BREMHILL, FOXHAM, THE TYTHERTONS AND SURROUNDING VILLAGES



May 2015

The Newsletter

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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- 16th May Calne Business Fair
- 16th May Fine Wine and Deli Supper in Tytherton Hall
- 25th May Charity barbeque Foxham
- 6th June Clay Pigeon Shoot, Wroughton
- 19th June A Sangria and Tapas Evening Tytherton Hall
- 17th July Rural Arts (Bremhill), Crunchy 'n' Sweet
- 5th Sept Village Show, Bremhill Hall
- 19th Sept Foxham Horse and Dog Show

Cover image: Riders enjoying the jumps on the Tytherton Ride.



EDITORIAL

Election fever, or sloth, has gripped the country. By the time you read this it will either be almost election day or we will know the result. Whatever complexion of parties we have governing us, it will look very different to anything we have experienced before. I just hope that our new government allows communities like ours to continue to thrive. However, I believe that it is up to us to make sure it does. Are you involved with any of the organisations that we have in the Parish of Bremhill? If you do not, have you thought of getting involved, even in the smallest way? Most of them have their contact details somewhere in the Newsletter, so do get in touch.

The Easter holidays have come and gone but weren't we blessed with the most wonderful weather? Our gardens are coming alive and the grass is growing. For those of you who are keen gardeners this is a wonderful time of year. Those of us whose role is as the "Under Gardener", we just do as we are told, usually mowing and hedge clipping! I do try and learn the name of a plant each year so I can show off but then find that I have to relearn the names of all the plants I learned in previous years. A hopeless case. I should leave it to my in-house expert and wallow in ignorance.

We will be having the Newsletter AGM in September this year. This is to allow the accounts to be audited in time. When we have fixed the date we will let you know. Last year we had the AGM in Tytherton Village Hall so this year we will go to Foxham.

David Stevens



SPECIAL NOTICES

CALLING M. HARDING

Did you come to Soup and Puds in Bremhill on Saturday, 7th February? If so, you won a raffle prize! Please contact June on 01249 816756. P.S. It is worth collecting!

CHARITY CLAY PIGEON SHOOT

Saturday 6th June

At Barbury Shooting School, Wroughton for Women V Cancer (http://www.make-a-donation.org/fundraisers/rebecca-lund-torres)

50 sporting and flush format- £240 for teams of 4 experienced guns. Novices 'have a go' 10 shots £15 or 20 shots £28. Bacon Rolls and coffee at 12.30: Shooting commences at 1.00. Prizes and Raffle. Full details on the flyers around the villages and pubs or sign up via The Dumb Post, The Rising Sun, The Foxham Inn.

I need to have at least 6 teams by 22nd May to go ahead. Contact Rebecca 740884 or rebeccalund @hotmail.com to register your team

BEETLE DRIVE

Thank you to all those who came to the Beetle Drive in Bremhill. It was a fun evening which we all enjoyed and contributed nicely towards my sponsorship for my Tanzania bike ride for Women V Cancer.

Many thanks

Rebecca Lund

CHARITY BBQ 25TH MAY

Nick & Dave's first Charity BBQ will be held at The Foxham Inn on Spring Bank Holiday Monday 25th May in aid of Dorothy House and Wiltshire Air Ambulance. There will also be a raffle with tickets available from the Foxham Inn bar.

SCHEDULES FOR BREMHILL PRODUCE SHOW 2015

You may have received a copy of the schedule by e mail. Or you can get a paper copy at Bremhill Village Hall. Either inside or from the porch or phone Marilyn 01249 661369 or Rosie 01249 813642 to get a copy to you or soon there will be a schedule on the Bremhill website which can be downloaded. Please do pass on a schedule if you know someone who would be interested and has not had one yet.

Why not try: http://tinyurl.com/produce-show-2015

Marilyn and Rosie

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RURAL ARTS TOURING.

The Croutons "Crunchy 'n' Sweet"

There are three singers in The Croutons – Wendy Sergeant, Kirsty Hafford and Chris Samuel. They have worked together, and in other groups, and have been on Local and National radio.

Mainly, they use their own voices but also sometimes have the help of "LOU" - a voice looper and three margarine tubs!

Find out more by coming along on the night.

