

Tiptoe News

Summer 2023

The Quarterly Newsletter for the Tiptoe Community



Tiptoe May Fayre 2023

What a saga it was to get this show on the road - literally. Up to the week before we were all hoping that it would be straight-forward and were just praying for the weather to be good on the 13th. Well, the prayers for the weather on the 13th worked and what a beautiful day we had, but it was a shame about the week leading up to it.

It was obvious during the preceding week that the ground was too wet for vehicles to drive on but we still hoped that the wind would blow and the sun would shine but, as we now know, it rained! By Thursday we were asking YFC if we could use their hall and car park for the show and thankfully they agreed. We already use their car park for one of our three parking areas but this was different; the stalls would have to go on the car park but would there be room for them all? NO! Everyone was advised of our move and some with larger wagons withdrew understanding the problems. Sadly we had to ask the members of the Vintage Tractor Club not to come as we would not have room, this also applied to the vintage cars which we were expecting. Martin Rickman, who always supplies our stage with his farm trailer, understood and said he would 'see us next year'.

The Dog Show and Agility were able to use the field but without any vehicles going on and they gamely carried on a little apart from the main show. We have to thank Kate Anderson and Janine Redman for this, and they raised £77 towards our main total. Myrtle here shows off her red rosette for being deemed 'best rescue' dog at the show.

Because of the loss of two of our car parks we only had the River of Life one to use, so thank you to Joy and her team for this. Janine's field was

in the same state as the Green so we took the decision not to risk using it and possibly damaging it for her livestock later.

The parking was going to be a problem but of course the road was still closed at Tiptoe Cross so we decided to advise on street parking as an alternative. We delivered notes of explanation to our neighbours on the Friday morning and have to thank the Coombes for managing this. We must also say a big thank you to our neighbours for supporting us and understanding our predicament.

As I have said earlier, the sun shone and the show filled up with stall holders, BBQ, teas and coffees, soft drinks, games and competitions i.e. Raffle, Tombola and

Photographic. "The Strange Blues Band" set up and played through the afternoon with gaps whilst the little girls from 'Dance With Miss Jennifer' gave their wonderful ballet display (they were 5 – 9 years of age). The MC, Stephen Tarling, kept everyone up to speed with what was happening and a generally excellent atmosphere prevailed.

The outcome of this excellent show was that we raised £1,567.60 towards the management of the Tiptoe Green. THANK YOU to everyone who

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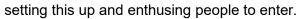
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Whilst the editors make every effort to publish articles/reports as requested, we must reserve the right to adjust as necessary for suitable publication. 'Thank you', Pat and Cyril Rendell. helped whether it was in setting up, attending with a stall or just coming along on the day to support us.

The extended community also gave freely for our Raffle and Tombola prizes and Sharon and her team worked hard to organise it. This year was a trial year for selling all raffle







tickets on the day and not, as previously, having pre-printed ones to sell prior to the day. This saved on the costs of printing and the licence.

The Photographic Competition was sponsored in her memory by the family of the late Leo Maitland who lived in the village. Suzette Lang, Simon Illiffe and Michael Hicks kindly did all the work in

Our 'Tea Ladies', otherwise known as Parish Councillors, organized the teas, coffees and cakes and what a wonderful selection of cakes there were – many donated by villagers and others.

We never charge for our stalls at the show but ask that stall holders may like to give a donation towards Tiptoe Green and they were very generous (as they always are).

It was sad not to see our friends with their tractors and the vintage cars but we look forward to seeing everyone next year. Second Saturday in May, always. PR







Photograph Competition by Suzette Lang

Thanks to all of the entrants and the winners of Tiptoe May Fayre first ever Photography Competition with the theme of "In and Around Tiptoe", sponsored in memory of Leo Maitland

And what a competition it was! As I looked at the more than 50 photographs submitted in the four categories (22 for "Landscape", 20 under "Object", 11 for "Portraits" and one photograph in the "Young Photographers") I thought how would I ever be able to select the best one. As judges, you and all the other Fayre attendees said and thought the same.

It was a very difficult decision, as we had some many fabulous entries, ranging from magnificent sunsets, Tiptoe New Forest landscapes including a frosty and misty morning, even a black and white photo of Fairlight Lane, nearby beach scenes, Tiptoe (the sign) through the Tulips and through a puddle in the Landscape category and even an evening dusk scene of traffic in New Milton.

The Object category was even more difficult to judge as we had a wide representation of "Objects" from a kingfisher sitting on a bronze bird garden statue, shaggy highland cow, insect photographs of a bee, stag beetle and dragonfly, spring flowers, coloured rock shingles and even a chain link from a fence.

Although we must have been a bit shy about submitting "People" photographs but there were the "Twins" (not really just the matching braces), three of our favourite Tiptoe-ians taking a break and having a natter after a hard days work on the Green, a mountain biker splashing through Sway stream, a pensive face and a group practicing yoga balancing (I am very envious; how do they do that, I tend to wiggle, wiggle and then collapse!).

Although difficult as it was, the Tiptoe Fayre attendees did indeed cast their vote (more than a hundred for each category) and the winners were....drum roll Simon Wallenberg in First place for his stunning view of a double rainbow over Tiptoe Green, and a tranquil shot of Avon Waters by Cyril Rendell in Second for the "Landscape Category".

In the "Object Category" Jon Linin took First for his photo of the Boundway Oak, and Steph Nash in Second for Minnie's hard day at work on a tractor. Good-oh for Minnie (her dog), as I was told that she was made to practice at Vaggs Farm beforehand. I hope Steph gave her some lovely treats after.

