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Time to say thanks to those snow heroes who helped in our recent incarceration. Liz & Chris Ball's Good Neighbourhood transport for Di's outpatient trip was traditionally rewarded when they too were snowed up with huge drifts a few days later.

Georgina & Ray Oldham are always heroes in getting the papers round. This time often assisted by Annie Weatherley & Sheila Agius who became our volunteer postmen.

Annie W 4x4'd me to the shops, then Em Lanfear got me to work a couple of times plus rescuing the odd resident hiking from cars abandoned in Andoversford.

Bill Lanfear transported the Rural Cinema kit from Toddington. Sad the treacherous ice made us cancel the show - didn't want any broken bones.

The pub too made great efforts, ferrying deliveries arriving in the village down to the pub - on foot & sometimes by 4x4.

Many have praised Milkman Mark for his extraordinary feats in delivering milk under such harsh conditions. Did better than the supermarkets.

Try www.sevenhampton.org/tradespeople for details of all the tradesmen who service the villages including Mark.

Many heroes are missing from this list but between them all, they made a problematic - if pretty - time bearable. Thanks to them all.

The PC is drawing up plans for future emergencies. Your help is needed (see opposite).

Items for the next Issue (April/May) by 20th. March please.

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**Thursday 18th February
At 7.00pm in the Reading Room**
Find out from National Grid representatives how much disruption we may experience in the coming months when the high pressure gas pipeline is being constructed through the parish.

Street Names

The Parish Council has decided not to go ahead with the 'formal' naming of streets which would have obliged residents to use the names in their address.

Instead it has been resolved to produce a map for local use showing names commonly used for our lanes. This could be given to newcomers to the village. It would also be an opportunity to give names to some of the roads which do not currently have a locally accepted label

Annual Parish Meeting,

Sevenhampton Parish

Will be held on

Wednesday 17th March 2010

In the Reading Room at 7.00pm

This will be followed by a meeting of
Sevenhampton Parish Council

Sevenhampton Parish Council EMERGENCY PLANNING

Following the aftermath of the floods in 2007, and more recently the snow, and in common with many other parish councils, it has been decided to set up a Community Emergency Plan.

Volunteers are being sought for this, initially to take part in a working party, and then to help co-ordinate if and when a situation arises.

Please contact the Clerk on
01242 820718 for more details.
Parish Clerk -oOo- January 2010

Village Hall Repairs and Development Fund

For some time people in the village have been organising fundraising events to improve the Fund.

Their efforts, and villagers excellent support of events, mean that we are increasing the Fund steadily in preparation for repairs and improvements which are going to be essential over the next two to three years.

All your contributions and support are very much appreciated by your Committee and we will keep you informed as and when the programme of work unfolds. Many thanks,

Brian Turner Chairman

PRODUCE SHOW & FETE

The A.G.M. was held on 9th November and, due to the success of the Show, significant contributions were able to be made to local causes, as follows:- £750 to St. Andrew's Church Restoration Fund; £575 towards the maintenance of Rhodes Hall & Buildings (specifically, on this occasion, the stone shed at the rear); £100 to 1st Sevenhampton Scout Troop for camping equipment

The committee thanked Brian and Tania at Gassons Farm for their generous donations of meat for the BBQ and the auction and all those who helped to make the Show so successful.

The committee and officers were re-elected for another year.

The 2010 Show will take place on Saturday 28 August, so please put the date in your diary now!

The Show Schedules will be distributed in April, so keep a look out for them. In the meantime if you get a chance with the weather being so bad, put some compost on the top of your veggie patch/flower bed; it will leach into the soil and refresh it for the season to come.

Based on last year's Show and the number of entries and participants, the committee believe that targets of 120 participants (106 this year) and 600 entries (546 last year) are readily attainable. See you (and your entries) there!

YOUR Show needs MORE of you!

John Benson, Chairman, Produce Show Committee

Thursday 11th February
7.30pm Rhodes Memorial Hall

PAUL BETTANY JENNIFER CONNELLY



The powerful and true-life
tale of Charles Darwin

tickets £3.00 available on the door
or from Julia Chandler 01242 820629

What happens when a world-renowned scientist, crushed by the loss of his eldest daughter, formulates a theory in conflict with religious dogma? This is the story of Charles Darwin and his master-work "The Origin of Species". It tells of a global revolution played out the confines of a small English village; a passionate marriage torn apart by the most dangerous idea in history; and a theory saved from extinction by the logic of a child.

