not over yet. Hopefully, the next two or three weeks will resolve the difficulties and life will return to a semblance of normality. In the meantime, the RSPB is grateful for everyone who has co-operated by not visiting the woods.

David Tucker, Voluntary Warden.

Whist at The Village Hall Bridge at The Roebuck



When this column is read, a sixth round will have been played in the Second Half of the Whist Tournament (the First Half competition was taken by Joan Gocher with a corrected score of 672). To date, fourteen players have contested five rounds, sixteen four rounds and ten three rounds; these will be the only participants eligible for placings in the tournament which ends 2 May, with prizes being awarded on 16 May (please note, there will not be a drive on 18 April). This event will bring the present season to a close.

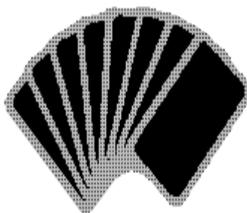
Presently, the leading six contenders in the three groups eligible for contention are:

1.	Arthur Austin	170	164	176	158	147	815
2.	Betty Stevens	164	152	160	168	165	809
3.	Harvey Gocher	160	164	165	149	166	804
4.	Doreen Leverton	159	178	161	145	158	801
5.	Geoff Peach	161	168	147	162	155	793
6.	Sam Poolman	152	170	149	143	178	792
1.	Christopher Haskell	170	154	161	184	669	
2.	Doris Gibson	154	152	175	173	654	
3.	Ted Gibson	154	152	172	173	651	
4.	Joan Gocher	145	170	179	155	649	
5.	Len Diggins	161	161	161	163	646	
6.	Sylv Day	163	162	163	148	636	
1.	Mary Braithwaite		156	188	158	502	
2.	Peter Braithwaite		161	168	161	490	
3.	Tony Groves		165	159	161	485	
4.	Margaret Fowgies		148	162	167	477	
5.	Jean Lane		156	155	156	467	
6.	Daisy Nobles		147	153	162	462	

With adjustments yet to be made, Christopher Haskell, presently heading the second group, is very well placed, as are his closest rivals, Doris and Ted Gibson. All three have scored well, with Christopher second to Mary Braithwaite in returning the best score (184 as opposed to 188 respectively) in the drives held, so far. Indeed, any score over 170 is highly commendable and to date no less than eleven contestants have carded 170, or higher.

Turning next to the bridge notes (and a big welcome to Roger Watkins who has recently joined us and is making excellent progress towards picking up the game), I will begin by providing a tip that is relevant to both games. Frequently, I hear players muse over which card to lead. Doubletons, when headed by an ace are simple; lead the ace and assuming you win, lead the lower ranked card and hope your partner has the king and can return a low card in the suit to give you a chance of "trumping" (or "roughing" as it is more commonly referred to in bridge). However, what should one lead if holding, say, king (or queen), ten, and three of suit; the answer, lead the ten. If your partner wins with the ace and, as expected, returns a card in the same suit, rise with the king (queen) and lead back the three. This is known as "MUD", or middle-up-down. Do try it, you will be surprised as to how many times this turns out to be a successful combination.

Peculiar to bridge are "doubles". A first round "double" is, usually, informative and merely



alerts your partner to call his/her longest suit.

For example, you hold over thirteen honour points but your right hand opponent has entered the bidding with, say, a diamond. This indicates to all that a minimum of thirteen points are held by the opener and four of the cards, minimum, are diamonds (at bridge you should, in most cases, call off length rather than strength, thus five clubs headed by the jack are better than four hearts topped by an ace and should be bid first). If, after entering your first round "double", opener's partner responds with a positive bid, say a spade, or two clubs, then your partner can pass. Assuming opener keeps the auction open (a suit opener backed by anything other than a "No-trump" demands a rebid), any subsequent "double" called is for penalties and depending on the vulnerability of the declarer can, if successful, bring you a handsome total of points above the line.