For the "People Category" congratulations to Jim Hammett for his peek-a-boo photograph of his grandkids peering through a clump of grass and Lesley Pledger in Second for her grandchild playing in the surf with her dog.

Special congratulations to Molly Lloyd in the "Young Photographer" category for her stunning sunset photograph and who also did well in the "Object Category" with her stag beetle.

A very special thanks to Michael Hicks for helping the author with the Photograph Competition especially saving the day with last minute printing.

So all in all, fabulous entries and a good turnout for the first ever Photograph Competition; everyone who visited the stand spent a long time admiring each entrant's photographic skills.



With that inspiration, you have a whole year for taking photos using a camera, mobile phone, tablet, ready for next year's Photography Competition. Don't be shy, you would be surprised how much and how good your photos will be! Please visit the Tiptoe Green website (https:// www.tiptoegreentrust.org/) to see all of the entered photographs.











A PLANE IN THE PLAYGROUND!!



On Friday 19th May, when the children of Tiptoe school came into the playground at the start of the day, they saw a plane on the playground. A small plane admittedly, but nevertheless a plane. There were cries of "WOW, mum look at this!" And "HOW DID IT GET THERE?" Lots of the children came over to look, posing for a photo in

front of it.

How did it get there? On the same morning at 7.45, several volunteers came to assist the MAF team with assembling the plane. It arrived on a very large trailer, a 2 seater Cessna, with no

or tail parts. То winas assemble, all the straps that held the plane in place on the trailer were removed, and the plane slid very slowly off the trailer, with the usual team's help. Everyone helped push the plane onto a conspicuous part of the playground, where it would sit for several hours. Then came all the parts to be bolted on - five or six of us helped get the wings off the trailer (they travel underneath the plane) and then carried one at a time over to the waiting MAF crew. The wings were



very heavy to move, especially when held above head height.

What is MAF? The plane was brought to the school courtesy of MISSION AVIATION FELLOWSHIP, a Christian charity that goes to whatever part of the world needs it. They deliver all sorts of items, including medical supplies, food, take a doctor or nurse to a remote village, bring a seriously ill or injured person from a village to a hospital. They cram planes full of goods and books for the villagers, also Bibles which the people are very keen to read. Every child (and probably several members of the staff) came out in small groups to look at the plane, they were fascinated. All the children got a chance to sit in the plane, which they thoroughly enjoyed. In addition to the plane, MAF brought a simulator for the older children to try their luck on; it was housed in the school library for the day.

About three o'clock, all volunteers came back to the school and assisted with dismantling the plane ready for transportation to the next site.

During the day, MAF staff was in attendance, and ready to answer the hundreds of questions the children fired at them!

When the plane was finally towed away on the trailer, we all thought it had been a very good visit from MISSION AVIATION FELLOWSHIP.

Many thanks to Tim for arranging everything. J. Benson



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Coronation Party on the Green

After rain most of the day, the caterers van getting stuck in the mud closely followed by one of the band member's cars, the evening got off to a slow start. Very quickly Simon had counted that 155 people had joined in the evening. The food and drink supplied by Super Brothers Catering went down well and people were soon dancing along to Bish Bash Bosh our resident band for the evening.





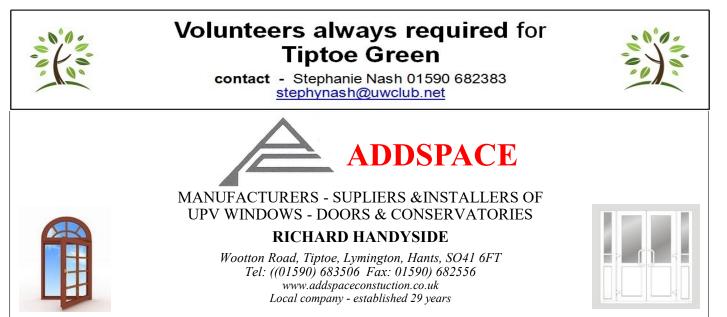


Thank you everyone who joined in and shared in the evening. I am pleased to say that the band, which played for free, collected £274.09 for their chosen charity of Cancer Research.

Thank you all for your generosity.

Stop Press

Found in Holmsley Enclosure, Sunday 4th June, a red electric scooter, abandoned, no one around, query flat battery. Reported to Chief Agister.



Arthur 'Paddy' Armstrong

30th-July 1941 - 8th March 2023

In 2008 the village was very concerned at the pending closure of our Post Office. It was decided to hold a village meeting to discuss this and our way forward. At this meeting I suggested we held a weekly Coffee Morning with selling some local goods, so that people could meet up and have a natter. As this was agreed, I was delighted to meet 'Paddy' for the first time when he came straight up to me and in his lovely soft Irish accent announced that 'I'm up for it, count me in'. He later became the Treasurer until the end of 2022.

This was the beginning of our Tiptoe Community Group and our Coffee Morning. We had four founding members who were Paddy, myself, Cyril

and Anne Hilton. The community followed us and we flourished. Every Wednesday morning Paddy turned up ready to set the hall up and make drinks for all who attended. He never backed off when we had to clear up either. Paddy would help anyone who needed help or a kind word and always could be relied on to have a pen in his jacket pocket to lend me for getting signatures on cards or cheques as required, but he kept a wary eye to be sure it was returned to him afterwards (this became a standing joke). Paddy attended our Coffee Morning meets right up until three weeks before he passed away, and is now sadly missed by everyone.

