

NETHERAVON, HAXTON & FITTLETON NEWSLETTER

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

July 2023

1 st	10am – 1pm	Monthly Market	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon
11 th	7:30pm	Fittleton cum Haxton Parish Council Mtg	All Saints Church, Fittleton
15 th	11am – 2pm	Fittle Fete	Fittleton Green
20 th	7:00pm	Netheravon Parish Council Mtg	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon
30 th	2:00pm	Monthly Prize Bingo	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon

August 2023

5 th	tba	Summer Fete	Working Men's Club
5 th	10am – 1pm	Monthly Market	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon
27 th	2:00pm	Monthly Prize Bingo	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon

MINI DIRECTORY

(01980 unless otherwise stated)

Phoenix Hall Bookings (Pam/Steve Perry)	670021
Day Centre (Caroline A-F)	670364
Rev. Gale Hunt, Avon River Team	670326
Rev. Barry Davis, Amesbury Baptist Centre	622355
Christ the King, Catholic Church, Amesbury	622177
Rev. Rosemary Fletcher, Amesbury Methodist Church	01722 703045
SSAFA Forces Help	632567
Plainwatch	674700
Durrington & District Link Scheme	07484 533559
AWS JOBS, Pre-Schools, Creches	673379
Scout Group for Boys & Girls	07768 579314
Enford Football Club, Children's Coaching Club	670634
Wiltshire Councillor, Ian Blair-Pilling	07518 942216
Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers contact	girlguiding.org.uk/joinus

Avon River Team Service Schedule for July 2023

Parish\Date	July 2	July 9	July 16	July 23	July 30
Bulford	10.30 Team Service at Durrington	11.00 HC	10.30 Family Service	11.00 HC	11.00 Morning Worship
Durrington		9.30 Fun Church	9.30 HC	9.30 Informal HC	9.30 HC
Enford		9.30 HC	9.30 Breakfast Church	18.00 Evensong	9.30 HC
Figheldean		18.00 Evening Worship	11.00 HC	11.00 Breakfast Church	11.00 Morning Worship
Fittleton		With Netheravon	6.00 Evensong		11.00 HC BCP
Milston		9.30 HC BCP	9.30 HC BCP	9.30 Matins	
Netheravon		11.00 HC	With Fittleton	11.00 Morning Worship	17.00 Songs of Praise
On-line	8.00 pm Zoom Compline	8.00 pm Zoom Compline	8.00 pm Zoom Compline	8.00 pm Zoom Compline	8.00 pm Zoom Compline
<p>10.00 Every Wed HC at Bulford 10.30 Every Thursday HC at Durrington HC=Holy Communion; BCP=Book of Common Prayer; CW=Common Worship For Video streams please access the website at avonriverteam.org.uk</p>					

Netheravon Library

Opening Hours:

Monday 1pm to 5pm

Thursday 1pm to 5pm



The Humble Pretzel

Did you know the humble Pretzel has a Christian origin? In 610 AD, an unnamed Italian gave pretzels as a reward to children who had learnt their prayers. He called the strips of baked dough, 'preiola', meaning "little rewards". The dough was folded to resemble arms crossing the chest and it later became a symbol of the Holy Trinity. Three loops in one pretzel!

What do we use as a "Little reward" in our life? What treats do we give ourselves? A bar of chocolate, a bottle of wine, a weekend away, a meal out, a new handbag or the latest gizmo. Perhaps we want to reward ourselves, because we don't feel anyone else will reward us? I wonder whether these little rewards are, in fact, little distractions. Is there something amiss in the rest of our life that means we feel the need to indulge in these little rewards? Do we need a higher purpose: something else to work for?

For the faithful, heaven is going to be a whole bag full of pretzels! How do we get our reward? Well, nothing we can do will earn our way to Heaven. As the 17th C Puritan, Thomas Hooker, lay dying, a friend said, "Brother, are you going to receive the reward of your labours." He humbly replied, "Brother, I am going to receive mercy." Lasting rewards come from God and God alone.

Little pretzels look fairly insignificant, but on the 13th January 2002, a pretzel nearly assassinated the president of the USA, George W Bush, by choking him. We, like the humble pretzel, may look insignificant, but by being faithful to God, we can have a huge impact on our world and be truly fulfilled in our lives.

Every blessing,

Rev Philip Bromiley

**Phoenix Hall
Annual General Meeting
Phoenix Hall,
6:30pm, Wednesday 12th July**

This is an opportunity for residents of Netheravon and Fittleton cum Haxton parishes to catch up on the year's activity at their hall and to comment.

Everybody is invited.