In most cases, "doubles" for penalties are called after the opposition has put in an interference bid. This latter type of bid is made to try and push your opponents into bidding beyond a contract with which they are content to play. For example, they need forty points for game and have reached two in either a major or minor suit, which is sufficient for their needs, or they have settled in 1 No-trump. With that look of contentment upon their faces, having heard one opponent pass, you, as fourth caller, (if holding a reasonable hand, 9 points with a long suit and a shortage in the oppositions favoured suit is my recommended minimum) enters an interference bid. You can, of course, come awfully unstuck if, instead of bidding on, your opponents "double" your intervention. This happened to me at The Roebuck on 31 January, when sitting North opposite Helen Goodwin and vying with Jill Carlisle (East) and Robin Radclyffe (West). Each partnership had landed a game and Jill and Robin were well set to take the third and win the rubber. I happened to be holding a long suit in diamonds, but really not much else and bravely came in with 3 Diamonds over two over their major, quite expecting the opposition to continue. Robin, or it may have been Jill, promptly "doubled". Helen smiled and said something along the lines that she had every confidence in me; I tried to look as relaxed as possible but when dummy was tabled and the usual pleasantries exchanged my confidence ebbed as swiftly as the retreating tide. Afterwards, Jon Carlisle, who had come across from the second table to observe, said he looked forward to reading a blow-by-blow account but I fear a certain numbness overcame me as with surgical precision Jill and Robin set about their defence. Suffice to say, I finished by conceding 1,400 points; two hundred for the first trick down, and three hundred for each subsequent trick lost. In other words, I lost six from nine. Being well and truly trounced, I could only offer profuse apologies to Helen and congratulate my worthy opponents on exacting just retribution from an unwise interventionist.

In closing, it is congratulations to George Marskell who, sitting North on 14 March won three uncontested rubbers in two hours of play. His partner for the first rubber was Paul Noble and the score card shows they wrapped this up in just two deals; George making 7 Clubs (5 bid) on the first deal and continuing to come home in four of one of the majors for the second. At this stage, I took over from Paul and with the cards running in our favour, we took the next two rubbers. Our luckless opponents were Silvia Marskell (West) and Eric Turner (East) who, until the third rubber, did not even have the chance to get into a contract. This can be very depressing and, thus, it is plaudits to Silvia and Eric for persevering and finishing the evening by winning the last rubber on a part score.

Bill Chorley

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Traffic Calming

The saga of Sixpenny Handley High Street continues. Everybody who lives in the village or visits the shops needs no reminding that the BIG ISSUE is and has been for many years the speed and volume of Traffic. Mums take their lives in their hands (and their children's) as they walk to school, residents emerge from their front doors in trepidation and shoppers scurry up the narrows from the Post Office to Mr. Clarke's or alongside the Newsagents, fingers crossed and hoping to make it in one piece. Down the years the official response to pleas for help has always been the same - "Sorry, no fatal accident statistics". Well thank God for that.

However, things are at last starting to change. Readers will know that Alan Humphries and I have been working with both District and County Councils on an improved signing and traffic calming scheme for the whole village, the Parish Council have been directly involved and the work should be done any day. They've just been waiting for the weather to clear up a bit. In addition, we are hoping to achieve two new stretches of pavement in the High St. as part of the redevelopment of the old Star Inn and of Victory Tours' garages.

But what has really put the cat amongst the pigeons is the action of Wilts. County Council in giving Tollard Royal a 20mph speed limit. You should have seen their jaws drop when I told them down in Dorchester. "What?! They can't have! It doesn't satisfy the criteria!..... Red tarmac? In a Conservation Area? Never!!" and so on. Of course, they are quite right, it doesn't satisfy the government's criteria but Wilts. still went ahead and did it. I've read through the criteria myself and in my opinion Sixpenny Handley satisfies the lot. I think this is one we can win and quietly, behind the scenes, I'm setting about winning it. The Parish Council will be weighing in too and every push will help.

There are still worries of course, particularly about the safety of children in Dean Lane, but along with the children's playground we'll get there in the end.

Residents of Pentridge will be thrilled to hear that at long last, after many years of asking, improvements to the village road junction on the A354 have been included in the County's capital budget. The work will involve widening the visibility splay for traffic turning out and is scheduled for the summer of 2002.

Tim Palmer, County Councillor

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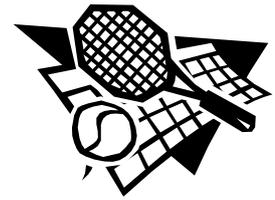
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Sixpenny Handley Tennis Club



Since reporting last on the activities of the Tennis Club, an exciting series of events has been planned (and approved) by the committee.

Commencing on Sunday 29 April, the Club will be hosting an "Open Day" with a supervised Junior session in the morning (starting at 11 o'clock) followed by a Ploughman's Lunch (provided by the Tennis Club for a nominal charge to cover costs). During the luncheon interval, awards will be presented to the winners of the various Winter Tournaments.

In the afternoon, a Timed Adult Tournament is planned and this will be open to anyone aged 16 years and older. These timed matches are great fun, the winner being the player who can win the most games within a set period, usually ten minutes. With both courts in play, no one will be left waiting long for his or her match to begin. However, the important feature to remember is that the day is open to all, so you do not have to be a club member in order to participate. Hopefully, non-members will enjoy themselves so much that they will wish to reverse this matter and thus be eligible to take part in the programme outlined below.