As a part of our fundraising for the Coffee Morning we used to hold BBQ's where Paddy and Cyril did the cooking, sometimes for as many as thirty five people. It was always a fun lunch and a good fund raiser and enjoyed by all.

Following Paddy's obvious ability to cook on the BBQ, he was roped in with Cyril to cook for the BBQ at the May Fayre each year on the Tiptoe Village Green, starting in 2011 with our Grand Opening on the Royal Wedding Day. This continued right up to the pandemic bringing it all to a halt.

Paddy was always keen to joke about waving a hair dryer at cars and wearing a Hi Vis jacket, by way of trying to slow them down. In actual fact, Paddy was a keen member of our Speedwatch team for Hordle Parish. Here we used to have the large display showing the speed cars were travelling. Any doing 35 mph or over we had to write the details down and provide a report to the Police. Paddy's role here was always to 'call' the Make, Number and Colour of any offending vehicles whilst the rest of us would write the information down. We would all be wearing Hi Vis jackets. He always took this role, as he said we would not be able to read his writing. Again this stopped with the pandemic but I could always rely on Paddy to be there when needed.

Paddy always supported us with any other events on The Green whether it was the 'Pet Blessing Service' or the Remembrance Day Service.

Some of you may also recognise Paddy as the person delivering the Tiptoe News all along Tiptoe Road. We continued to get this newsletter out through the pandemic and Paddy continued to deliver them until poor health made it impossible for him to carry on. I believe his last time was the summer edition of September 2021.

Once Paddy learned to play the saxophone we enlisted him to play for the Carols on the Green at Christmas. As a very strong member of St. Andrew's Church he was Church Warden and later became a part of the group going to Tiptoe School for the 'Open the Book' sessions. Nothing was ever too much for Paddy.

Paddy loved his golf and nothing interfered with this, although at times the weather did its best to make it difficult for him to play. He was a keen member of the Wootton and Bashley Social Club and also liked his pint up at the Rising Sun, just a short walk from home for him.

It was an honour to be able to attend Paddy's funeral at St. Andrew's where the numbers attending, I believe, touched on 160. This service showed what a wonderful family man he was. The numbers of people indicated how highly thought of Paddy was by the wider community of which he was an integral part.

Pat Rendell.

HAMPSHIRE OPEN STUDIOS 2023

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May Fayre Photos - continued









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Cookery Corner Coq au Vin Chicken in Red Wine

Ingredients For the coq au vin

	Chicken, jointed Diced bacon or lardons French shallots, peeled Few thyme sprigs Rosemary sprig Dried chilli flakes Olive oil Red wine	
Small knob of butter		

3 garlic cloves, crushed Small handful chopped fresh flatleaf parsley Mash 800g/1³/₄lb potatoes, peeled and chopped Fraîche150ml/5fl oz milk For the crème 25g/1oz butter 350g/13oz Mixed mushrooms sliced

Preparation method for the coq au vin, preheat the oven to 220C/430F/Gas 7. Arrange the chicken pieces in a large roasting tin and scatter with the bacon, shallots, thyme, rosemary and chilli flakes. Season, to taste, with sea salt and freshly ground black pepper. Drizzle the contents of the roasting tray with two tablespoons of the olive oil and roast in the oven for 20 minutes.

When the chicken has been roasted, add the wine to the tin and cook for another 20-25 minutes. Remove from the oven. Heat the butter and remaining tablespoon of oil in a large frying pan over a medium heat.

When the butter is foaming, add the mushrooms and garlic and fry for 3.5 minutes. Tip the mushrooms and garlic into the tin and scatter with the parsley.

Meanwhile, for the crème fraîche mash, boil the potatoes in a pan of salted water until tender. Remove from the heat, drain well and return to the hot pan. Mash the potatoes until smooth. Heat the milk and butter in a small pan over a medium heat, until the butter has melted (do not allow the mixture to boil). Beat the hot butter and milk into the potatoes, then fold in the crème fraîche or cream. Season, to taste, with sea salt. To serve, pile some of the crème fraîche mash onto each of four serving plates and spoon the coq au vin on top



Hordle WI

Hordle WI meet on the first Tuesday each month 2.00-4.00pm. Doors open at 1.30pm. Members can join a Walking Group, Craft Group and Games Club. We have Speakers most month, quizzes, lunches and trips out. Visitors and new members are welcome. This year our Hall is 100 years old, we are one

of the few WI's who still own their hall. We are on Facebook and have a website hordlewi.org.uk, Here you can find all our regular hirers and all you need to know about hiring our hall weekly, monthly or one-off events. With rising costs we need our Hirers and Supporters to maintain the hall.



A Windy Day! (in April's Storm Noa)

It was an incredibly windy day yesterday. The Isle of Wight recorded winds of up to 96 miles per hour in the middle of the day. I had been quite oblivious to this fact, not having listened to the radio with its warnings not to go out unless you must. We had run out of milk, so I jumped in the car (as it was a bit windy) to drive down to the seafront post office at Barton to buy some.



As I got out of the car, a wind unlike any other I'd experienced at Barton whipped along the coastline and rocked the car violently. I ran into the sanctuary of the shop for a few minutes, purchased said milk and ventured out again. It was almost impossible to walk along the pavement back to the car. And as I gingerly opened the car door and got in, a huge gust came along and fought with me to keep the door open. So there I was, half in and half out, holding on to the door for dear life when the very kind but windswept owner of the Bijou Cafe appeared and helped me to close the door so I could drive away. Without his help, I am not too sure how long I or the door would have been there!