- Date: Friday 17th July 2015 Time: doors open 7 pm for 7.30 pm
- Bremhill Village Hall.
- Tickets: £7 adults £4-50 children
- Contact: Marilyn 01249 661369 or Rosie 01249 813642

TOWN HALL MOVIOLA

Our May film will be 'The Theory of Everything' (12a) starring Eddie Redmayne who won an Oscar for his portrayal of Stephen Hawking.

Showing in the Town Hall on 20^{th} May at 7.30. Doors open as usual 7.30pm. Refreshments. Tickets £6.00 from the Information Office or on the door probably advisable to get them early.

EAST TYTHERTON VILLAGE HALL SUMMER EVENTS

All are invited to come to a "Fine Wine Tasting and Deli Evening" in the Hall at 7.30pm on Saturday 16th May. There will be a good range of wines to try and a delicious supper of assorted cold meats, cheeses, breads and accompaniments provided for you to enjoy. Tickets are £10 each from Sheila on 07719 176753, email sheila.a.laurence@gmail.com

Then on Friday 19th June at 7.30 pm, get the midsummer weekend off to a good social start at a 'Spanish Sangria and Tapas Evening'. Tickets £10 each,

further details in next month's magazine. * is there a Spanish guitar player out there who would like to come along and play background music for a small part of the evening, in return for fee entry and refreshment? If interested contact Sheila, details as above.

FOXHAM PRODUCE, FLOWER, ARTS, CRAFTS, AND PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Calling all competitive gardeners, cooks and bakers, produce makers, artists, photographers and needlework creators to the Foxham Horse and Dog Show on the 19th September.

You too could have a First Prize with your name on it!

The Vegetable, Flower, Crafts and Produce show will return this year in aid of local, county and other deserving charities. The competition will be staged in the main marquee and we will also have some hotly contested classes for youngsters and men only to showcase their skills. Whilst at the show you can watch the horse and dog competitions and the antics of our skilled young farmers to make it a great day out for the family.

Full schedules will be available from the 30th of April on the Parish website - bremhillparish.org or by contacting Richard Tucker on richard@rsjtucker.com.



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THE FOXHAM INN NEWS

Well, the Month of May is with us and that means Nick and Fay Wardle with Debbie and Dave Pearce's first Charity BBQ at the end of the month on Bank Holiday Monday, May 25th from Noon.

Their chosen Charities are Wish Upon A Star and Wiltshire Air Ambulance. There will also be a Raffle, with tickets available from the Bar.

We do hope that you will come along and support them. We would also like to thank Bill and Elsbeth Norman for the Charity BBQ's and money they have raised over the years. Thanks

Neil and Sarah Cooper.

Why not sign up for our Loyalty card. After you have collected 10 stamps on your card, you will have a free bottle of House wine with your meal! Collect 1 stamp each time you dine with us. For an Application Form, please ask Sarah at the Bar.

Robin Mills presents for The Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust

100 DAYS – ELBA to WATERLOO





Robin has been giving multi-media historical presentations for many years to audiences of charities and education. This will be his third presentation for the Trust and will precede lunch at the home of David & Anna Longridge, Fosse Farm, Shipton Moyne Road, Brokenborough, Malmesbury, Wiltshire, SN16 0QZ on:

Thursday 14th May 2015 11.45 am, talk starts 12.00 prompt.

Come and find out:

- The French & Allies strategies
- The Campaign preparations for 6 days of continuous warfare
- The weaponry used
- The key Commanders on both sides
- The two heroic battles within the battle
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BREMHILL VILLAGE HALL PRODUCE SHOW Saturday 5th September 2015

I know you have been studying the schedule and deciding which classes to enter. Some of you have noticed a new class "Home Made Cosmetic". So, what could you enter?

Here are some ideas: it can be any of the following, Cosmetics/make-up: lipsticks, foundation. Personal care/toiletries (bathroom products):- soap, shower gel. Skincare/beauty products: moisturisers, cleansers, bath treats, face masks, scrubs,

eg Oaty soapy shower scrub

- 50g fine oatmeal
- 50g grated vegetable soap (e.g. plain olive oil soap)
- 50g dried lavender

Method: Grate soap. Grind lavender using a coffee grinder. Mix ingredients in a bowl. Cut out a circle of muslin about the size of a saucer. Place a heap of mixture in the middle. Gather the muslin together and tie it tightly with string or raffia. Store bags in a glass jar. Using the bags: Soak a bag in warm water until it feels soapy. Use in the shower.