Further details -

www.sevenhampton.org/films
Also, Wednesday 24th March - film TBA

Village Diary

including ✕ Church Services

February

Mon 1st 7.30pm Rhodes Hall - W.I.
Thu 4th 7.30pm Craven Arms - Quiz Night
Sun 7th 6.30pm ✕ Sevenh. - Evensong
Tue 9th 3.00pm Rhodes Hall - Century Club
Thu 11th 7.30 pm Rhodes Hall - Film Show
Sun 14th 11.00am ✕ Ch. Abbotts - Matins
Wed 17th 7.30pm Rhodes Hall - Garden Club
Thu 18th 7.00pm R. Room - Pipeline Meeting
Sun 21st 11.00am ✕ Sevenh. - Holy Commn.
Sun 28th 11.00am ✕ Sevenh. - Family Service

March

Mon 1st 7.30pm Rhodes Hall - W.I.
Thu 4th 7.30pm Craven Arms - Quiz Night
Sun 7th 6.30pm ✕ Sevenh. - Evensong
Tue 9th 3.00pm Rhodes Hall - Century Club
Sun 14th 11.00am ✕ Ch. Abbotts - Holy Comm
Wed 17th 7.00pm Rhodes H. - Parish Meeting
Fri 19th 7.30pm Rhodes Hall - Garden Club
Sat 20th 2.15pm Rhodes Hall - Jumble Sale
Sun 21st 11.00am ✕ Sevenh. - Holy Commn.
Wed 24th 7.30pm Rhodes Hall - Film Show
Thu 25th 6.00pm Rh. H. - vestry & APCM
Sun 28th 11.00am ✕ Sevenh. - Family Service

Also - two dates for April:-

Sunday 25th April at 3pm

Old Fashioned Afternoon Tea Party .

Enjoy supping tea and tucking into delicious sandwiches and cakes whilst a string quartet plays in the background . Proceeds to the village hall.

Monday 12th April

W.I .Open Meeting (see above right)

Please Don't Pinch Grit

This may seem a little petty but could have serious consequences. We all know about the recent bad weather and what it did to the roads and our ability to get out and about. However, it seems that some people have been removing a little more than just the odd shovelful to clear their own driveways. Clearly if we all did this it could have consequences for other road users. No gritting of teeth now!



"Honesty is like an icicle; if once it melts that is the end of it." - American proverb.

Parish of Sevenhampton with Charlton Abbotts

The Annual Vestry Meeting

for election of Churchwardens,
followed immediately by

the Annual Parochial Church Meeting

(APCM) will be held

in the Rhodes Memorial Hall

on 25 March starting at 6.00p.m.

All residents of the Parish are invited to attend and are entitled to vote in the Vestry Meeting, though only members on the Parish Electoral Roll may vote at the APCM.

Saturday 20th March

JUMBLE SALE

Rhodes Memorial Hall

2.15pm

Proceeds to Hall and Church funds

Any items for sale to be taken to the hall 10am on the morning of the sale or contact Clem Holland on 820318 to make other arrangements.

Craven Arms

01242 820410

Don't forget the regular

Quiz nights

Thursdays 4th February & 4th March

NB: The pub will be closed on the evening of 19th February for a private function

Sevenhampton & District

Women's Institute

Meetings

Monday 1st February

Diane Gaskins

Cooking

Monday 1st March

Paul McGuire

'Life as a Butlins Redcoat'

Monday 12th April

OPEN MEETING

Everyone is invited to come along and

listen to a talk by Jack Stringer on

'The History of Whittington Court'

7.30 p.m. in the Rhodes Memorial Hall

If you aren't a member come along anyway and give it a go.

Further information from

Georgina Oldham 820423



The Village
GARDEN CLUB
of Sevenhampton & District

Meetings

Wednesday 17th February

As our speaker has unfortunately had to cancel we will hold the Photo Evening, postponed from January. Come along and see members ideas of 'A Garden in Six Pictures', enjoy a glass (or more) of wine and a bite to eat, and blow your winter woes away..

Friday 19th March

Glenis Dyer - 'Clematis, the Ultimate Social Climber'

7.30pm in Rhodes Memorial Hall

Non-members are welcome to attend our meetings for a fee of £3

Further information from the Secretary,
Cindy Haines 820914

CENTURY CLUB

The Century Club meets on the Second Tuesday of the month in the village hall at 3.0 pm. Anyone of retirement age is welcome to join, a talk or activity is followed by a substantial tea. Sometimes there are a lunchtime or afternoon outings.

Tuesday 9th February

Brian Partridge - 'You Cannot be Serious'

Tuesday 9th March

AGM & 'Fun' Whistdrive

For further information contact

Iris Young 01242 583098

Good
Neighbourhood
Scheme



If you need help with transport etc
ring a coordinator

☎ **Sheila Agius 820102**

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☎ **Thora Corris 820242**