But the tale doesn't end there. As I drove away, opposite me I saw a Barton resident with a walking

stick really struggling to make it to the WC block. I thought about driving on, the person would probably be OK... but what if they weren't and got blown over? So I stopped, got out, offered an arm and helped them to and from the WCs back to their car against that violent wind and got on my way, arriving home drenched to the skin and hair like a wet mop. A nice cup of tea at home was never more welcome.

Why have I mentioned all this? Well, it occurred to me that we all need a helping hand from time to time, and sometimes very unexpectedly. Sometimes there may be someone there to help us and sometimes not. Many people struggle along on their own in a difficult situation because they don't like to ask for help or feel they can't ask. They may be too proud to ask, or perhaps they don't like to be a burden on others. But we should always be prepared to ask for - and accept - help if we need it. It may be from neighbours, friends or family, or even from a stranger from time to time. But there will always be times when we should ask for help or advice. And in return, if asked, we should try to give or get help, because it's the right thing to do and it may be us needing it next time.

Your local councils are there, not only to fix potholes and roads, but also to provide help to residents. Many people don't even know council help is available until something becomes a crisis. Hampshire County Council has a terrific network of support and help for Hampshire residents who need it, both from the council directly and from external agencies such as Citizens Advice. Do have a look at the County Council's Connect To Support web pages here: connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk A book is also available if you can't use the internet – phone for a copy on 0370 779 3084. Connect To Support is not just about helping those caring for a relative, although there is a lot of advice of that kind for those who need it. It is about finding support in whatever difficult situation you may find yourself in, whoever you are, whatever age you may be. And, of course, your local councillors can also point you in the right direction to get any specific help you may need. That is what we are there for.

PS: Thank you, Bijou Café owner, Keith! Very grateful. Residents, please go in and support them. They do such great coffee too!

Cllr Fran Carpenter Hampshire County Council New Milton North, Milford & Hordle Division 07867-502624 / 01425-614665 fran.carpenter@hants.gov.uk



ECO SWAY in 2023



Wellbeing We'll be putting on fun community events to help connect wellbeing to a healthy environment Making space for nature With the Parish Council, NFDC, HCC and HIW Wildlife Trust - we'll be connecting and enriching private and public green spaces. Reducing energy usage in the home we'll be supporting the community to access locally relevant information and providing access to home thermal imaging.

ECO SWAY are a working group of Sway Parish Council focused on going green together. To find out more or join us please contact ecoswaynf@gmail.com Water saving we'll be supporting the community and school to reduce water usage, and raising awareness on local waste water treatment issues

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HORDLE FLOWER CLUB

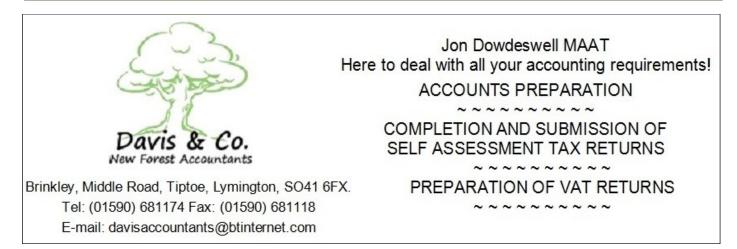
Programme

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June	-	No meeting as Member's Outing
July	12th	Demonstration "As if by Magic", Carole Stables
August	9th	Workshop "Structures" (Member's only)
September	2nd	Hordle Summer Fayre – visit our Floral Tombola Stall
September	13th	Demonstration "Creative Thinking", Gill Homer
October	11nd	Demonstration "Mists & Mellow Fruitfulness", Lucille Street
November	8th	Demonstration "Entertaining at Christmas", Corbins Florists

We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month (except June and January) at Hordle Pavilion, Vaggs Lane, Hordle Time: 7.00pm for 7.30pm.

We are a very friendly group, so if you are interested in Flowers and Friendship come along! You are welcome to attend a demonstration as a visitor for a fee of £7.00.

Contact Denise Gibb, Secretary on 01590 642804 for further information.



Tiptoe Celebrates



Union flags were fixed on fences and hedges, and flown from flagpoles around Tiptoe to celebrate King Charles' Coronation on a soggy and blowy 6th May 2023. The village was deserted through the day as the inhabitants were glued to their televisions, or visiting family elsewhere.

However, on the village green there was some activity during the afternoon and at 5pm the sound of music drifted across the New Forest village. The mouthwatering scent of cooking spilled over the hedges and into the road (devoid of traffic due to the drainage pipe repair closure) and soon a loud buzz of people enjoying themselves filled the air. This was created by more than 150 Tiptovians who had gathered together to "eat, drink, and be merry" to celebrate their King's coronation. At around half past eight the villagers wended their way back home through the narrow lanes - some on foot and some in vehicles - and the Tiptoe returned to its usual peace with the flags blowing in the wind and rain. (RM)



Wootton and Bashley Social Club

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Wootton and Bashley Social Club

10th June

Jamie Adams Duo Guitar and Sing 24th June Cat and Mouse

> 15th July Stevie John 26th July Graham Morris



9th September Irish Night Mollie Branhan



Bliss – Soon to be Broken

For nearly two months now we, who live on the Tiptoe Cross end of Wootton Road, have had such BLISS without any traffic screaming up and down our bit of the road. These cars were regularly scanned at doing fifty plus miles per hour with one exceptional case showing at 74 mph. These drivers use us as a short cut avoiding the B3055 or the B3058 to access the A35 more quickly and very often late for work hence the speeds. This bit became apparent during my time as Speedwatch Coordinator when some drivers felt it necessary to stop and argue with us over the speed their vehicle showed on SID (Speed Indicator Device).