The muslin exfoliates, the oats soothe and the soap cleans. Well, this is just one idea

Or just get outside and plant out your tomatoes. Or take a photo of a Wiltshire landmark.

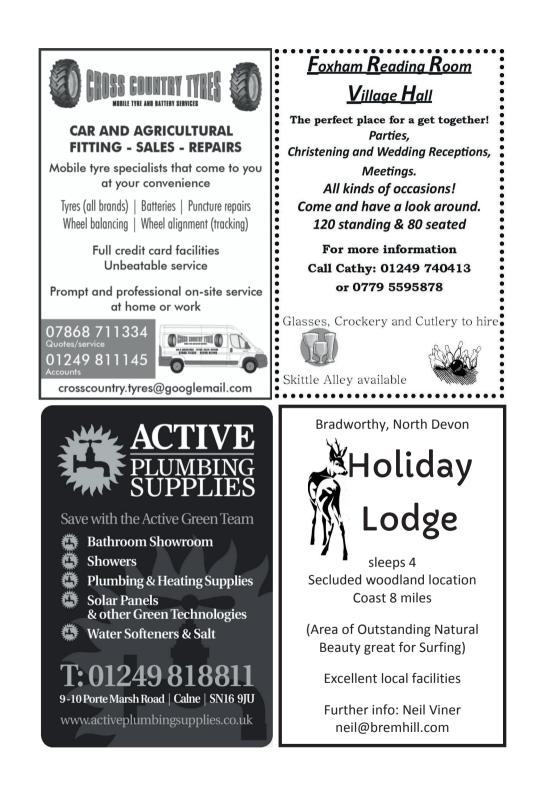
Use this QR code to get hold of a schedule or type in this web link: www.bremhill.com/village-hall/village-show

Schedules are also available in the village hall.



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To use them you will need a smartphone (or tablet) and a QR code reader App.





Ladies' Lunch Thursday 7th May

Enjoy a delicious two course lunch in the company of Laura Mayes, Wiltshire Conservative Councillor for Roundway.

"From chocolate to Children's Services" — Laura will be talking about her move from advertising to child protection and how it all happened. She will also be discussing the recent issues with child protection and child sexual exploitation.

Coming from a background in advertising Laura has lived in the heart of the Roundway Division for nearly fifteen years. She is married, has two teenage sons, and is a keen runner and surfer. Laura is now currently the Cabinet Member for Children's Services.

Join us from 12:30pm for lunch at 1:00pm to find out more.

Two courses £22.50

£5 from each person goes towards the Local Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust For more information or to make a reservation please call 01249 822228.

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POLICE REPORT

Recent local crimes

A garage at Bremhill has been entered sometime between December and March and a black and grey bike stolen. In March, offender/s stole a 75HP Mercury outboard motor from a moored fishing boat at Blackland Lake Holiday Park and a farm gate at Blackland was damaged after suspects and forced entry through it after breaking the padlock. Please remain vigilant.

Speed Enforcement

Several speed checks have been conducted this month at Ratford, Heddington, Stockley and Broad's Green.7 drivers were stopped and warned about driving over the speed limit. Sadly, some were local residents. Speed checks will continue in the coming weeks. Community Speedwatch volunteers continue to work hard on our behalf and are sending us a high number of vehicle registration numbers they have recorded driving in excess of the limits. These vehicle owners will be hearing from us in due course. Community Speedwatch are still hungry for volunteers. It is a really worthwhile work and acts as a good deterrent for reducing drivers' speeds in our rural villages.

Dog theft awareness

Although it is not common, dogs do get stolen under a variety of circumstances. We recently had some concern raised at The Gallops, but no dogs were subsequently stolen. Have you thought of micro-chipping your dog (this will be compulsory from 6th April 2016) or investing in a GPS tracking collar. Be aware of strangers taking an interest in your dog and keep your dog close at hand when walking. Stray or found dogs should always be reported to your local council dog warden.

We do try to get to Community groups as much as possible, so if you are having any kind of event you would like us to meet residents, do send myself or NPT Calne website a message to let us know and we will try our best to pop along. If you see any suspicious activity, vehicles or people, please call the police on 101. If you see a crime in progress always dial 999.