We look forward to welcoming you to the meeting

It's so easy to book a slot at **Phoenix Hall, Netheravon.**

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**Friends of Netheravon school PTFA
Monthly Prize Bingo
Netheravon Phoenix Hall
Doors Open at 2pm**

Sun 30th July 2023

Sun 27th Aug 2023

Sun 24th Sept 2023

Sun 29th Oct 2023

Sun 26th Nov 2023



**Monthly Markets
Netheravon Phoenix Hall
10am to 1PM**

Sat 1st July 2023

Sat 5th Aug 2023

Sat 2nd Sep 2023

Sat 7th Oct 2023

Sat 4th Nov 2023

Sat 2nd Dec 2023

Netheravon Working Men's Club

Our Pool team have won the Salisbury Inter Clubs Pool Cup. Last time they won it was 2005/6.

Wednesday Skittles League is now up and running. We have added a Joker End. Double points!!
We have some interesting names for Skittles Teams "Barmy Army", "4 Nations" and of course
"Taste the Rainbow "(Skittles sweets), to name a few.

*Our Fortnightly Saturday Quiz is very popular.

*Our very own Fete is on Saturday 5th August. BBQ, Tombola, Raffle and Bric-a-Brac. Not forgetting the Ukulele Band and cake stall.

*We are being featured in September issue of the CAMRA magazine, Barrel Organ.
Looking forward to it.

Still no results from the Regionals.

New Members always welcome to our friendly Club.

We have Bingo on Thursdays. Golden Key and Tote on Fridays. Fridays are Darts night, very entertaining!!

Fortnightly Quiz on Saturdays. Also, Discos and Bands on various weekends.

Gary Davis (Chairman)

CHEERFUL CUPPA

**Will be raising funds for
Cardiac Risk in the
Young**

**On Tuesday, 11th July
10.00am - 12 noon
Phoenix Hall**

**Jake Brown will be walking 90 miles over
5 days at the end of July along the
Scottish coastline.**

**COME AND JOIN US FOR
TEA, COFFEE
AND HOMEMADE CAKES
BRIC A BRAC, RAFFLE AND BRING AND BUY**

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Fittleton cum Haxton Parish Council

The next meeting of Fittleton cum Haxton Parish Council will take place at All Saints Church, Fittleton on Tuesday 11 July at 7:30pm.

The parish council meets at the church in May and July, to ensure that residents have easy access to the meeting. Other meetings in September, November, January and March are held in Phoenix Hall at 7:30pm on the second Tuesday of the month.

Residents are welcome to come along to the meetings and are encouraged to bring any issues to the attention of councillors. If you wish to draw the council's attention to any issues, you should email the parish clerk at clerkfittletonhaxton@gmail.com or telephone **01980 464262**.

Philip Wilkinson, Wiltshire Police and Crime Commissioner's Report

The fifth phase of a regional drugs operation involving all five South West Police and Crime Commissioners, their respective police forces, the South West Regional Organised Crime Unit (SWROCU), and key partners including British Transport Police, launched again last week. This time round, the operation will focus on the supply chain by organised crime groups and associated crime, in particular modern slavery (criminal exploitation), human trafficking and organised immigration crime.

This week in Wiltshire, local officers from the Neighbourhood Policing Team conducted a drugs' warrant in the Marlborough area. A quantity of Class B drugs was seized and subsequently a male was arrested, interviewed and released whilst an investigation takes place.

Wiltshire Police and Crime Commissioner Phillip Wilkinson said: "I've always been clear that drug crime isn't just a problem for urban police forces. Since taking office, I've been listening to concerns and visited several communities where drug crime, and related anti-social behaviour, blights daily lives.

"Drugs have a huge detrimental impact – from drug cultivation and its links with the exploitation of children and vulnerable people, modern slavery and gang culture, to the direct effects of drug taking including violent crime and associated anti-social behaviour - the ripples are felt in every corner.

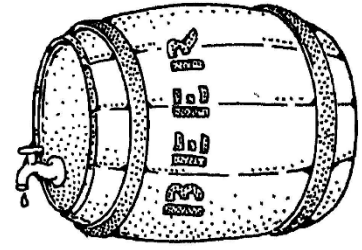
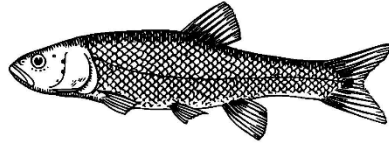
"I'm really pleased to already be seeing officers take robust action in Marlborough in direct response to reports of community intelligence. We can only take action like this with the help of the community, and by working together it leads to positive results.