It has been wonderful to be able to cross over to the Tiptoe Green without having to keep checking that there is not a speeding car/van/lorry bearing down on you.

By the look of things at Tiptoe Cross the work would appear to be drawing to a close and I believe our peace will once again be shattered.

Of course, we have had to drive around Crabbswood Lane or through Bashley to get out of Tiptoe but I think it has been worth it. A shame they did not repair the pot holes on the corner of Crabbswood Lane as you come off Sway Road until this week, (W/C 22nd May). But at least now they have been done, for how long is the question before they get worn away again? PR





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Tiptoe Community Group

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Bees on Tiptoe Green - Summer 2023

Welcome to summer! Well, bees on The Green enjoyed a 100% survival, building steadily through the early months but then March arrived cold and wet which continued through April.

Due to the uncertainty in the weather the bees took the queens off lay, in part driven by the lack of pollen. The result being that by mid-April a number of colonies were well below the strength expected at this time of year. I think the spring honey crop will be less than previous years and a bit later.

As you may have noticed, we have a number of fields planted with oilseed rape which is normally a good provider of nectar and pollen. However, the cold weather has greatly reduced the yield. None the less, given that honey from this source has a tendency to set in the comb making it near impossible to extract by normal means, I will be watching the oilseed rape flowers waiting for signs of first petal drop which is a good indicator to start extracting and avoiding honey set in the comb.



The swarming season is now upon us. This requires a seven-day inspection regime to check for queen cells and, where present, undertaking the necessary manipulation of the colony either to increase the number of colonies or to raise a new queen to head up the existing colony. Inevitably there will be swarms around emanating from feral colonies or from the hives of less observant beekeepers. Either way they are a boon to beekeepers looking to replace colonies lost over winter or to expand their own apiaries. As the saying goes "a swarm in May is worth a load of hay, a swarm in June is worth a silver spoon", referring to the fact that early swarms can be expected to deliver a summer crop of honey. Those from later swarms will not have developed sufficiently to take advantage of the summer nectar flow.

A brief note - although it might be too late for this year - "The No Mow May campaign" is an attempt to increase the availability of food and habitat for insects and other creatures by not mowing lawns in May. Insects do not respect borders or landownership; insects will connect with your neighbour's garden even when you don't. Your small patch can be part of a bigger meadow. You will not get a lawn of swaying poppies and cornflowers. These are the flowers of the arable field before we removed them, not the flowers of the hay meadow.

By not mowing your lawn in May, you are likely to get something just as beautiful - daisies and dandelions. As a beekeeper you would, like me, rejoice at seeing dandelions. Other flowers should come too - red and white clover, speedwell, ribwort, plantain, scarlet pimpernel and cuckoo flower (on which the female orange tip butterfly lays her eggs).

Where do you buy your honey? A new investigation by the European Commission has found that 46% of samples claiming to be honey were suspected of being fraudulent. All ten of the samples which were blended or packaged in the UK failed the test, the products tested probably originated from overseas. So, if you want Honey, buy local.

Nick Jazwinski May 2023

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Volunteers required for Tiptoe Green

Contact - Stephanie Nash 0159068383 or stephynash&unclub.net



COMPOST CORNER SUMMER 2023 OR RAMBLINGS FROM A BAD GARDENER



A week ago I would have said it is still Spring, but obviously with all this lovely sunshine we can all hope it is the start of Summer. Keep everything crossed with that statement as it is still the month of May writing this. One minute we are all sloshing around in mud, now the ground is going rock hard and things in the garden actually need watering - not my favourite job.

I have had a few wow brilliant moments with my early plantings, but far more oh dears !

I was a bit late clearing and spreading my well rotted stable manure over the veggie plot (note to self, do it in Autumn next time). Then I had a slight panic that some of my seeds should really go in "now" moment. However the manure hadn't really rotted in enough and getting a fine tilth for seeds was virtually im-possible which led the soil to be far too rich and heavy for most of the seeds to break through. Some are doing ok, but others definitely not.

One really wow moment was planting a few tomatoes under glass quite early on, and now I am about to pick some lovely ripe red cherry tomatoes. Don't think they will get far from the plant before they find my mouth.

I am not a fan of pruning back my perennial border in the Autumn as I like to think they give a home to lots of insects etc during winter months, so I have been busy this past week in clipping back and finding other plants underneath that I have forgotten about. That is what I love about Spring, suddenly finding plants sprouting which you thought had died.

I have left my last years purple sprouting broccoli to go to seed and am so glad to have made that decision as over the past few days the flowers have attracted lots and lots of honey and other bees collecting their pollen. I did the same last year with a dozen leek plants and, besides the flowers being magnificent, all the bees loved them as well. I collected a lot of seed and now have new leek plants growing well.

I am going to make a real effort to be a better gardener this year (did I say that last year as well!). Time will tell with the writing of next Autumn or Winter copy of these ramblings, which I hope you enjoy and either makes you realise you are not the only failure, or feel that you should come round and give me a few helpful lessons.





A New Forest Conservation Success

Absent for over 120 years, the first pair of goshawks returned to the New Forest in 2002. Since then, a team at Forestry England have been working hard to help ensure that they are able to breed successfully

and today there are around 45 pairs. Despite living in the New Forest all year round, goshawk are notoriously difficult to spot, earning them the nickname of "phantoms of the forest". Extremely agile fliers, they silently weave between trees and shrubs in pursuit of prey.