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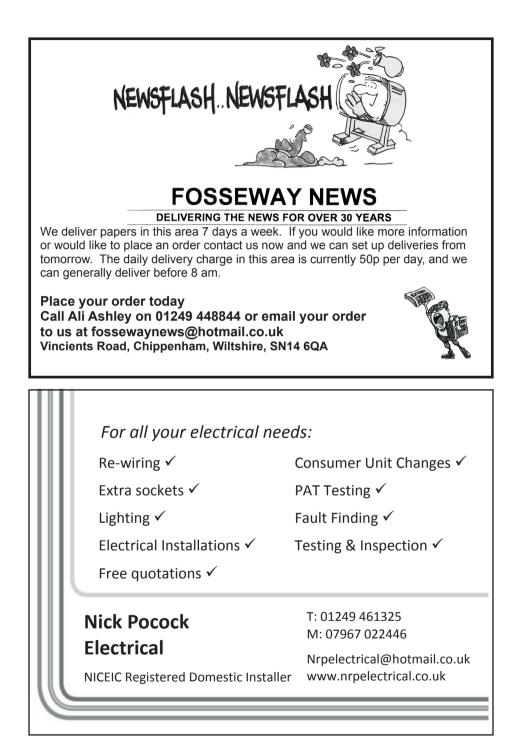
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HENRY GEORGE ASPECK

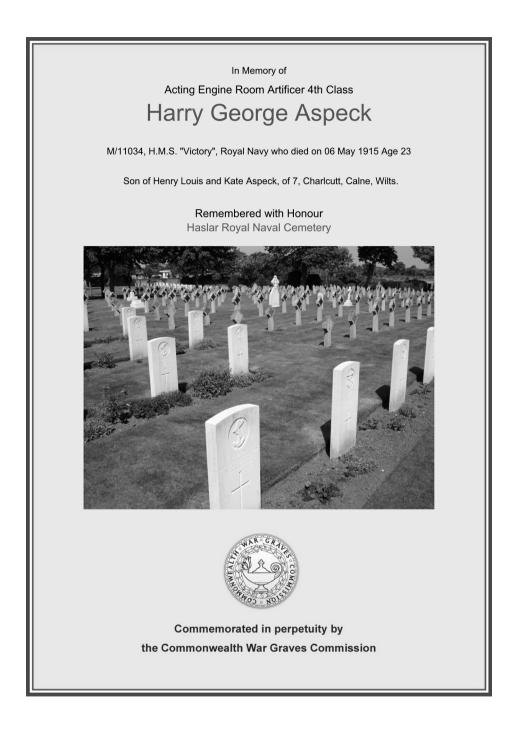
Born 27 April 1892 at Langley Burrell Died 6 May 1915 at Portsmouth 23 years old

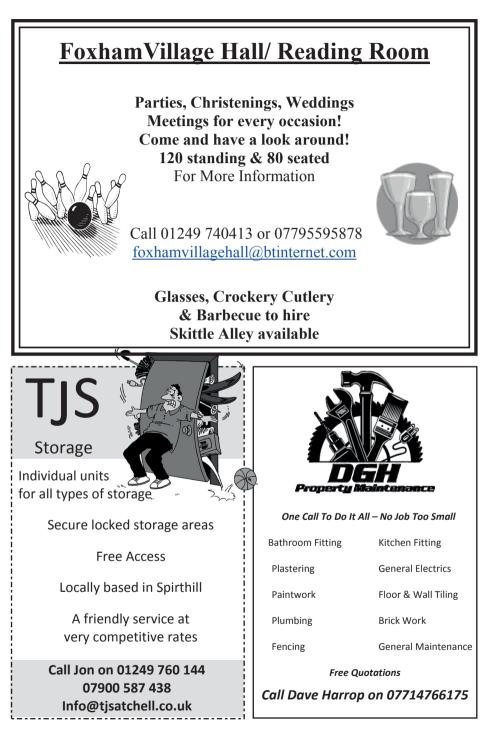
Harry, as he liked to be known, was the son of Henry Aspeck and his wife Kate (nee Cleverly). They were both Bremhill people having married in St Martins on 19th Nov. 1883. They were living at 7 Charlcutt in 1901 when Harry was at school and dad, Henry Aspeck senior, was working as a cattle man on a farm. By 1911 Henry was an apprentice at the local blacksmiths learning a trade in metalcraft and engineering, and grandmother Elizabeth Cleverly was living with the family along with sister Rose and nephew Reginald James Aspeck. Interestingly the address on the 1911 census was 'The Institute', Charlcutt.