On Sunday 10 June, there will be a Junior Tournament in the morning, followed in the afternoon by an Adult Handicap Tournament. As per the April event, play will commence at 11 o'clock with about an hour given over to lunch. In mid-July (Sunday 15th), an Adults Timed Tournament will get under way at noon. A barbecue will be organised; again, a nominal charge will be made to cover the cost of provisions, etc.

For August, starting at noon on the 19th, an Adults American Tournament is in the offing and I hope to have more news on this event, nearer the time. Finally, in respect of the set programme, Sunday 30 September will be Finals Day. Again, look out for further details in this column, or if you are Club Member, then in the club's newsletter, edited by Helen Goodwin.

In between these special days, Roni Peck is planning an extensive coaching programme and with effect from Monday 14 May, these will be on a weekly basis. Six classes will be catered for; 3 to 4 year olds, 5 to 6, 7 to 8, 9 to 12, teenagers and, lastly, adults. Respective times are; 2.30 to 3.00 p.m., 3.45 to 4.30, 4.30 to 5.30, 5.30 to 6.30, 6.30 to 7.30 and 7.30 to 8.30. Charges for these sessions are remarkably low being set at £1 per child for the 3 to 4 year old age group and £2 per child/adult for the remainder. For further details on this and other coaching that is available, please telephone Roni Peck on 516350.

Club evenings will be held each Thursday, commencing 17 May at 7 p.m. Although attendance in 2000 was an improvement on previous years, it is hoped that members will make greater use of these sessions and to this end a committee member will be in attendance, thus assuring you of a game. However, in addition to the various summer tournaments, club evenings, etc, a Singles Ladder Tournament and an Adults Knockout Doubles Tournament are being introduced.

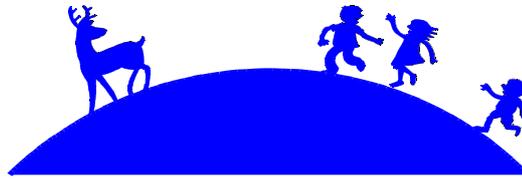
Finally, having gained promotion to the 2nd Division of the Shaftesbury League, Annie Noble (517596) is anxious to hear from anyone who wishes to take part; you will be guaranteed at least one match.

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Pre-school playgroup held in Sixpenny Handley Village Hall Tuesday and Wednesday mornings 9.30am – 12.00 noon (+ optional hour for lunch to 1.00pm), Thursday morning 9.30am - 12 noon.

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February Report

At Handley's February meeting, four new members - Edwina Carruthers, Jean Maidment, Carole North and Janette Salmons were welcomed.

Our speaker Mrs Anne Martin from Portisham was welcomed. She is a Blue Badge Guide and also runs her local Post Office. She gave us a most interesting and enjoyable talk - 'An armchair walk around Dorchester' and illustrated with slides. She was thanked by Stella Symes.

Members were reminded of the Spring Council meeting at Weymouth Pavilion on 25th April and names were taken of those wishing to attend.

The Group Meeting will be held at Manston on 23rd May, when Mr Carl Tyler is expected to speak. The competition is 'A Winter Weather Photograph'.

Correspondence and other business dealt with the meeting concluded with refreshments served by Peggy Holland and Sheila Smith.

The "flower of the month" winners were Maggie Staplehurst, Norah North and Doreen Leverton.

The monthly competition 'A Dorset Recipe with taster' was won by Win Judd and Jean Maidment.

Senior Citizens Outing and Tea

Due to changing circumstances, it has been very regrettably decided to discontinue the Annual Senior Citizens outing and tea.

March Report

At the well attended March meeting Mrs Jo Weston was welcomed as a new member.

Mrs K Browning was welcomed and gave a most interesting talk 'Mad about Italy' illustrated with slides of some of the very oldest parts and architecture of Italy. She was thanked by Heather Eynon. Refreshments were then served by Jean Haines and Edith Taylor after which the normal business was dealt with.

The President, Maggie Staplehurst, thanked everyone who had helped with the recent successful Jumble Sale.

Names were taken of those wishing to attend the Birthday meal on 26th April.

Members were reminded of the Half Yearly Council at Weymouth on 25th April and names were taken, also reminded of the Group Meeting at Manston on 23rd May.

A team of members will be entering the Bows Club Quiz on March 31st.

There is to be a Group Triennial Show sat Shaftesbury on 4th July - schedules available.