You can see them in a nest cam which has been sponsored by Tropic Skincare. Enter <u>www.forestryengland.uk/new-forest/goshawks-the-new-forest</u> into your favourite search engine to access a unique view of the hidden world of the goshawk from the canopy of a 60ft Douglas fir tree. You will be able to watch as the pair attempt to successfully hatch, protect, feed and fledge their young.

The goshawk (Accipiter Gentilis) is a large hawk, similar in size to the buzzard, with a distinctive white stripe above bright reddish eyes. With a broad wingspan of around 135 to 165cm, the adults are slate grey on top while the juveniles are brown. The male is smaller (around 600 to 1,100g) than the female (around 900 to 2,000g) which enables them to take a wide variety of prey from within the same environment.

Each year, Forestry England's wildlife team closely monitor the fortunes of the birds and this year they will also study the nest cam footage for breeding and nesting behaviours. Before chicks fledge, the team ring, measure and weigh them to assess how they are developing and whether The Forest offers the right conditions to sustain the population. Rings recovered from these birds helps the team understand where the birds disperse to and, as their population spreads beyond The Forest across Hampshire and neighbouring counties, the factors behind their continuing success.



Credit



Sandwiches & roll, hot pies & Pasties Opening times: Monday - 8.30 - 5.00 Saturday - 8.30 - 4.30 Sunday - 9.00 - 1.00

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Hordle Parish Council

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Parish Council Update – Summer 2023

Parish Councillors

There was an uncontested election for Parish Councillors and the 9 standing councillors were returned unopposed. There is still one vacancy on the Parish Council, and we are keen for Tiptoe to be represented on the council. If you would like to make a real contribution to your community, why not consider putting yourself forward to become a Councillor? It's a very rewarding role and you can find full details on our website: www.hordleparishcouncil.gov.uk or email the clerk: clerk@hordleparishcouncil.gov.uk for more details.

Thank you!

Our Deputy Parish Clerk - Chris Halling - is retiring in May after 8 years' service to our community. The Parish Council would like to thank Chris for her hard work, skills and experience which she brought to the role in this time and which made a real difference to the parish. We wish her well on her new adventures.

Parish Heroes

Pat and Cyril Rendell were nominated to receive Parish Heroes Awards for the many years of service they have given the community, particularly for editing this wonderful newsletter. The Parish Council would like to thank Pat and Cyril for their time and contribution over the years.

Join our team of Speedwatch volunteers

The Parish Council is working with a team of volunteers to reduce speeding vehicles

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Cango Bus Service

The Parish Council has been working with its counterparts in Sway and New Milton, to ensure that a usable bus service is in place for Tiptoe residents, following Hampshire County Council's decision to move the route to a fixed route service. Alternative options to provide a service are being explored and we are pleased to report that County has agreed to postpone the service.

changes until the autumn, until these options can be fully researched and costed. We will keep you informed of the developments.

New surfacing at Hordle Rec Playpark

We have installed all-weather surfacing at Hordle Rec Playpark, around the base of most of the kit there. We hope that the younger members of our community will continue to enjoy playing there and their parents and carers will have a little less washing to do!

Next Meetings

Tuesday 20th June, 18th July and 15th August at Hordle Pavilion, Vaggs Lane@ 7.15pm. Agendas and minutes will be on the website and noticeboards.





Sway WI



Sway WI members have been busy over the last few months, preparing entries for the recent Brockenhurst Group Exhibition of Craft & Produce. Various craft categories included needlework, decorated eggs, art, photography and the intriguingly named Recycle and Reuse. A Sway WI member's entry of a Clock and Placemats made entirely from old magazines won the Challenge Bell (dating

back to 1932) for the best entry in this category. Sway WI also won the Produce CoOperative Cup, Best in Show Handicraft Cup with some exquisite beadwork, and Cup for the member with most points. These were handed out at the AGM, when a Coronation memorabilia and quiz evening also took place.

Craft meetings are held in the WI Room on Tuesday afternoons at 2.15 p.m. It is always good to meet like-minded people, and perhaps to try out new ways of doing things, over a cup of tea.

Other informal interest groups such as walking, darts, poetry, calligraphy, scrabble, and outings are all open to members.

THE FOOD & PRODUCE GROUP is a new group for Sway WI. It meets on the 4th Thursday of each month from 7-9 pm in the WI Room, unless a visit has been arranged to, for example, local food producers and suppliers, as well as cafes and restaurants.

There will be the opportunity to

- Listen to visiting speakers and experts
- Have fun learning about new and interesting for initiatives
- Share food related experiences, skills, ideas and recipes
- Consider food waste and ways to replace it
- Support people with food allergies, intolerances and particular dietary requirements

There is no need to be a great cook to join in - anyone with a general interest in food will be warmly welcomed. The Food & Produce Group aim to compile a Recipe Book for the village.

SWAY WI meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month (except August) in the Village Hall at 7.15 for 7.30 p.m. Future meetings include Life of a Keyhaven Ranger in June, a Garden Party in July, Coffee Morning in August and a talk about the Sway Home Guard in September.

Contact swaytreas@hampshirewi.org.uk or Lisa on 01590 682463



SWAY FLOWER ARRANGING CLUB

Sway Flower Arranging Club members and guests enjoyed the recent demonstration by Tiptoe Flower Arranger, Sue Wall. Her subject was Recycle and ReUse (mainly to do with the containers etc.). However the flowers were anything but! Four beautiful arrangements were raffled off at the end of a very pleasant afternoon.