A couple of years later in 1913 Kate died aged 57 years. Harry qualified as a blacksmith and joined the Royal Navy on the 14th December 1914. He signed up for 12 years as an Engine Smith. Harry was sent for training at HMS Victory in Portsmouth, not the famous ship of the same name but the shore based training school. At the time of joining he was described as having a 38 inch chest, 5ft 6in tall, with hazel eyes, a fair complexion and a scar on his left arm.

In late spring 1915 whilst still being trained as a naval engineer Harry was taken ill and died on 6th May 2015 in Haslar Hospital at Gosport of Cerebrospinal Meningitis. Harry is remembered in the Royal Navy cemetery in Haslar on plaque 22/19.

He is also remembered, of course, on our 3 local war memorials at Bremhill, Foxham and East Tytherton.







Charles Rodwell, A Reflection 18th April - 23rd May

Charles Rodwell has for the last 30 years lived and painted in North Wiltshire. This exhibition will focus on varied subjects ranging from local landscapes to colourful figure compositions inspired by travels to India and other destinations.

www.charlesrodwellarts.com 07584 032102

'40 Years with a Sketch Book' A free illustrated talk about the importance of drawing in the artist's work

Saturday 9th May 2015 at 2pm Please email dawnomant@aol.com to reserve a place

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TYTHERTON RIDE RAISES £10,000

The Humberts Tytherton Ride had a record number of riders for last weekend's ride across the Wiltshire countryside. The Ride, based in the parish of Bremhill, has some of the best countryside in Wiltshire including the Avon and Marden valleys.



Three hundred and eighty riders, their families, and spectators enjoyed the sunshine and excellent ground conditions. Forty jumps were erected for all levels of riders and horses, including some of our top event riders. Reybridge Eventing brought two young horses for training over the 6 mile ride. Maggie Doel said "This is a well organised event and ideal for giving young horses an opportunity to stretch their legs after the winter The jumps have been well constructed and provide a good experience for both rider and horse"

The money raised on the day will go to the Wiltshire Air Ambulance, local churches, Village Halls and Christian Malford primary School.

Chairman Ian James said "The parish of Bremhill has yet again surpassed itself with many local people out stewarding for the day. Without their support, and that of the landowners, this event would not take place"

The Tythertonride.org website and Facebook page has details of the Ride and photographs of the riders enjoying the day.





FIBRE INTERNET UPDATE

Good news for business and residents of East Tytherton, Avon, West End and Foxham! FTTC is orderable.

Here is a summary of the information we have as of mid-April 2015: Neighbourhood Plan: We are still trying to build a map of advertised and actual connectivity in the Parish to inform the Neighbourhood Plan. We'd be very grateful if you could send the output from http://dslchecker.bt.com and http://www.speedtest.net/ as well as your telephone number and postcode to broadband@bremhillparish.org, please? We are aiming to build and maintain a map of these speeds across the Parish and publish it on www.bremhillparish.org. We will not publish the phone numbers but they will help us maintain the information over the coming months.

Many thanks to those of you who have already sent their information to us, it is very useful.

Kellaways exchange (numbers starting 01249 740XXX): March came, BT Openreach was still digging... but, just as the April newsletter arrived from the printers and was being distributed, something happened. The 2 Fibre to the Cabinet (FTTC) cabinets connected to the Kellaways exchange (and located outside the Kellaways exchange and Teal Farm) were enabled on March 31. The very keen (or desperate?) among us rushed to their ISP's websites and sales lines to order upgrades. BT Openreach engineers are now starting to install these FTTC connections and we are starting to get early speed values. There have been speed improvements even for people previously on very poor or long lines (sub 1 Mbps), which is encouraging. Others on shorter lines are seeing speeds of 60 Mbps. These values will evolve (hopefully positively) over the next few days as the lines settle.

So, if your phone number starts with 01249 740XXX, head to http://dslchecker.bt.com. If you see 2 FTTC lines in the output, you are now able to order FTTC from the ISP of your choice. If you do order, please report your line speed to us by emailing broadband@bremhillparish.org so we can use the input in the Neighbourhood Plan. Unfortunately, residents of Charlcutt and Tytherton Lucas are too far from the new FTTC cabinets so you won't be able to order a fibre Internet service, yet. The fibre Internet service is only viable with lines up to 1.6/1.7 km long (from the FTTC cabinet to your premises).