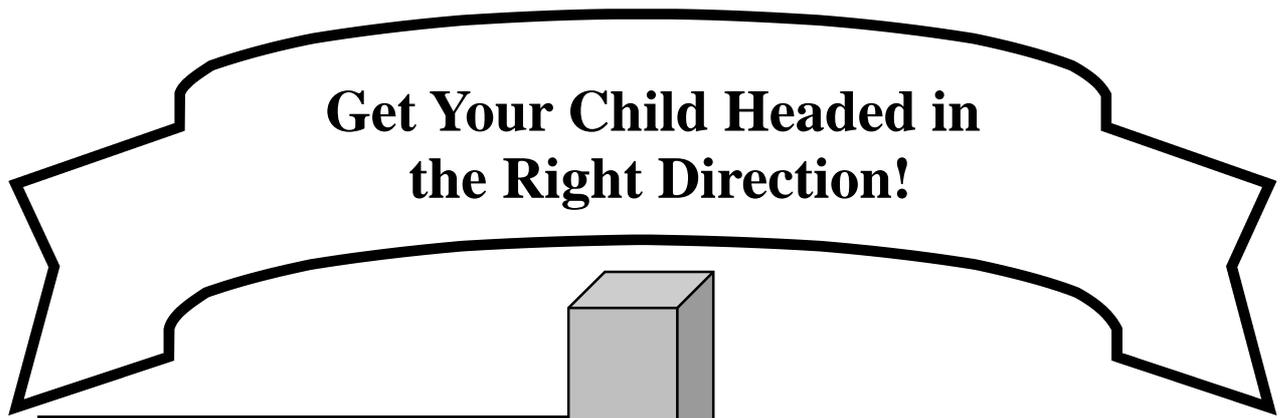
Members will also be helping at the forthcoming Village Hall Jumble Sale.

Flower of the month won by Doreen Leverton, Norah North and Jan Gibb.

The monthly competition for a photograph entitled 'Reflections' won by Carole North and Nancie Raban-Williams.

The next meeting is on April 9th when Mr R Sawyer of Bowerchalke will talk about 'Colletts Farthing Newspaper'. There will be an exhibition for:- A Millennium Item.

Win Judd (01725 552237)



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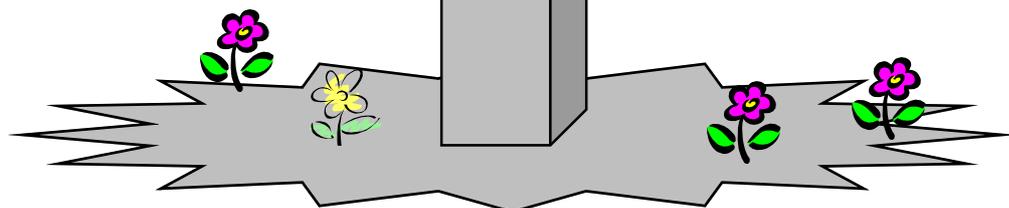
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The Downsman

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Apr-04	Bridge at The Roebuck	30	May-09	Bridge at The Roebuck	30
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Apr-04	Whist at The Village Hall	30	May-16	Whist at The Village Hall	30
Apr-05	Chase Community Friends	04	May-16	Bridge at The Roebuck	30
Apr-05	Football Club Home Match	19	May-17	Chase Community Friends	04
Apr-11	Bridge at The Roebuck	30	May-17	Tennis Club Evening	35
Apr-12	Chase Community Friends	04	May-19	Downsman Copy Deadline	03
Apr-14	Football Club Home Match	19	May-19	Sporting Chance 2001	26
Apr-15	Easter Sunday	12	May-21	Flower Arranging Club	04
Apr-15	Football Club Home Match	19	May-23	Wednesday Club	15
Apr-18	Bridge at The Roebuck	30	May-23	Bridge at The Roebuck	30
Apr-19	Chase Community Friends	04	May-24	Chase Community Friends	04
Apr-22	Football Club Home Match	19	May-24	Tennis Club Evening	35
Apr-22	Bowls Club Open Day	21	May-26	Police Mobile Unit	19
Apr-23	Flower Arranging Club	04	May-30	Bridge at The Roebuck	30
Apr-23	Allotments Assoc. AGM	11	May-31	Chase Community Friends	04
Apr-24	Village Hall AGM	19	May-31	Tennis Club Evening	35
Apr-25	Bridge at The Roebuck	30	Jun-06	Bridge at The Roebuck	30
Apr-25	Wednesday Club	15	Jun-07	Chase Community Friends	04
Apr-25	St Marys Annual Meeting	33	Jun-07	Tennis Club Evening	35
Apr-26	Chase Community Friends	04	Jun-10	Tennis Club Junior Tournament	35
Apr-28	Police Mobile Unit	19	Jun-14	Chase Community Friends	04
Apr-29	Tennis Club Open Day	35	Jun-14	Tennis Club Evening	35
May-02	Whist at The Village Hall	30	Jun-18	Flower Arranging Club	04
May-02	Bridge at The Roebuck	30	Jun-21	Chase Community Friends	04
May-02	The Casterbridge Singers	34			
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