Meetings are held at the Church Rooms, Sway at 2 p.m. on the last Wednesday afternoon of each month (except August and December) and visitors are always welcome.

On 31st May, there will be another 'BACK TO BASICS WORKSHOP' with Pam Smith, concentrating on an L-shaped arrangement. The theme for the following month (28th June) is a Seascape, perhaps using driftwood, shells etc.

A Garden Party on 26th July will be the last meeting for the summer, returning on 27th September for a Harvest arrangement.



10.40-11.20am Pre-school ballet (2.5-4yrs) 11.25-11.40am Pre-school tap (2.5-4yrs)

www.facebook.com/DanceWithMissJennifer jennifer.ashley@outlook.com / 07720 641716

Sway Parish Council Elections

Following an uncontested election, we are pleased to welcome back seven councillors and say hello to two new members. At time of writing that leaves us with three vacancies but so far we have received two expressions of interest in being co-opted, so fingers crossed we will fill the final vacancy in due course. If you might be interested, and live on the Sway side of the village, please contact the parish clerk at clerk@sway-pc.gov.uk or 01590 718116.

Theft

Sadly we reported that our Pavilion was broken into, and our parish tractor stolen. Clearly a very organised crime, as they came with angle grinding equipment to get in, hot wired the vehicle and used an escape route out the back of our site (through a

fence!) and across neighbouring fields to the main road, rather than be seen leaving through the main entrance.



Coronation Big Lunch

Our event on Sunday 7th May at the Stanford Rise Green was a great success; the sun shone, and we enjoyed singing, games, picnics and cake - a lot of cake! Tea and coffee provided by the Scouts, and the Gardening Club and EcoSway had stands, as well as the WI (did I mention the delicious cakes?!).



Cango

Hampshire County Council approved a delay to the proposed changes to the Cango bus service, whilst Sway, Hordle and New Milton Parish and Town Councils continue to consult on the proposed changes, in order to get the best possible new service for residents. The Cango will therefore continue to operate exactly as is, until September 2023.

Contact details for councillors here: https://www.sway-pc.gov.uk/contacts Clerk details remain the same: clerk@sway-pc.gov.uk 01590 718116

Kind regards Katie Walding PSLCC Parish Clerk & RFO www.sway-pc.gov.uk Tel: 01590 718116

Sway Parish Council Jubilee Field Pavilion Station Road, Sway, SO41 6BE



News from New Zealand

View from the top of Wairere falls. Slow growing trees (redwoods). Warm and dry(ish) inside the hut. A good example of native New Zealand bush.



An Update from Charlotte about her Life in New Zealand.

Hello everyone, it's been a while since I've written one of these, I'm not sure I remember how! Workwise not much has happened. I am still working with racehorses and loving it all the while – even more now that we're in the off season. We have had a few freak weather events to contend



with since the start of the year. Cyclone Gabrielle cut across the country leaving a trail of devastation in her path. It took two days for us to be able to use the driveway; before that we had to go across country through tracks and trails on the farm to escape. Since the cyclone we have been affected by two lots of so called "once in a hundred year" floods (and they say they

don't believe in climate change...).

Despite the rain and the wind and winter coming full throttle at us months before she's due, I have been making the most out of the beautiful area I live in. A forty minute drive up the road to Matamata (famously known for being the home of The Shire) takes me to Wairere Falls. About an hour of hiking through native bush, crossing bridges and climbing a lot of very steep stairs leads you to the top of the falls with a view across the mighty Waikato. I took Freddie on this walk the day he arrived in NZ and we could see for miles, playing in the small pools at the top and laughing at how incredibly tired/hungover he was fresh off the plane – and they say older sisters don't care! I took the opportunity to do this walk again recently after a few days of heavy rain. Totally different! I could barely see three feet ahead of me climbing let alone anything at the top, I was entirely in the clouds. But the falls... the falls were incredible, the amount of water gushing over the top and the noise it made crashing into the rocks at the bottom.

Last weekend I went tramping with a friend on my first overnight hike since being in NZ. I was so excited, especially as it was due to be the first two days of sun we had seen in the whole week. Perfect timing for the weekend and my two days off. Or so I thought! It started off drizzly and misty although not too bad but after four hours of climbing up the mountain on already muddy tracks, and scrambling up the steepest of rocks and back down the other side I was ecstatic to see the hut appear out of the clouds. Huts are run by DOC (Department of Conservation) and essentially come with a bunk and a plastic mattress, meaning you have to take everything with you. Running water that must be boiled before you can drink it or cook with it and the joys of a long drop toilet. Despite some issues getting the stove top connected to our little gas canister we successfully cooked our soup and pasta and both had a hot cup of miso soup before bed. Another couple had hiked in on another track and three men were staying in the hut for ten days whilst hunting goats in the park. Honestly- kudos to them for staying up there in the rain with no electricity or hot running water and nowhere to dry your clothes at the end of the day! Goats are a pest in NZ released into the wild and destroy the native flora and fauna at a rate that cannot be sustained for regrowth. Native NZ trees are slow growing, taking decades to reach maturity, the Rimu tree, for example, can live up to 900 years old! Charlotte.