All other villages: We are trying to get answers and timelines but it is not easy. BT Openreach are working on a number of additional cabinets and are connecting them as quickly as they can (to the Calne and Hilmarton exchanges in particular) before they reach the end of this tranche of funding. Unfortunately, there is little news, yet, on what will happen next.

If you are within 1.7 km of one of the new green roadside cabinets, it is worth checking the http://dslchecker.bt.com website regularly for signs of progress. If you can see two FTTC lines in the output, you can order FTTC from the ISP of your choice if you so wish but be prepared for the possibility that you may be told that you are too far away from the cabinet to maintain a stable connection.

Should you have questions that you would like help with, feel free to contact us either through www.bremhillparish.org or directly.

Jérôme Semichon (jerome@ausculta.co.uk), Scott Walsh (scottwalsh72@googlemail.com) and Richard Tucker (Bremhill Parish Councillor for the Foxham Ward, richard@rsjtucker.com).



SMALL THOUGHTS FROM A LARGE CLERGYMAN

Try as I might, I can't really avoid a few words about the subject that is on everyone's minds this month – go on, you know what I'm talking about – yes you do, it's the General Election on the 7th May!

The constant news items and discussions on television, radio and newspapers may be getting a little boring by now, and we might well be saying "I'm glad when the whole thing is over and we can get back to criticising whichever party (or parties) wins". And perhaps that is one of the most important reasons why we should take an interest in the whole process, and why we should use our vote - hard won for us in the past – the fact that in our democracy we can criticise our government and perhaps even more importantly we can change it after five years!

As a fairly non-political person I certainly would not want to make any comments that could be interpreted as "party political". But, nevertheless, as a Christian, I would like our government (of whatever hue) to have as part of its core values a general feeling for what we might term "old – fashioned morality ".

It might be taking things to extremes to expect any government to have as its unpublished manifesto the list that Jesus gave us in Matthew Chapter 5 (known as the Sermon on the Mount or The Beatitudes). A list of qualities by which he would expect Christians to aspire to in their earthly lives. All beginning with the words "Blessed are they......".

It would however be good if shining through all the many decisions that Governments have to make would be a concern for social justice and equality not spurred on by any thoughts of political advantage but by a feeling "that it's the right thing to do". We are told that at present there is an enormous gap between the richest and poorest in our land. It is in the power of government to do something about this discrepancy, remembering as it does those words of Christ "Truly, I say, whatever you do for the least of my brethren, you also do for me.".

God Bless you.

Jim Scott

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH. Foxham

3 rd May	9.30 am	D. Milligan
5 Easter	Holy Communion	Acts 8: 26-end
10 th May	9.30 am	R. Pegler
6 Easter	Family Service	John 15: 9-17
Thursday 14 th May Ascension Day	7.30 pm Holy Communion at	Derry Hill
17 th May 7 Easter	11 am (United Benefice) Derry Hill Family Service (Christian Aid) All welcome. * Please see comment below	
24 th May Pentecost	6 pm Evensong	D. Wilton Acts 2: 1-21 John 15: 26-27 & 16: 4b-15
31⁵t May	9.30 am	A. Glass
Trinity Sunday	Holy Communion	Romans 8: 12-17
7 th June	9.30 am	E. Hannah
1 after Trinity	Holy Communion	2 Corinthians 4: 13-5: 1

*The Three parishes will come together for this service which will be followed by a 'bring and share' lunch. After lunch everyone is invited to join in a discussion of Bishop Nicholas's project to 'Pray, Serve and Grow' in our churches. Archdeacon Ruth will lead us in discussion. This is an open invitation to anyone who is interested in developing the church contribution to society as a whole.

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For any information (Weddings, Funerals, Christenings and Special services)Contact:Rev. Ann Massey01249 817926ea.massey@btinternet.comRev. Jim Scott01249 813114jim@bremhill.com

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ST NICHOLAS CHURCH, TYTHERTON LUCAS

3 rd May	Morning Service	10:00 am	Margaret Gubbins
10 th May	Eucharist	8.30 am	Jim Scott
17 th May	Mattins	10:00 am	Brian Pettifer
24 th May	Eucharist	8.30 am	Jeremy Bray
31 st May	Evening Service	6.30 pm	Rod Key

We held our AGM on Sunday 22nd March. The committee stays the same as last year with Mike Holtham as Treasurer, Elizabeth Sexton as Sacristan, Sheila Laurence as Secretary and Petrina Drewett as a Committee Member. Brian Elliot is our Church Warden.