"Tackling crimes that matter to our communities and reducing violence and serious harm are clear priorities within my police and crime plan, and this regional operation is directly contributing to Making Wiltshire Safer - and making the whole of the South West a hostile environment for drugs."

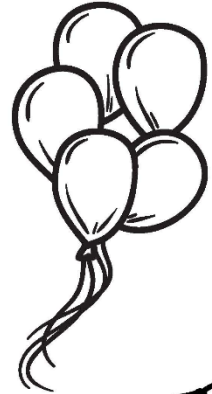
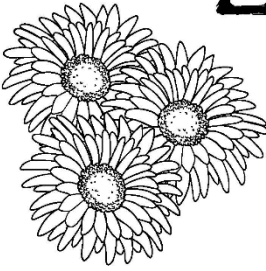
To report your concerns or to find out more about the signs of cannabis cultivation please visit Crimestoppers.

SPTA NEWS

For Salisbury Plain Training Area News, giving times of live firing, current and upcoming exercises, go to:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/salisbury-plain-training-area-spta-newsletter>



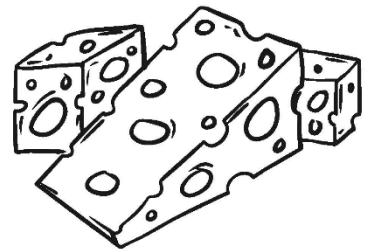
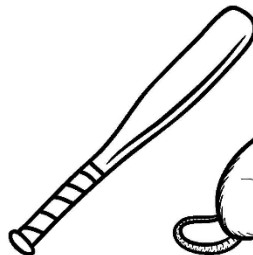
FITTLE FETE



Fittleton Green

Saturday
15th July

11 am - 2 pm



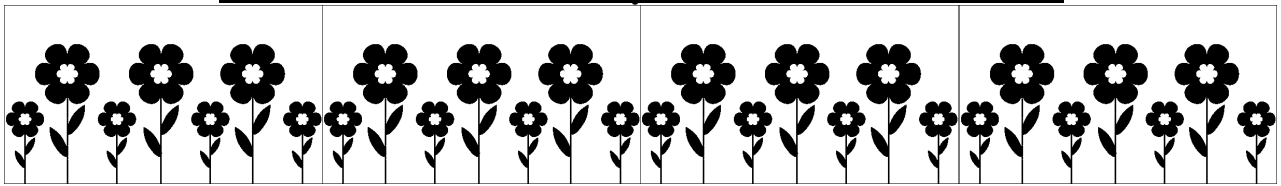
NETHERAVON IN BLOOM

We are running Netheravon in Bloom once again and the Parish Council would like to encourage everyone to keep their front gardens spick and span and plant a lovely display which will be judged at the end of July.

Also there will be a 'Best Hanging Basket' category which will be judged at the same time.

Allotments will be judged in July before the crops are harvested.

If you have any queries please contact
clerk@netheravonparishcouncil.co.uk



NETHERAVON PARISH COUNCIL

Vacancy for a Councillor

The Parish Council are looking for someone who would be interested in becoming a Parish Councillor. There is one vacancy on the Council which can be filled by co-option. If you are interested in making a difference to the community and would like to help make the village a great place to live in, please contact the Clerk at clerk@netheravonparishcouncil.co.uk or ring 01980 670748 for more details.

A345

In the next month or two there will be a trial 40mph speed in force on the A345 through Netheravon. The proposition is out for consultation at the moment but the signs are that it will be agreed. As soon as this is finalised the Parish Council will be purchasing, with the help of a grant, three SIDs (Speed Indicator Devices) to put along the road. Volunteers will also be trained by the police to do Speedwatch duties to catch speeding drivers. If anyone would like to volunteer to be part of the Speedwatch team, please contact the Clerk on clerk@netheravonparishcouncil.co.uk.

Allotments

The Clerk reported that there is an allotment vacant at the Pigott Close Allotments. This will be divided into two and cultivated if the Council can find two people who would like to take them on.

If anyone is interested in taking on an allotment, please contact the Clerk at clerk@netheravonparishcouncil.co.uk or 01980 670748.

Community Allotment

Cllr. Ayling reported that the Community Allotment project is going well. The greenhouse has been repaired and planted with tomatoes. The rest of the allotment has been fully planted by enthusiastic volunteers. If anyone would like to join the group, they meet every Sunday morning from 10-12noon at the allotment in the Pigott Close Allotments. You would be very welcome.

Community Larder

The Community Larder has recently been decorated with the help of the Netheravon Art Group. It looks very bright and colourful. Thanks to everyone who participated.

Next Meeting The next meeting of Netheravon Parish Council will be on Thursday, 20th July, 2023 at 7.00pm in the Phoenix Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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