Tiptoe Green Trust Charity No. 1135329 Volunteers always required Contact - Stephanie Nash 01590 682383 <u>stephynash@uwclub.net</u>





SATURDAY 3 JUNE ^{7 for 7:30pm} WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO D TO WITH IT 12A



In London, an award-winning film-maker documents her best friend's journey into an assisted marriage, in line with his family's Pakistani heritage. In the process, she challenges her own attitude towards relationships

Tickets £7.00 ticketsource@swayvillagehall.co.uk Bar, Refreshments, Ice Creams COMING SOON! AIR AVATAR – The Way Of Water

SWAY CARNIVAL FILM DAY 7 July Lyle Lyle Crocodile & Rocketman Sing-Along

WHAT A STAGE!

Our Stage at Sway Village Hall is a rare commodity. Large with ample wings, mid-stage curtain & backstage space. A variety of stage lights suited to your needs can be focused & coloured (+smoke machine). Full sound desk operates. Plug-in musical instruments or mics via sound desk into Cinema surround-sound system. Bookable separately or with the main hall and kitchen, plus props & changing room – see below

SWAY VILLAGE HALL & CINEMA

Open for one-off or regular hire - contact our Bookings Secretary via bookings.svhall@gmail.com For FILM, write to: swaycinema1@gmail.com We are also on Facebook

Hordle Volunteer Driver Group

Covering the Villages of Tiptoe, Hordle and Everton, Can you help? We urgently need more drivers. Please help us by calling 0345 388 9063 or Email hordle.care@btinternet.com for further information. To book transport Please call 0345 388 9063

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Useful Contacts

Hampshire Constabulary Emergency: 999 Non-Emergency: 101 www.hampshire.police.uk

Crimestoppers (Anonymous reporting) 0800 555 111 www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Action Fraud (Report and get advice about fraud or cyber crime) 0300 123 2040 Online www.actionfraud.police.uk

Blue Lamp Trust (Bobby scheme) 0300 777 0157 Citizens Advice (Advice line) 03444 111 444 Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm

Appletree Careline For peace of mind Contact 02380 285523



Cango bus

Cango Bus service can respond to your needs. Call 07891 658769 to register.

Between 07.00 & 09.00 Monday to Friday.

Saturday journeys must be booked on Thursday or Friday

Cost of Advertising in Tiptoe News

A single advert is £15 whilst the cost of a year is £50. Per half page is £20 or £65 per year. Whole page £120

> Pat and Cyril Rendell – Joint Editors patrend46@btinternet.com

> > See Page 5

RSPCA

(24 hour Helpline to report cruelty, neglect or an animal in destress) 0300 1234 999

Environment Agency Incident line 0800 80 70 60

Hampshire Domestic Abuse Service 03300 165 112

The Farming Community Network (Suicidal feelings/or bereaved by suicide) Helpline 03000 111 999 *7am to 11pm* Email Helpline: <u>help@fcn.org.uk</u>

Victim Support

(Hampshire and IOW) 0808 178 1641 Monday to Saturday 8am to 8pm Out of hours Supportline: 0808 168 9111

How to report a road problem

If you are concerned about a pothole, poor road or pavement surface, drain or other road problem, please report it in the first instance on this link, attaching up to 3 digital photos:

https://www.hants.gov.uk/transort/ roadmaintenance/roadproblems

Or if it is very urgent ie. an immediate danger such as a fallen tree across a road, or you don't have access to the internet, call **0300 555 1388**

Most issues reported in the ways above will be dealt with in a reasonable timely manner, particularly those which are considered urgent or a danger.

If you still have concerns, let me know on 01425 614655, 07867502624 (call or Text) Or fran.carpenter@hants.gov.uk

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Tiptoe News needs YOU!

If you have a story, some news, a memory or photograph of Tiptoe, or a forthcoming event, *PLEASE* get in touch!!!!

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We deliver free to around 280 homes in the Tiptoe area. People like to support local business so why not demonstrate your commitment to the local community by contributing to this valuable community newsletter!

Deadline for contributions and articles for the next issue is 12th July 2023 See page 27 for advertising costs

What's on

St Andrews Church

1st and 3rd Sunday Morning Prayer, 2nd and 4th Sunday Holy Communion, 5th Sunday joint service with All Saints, Hordle.

River Of Life

(Assemblies of God) Church Sunday Worship Service 10.30 Everyone welcome

Hall Hire

St Andrews Church Hall

Contact Hordle parish office on 01425 626565 9.30am to 12.30pm week days <u>The Life Centre</u> Contact Joy Bingham on 01590 682638

> Mondays to Fridays Butterflies

Pre-school - term time only 9:15 - 12:15 St Andrews Church Hall - Louisa Parsons 07708001150

Wednesdays

Tiptoe Community Group Coffee Morning The Wootton and Bashley Social Club 10.30 – 11.30.

> SCARF Youth Club admin@scarfnewforest.org, 07874 221249 http://www.scarfnewforest.org/membership.htm. Email is admin@scarfnewforest.org

Carol Service on the Green 18th December 2 pm Tiptoe Quiz - see page 9

Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution

Brockenhurst Young Farmers Hall, Wootton Road, Tiptoe **Lunch** (No Booking Needed) Donations for Young Farmers Club.

12 noon

8th June, 13th July and 10th August 2023

14 June 2023

Tiptoe May Fayre Wash up meeting

All welcome 7pm Wootton and Bashley Social Club

Cream Teas

in aid of

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Air Ambulance

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If you would like to see the newsletter in colour, please contact us and we will send a pdf file. We hope you enjoyed this Newsletter. If you have any comments or would like any different articles or subjects inserted, please do not hesitate to contact us and give us your views.