We had great fun at our skittles evening in Tytherton Village Hall on Saturday 21st March. My husband Chris was the very able barman for the evening and also managed to win the prize for the highest score for a man. The ladies prize went to Sue Key after a 'Bowl off' with Olivia Bailey. We enjoyed the ploughman's supper and also held a raffle. We raised £85 for church funds.

We are now looking forward to our Sunday Lunch on May 17th in Bosmere Barn. We are hoping for a lovely warm sunny day like last year when we were able to go into the garden. We are very grateful to Ian and Jane James for their kindness in letting us use this very pleasant venue.

Tickets are £7.50 each obtainable from:

Sheila 01249 740687 or Elizabeth 01249 660235.

	Service	Sidesmen	Readers
3 rd May Easter 5	8:00 am Holy Communion 6:00 pm Evensong	N Kyte A Woods & D Kyte	Acts 8: 26-end Nicol Jordan John 15: 1-8 Mrs Judy Scott
10 th May Rogation Sunday	11:00 am Holy Communion	A Jones & L Jones	Acts 10: 44-end Mr Francis Pearson
Thursday 14 th May Ascension Day	7.30 pm Holy Communion Derry Hill Church		
17 th May Easter 7	11 am United Benefice Service at Derry Hill	* Please see comment below Foxham Services	
24 th May Whit Sunday	9.30 Family Service	Children	Acts 2: 1-21 A young Person
31 st May Trinity Sunday	9.30 Family Communion	P Rawlings & B Rawlings	Romans 8: 12-17 Mrs Nancy Kyte
7 th June Trinity 1	8:00 am Holy Communion 6:00 pm Evensong	N Jordan K Webb & K Blackmore	l Samuel 8: 4-20 Mrs Jane Jordan Mark 3: 20-end Mr Mervyn Wells

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ST MARTIN'S CHURCH, BREMHILL

ST MARTIN'S NOTICES

Thank you to all who decorated the Church so beautifully for the Pearson Wedding, in particular Philippa Stevens and for Easter Sunday Services. We had a good congregation and the Easter Egg Hunt was its usual splendid success – thank you, Jim, for the eggs!

Help for the Churchyard mowing. Thank you – we have a volunteer to help in the Churchyard – Mr Arnold Woods, to whom we are most grateful, but we do need more!

Church Cleaning Rota. If you can find an hour or two to help clean the Church or polish the Brass, please put your name down as a volunteer. It will be much appreciated. Please bring your own cleaning materials, but there is a fine vacuum cleaner at the back of the Church

Devizes Mobile Library calls at Naish House Farm, Spirthill, on every other Monday afternoon at 2 pm - 2.30 pm - 18 May - only one visit owing to the Bank Holiday.

There is also a library in Church, of course - just put 20p in the Fabric Collection Box and the book is yours. The books are all in two bookcases and in alphabetical order!

If you have any items of local Church or Village News for the June 2015 edition of this Newsletter, please give them to either Derek Kyte (815073) or to me Jane Jordan (812083) in time for the 8 May 2015 deadline. Thank you.



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St Martins Church - Bremhill

The month of May has always been linked to the idea of fun and jollity, young love and looking forward to the richness of summer. Shakespeare talks of the "Darling buds of May..." and traditional activities such as dancing around the may-pole all celebrate the fertility of coming months.

THE MAY-POLE

Robert Herrick (1591-1674)

The May-pole is up, Now give me the cup, I'll drink to the garlands around it ; But first unto those Whose hands did compose The glory of flowers that crown'd it.

A health to my girls, Whose husbands may earls Or lords be, granting my wishes, And when that ye wed To the bridal bed, Then multiply all, like to fishes

But it doesn't always work like that, as this rather sad little poem about fickleness by the American poet Sarah Teasdale shows.

ΜΑΥ

Sarah Teasdale

The wind is tossing the lilacs, The new leaves laugh in the sun, And the petals fall on the orchard wall, But for me the spring is done.

Beneath the apple blossoms I go a wintry way, For love that smiled in April Is false to me in May.



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